

Minutes, June 13, 1931.

Regular meeting of the Knights of Malta held on Saturday, June 13, 1931 at 6:00 p.m. at the Waldorf Astoria Hotel in New York City.

Meeting called for the regular business of the Order and for the consideration of certain amendments to the Constitution and By-laws.

Chairman-Lieut. Grand Master: Dr. W. S. Bryant.
Secretary-Grand Chancellor: Dr. J. G. B. Bulloch.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The report of the Committee on Finance was read and approved.

Eight names and ranks were submitted by the Membership and Credentials Committees for the approval of the members.

On a motion by Count Olsufiev, seconded by Bainbridge Colby, it was moved that the list be accepted and recorded. Passed by a majority vote.

The Chair then read the proposed amendments for the Constitution and By-laws as suggested by the Grand Master:

"Resolved that the Sovereign Order of Saint John of Jerusalem in America shall be defined as a non-profit Religious and Military organization of a knightly character, devoted to defending, protecting, conserving and perpetuating the Christian Religion, conducting various acts of charity to all deserving, without regard to class, race or religion." Amendment for Chapter II. (Purpose).

Resolved that "Knights of Justice" be included in Chapter XVII regarding voting rights.

Upon a motion by Count Boutourlin, seconded by Thourot Pichel, it was moved that the above two amendments be added to the Constitution and By-laws as soon as possible. Motion passed by majority vote.

The Chair announced the following promotions directed by our 71st Grand Master, H.I.H. Grand Duke Alexander of Russia:

Dr. J. G. B. Bulloch, to Grand Cross of Justice.
Baron Scipio Engelhardt, to Grand Cross of Justice.
Barclay Harding Warburton, to Knight Commander of Grace.
Duke de Richelieu, to Knight Commander of Justice.
Prince Michael Cantacuzene, to Knight Commander of Justice.

The Chair requested Bishop Candler to lead the knights in prayer.

There being no further business, and on a motion by Thourot Pichel, the meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

(Signed) Wm. Schier Bryant, President
(Signed) J. G. B. Bulloch, Secretary.

