

MASONS HOLD 57TH BIENNIAL CONVENTION IN PENNSYLVANIA

BRADDOCK, Pa., Sept. 16.—Masons from all over the country are gathered here for the 57th biennial session of the united supreme council of the 33d and last degree for the southern and western Masonic jurisdiction of the United States of America.

The general grand Masonic congress of the United States and Canada, the general grand chapter of Royal Arch Masons of America and Canada, the general grand encampment of Knights Templars and the supreme grand chapter of the Order of Eastern Stars and its allied bodies are also represented.

The imperial grand council of the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine and the imperial grand council of the Ancient Arabic Order of Daughters of Sphinx will also convene here, opening Friday.

Charles T. Hamilton, sovereign grand commander of the supreme council, and Dr. T. J. Cuney of Mississippi, headed the grand parade.

Other exercises were conducted and the memorial sermon preached by the grand commandery of Knights Templars of the state of Pennsylvania. John H. Parham is president of the general grand encampment of America.

The above named orders are known as the John G. Jones affiliation of Scottish Rite Masons and maintain affiliation with all regular Scottish Rite Masons in America and Europe, the Philippines, South Africa, Mexico, Central America, South America and Cuba, also maintaining membership in the world's Masonic congress, with headquarters at Luxembourg, Europe.

Hon. John H. Campbell, grand master of the state of Pennsylvania, is host to the biennial convention.

The officers that head the various branches of the order are as follows: Charles T. Hamilton, sovereign grand commander of the supreme council and imperial potentate of the Shriners; Dr. T. J. Cuney of Mississippi, president of the Masonic congress and grand master of the state of Mississippi; John H. Parham, president of the general grand encampment of Knights Templars and eminent grand commander of the Knights Templars of Pennsylvania; Mrs. Ellen Pool, supreme royal grand matron of the Order of Eastern Stars and of the Arabic Order of the Daughters of the Sphinx. Washington, D. C., is the grand east of all the allied bodies.