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*Exalted Ruler Elect*



JOHN J. DOYLE  
*Past Exalted Ruler*

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Feb. 27, 1924  
Inner Guard—1926-  
1927  
Esquire—1927-1928  
Leading Knight—1928-  
1929  
Chairman, New Members  
Committee  
Chairman, Old Timers  
Committee  
Chairman, Art Committee

**I**NITIATED—  
Nov. 11, 1914  
Loyal Knight—1925-  
1926  
Leading Knight—1926-  
1927  
Exalted Ruler—1927-1929  
Vice-President, Elks  
Building Association  
1920-1929  
President, State Elks  
Association, 1928-1929

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*Theo. Sumnerland 1888-1889	L. Youngworth 1909-1910
*J. H. Polk 1889-1890	E. B. Drake 1910-1911
*J. M. Meredith 1890-1891	J. F. Howard 1911-1912
*W. Hovey Clark 1891-1892	Ed. B. Lewis 1912-1913
*Frank Holtlander 1892-1893	Ed. A. Hogan 1913-1914
*W. Hovey Clark 1894-1895	L. L. Broedeen 1914-1915
*Ernest W. Fleming 1895-1896	M. F. Shannon 1915-1916
*Alexander Ryan 1896-1897	W. G. Satter 1916-1917
*W. F. Kennedy 1897-1898	C. G. Pyle 1917-1918
*John E. Brink 1898-1899	P. D. Robinson 1918-1919
*T. J. Darnedy 1899-1900	*Geo. Goldsmith 1919-1920
*John G. Mast 1900-1901	Lloyd E. Mace 1920-1921
*John G. Mast 1901-1902	N. A. Bailie 1921-1922
*M. K. Young 1902-1903	Ray A. Laswell 1922-1923
*E. Erkenbrecher 1903-1904	Ingall W. Bull 1923-1924
Ralph Hagan 1904-1905	G. M. Brealin 1924-1925
Frank Bryson 1905-1906	*F. E. Pierce 1925-1926
Will Oliver 1906-1907	R. E. Hill 1926-1927
*Hoy Stephens 1907-1908	John J. Doyle 1927-1928
M. J. McGarry 1908-1909	John J. Doyle 1928-1929

\*Deceased

### Past Exalted Rulers by Affiliation

Chas. A. Betzler	Roger H. Hostetler	F. Cooke Caldwell
Dr. Frank P. Young	J. K. Russell	George Blake
Clarence Urban	Galen Peoples	Walter Eden
M. J. Malaby	Walter S. Coen	A. M. Smock

JOIN WIDOW'S MITE  
See Chas. Morgan, Paul Robinson,  
or Ike Wentworth

## EDITORIAL

# VALEDICTORY OF PAST EXALTED RULER

By John J. Doyle

IT HAS been said that when a man wishes to be pungent in his remarks he should be brief; "for it is with words as with sunbeams, the more that they are condensed, the deeper they burn." It is on an occasion such as this, when one is confronted with the passing of time and change, that I would wish with all my heart for some brief sentence in some powerfully condensed form, into which I might express to you the emotions that are in my inner-most being at this moment. I would try to tell you of the joy that I have had in the occupancy of this chair as your Exalted Ruler; of the knowledge I have gained of my fellow-men and of myself, a knowledge which has been composite, including disappointments in myself, pride in my brothers, joy in my friendships and the many varied contacts I have made, happiness in service, and, occasionally, a feeling of deep satisfaction in the knowing that I have been endeavoring at least toward the accomplishments of dreams that have been mutually ours—yours and mine, and have failed as well as have succeeded. This has given the tang and zest to these endeavors, and makes the honor of holding this office, one that is not a burden but a thrill,—a thrill vibrant with life, with doing, with achievement toward, one might almost say, a feeling of true spiritual exaltation.

And so, my Brothers, I would express here and now, my appreciation to you for having made all this possible for me through your having elected me to this chair, which I have endeavored to fill to the best of my ability, and I wish to extend my sincerest thanks and appreciation for the courtesy, the conscientiousness, and untiring efforts and spirit of real co-operation that have been outstanding in the officers with whom it has been my privilege to have worked in this realm of leadership.

Because time is passing, and I wish to be as brief as possible, I want to thank personally many of those men whose wisdom, tact and enthusiasm have filled me with esteem and admiration for them individually.

I wish to offer my first thanks to the Directors of the Building Association; Elmer Garrett and the members of the Drill Team for the wonderful assistance they have given for the past two years in helping to make our initiation services dignified; and Brother Jess Wood who has worked so earnestly and well in handling many of the affairs of the Lodge and in being a private representative of the Exalted Ruler. A great deal of my success and the success of the activities of this Lodge have rested largely on his shoulders. It was my thought at one time to give him the official title of secretary to the Exalted Ruler, because I felt that he deserved some official recognition, but Jess Wood's love for the Order, and his modesty, would not allow any official title to be conferred upon him. He simply wished to be one of the members of the ranks. Time nor space will not permit me to further elaborate on the splendid qualities of Brother Wood, nor on the great help that he has been to me.

I wish to thank the Chairman of the Reception Committee, and to pay special tribute to the members. Paul Keeler was the first chairman, and devoted much of his time gathering and welding together this great organization, and then turned it over to Mike Rudolph. It is one of the best working organizations that it has been my pleasure to witness, and it is my hope that my successor will carry on and encourage this committee because I realize that it has been instrumental in making Los Angeles Lodge No. 99 the outstanding lodge of welcome that it is today. Both of these Brothers have given of their time and ability to the cause of our great organization, and no money

in all the world can buy nor pay for such services as they have rendered.

Thanks are due to Brother Harold Roberts, who is the leader of our musical activities, and who it was my pleasure to bring into this organization. He deserves the thanks and commendation of our entire Lodge, and we also owe a great deal of our pleasure to Harry Fredeen, leader of our Orchestra; and I wish to thank the members of the Orchestra as well.

I wish to thank Brother Glenn M. Tyndall, leader, and Bunny Crawford, manager of the Glee Club, and all members of the Glee Club. Brother Lewis, who is now in charge, and you heard him for the first time as leader of the new Glee Club, is here thanked in advance for the services he will so ably perform in the future.

Ike Wentworth, the old war horse, chairman of the Golf Committee, know full well how much I appreciate the services he has rendered.

And Wallie Stockton, Bob Weaver, and all officers of the Athletic Committee, have been a tower of strength to me during my term of office.

I wish to thank Brother Gavin Young, chairman of the Entertainment Committee, who for the past two years has served most efficiently, and who I hope will carry on together with Brother Harry M. Owens, as chairman of the Old Folks Committee. Their work has been splendidly unselfish, and during the past two years they have been instrumental in not only entertaining the members of 99 and the Brothers who are less fortunate, but have also carried cheer and comfort to the Shut-ins at Olive View, the County Farm, Barlow's Sanitarium, and many other institutions who look to the Elks for all their amusement and channel of escape from their houses of pain.

And now I come to Brother Kincaid, who is our Chaplain, and chairman of our Sick Committee. I confess I am at a loss for words to express to this brother, the power and good that he is to 99 in the taking care of the sick, and in performing the last sad rites to our departed brothers. Brother Kincaid's duties remind me a great deal of a railroad man whose services are called upon day and night; he is ever ready to stand with us in our hour of grief, and we are fortunate in having a man who is so ably and sympathetically adapted to this service to his fellow-men. With all my visitations to the sick and needy, Brother Kincaid has been the outstanding man who has shone like a beacon light, and one hears only words of highest commendation regarding him.

I have not the time nor space in which to mention all the members of our Lodge who have devoted their time to visiting the sick, but I wish now to thank each and every one of them for their wonderful work. I realize that I would be doing an injustice if I did not especially mention Brother Harry Burns, Brother George Post (Past Exalted Ruler of Fresno), Brother Ed. Gibbs, who, I am very proud to say, is now your Exalted Ruler; Brothers Gilman, Dumovich and Dr. Rathburn. These brothers you have heard give their reports before the Lodge every Wednesday night, and under this head I also wish to commend and thank the following: Brothers Eddie Gibbs, Charles O'Hara, Kincaid, Harry Owens, Buerdorf, Dodelan, who for the past two years have attended and functioned at practically every funeral that we have conducted. Thanks are due also to my Esquire, Brother Dean Barris, who, since being appointed Esquire, has functioned 100 per cent at all funerals. I take this opportunity to thank Assistant Esquire E. G. Thomas, House Parsons, together with Harry G. Rudolph, C. S. Barnes, M. A. Vargo, who so ably assisted our tiler, Frank Akers.

Brother Jack Oberle, Assistant Inner Guard, who has not missed a meeting during the past two years, deserves great praise and my sincere appreciation for his faithfulness, and I am indebted to Harry Shelton, electrician and chairman of the Stage Hands Committee, together with Brothers George L. Armstrong, Rush Niebecker and Carl and Kenneth McNealy.

It seems fitting at this time, to express my sincere thanks and appreciation to Brother Thomas Abbott, chairman of the Grave Decorations, and his able Committee.

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# New Officers of "99" Installed Wednesday, April 3 Chair Appointments Named As Gibbs Takes Gavel



J. D. Thomas  
for  
Esquire

**O**FFICERS who will govern Los Angeles Lodge No. 99 during the 42nd year of its existence were installed by District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler Frederick W. Lake at the meeting of April 3.

The following Grand Officers assisted in the Installation services: Grand Esteemed Leading Knight, P. E. R. John G. Mott; Grand Esteemed Loyal Knight, P. E. R. Leo Youngworth; Grand Esteemed Lecturing Knight, P. E. R. E. W. Fleming; Grand Secretary, P. E. R. William Stephens; Grand Treasurer, P. E. R. W. F. Kennedy; Grand Esquire, P. E. R. George M. Breslin; Grand Chaplain, P. E. R. M. K. Young;



H. E. Kincaid  
for  
Chaplain

Grand Inner Guard, P. E. R. Paul D. Robinson; Grand Trustees, P. E. R. M. J. McGarry, P. E. R. Richard H. Hilf and P. E. R. Ingall W. Bull.

Following the installation of the officers by Acting Grand Exalted Ruler Lake, Exalted Ruler Edward A. Gibbs, addressed the capacity gathering which crowded the great Lodge room of 99, as follows:

"It has been said, 'Ingratitude is the basis of all crime,' therefore, lest I appear ungrateful to you for the high honor which has been conferred upon me by this Lodge, I



B. Rey Schauer  
for  
Asst. Esquire

desire that my first official act as your new Exalted Ruler shall be to express to each of you my deep and heartfelt appreciation for having elected me as your presiding officer. I trust that when my year shall have drawn to a close you will not have cause to regret your action, but on the contrary that you will feel that my administration of the affairs of the Lodge shall prove to you that your confidence in me was not misplaced.

"You have heard and will tonight hear from speakers far more eloquent than I, and I, therefore, refrain from an attempt at an extended address on this occasion, but I do know that it is expected of each new Exalted Ruler to express not only his thanks and apprecia-



Walter Gilman  
for  
Asst. Chaplain

tion for the honor, but also to give briefly an outline of the policies of the forthcoming administration of the affairs of the Lodge. In that connection, I can only say that I approach the duties incumbent upon the office which I have assumed tonight with a very serious purpose in view—and that purpose is to attempt, in my feeble way, to follow as best I can in the footsteps of the man whom I am succeeding as Exalted Ruler.

"In my opinion there have been in the past but a few Exalted Rulers of this Lodge whose personal magnetism, whose forceful character, and whose splendid executive ability have equaled that of Brother Doyle, and I do not hesitate to say that to my mind there has been no Exalted Ruler of this



Milton Weiss  
for  
Asst. Inner Guard

Lodge, in all its existence, who has devoted so much personal attention, so much sincere, conscientious effort to the affairs of the Lodge as has the man whom I succeed tonight.

"Flattery is an odious thing. It is to me, and I feel surely it is to Brother Doyle, yet what I have said regarding him comes from the depths of my heart and is uttered in the fullness of a consciousness that my opinion is shared by all who know him and who have known his works. So, therefore, it shall behoove me and the officers who shall serve under me



Frank A. Gioia  
for  
Inner Guard

in the forthcoming Lodge year to bend every effort to maintain the high standards, the keen interest in the affairs of the Lodge, and the unselfish devotion to the duties required of each of us in our respective offices.

"There shall be but few changes and but slight deviation from the precedents which have been established during the existence of this Lodge, and so far as the changes which shall be made are concerned, I trust that my brothers will know and feel that changes of policy and in personnel, if any, will be made with but one object in view, and that is for the advancement and betterment of this Lodge. I have no definite plan for the year excepting to devote all the abilities that I pos-



M. A. Vargo  
for  
Assistant Tyler

sess and to expend all necessary time and energy to the duties required of me and to preside in accordance with precedent and in keeping with what I believe to be for the best interests of dear old 99.

"On the eve of one of the greatest naval battles recorded in the pages of history, Lord Nelson, then Admiral of England's great fleet, expressed himself somewhat as follows: 'England expects every man to do his duty.' So does your Exalted Ruler and do your officers expect every man in this Lodge to do his duty, whether that duty shall lie in the work of committees, in obtaining new members, in visiting the sick, or in attending the meetings and the affairs of this Lodge. For, my brothers, it is only by coop-



Richard Alter  
for  
Ass't. Organist

eration that success can be achieved and no officer of the Lodge can accomplish one single thing for the good of this Order and of this Lodge without the hearty support, goodwill, and assistance of the members of the Lodge—from the newest initiate to the oldest of the Past Exalted Rulers. Therefore, I beseech your co-operation, your good will, and your helpfulness during my



Sibley G. Pease  
for  
Organist

administration, not for the purpose of any personal glory to me, but so that the work of the Lodge may be blessed with a harmony and with a success so that when my year shall have ended I, too, like your Retiring Exalted Ruler, may turn over the gavel of authority to my successor with a Lodge in the same splendid and harmonious condition as it was when I was instituted.

"There is much labor in store for all of us, particularly from now until midsummer, at which time the Grand Lodge Convention will be held in our city. As the Mother Lodge of Southern California and as the host to the convention, the eyes of our fraternity are focused upon us and we must, therefore, maintain and sustain the enviable reputation we achieved as host to the Grand Lodge on three prior occasions.

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# July Convention Advertised by Every Modern Medium

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Transcontinental railroads, motor transit companies, steamboat lines, air lines and radio broadcasting stations, also are boosting the work of the Executive Committee of the Elks 65th National Convention, July 7-13.

Local sub-committees, having in charge specific functions or events on the convention program are expected to show greater activity in April and new committees are being named to direct added features.

Plans for the annual parade, in the Los Angeles Coliseum and for the electrical pageant in the great bowl, were officially approved during the month by the Grand Esquire and the official program has been given official sanction by the Grand Exalted Ruler.

Bro. Albert Vignolo, Chairman of the Escort Committee which will guide visiting uniformed bodies, wants the names of 20 good men who will volunteer to act as lieutenants. Send in your names to Convention Headquarters, 2400 W. 6th Street. Phone: Ftzroy 4120.

Committee appointments and additions during the month follow:

#### BOWLING

C. J. La Rue, Chairman  
J. P. Hines H. J. Fuelscher  
F. M. Coker Matt P. Kressich

#### YACHTING

Dr. J. Park Dougall, Chairman

#### LAUNDRY

B. C. Crawford, Chairman

#### CHURCH COMMITTEE

Bishop W. Bertrand Stevens

#### TRANSPORTATION-BAGGAGE

Capt. James Gunn

#### ENTERTAINMENT

Mark H. Levy

#### OPENING GRAND LODGE

John G. Mott, Chairman

#### SEASHORE DAY

John H. Atwell, Chairman

It is proposed to hold during the Elks National Convention—

Elks National Sweepstakes Bowling Tournament, bowling six games total pins across six alleys. Fee \$11.20 each entry. Allowing \$10.00 to prize fund and \$1.20 for bowling. Guaranteed first prize, \$500.00. Second, third and fourth money divided, 50%, 30% and 20% after deducting capital prize from all entries received.

The success of this event is assured by the number of entries that will be received from the Pacific Coast; many prominent eastern bowlers will be included in the guests and delegates that will enjoy our hospitality during Convention Week.

The Elks fifth national trapshooting tournament will be held at the Los Angeles Gun Club during the 65th National Convention of the Order, July 7 to 13.

\$3500 in cash and trophies will be given in awards in addition to the Elks Magazine trophy for the Club Five-man lodge team championship.

The following schedule for the week has been arranged:

Sunday, July 7, and Monday, July 8, will be open to Elks and non-Elks.

Tuesday, July 9, and Wednesday, July 10, will be confined to Elks and their ladies.

On Sunday and Monday \$1000 in cash and many beautiful trophies will be contributed by

the Club, with the following schedule for both days:

100—16 yd. targets  
50—17 to 23 yd. handicap  
25—pair doubles

On Tuesday, \$500 will be added.

100—16 yd. targets

which includes Elks championship. Elks Ladies championship. Elks lodges (5 men team). Qualification Elks State Shoot; above 100 targets shot in four 25 bird events.

Entrance \$2.00 in each event, plus \$1.25 for each shooter. Money divided four equal monies. Class system—25-25-25-25.

Tuesday afternoon—Elks lodge team championship—5 men—100 targets per man.

Above event shot on 100 targets, entrance \$2.00 each shooter. \$300 added, plus \$1.25 per shooter each event. Money divided 40-30-20-10. A beautiful trophy will be given each member of the winning team.

The Elks Magazine perpetual trophy will be awarded the lodge winning this event. It is now held by the Tallahassee lodge of Florida.

Wednesday, July 10. \$500 added. 100—16 yd. targets. Elks State team championship.

The above 100 targets shot in four, twenty-five bird events. Entrance \$2.00 each event. \$50.00 added to each event, plus \$1.25 per shooter.

Money divided four equal monies class system, 25-25-25-25.

A beautiful individual trophy will be given each member of the winning team.

#### Elks National Handicap

100 targets 16 to 23 yards

Entrance \$2.00 each event, \$75.00 added to each event, plus \$1.25 each shooter. Money divided 40-30-20-10. A beautiful trophy will be given the winner of this event for his personal property.

#### Elks Double Championship

25 pair (50 targets) Entrance \$1.50



CONVENTION PARADE PLANS APPROVED—Left to right, David M. Hartford, official guide; Charles J. O'Hara, Lecturing Knight; John J. Doyle, Past Exalted Ruler; Harry H. Atkinson, Grand Esquire

