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Soldiers of the Cross Will March Forward for  
the Glory of Christ and Templary at Indianapolis**



**"RICHARD, THE LIONHEARTED, MEETS SALADIN"**

*One of the Many Historical Floats to Appear in the Big Parade, Indianapolis, Indiana, Saturday, August 16, 1958. Grand Marshal, Sir Knight C. Byron Lear, R. E. Past Grand Generalissimo, Grand Encampment. Forty-seventh Triennial Conclave, Grand Encampment, Knights Templar, U. S. A., August 16-22, 1958.*



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## INDIANAPOLIS

### Sunday, August 17, 1958

9:00 a. m. to 12:00 noon—Reception and Registration at Claypool and Sheraton-Lincoln Hotels for members of the Grand Encampment, Distinguished Guests and their Ladies.

1:00 p. m. to 3:00 p. m.—Reception and Registration for visiting Sir Knights and Ladies at Antlers, Harrison, Warren, Washington, Severin and Marott Hotels and at the Columbia and Indianapolis Athletic Clubs.

3:00 p. m.—Exhibition Drill by 16 platoons of Detroit Commandery No. 1 K. T. of Michigan, in front of Grandstand at the Indiana State Fairgrounds, 1500 East 38th Street.

Dress: Full Templar uniform, chapeau, sword and gloves. Visiting Sir Knights and Ladies will be furnished transportation from hotels to Fairgrounds. The exhibition is open to the Public.

4:00 p. m.—Divine Service in the Fairgrounds Coliseum across the street from the Grandstand. The Right Eminent

Grand Prelate, Sir Knight and Reverend Doctor E. Robert Chable, will deliver the sermon. The Coliseum will accommodate twelve thousand and the public is invited to this impressive and inspiring service. Detroit Commandery No. 1 K. T., and the other visiting Drill Team will take part in the pageantry. Dress: Full Templar uniform, chapeau, sword and gloves. Transportation to the hotel after the Service will be furnished visiting Sir Knights and Ladies.

6:30 p. m.—Buffet Dinner tendered to the Most Eminent Grand Master, Grand Encampment Officers and Distinguished Guests by the Grand Commandery, Knights Templar of Indiana. Dress: Fatigue uniform without cap; Ladies, Informal.

8:30 p. m.—Band Concert at Obelisk Square, World War Memorial, Meridian and Michigan Streets, followed by Carillon Concert from the adjacent Scottish Rite Cathedral—a beautiful setting with multi-colored electric fountain for a backdrop. Dress: Informal.

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## GRAND MASTER'S MESSAGE

### Templary Is Marching Forward

Greetings Sir Knights and grateful appreciation for the fine work that is being done throughout the Grand Encampment. Templary is really marching forward.

You will be interested to know that we have made a few additions to our Chapel, which will add to the beauty of it.

Our Knights Templar magazine is increasing in the number of subscriptions every month. By the time this goes to press we will be over the 7,000 mark. Not a month goes by but that we have added 200-300 subscriptions. We want to keep going until every Knight Templar has subscribed.

Great progress has been made in our Knights Templar Eye Foundation. It is building up a tremendous amount of goodwill, not only with those we have helped, but with their families, the Knights Templar who have had a part in helping to fill out the application forms, those we have issued grants to, it is doing a tremendous amount of good for humanity and Templary. We have sent checks totaling \$225,000.00 to thirteen different medical colleges, throughout the United States. The National Society for the Prevention of Blindness, and the Eye Bank for Sight Restoration, Inc., for research into ophthalmology.

#### Research One of Our Activities

It is a tremendous field and a great deal to be done because in many phases of disease of the eye little is known of the causes. These diseases have taken a heavy toll in blindness each year. As per the mandate, as we might call it, of the Grand Encampment research was to be one of the phases of our activities. By the time our Triennial Conclave convenes we feel sure that the reports we will have of the progress that has been made on the matter of research will be very interesting, informative and will



Walter Allen DeLamater  
*Grand Master*

show a great record of accomplishment. The institutions to which we have awarded grants have been requested to advise us within a year what the money contributed by our Foundation was used for and what has been accomplished. The results of that report will determine our future action in further grants. We have already passed the 145th case for surgery and hospitalization. Hardly a day goes by that we are not receiving 3-4 applications. Some of the letters received from those we have already helped have been soul-stirring and heart-warming. When they fill out application forms we do not ask their race, creed or color. However, after the operation is over, we write to find out the result of the operation and also for our records we ask their race, creed and color. We find we have treated Jews, Catholics, Protestant, Masons, men, women and children.

**"From Darkness Unto Light" Pamphlet**

We have in the hands of the printer now a very informative and interesting pamphlet, which I think will be greatly appreciated. That should be ready for distribution the early part of March.

It is but six months before our Triennial Conclave, and there are a number of Grand Commanderies that your Grand Master desires to visit before that time, and with all the reports, committee appointments, it is going to be a very hectic home stretch. We are all looking forward to a great Triennial Conclave in the City of Indianapolis, August 16-22. We have a very efficient committee who are working very hard and conscientiously, and every phase of that Triennial Conclave is now pretty well under control, well-organized and arranged. We are very anxious to have a tremendous turn-out of Sir Knights and their ladies. As your Grand Master has said, so many times, this great Christian Order has to stand out at the pinnacle of the Masonic structure, as well as in the community. A large outpouring of uniformed Sir Knights in Indianapolis is going to be a great inspiration for everybody participating and those on the sidelines witnessing it. We must remember that Christian Masonry is on display, with Soldiers of the Cross marching by, and with our floats, the spectacular features of our Parade, our recognized loyalty to our Government, it is going to be a great patriotic demonstration. So, Sir Knights, let us make some sacrifice, if need be, to be present in Indianapolis during that week. We have to show the world what this great Christian Order stands for; we have to let them realize and appreciate our strength and what we represent. So make every effort to be there. You are going to enjoy it. It is going to be interesting and well worthwhile. I believe everybody will have a most enjoyable time. We have a great amount of work to take up during our various sessions; as a matter of fact it is going to

be quite a problem to squeeze it in, so we hope to be highly organized so as not to waste any time. We want you all present, because every item of business that will be presented before the members of the Grand Encampment in one way or another (some more urgent than others), are very important to the future progress of Templary.

**Indianapolis August 16-22, 1958**

We are living in a fast changing world, everything about us is changing, we have to modernize our thinking, a lot of things have to be done differently than before, so we have to sit down in a quiet, peaceful manner and analyze the various matters brought before us, all with a viewpoint, not what you want, or what the Grand Masters wants, it is what is for the best interest and what is going to be helpful to Templary and to the Grand Encampment. When we say the Grand Encampment that means all the Grand Commanderies, all the Constituent Commanderies and every Knight Templar under the jurisdiction of the Grand Encampment.

The Grand Master is relying upon each Knight Templar to get right behind this Triennial Conclave, and turn out in tremendous numbers. Oh, you can do so much if you just get to work in your various jurisdictions and create interest. Remember, with enthusiastic interest, determination, and work we can accomplish any objective. Now is the time to make your reservations—transportation, hotel, etc. The Triennial Committee in Indianapolis, under the chairmanship of Sir Knight C. Wilbur Foster, is ready to help in every possible way.

The Grand Master will be looking forward to greeting you in Indianapolis, August 16-22. Again my grateful appreciation for your loyalty, the fine cooperation you have extended to the Grand Master, and your enthusiastic interest to Templary during this Triennium.

Sincerely yours for a Greater Templary,  
WALTER A. DeLAMATER,  
Grand Master.

## YOUR PART IN THE BIG PARADE

Since the days of its formation, and this Triennial Conclave of the Grand Encampment, the Parade has played a most important part of each Triennial. The Parade, originally designed to escort the Grand Master to the opening session of the Grand Encampment, has in recent years been fitted into the week's program at a point where the comfort and convenience of the Sir Knights participating has received top priority.

On Saturday evening, August 16, 1958, in Indianapolis, the Command of "Forward March" will be given by the Grand Marshal, Sir Knight C. Byron Lear, R. E. Past Generalissimo, Grand Encampment, Knights Templar, U. S. A., promptly at 7:00 o'clock p. m.

The column will be escorted by a squadron of motorcycle police from the City of Indianapolis, immediately following will be the Grand Marshal; and Chief of Staff, Sir Knight Theodore F. Voelter, Department Commander, North Atlantic Department; and the Grand Marshal's Mounted Staff.

The Escort Division, under the command of Sir Knight Raymond W. Cross, P. G. C. of N. Y., will be formed by the Grand Commanderies of New York and New Jersey, and will function as the Grand Master's Personal Escort.

The Oldsmobile Division of General Motors will again furnish sixty convertibles, uniformly painted and bearing the Insignia of the Order upon their sides. These cars will carry the Grand Encampment Officers, Department Commanders, Committeemen and Distinguished Guests along the route of march to the Reviewing Stand.

Every segment of organized Masonry in Indianapolis is cooperating completely with the Grand Commandery of Indiana and the Triennial Conclave Committee of the Grand Encampment, thus assuring a highly successful Triennial Conclave.

Murat Temple, through the cooperation of the Illustrious Potentate J. Benjamin

Roberts, has readily accepted an invitation to have the Murat Horse Patrol ride in the parade as Mounted Crusaders. This unit consists of thirty-five matched Palominos, privately owned, and all mounts equipped with elaborate and impressive silver-mounted saddles and bridles. As one of the leading elements in the parade, this colorful unit will make a distinct contribution to the pageantry that is planned for presentation.

Contracts have been let for the building of floats, which were incorporated in a Triennial parade for the first time in New York City in 1955, and which added so much to the color and interest in the procession.

The leading float will be a tribute to the work of our Patriotic Activities Committee and is entitled, "The Land of the Free"—a large replica of the Stars and Stripes, Independence Hall and the Liberty Bell, guarded by Knights Templar with wielded swords.

Interspersed through the column will be colorful and epochal floats of historic interest to all Knights Templar. Among these will be those depicting—The Call of the First Crusade—The Crusaders First View of the Holy Land—Saladin's Surrender to Richard the Lion Hearted—A Priory of Knights of Malta—Knights Templar Educational Foundation—Knights Templar Eye Foundation—and other historical floats.

An early survey of the prospects for a large parade are most encouraging, and it is confidently anticipated that there will be more marching Knights in Indianapolis than we have had in any Triennial since the parade in Detroit in 1928. The Grand Commandery of Michigan will be present in such numbers as to warrant them marching as a separate Division, as will be the Grand Commanderies of Ohio, Illinois, Indiana, and other Jurisdictions adjacent to Indianapolis.

Detroit Commandery No. 1, Knights Templar, will again be a featured unit in

this Parade, and in numbers approximating those attained in the Inaugural Parade in Washington. In addition to appearing in the parade, Detroit will also present an Exhibition Drill at the Indiana State Fair Grounds, at 3:00 o'clock p. m., immediately prior to the Divine Service at the Fair Grounds Coliseum, at 4:00 o'clock p. m. Sunday, August 17, 1958.

In a very few short weeks the 47th Triennial Conclave Parade will move through the broad and well-lighted streets of Indianapolis. There will no dirth of martial music, no lack of interest on the part of the thousands who will line the streets, no effort spared by those planning and executing the parade.

Templary can demonstrate to each of us, its Forward March, its place in the scheme of things Masonically, if we will but make a greater effort than ever before in encouraging and planning for the attendance of every available Sir Knight—the success of this public demonstration of Christian Masonry will again, as it always has, depend on the active participation of the Baldrick Knight.

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### GRATITUDE

Coudersport, Pa.

November 23, 1957.

Sir Knight Walter A. DeLamater, Pres.  
Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc.  
Rhinebeck, N. Y.

Dear Sir Knight DeLamater:

Your authorization slip and letter arrived Wednesday. I contacted Mrs. ——— immediately, then called Dr. Rent-schler. The operation is scheduled for Tuesday morning, December 3, 1957.

I wish my poor command of the English language, would allow me to express to you, and the "Knights Templar Eye Foundation" the scene which took place when I went to see Mr. and Mrs. ———, with the authorization.

Picture a couple who have had to struggle all their lives to make ends meet, both of them working until health demanded they quit. Never having any-

thing except for what they worked and worked hard to get. Never asking or expecting help from anyone. Never complaining about their lot in life. Always the good Lutheran family, active in all church work. Then when they grow old and are faced with a problem they know they must face or accept blindness, they struggle and make sacrifices. Then out of a clear sky they are given a helping hand. It was almost too much for them, they both broke down and cried. When they had gotten hold of themselves, their comment was "surely God must look with favor upon such an organization. After all, we have never been connected in any way with Masonry, yet in our time of greatest need, they come to our aid." A more touching scene I have never witnessed. All that deep down, heartfelt gratitude, tied up inside a couple of people whose humbleness has been recognized by all for many years. You could see in their eyes, and hear in their voices that this was an answer to their many prayers.

It certainly makes one feel very humble and proud to be even a small part of such a Christian and humanitarian work.

Sincerely and fraternally yours,

(Signed) WILLIAM L. CAREY.

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### THANK YOU

Orlando Fla., November 18, 1957.

Chalmers L. Pancoast, P. G. C.

305 West 45th Street

New York 36, New York.

Dear Sir Knight:

On behalf of Olivet Commandery, I should like to thank you for your helpfulness in publishing the article concerning the Ramsdell Trophy.

We believe that this recognition will redound to the good of Templary in this area.

Courteously yours,

BLONUS WILLIAMS,

118 S. Rosalind Avenue,

Grand Sword Bearer of

Grand Commandery of Florida.

## The "Louis H. Wieber" Class— November 30, 1957, Cleveland, Ohio

The York Rite Convocation program, sponsored by Holyrood Commandery No. 32, Knights Templar, 3615 Euclid Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio, announced the "Louis H. Wieber" Convocation Class, held on November 30, 1957, as shown in the accompanying photograph. An introduction, stated: "In naming this first York Rite Convocation class, Holyrood Commandery is proud to honor an esteemed Past Commander, and at present the Right Eminent Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Encampment, Knights Templar, of the United States of America, Sir Knight Louis H. Wieber. Sir Knight "Louie" served as Eminent Commander of Holyrood from June 20, 1928, until June 19, 1929, and as Right Eminent Grand Commander of Ohio, during 1938 and 1939."

This 1957 York Rite Class was comprised of outstanding men both in the business and professional world, and included the Illustrious Potentate, General Richard L. McNelly, and the Chief Rab-

ban, Charles G. Bushby, of Al Koran Temple, A.A.O.N.M.S.

It is of particular significance that each Sir Knight at the time of his Knighting possessed and was clad in his own Knight Templar Uniform, evidence of which may be observed in the photograph shown here.

(Editor's Note)—In the center of the photo, Sir Knight Wieber appears without Chapeau. The reason for this is that he did not know the picture was going to be taken, and was on his way out in civilian clothes when he was asked to form a part of the group for the photo.

It is of special interest to learn that the Louis H. Wieber class of seventy-two candidates was made possible by the circulation by members of Holyrood Commandery of a joint petition, which covered the Chapter, the Council, and the Commandery. All the petitions cleared through Holyrood Commandery, leaving the choice to the candidates as to what Chapter or Council they desired to join.



*The "Louis H. Wieber" Class York Rite Convocation, Sponsored by Holyrood Commandery No. 32, Knights Templar, Cleveland, Ohio, November 30, 1957.*

It has been reported that Holyrood Commandery plans a similar York Rite Reunion for some time in the Spring of 1958, and it is expected that such Reunions will thereafter become an annual or semi-annual affair. This fine record of Holyrood Commandery, in creating a class of Sir Knights, should be an inspiration for other Commanderies to plan similar programs.



The official publication "Holyrood's Christian Soldier," in the issue of January 1958, published an article giving in detail the story of the "Louis H. Wieber" class, under the heading of —"Holyrood On The March"—which follows:

#### The "Louis H. Wieber" Class

Templar history was made on Saturday, November 30th, when Holyrood Commandery brought to a triumphant conclusion its endeavor to sponsor a York Rite reunion.

The Knights Templar of our Division who passed-over the opportunity to participate in this outstanding Templar achievement missed an experience in Templar procedure and technique which deeply impressed not only the candidates who received the Orders of Knighthood, but the Sir Knights on the side-lines as well. Seventy-two candidates participated not only in the first four libations, but in the 5th libation as well, with each in turn being individually dubbed a Knight and created a member of the Valiant and Maganimous Order of the Temple.

To the Eminent Commander, Alfred E. Newman, I express my sincerest congratulations for the masterful manner in

which he presided as Commander of his Commandery and for the highly efficient, dignified and impressive manner in which he conferred the Order of the Temple. It goes without saying that he was ably assisted by an efficient corps of officers, all of whom performed their parts in accordance with the high standards set them by their Commander and the traditions of Holyrood Commandery.

There is an old adage which says "All's well that ends well." But on this day the beginning itself was excellent and I marvelled at the talent displayed by the officers and Sir Knights who helped confer the Order of the Red Cross, as well as the Order of Malta. I would here have to record the name of every member of the casts participating in those two Orders if I were to name all that were deserving of commendations and praise. To all of you, therefore, go my sincerest congratulations.

This article would not be complete unless due credit were given to the herculean tasks performed by our Past Commanders, headed by Sir Knight Austin Kaiser, Eminent Past Commander, flanked and assisted by Past Commanders Klaas, Strauch, Frick, Keller, Smith and Jaeger, together with moral support from Past Commanders Petzke, Wagner and Wieber. Let us also give a round of applause to Past Commander Warren Duncan of Oriental Commandery, and his tireless assistant Sir Knight Richard Evick of Holyrood Commandery, for their efficient and deffective handling of the Stage and Asylumn properties.

When Templar history is written, Holyrood's achievement will shine forth as a beacon light to other Commanderies to follow the Templar procedure in which it was the pioneer.

As for the candidates, not enough can be said in praise of their patience, endurance and profound and attentive interest evidenced by them during the conferring of all of the Templar Orders. It was an honor to have the Class named for me.



It was an honor for each to be a member of this fine Class composed of outstanding citizens of our community who were not afraid to proclaim themselves as Christian gentlemen.

Yes, Holyrood is on the march, but it will require all of the energy and perseverance of all of its officers and members to keep her banners and standards ever moving forward. We must permit no retrogression. Let the word "Forward" be emblazoned on our escutcheon.

It is my sincere hope that most of the newly created Sir Knights will become active in Holyrood Commandery and that we will develop a Drill Corps second to none in Templary. Now is the time to draft them into service. It will be a joy to watch them "pass in review" in the Grand Encampment parade in Indianapolis on August 16, 1958.

"BRAVO" again, Holyrood, and may a York Rite reunion sponsored by our Commandery be an annual must. Templary should be the goal of all Masons and Holyrood Commandery should see to it that they attain that goal.

Louis H. Wieber, P. C.

## CALIFORNIA CENTENNIAL YEAR—1958

Grand Commandery Knights Templar of the State of California.

### PROCLAMATION

Whereas, the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of California was formed on August 10, 1858, at Sonora, California; and

Whereas, 1958 will commemorate the Centennial year of its formation; and

Whereas, it is fitting and proper that all Knights Templar and all Commanderies in the State of California should accord due recognition thereof,

Now therefore, I, Robert B. Gaylord, Jr., Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State

of California, having in mind the importance of this event, do hereby designate the year of 1958 and to April, 1959, a time for celebration and do hereby call upon all Knights Templar and Commanderies in the Grand Jurisdiction of California to make due observation of same.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of the Grand Commandery of the State of California this 20th day of December, 1957.

ROBERT B. GAYLORD, Jr.,

Grand Commander.

(Seal)

Attest:

CHESTER H. NEWELL,

Grand Recorder.

## TWO DAY CALIFORNIA CENTENNIAL

The "Leading Newspaper of the Mother Lode Country"—The Union Democrat, Sonora, California, under date of Friday, January 3, 1958, published a Special Edition, with a front page banner headline: "Welcome, Knights Templar!—Two Day Centennial Conclave to Honor Pacific Commandery."

The Special Edition was illustrated with many photographs of historical interest of considerable value to California Templary.

Excerpts from the news story which appeared on the front page for the Conclave on Saturday and Sunday, January 4 and 5, 1958:

The color and pagentry of uniformed members of California's 73 Commanderies, Knights Templar, will mark the first major event in the Centennial Year of the Grand Commandery of California in Sonora and Columbia tomorrow and Sunday.

An expected 1,000 Knights Templar, many accompanied by their wives, will honor the founding of Pacific Commandery No. 3 of Sonora, one of the first three Commanderies in California, in the two-day Conclave which opens tomorrow morning.

Under the general direction of William U. Remensperger, of San Francisco, Grand Generalissimo of the Grand Commandery, the centennial committee has planned the following events for Saturday and Sunday.

#### Events

1. A uniformed parade through the streets of Columbia, forming at 9:30 a. m. Saturday.

2. The re-enactment, by officers of the Grand Commandery, in the restored Columbia Masonic Temple, of the original institution of Pacific Commandery No. 3 on May 27, 1856.

3. A parade, formed at St. James' Episcopal Church, along Washington Street to Church Street.

4. A concert by the combined bands, including those of Sonora and Summer-ville Union High Schools, together with the band of Los Angeles Commandery No. 9, and a composite band of members of Northern California Commanderies.

#### Dinner - Dance

Knights and their ladies will participate in a dinner and dance at the main exhibit building at the Mother Lode fair-grounds Saturday evening.

Religious services, open to the public, will be conducted Sunday at 9:30 a. m. at the exhibit building, with the Rev. Leonard Dixon, of St. James Episcopal Church, officiating.

A feature of the service will be the A Capella Choir of the College of the Pacific at Stockton.

#### Committee

Other members of the Grand Commandery Centennial Committee, include Robert A. Miller of Santa Rosa, chairman; Chester H. Newell, San Francisco, secretary; William U. Remensperger and Noel W. Roser, vice chairmen; Glenn W. Gunther and William E. Waste, Past Grand Commanders, advisory, and William A. H. Fliesher, Fred R. DeBarows, Everett C. Rutherford, Edwin J. Gribble,

Frederick M. Jacobs, Charles W. Fletcher, Luie B. Butterfield, and Alan S. Mason.

In charge of local arrangements is Ray N. Irwin, Commander of Pacific Commandery No. 3.

An attractive program, with a Templar cover design in color, was issued by the Grand Commandery, Knights Templar of California, which presented in detail the Centennial Devotional Service, held in the Sonora fair building, on Sunday, January 5, 1958, at 9:30 a. m.

The inside cover page displayed, in large type, the following names of Grand officers:

Sir Knight Robert B. Gaylord, Jr., Right Eminent Grand Commander, Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of California.

Sermon by the Reverend Leonard D. Dixon, Rector, St. James Episcopal Church, Sonora.

Scripture reading by Sir Knight Ervin P. Y. Simpson, Eminent Grand Prelate, Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of California.

College of the Pacific A Cappella Choir, Dean J. Russell Bodley, director.

Sir Knight Robert A. Miller, Eminent Grand Sword Bearer, Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of California, Chairman Grand Commandery Centennial Committee.

The program also contained the full order of the service.

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### EASTER SUNDAY

1958—April 6th.  
 1959—March 29th.  
 1960—April 17th.  
 1961—April 2nd.  
 1962—April 22nd.

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Ascension Day is 40 days after Easter Sunday.

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## FESTIVAL OF FAITH

The newspapers of Cincinnati, Ohio, were most generous in giving space in publicizing the Twelfth Annual Festival of Faith held in the Cincinnati Gardens, Sunday, October 27, 1957.

A program in two colors was headed "His Glory Flames" and presented in detail this Bible Pageant with a cast of six thousand.

In his interesting letter, describing this outstanding event, Sir Knight George H. Thomas, R. E. Past Grand Commander of Ohio, wrote:

"We had a turn out of 300 Sir Knights in uniform and while I have no pictures showing the full detail of the men, you can note from one of them they were seated in such a manner they formed a cross on both sides of the arena—there being approximately 125 men to each cross and then another group of 50, at the close of the service, formed a star in front of the improvised altar, which this picture shows.

"It was a capacity turn out of better than 15,000 people, the sermon well preached and greatly appreciated.

Newspaper reports follow:

### Faith Festival Awes 14,000

#### In Garden Pageant, Song

"Religion in some churches in America has deteriorated into professional propaganda financed by silent spectators," the Rev. Dr. Ralph W. Sockman told an audience of more than 14,000 yesterday at the 12th annual Festival of Faith.

The speaker, who for 40 years has been minister of New York City's Christ Church (Methodist), delivered the sermon at the Cincinnati Garden, where Cincinnati area Protestants celebrated Reformation Sunday in song, word and pageantry.

Dr. Sockman declared that in New York "we hire professionals to recruit our members, preach our sermons and even voice our emotions through music. And the laity just sits back and pay the bills."

The only cure for the "mounting costs of professional religion," the Ohio-born pastor said, is participation by laymen in affairs of the church.

"The greatest hope of religious revival in this country is through the pew, not the pulpit," he concluded.

Dr. Sockman's sermon preceded an elaborate pageant, "His Glory Flames," which showed, through the symbolism of fire, the power of the spirit of God from Moses to the Twentieth Century.

In a series of spotlighted scenes on the Garden floor, the players, again directed by Ralph Zimmerman, presented vignettes:

Moses (played by Dr. Carl A. Wilzbach, Health Commissioner) hearing the Word of God from the burning bush.

Elijah (Arthur G. Zoecklin) summoning fire down from heaven after the Israelites had staged an orgy before the idol of Baal that was almost Cecil B. DeMille in its scope.

The birth of Jesus Christ in Bethlehem, and the Last Supper (William L. Querner played Jesus, as he has in previous Festivals).

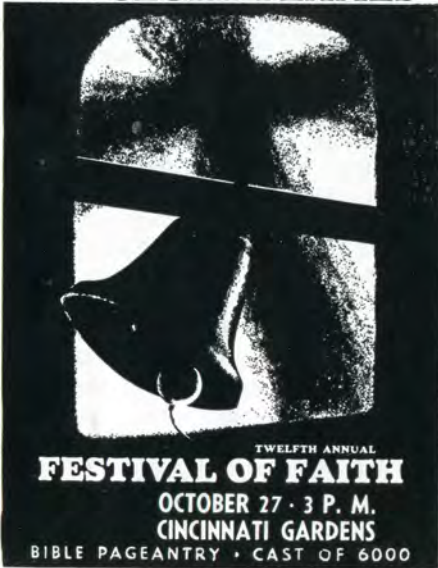
A dialogue between John Wesley, founder of Methodism, and his brother Charles, called by the narrator "the greatest hymn writer of all time. (Paul W. Steer played John Wesley and Mayor George P. Kleb of Norwood was Charles.)

Honored at the festival, were some 4000 Sunday School superintendents and teachers who, led by Mayor Charles P. Taft, rededicated themselves to their work. Groups of active, retired and student ministers also were honored and a torch was passed among representatives of each group to represent the never-ending work of the ministry.

Knights Templar from the Third Division, Grand Commendery, State of Ohio, led by Divisional Commander Roy J. Cline, staged a full-dress ceremony. Thor Johnson, conductor of the Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra, led an adult choir of 1000 voices, a children's choir of 500 and a 24-piece orchestra.

The festival is the largest such event in America. It has been sponsored since its inception in 1945 by the Council of Churches of Greater Cincinnati, including more than 300 churches of 14 Protestant denominations. This year's general chairman was the Rev. C. Kent Chidester of the Oakley Evangelical Reformed Church.

## HIS GLORY FLAMES



### PAGEANT—HIS GLORY FLAMES

The pageant portrays through the symbolism of fire, so often used in the Bible, the power and enthusiasm the Spirit of God gives to men which makes them leaders in the great creative movements of religion. The opening scene presents an older clergyman passing the flame to a youthful minister of tomorrow. From the pages of the Bible comes Moses at the Burning Bush, Elijah challenging the prophets of Baal on Mt. Carmel, and Jesus, with his humble ministry, heralded by the bright star of Bethlehem. His glory flames in modern times as we see the inspired John Wesley, the Circuit Rider of the Centuries, and his brother Charles, the composer of great hymns. The pageant reaches its climax as we honor the Sunday School teachers of

America through whom His glory flames today.

The Rev. Arthur E. Cowley, Author; Mr. Ralph Zimmerman, Director.

Service of Dedication of Christian Educators . . . The Hon. Charles P. Taft, Mayor, Cincinnati.

Knights Templar of the Third Division, Grand Commandery, State of Ohio; Roy J. Cline, Divisional Commander.

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## YORK RITE BODIES IN CHICAGO

The views expressed by Sir Knight Ralph S. Davis, Editor "The Illinois Cryptic Mason," published at 315 Wisconsin Avenue, Oak Park, Illinois, in his letter of October 25, 1957, are most interesting and constructive. His letter, in part, follows:

October 5, 1957.

Dear Sir Knight Pancoast:

Monday, September 30, Medinah Temple of Chicago sponsored a "YORK RITE" Night. This was a first in Medinah Temple. For many years they have had a "Scottish Rite" night.

On this occasion the M. E. Grand High Priest of the Grand Royal Chapter, the M. I. Grand Master of the Grand Council and the R. E. Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery, were received and introduced. A Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, a Council of Royal and Select Masters and a Commandery of Knights Templar, were represented by a tableau of the three principal officers of each body. They were in robes and uniforms and marched upon the stage and took their places behind altars representing each body. A narration was given to tell the story of each body. After this first section, Medinah provided a wonderful and high class entertainment. This was all open to all Masons and their families.

If you think this is worth a mention more details can be obtained from Earl Anderson, Potentate, 600 North Wabash Avenue, Chicago.

The York Rite Bodies are not getting the proper recognition and Medinah is doing something about it.

York Rite Masonry needs a better Public Relations job done than has been done to date. The publication KNIGHT TEMPLAR can help in this direction. We must have more cooperation between the York Rite bodies.

Sincerely and fraternally,

RALPH S. DAVIS.

York Rite Night Program Committee: Sig Chakow (PP), Charles Marshall, Harry Walsh and Sid Page, for Medinah; Howard M. Snapp, Pr. (R.E.G.C.), for Commandery; Mark Morgan (R.E.G. Scribe), for the Royal Arch Chapter; Ralph S. Davis (I.G. C. of C.) for the Council.

The Narrator was George M. Saunders, Imperial Recorder of Medinah Temple, who briefly outlined the history of York Rite Bodies, which follows:

The York Rite, as well as Masonry, religion and history, has its myths. There have been serious attempts to trace the origin and history of these Orders back to medieval times, but most of these myths have been exploded. We know but little concerning them prior to the last half of the 18th century, and much of the knowledge that has come down to us from that period is, at best, but fragmentary tradition. The Masonic romancer has indeed essayed to depict in glowing colors the scenes and incidents that have marked the course of Masonry from the primeval man to the present time, but under the piercing light of critical inquiry, his pictures have dissolved like frost before the morning sun.

History notwithstanding, the entire system of speculative Freemasonry as now practiced, contemplates a progressive expansion of but one thought, and that is sanctity and preservation of the Holy and Ineffable Name.

The first Body in York Rite Masonry is that of the Royal Arch Chapter. A General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons was formed in Illinois in the year 1850. The first Grand Chapter of the United States was formed in Maryland in 1797. The Royal Arch Degrees are as follows: Mark Master Mason, Past Master, Most Excellent Master, and Royal Arch Mason.

The officers and altar on the left of the stage are symbolic of the work done in these Degrees.

The Grand Royal Arch Chapter of the State of Illinois celebrated its 108th Annual Convocation in May of 1957.



*York Rite Night at Medinah Temple, Chicago, Friday, September 20, 1957. Commandery of Knights Templar showing a Prelate of a Commandery in center, (left) a Chaplain of a Chapter, (right) a Chaplain of a Council with Commandery Escort.*

*The Grand Officers present were in groups standing several feet behind the Altar Groups. It was an impressive sight to see the three principle Officers of each York Rite Body being received and taking their places in back of their respective Altars. There were more than three thousand people in attendance and the entertainment was of the highest quality.*

To be a well informed Mason and, having taken the Degrees conferred in a Royal Arch Chapter, one continues to press forward for further light in Masonry. The next logical step is to be greeted in a Council of Royal and Select Masters. Councils are made up of Masons who recognize the essential values of the Cryptic Degrees to bridge the gap between the Symbolic Degrees of the Lodge and the Royal Arch Degree. The Degrees conferred in the Council are—Royal Master, Select Master, and Super Excellent Master.

The Degrees of Royal Master and Select Master are vital for the proper appreciation of the true significance of Masonry. The Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of Illinois celebrated its 104th Annual Convocation this month.

The third and last step in York Rite Masonry is known as the Knights Templar or Commandery. The 101st Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Illinois was held in Springfield, Illinois, just one week ago. The Commandery Orders are

as follows: Order of the Red Cross, Order of the Knights of Malta, and Order of the Temple. It has often been said that with one exception, the Order of the Temple is the most impressive and the most beautiful in Masonry.

Before you appear the symbols of the 3 Bodies that compose York Rite Masonry. Masonry marches on because it has work to do. A Mason is a builder . . . he is interested in the character of men . . . he is a man who believes in God and in his fellowmen . . . he believes that men can live together in harmony . . . he accepts the Holy Bible as his rule and guide of faith. Like the poet, he would rather live by the side of the road and be a friend to man. The crippled and the afflicted, the widows and the orphans know him because he believes in contributing to the happiness of others . . . especially those less fortunate.

The next step in the Masonic journey is The Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine for North America.

The Potentate and two Rabbans in the center of stage, where the Potentate directs the Rabban to escort the following guests:

Most Excellent Grand High Priest of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of the State of Illinois (or next highest officer).

Most Illustrious Grand Master of the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of the State of Illinois (or next highest officer).

Right Eminent Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Illinois.

Each of the above are escorted individually to and introduced to the Potentate.

After introduction each will take his place in front of his Grand Officers.

Color Guard up ramp. Center of stage in front of Center altar.

Star Spangled Banner by audience.



*Grand Officers of the Grand York Rite Bodies: Seated, Earl G. Anderson, Potentate of Medinah Temple; back row, left to right, David Manson, M. E. Grand High Priest, Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Illinois; Sir Knight Howard M. Snapp, Jr., R. E. Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery, Knights Templar of Illinois; Fred O'Brien Ellis, M. I. Grand Master of the Grand Council, R. & S. M. of Illinois.*

## James B. Dykes Three Sons Made Masons at Wilmington, Delaware

Sir Knight James B. Dyes, of St. Johns Commandery No. 1, Knights Templar of Wilmington, Delaware, says that as a regular subscriber he enjoys every issue of the "Knight Templar" magazine very much.

On December 8, 1957, he wrote: "My three sons, James Lister, George David and Thomas Edward Dykes, were raised in Corinthian Lodge No. 20, at Wilmington. This is a first for Delaware on November 12, 1957. I am a member of Corinthian Lodge No. 20, having demitted from Hotspur Lodge No. 1626, Northumberland, England, many years ago."

Sir Knight James B. Dykes, who is a member of all the Masonic Bodies in Wilmington, is the General Manager of the Southeastern Chester County Authority, at Toughkenamon, Pa.

## Letter from John J. Feiler, N. J.

Editor of Knight Templar Magazine: "I have long sought an informative magazine on Templary, and I have just read about it in the Empire State Mason of New York.

"I am Commander-Elect in Hugh de Payens Commandery No. 1, Jersey City, N. J., which will celebrate the 100th anniversary in 1958 (Instituted). I am searching for early history of our Commandery, which is two years older than our Grand Commandery of New Jersey. Our records were destroyed by fire at two different times in past years, and therefore I have had quite a time trying to get information and the names of the Charter Members. If you have any information on Hugh de Payens Commandery of New Jersey, I shall appreciate it very much."

Address:

John J. Feiler,  
486 Morningside Avenue,  
Fairview, New Jersey.

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100TH ANNIVERSARY OF LITTLE FALLS COMMANDERY NO. 26,  
KNIGHTS TEMPLAR

*Receiving line prior to the Inspection dinner—left to right, Sir Knight George Barclay, Right Eminent Grand Commander, Grand Commandery, Knights Templar, State of New York; Mrs. G. Barclay; Sir Knight Avery Bullen, Very Eminent Deputy Commander, Grand Commandery, Knights Templar, State of New York; Mrs. William M. Gardner; Sir Knight William M. Gardner, Eminent Commander of Little Falls Commandery No. 28; Sir Knight Sal Mir, Eminent Grand Captain of the Guard, Grand Commandery, Knights Templar, State of New York; Mrs. Howard L. Adams, Sir Knight Howard L. Adams, Eminent Grand Warder, Grand Commandery, Knights Templar, State of New York; Sir Knight J. Harry Cook, Right Eminent Past Grand Commander, Grand Commandery, Knights Templar, State of New York.*



*At the Speakers Table, left to right: Sir Knight William M. Gardner, Eminent Commander, Little Falls Commandery No. 26, Knights Templar; Sir Knight Howard L. Adams, Eminent Grand Warder Grand Commandery, Knights Templar, State of New York; Sir Knight George Barclay, Right Eminent Grand Commander, Grand Commandery, Knights Templar, State of New York; Sir Knight Albert W. Schneider, Little Falls Commandery No. 26, who delivered the address of the evening, "Our 100th Anniversary."*





*Sir Knight George Barclay, Right Eminent Grand Commander (left) meets the Speaker of the Evening, Sir Knight Albert W. Schneider (right), Little Falls Commandery No. 26, introduced by Sir Knight J. Harry Cook, Right Eminent Past Grand Commander, Grand Commandery, Knights Templar, State of New York. Sir Knight Schneider delivered the address of the evening entitled "Our 100th Anniversary," bringing to the attention of his listeners many interesting facts concerning the early history of Little Falls Commandery No. 26.*

### **Sir Knight Brett Langstaff's Glass Doors and the Public**

The first New York Church to install Full-glass Front Doors, was for a Memorial to "Seaman Lambert," lost in U. S. Carrier disaster.

The Glass Doors were dedicated in a ceremony held at 11 a. m. Sunday, December 28, 1952.

The Rev. and Sir Knight John Brett Langstaff, E. Grand Prelate of New York, and Rector of Et. Edmund's Church, Morris Avenue, at 177th Street, New York City, originated the idea of the Front Full-Glass Doors for his Church.

He stated that the full-glass front doors were installed so that people may look in at any time, see the interior of the church and observe the services. He had noticed that many times curious people in the neighborhood had come to the front door, opened it and looked in, perhaps out of mere curiosity. So, he decided to make it possible for curious people passing the church to see what was going on within.

The Reverend and Sir Knight Langstaff carried out the idea and explained its meaning in a "CHRISTMAS HAPPINESS" message, which was headed:

#### **Lest the Vision Be Lost**

If I had a church in a busy town  
Where the highways meet and pass,  
It would be all peaceful and white within  
And its door a sheet of glass.

Though the porch should be sheltered by  
evergreens

The churchyard gate would be wide,  
And people who paused where my little  
church stood

Would be able to look inside—

Would be able to see through the clear  
glass door

The wonders of Bethlehem's night,  
The breadth and the depth and the height  
of it all

By the one Star burning bright.

And over the door would be written high  
As a Banner brave unfurled,

Lest the Vision be lost to the City  
Streets:

"God so loved the world."

J. B. L. 1952—(Brett)

In the Commandery the members are termed "Knights Templar" and an individual member a "Knight Templar" or "Sir Knight." Commanderies confer Orders, instead of the usual term Degree, and these Orders are (a) Order of the Red Cross, (b) Order of Malta, and (c) Order of the Temple.

As a Master Mason, advanced to Royal Arch Mason, you are eligible to petition for membership in the Commandery of Knights Templar. When you affiliate with the Commandery you are joining the Masonic Christian Fellowship in your community.

Templar Masonry is not considered a substitute for the Church. By its symbolism the Order attempts to cooperate with the Church in the practice of Christian virtues, which makes for a better and happier living.



At the official inspection of Apollo Commandery No. 15, Knights Templar, held in the Masonic Temple at Troy, New York, on the evening of November 8, 1957, reading from left to right: Eminent Sir Lowell H. Bryce, Grand Sword Bearer, Grand Commandery Knights Templar, State of New York; Eminent Sir Andrew Sawyer, Commander Apollo Commandery No. 15, Knights Templar, State of New York; Eminent Sir J. George Lang, Grand Captain General, Knights Templar, State of New York.—Photo by Sir Knight E. Kanzelmyer of St. Georges No. 37.

### Why the Devoted Mason Should Be a Knight Templar

The Master Mason, who is devoted and loyal to his Blue Lodge, Chapter and Council, should join a Commandery of Knights Templar for many good reasons. He will enlarge his circle of Masonic friends, and receive a greater reward for his devotion to Masonry.

All loyal Master Masons must have been deeply impressed with their entrance into Masonry, and can look forward with renewed interest to a more complete Masonic education, and in a way appreciate what this advancement into Templary Masonry will mean to him in a better way of living.

All Masonic Degrees and Orders reveal a constant search for the best things in life. Templar Masonry, membership in the Commandery, fulfills a very definite mission in helping a man realize the importance of his duty in helping humanity. Also it brings to him a better understanding of the American way of life.



Friday evening, November 8, 1957, at the inspection of Apollo Commandery No. 15, Knights Templar, by Eminent Sir George Lang, Grand Captain General, Knights Templar of the State of New York, the above photograph was taken of the Past and Present Grand line officers. Reading from left to right, Eminent Sir Lowell H. Bryce, Grand Sword Bearer, Grand Commandery, State of New York; Right Eminent William S. Hamilton, Past Grand Commander, Knights Templar, Massachusetts and Rhode Island; Eminent Sir J. George Lang, Grand Captain General, Knights Templar, State of New York; Right Eminent Sir John J. Bahn, Past Grand Commander, Knights Templar, State of New York; Right Eminent Sir Fred A. Nicholson, Past Grand Commander, Knights Templar, State of New York.

## The Fiftieth Triennial Convocation of the General Chapter, R. A. M. Held in Idaho

(By Roscoe R. Walcutt, General Grand Secretary)

The Fiftieth Triennial Convocation of the General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons convened in Sun Valley, Idaho, on October 1, 2, and 3, 1957, where its members were the guests of the Grand Chapter of Idaho and the eleven Grand Chapters comprising the Western Conference of York Rite Bodies. Against the unique background of the rare mountain beauty of this resort, whose entire plant was turned over to the General Grand Chapter, the Companions of the Western Conference provided complete facilities for the transaction of business and afforded unusual and novel entertainment features, from riding the ski lift to a mountain valley barbecue, for the more than nine hundred Royal Arch Masons and their ladies, who are deeply indebted to the companions and committees of Idaho and the Conference for arranging and carrying through the program.

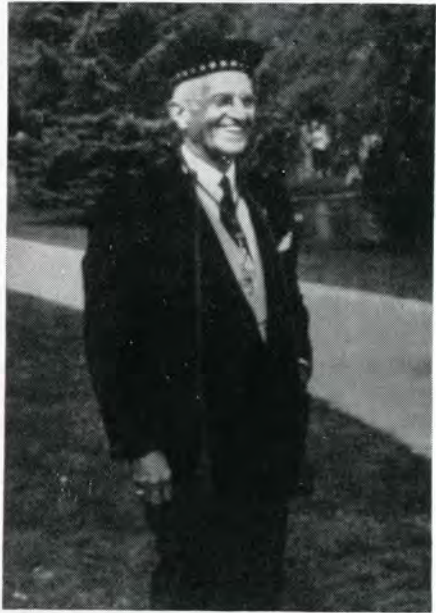
The meetings of the General Grand Chapter and the General Grand Council opened on Sunday evening, with a religious service at which the sermon was delivered by the Reverend William Bryan Selah, pastor of the First Methodist Church of Jackson, Mississippi, and Right Excellent General Grand Chaplain.

The Grand High Priest and his Officers opened the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Idaho and formally received the Most Excellent General Grand High Priest and the General Grand Officers. The Grand Master of Masons, the Grand Master of the Grand Council, and the Grand Commander of Idaho, the Grand Master of the Grand Encampment, the Grand Master of the Sovereign Great Priory of Canada, the General Grand Master of the General Grand Council, the Grand Master General of Convent General, K.Y.C.H., four Grand Masters

of Masons, and many other distinguished visitors were in attendance.

The reports presented showed 53 Grand Chapters affiliated with and 16 chapters subordinate to the General Grand Chapter, with a total membership of 616,100 Royal Arch Masons.

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*Grand Master Walter A. DeLamater, appears in a Scotch Cap, on the grounds at Sun Valley, October 1-2-3, 1957, just before the Triennial Conclave meeting of the General Grand Chapter, during the time of the meetings of the General Grand Council and the General Grand Chapter.*

*Color Photo was taken by Sir Knight Walter Sutton, Deputy Grand Commander of Nevada. The colors of the cap are lost in this cut. Many of the delegates wore Scottish caps and insisted that the Grand Master appear in this photo.*



*Sir Knight Harold J. Doolittle and son, Warren Akin Doolittle, when Warren was made a Master Mason.*

### **A NATIONAL MASONIC RECORD Spokane, Washington**

(From Sir Knight R. E. Bridewell, Recorder Cataract Commandery No. 3, Knights Templar, Masonic Temple, Spokane 1, Washington.)

Cataract Commandery No. 3, Knights Templar of Spokane, Washington, is particularly proud of its members who experience distinctive events in Masonry. One such member is Harold James Doolittle.

On October 4, 1957, Sir Knight Doolittle visited his home Blue Lodge, Yakima, No. 24, Yakima, Washington, and within one week of 51 years, was presented by Brother John E. Smith, who raised him.

For a Mason to be presented to his home lodge on October 4, 1957, after 51 years to the month by the Brother Mason who raised him at Yakima Lodge No. 24, we believe Brothers John E. Smith and Harold J. Doolittle must have established a national Masonic record.

On January 27, 1955, at George Washington Lodge in Seattle, as Senior Warden, Sir Knight Harold participated in conferring the third degree on his son, Warren, and presented him with a colorful, hand-painted apron, worn by his great-grandfather, Irwin B. Doolittle, who became a Mason January 28, 1843, at Peoria, Illinois. Underneath the bib of this historical apron is the Masonic history of the four generations of Doolittles. Warren's grandfather was made a Mason at West Point, Nebraska, on February 9, 1875. Thus, the Master Mason degree was conferred on the fourth generation of Doolittles within one day of 112 years that his great-grandfather became a Mason.

At Manito Lodge No. 246, Spokane, Washington, on February 25, 1957, Sir Knight Harold on his 81st birthday was presented with his 50-year certificate by his son, Warren Akin Doolittle.

A very highly prized family Masonic trophy is a miniature Keystone fashioned from a chip from the Archstone of the Masonic Temple at Yakima, Washington. There was a public keystone setting on September 27, 1911, and at the evening smoker Companion Harold Doolittle presented each Royal Arch Grand Lodge Officer with a small keystone.

The Archstone was cut from a block that came from King Solomon's quarry, which is a big cave, the mouth of which, due to erosion, was not discovered until some 150 years ago. This quarry was in use around 1006 B. C., and it is said that King Solomon stabled his fine horses here.

Another Masonic prize is "The Freemasons Monitor," by Daniel Sickels, published in 1864. "The Freemasons Monitor; Containing the Degrees of Freemasonry embraced in the Lodge, Chapter, Council and Commandery: embellished with nearly 300 Symbolical Illustrations, together with Tactics and Drill of Masonic Knighthood."



#### AT COMMANDERY SESSION

(*Nashua Telegraph, Nashua, N. H., Tuesday, October 8, 1957*)—Henry T. Spear (center), newly named Eminent Grand Commander of the New Hampshire Grand Commandery, Knights Templar, poses with Rev. Howard T. Joslyn (right) of Derry, retiring Commander and Harry Downing (left) chairman of the 110th annual meeting of the Grand Commandery conducted in Nashua yesterday.

Commander Spear is a former Nashuan and currently resides in Laconia.—

Nashua, New Hampshire  
November 25, 1957

Sir Knight Pancoast:

On the seventh of October last, the Grand Commandery Knights Templar of New Hampshire, met at the Masonic Temple in Nashua for the purpose of holding 110th Annual Conclave. The Conclave was attended by Knights from 13 States and the District of Columbia, with practically all States being represented by the Grand Commander in person.

New Hampshire's Grand Commander was celebrating a birthday, an anniversary of twenty-one years a Mason in the Nashua Temple, and was installed by the Past Grand Commander, Earle C. Quimby, of Keene, who appointed him into the Grand Line.

Pre-conclave activities included a large parade, church services, banquet, honoring of five outstanding Sir Knights, and an evening entertainment, all taking place at Derry, the home town of Past Grand Commander Howard T. Joslyn, who completed his term of office on October 7, 1957.

Commander Spear has a new record to shoot at this year, as New Hampshire Commanderies knighted 126 last year,

but with a little effort on the part of Knights throughout the State, this total can easily be topped.

I am enclosing a picture and writeup of the meeting, and hope you can use it to help Templary in New Hampshire and any place that needs a boost.

Fraternally yours: Harry C. Downing, Jr., Office of Recorder, Room 20, Masonic Temple, St. George Commandery, Knights Templar.

#### Former Nashuan Named to Head Knights Templar

Former Nashuan, Henry T. Spear of Laconia, was elected Grand Commander of Knights Templar at the 110th meeting of the N. H. Grand Commandery here yesterday. Installation ceremonies followed.

He succeeds the Rev. Howard T. Joslyn of Derry who presided.

Sir Knight Spear lived in this city for some years before moving to Laconia. He was at one time employed by the Nashua Corporation.

Other grand officers elected were:

Deputy Grand Commander, Charles Wesley Lyons; generalissimo, Ralph C. Locke, Manchester; captain general, Harold W. Greatorex, Meredith; senior warden, Arthur W. Johnson, Durham; junior warden, Carl A. Buswell, Charlestown; treasurer, Earle R. Stockbridge, Exeter; recorder, Walter E. Dunlap, Concord; standard bearer, Alonzo W. Parks, Portsmouth; sword bearer, Lloyd E. Jones, Manchester; warder, Lester W. Holt, Concord; captain of the guard, Archie B. Milnot, Laconia; prelate, Reverend Joslyn.

There were delegates present from all the New England states, New York, New Jersey, Maryland, Florida, Ohio, Illinois, Pennsylvania and Washington, D. C.

Among the grand officers present were Thomas A. Booth, Commander of Massachusetts and Rhode Island; George D. Barclay, commander of New York; Arthur E. Dietrich, commander of Vermont; Richard P. Gregson, Commander of Con-

necticut; I. Ray Libby, Commander of Maine; G. Wilbur Bell, Past Commander of Illinois; Richard R. Watson, Commander of New Jersey; John Kellner, Jr., Commander of Maryland; John Larseon, Commander of District of Columbia.

And Frank S. Merrill, commander-in-chief of the N. H. Consistory, Scottish Rites; Howard R. Kelley, High Priest of Grand Royal Arch chapter of New Hampshire; Gordon H. Baker, Master of the N. H. Grand Council; Frederick Kennedy, Commander of the New England Department, Grand Encampment, Knights Templar of the United States. Nashua (N. H.) Telegraph.

### KENTUCKY

In December, 1957, I received a letter from Sir Knight Walter A. DeLamater, President of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc., enclosing a check in the amount of \$15,000.00 to be presented to the University of Louisville Medical School Department of Ophthalmology or eye department to be used for research. On December 11, I met with Dr. J. Murray Kinsman, Dean of the Medical School, and Dr. Dwight Townes, Chairman of the Department of Ophthalmology, and presented the check to them. They were very happy to receive the gift and were very gracious in their thanks. We received publicity in the Courier-Journal and the Louisville Times on December 12. We have also received letters of thanks from Dr. Townes, Dr. Kinsman and Lee P. Miller, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, University of Louisville. Knights Templar of this jurisdiction can be very happy and proud that the Knights Templar Eye Foundation saw fit to recognize one of the Medical Schools in our State to further their research program of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation.

Courteously yours,

CLIFFORD A. DIECKS,  
Grand Commander.

(Kentucky News Bulletin, January 1, 1958.)

### NOMENCLATURE

And in connection with these schools or discussion groups, the correct use of Templar nomenclature should not be left out. Masonry and Templary have their own respective vocabularies and distinctive speech. It behooves us as Sir Knights to use the particular wording that sets us apart from the profane. Be sure that you are familiar with the following:

Commanderies hold conclaves, not meetings. These conclaves are stated or special, not regular or called. The Orders are conferred, they are not put on. A Commandery opens in full form, not in long form. The Order of Malta is conferred in full form ceremonial, not in long form. In Templary, the honorary title goes with the office and not with the individual. All Knights Templar, no matter what their rank is, are entitled to the same honorary prefix to their names, namely: "Sir Knight."

#### Honorary Titles

Only two officers of a Commandery have an honorary prefix to their respective stations other than "Sir Knight," and these two officers are the Commander and the Prelate. One honorary title is "Eminent Commander" and the other is "Excellent Prelate." All other officers of a Commandery have the honorary title of Sir Knight, as Sir Knight Captain General, Sir Knight Senior Warden, Sir Knight Warder, Sir Knight Recorder. Please remember that simple rule. There are no honorary titles as Right Eminent Sir Knight, or Right Eminent Sir, or Eminent Sir Knight or Eminent Sir. Again, let me state the honorary prefix, and the only one, that should ever precede the name of a Knight Templar is "Sir Knight," as Sir Knight John Doe.

WYLIE B. WENDT,  
Chief Instructor.

CARL P. KING,  
Grand Recorder.

January 1, 1958, Kentucky Grand Commandery News Bulletin.



#### TEMPLE HILL SHRINE, NEW YORK STATE

*From Sir Knight Edward B. Many, Past Commander, Hudson River Commandery No. 35, Newburgh, New York, has been received newspaper clippings concerning the revival of interest in historic Temple Hill by members of the National Temple Hill Association.*

*The scene in the photo shows the Revolutionary Officers' Hut at Temple Hill, New Windsor, Newburgh, New York, sight of the encampment of George Washington's Soldiers in 1782-83. In the picture may be seen the Temple Hill Monument, on which appears the following: "On this ground was erected 'The Temple' or the Public Building by the Army of the Revolution, 1782-1789. The Birthplace of the Republic."*

*The following account of the recent meeting was published by the Newburgh newspaper.*

#### STATE JURISDICTION SUGGESTED FOR SITE

New York State's official historian last night urged that the State Education Department be given jurisdiction over the historic Temple Hill encampment site of Washington Revolutionary War army.

State Historian Dr. Albert B. Corey, addressing a dinner meeting of the National Temple Hill Association at the Hotel Newburgh, at the same time scotched the likelihood that federal authorities would be willing to take over the Temple Hill site. This latter possibility has been one alternative suggested in order to renovate the site, but Dr. Corey said the property, by itself was too small to be taken over by the National Parks Service, according to its policy.

What he suggested instead, if the Temple Hill Association were willing, was that the Temple Hill site come under the same jurisdiction as prevails for Washington's Headquarters and Knox's Headquarters, also in the Greater Newburgh area.

All three properties are part of a "single historical development" in the Mid-Hudson area, Dr. Corey said, and added:

"The whole three properties ought to be put together under a single administrative head which, as far as I'm concerned is the State Education Department."

Washington's Headquarters in Newburgh and Knox's Headquarters in New Windsor (the headquarters for the artillery generals under Washington, Dr. Corey noted) are now under supervision

of the Board of Trustees of Washington's Headquarters, with Dr. Carlos E. Fallon as president. The Board of Trustees, in turn, is under the general direction of the State Education Department. Dr. Fallon also happens to be president of the National Temple Hill Association.

#### Action Suggested

Dr. Corey suggested that a newly-created Joint Legislative Committee should be presented "a case" for merging the Temple Hill site in New Windsor with the other two historic sites. The new committee of the Legislature at Albany was created with the purpose of studying the restoration and preservation of historic properties in the state, Dr. Corey pointed out. He hailed it as a wise move by the Legislature.

About 150 dinner guests were on hand for the Temple Hill dinner in the Green Room of the hotel. Dr. Fallon presided.

Odell S. Hathaway, president of the Middletown Historical Society, pointed out the importance of the Temple Hill site.

"It was right here that events took place which could have changed the history of the United States," Mr. Hathaway said.

He said he was referring to George Washington's refusal of the crown that one of his colonels suggested he should take to head the government, and Washington's averting "by the strength of his personality" a revolt that was threatening to break out among the Revolutionary War troops.

Mrs. Dolores Hazlett, chairman of the dinner, introduced guests present. The invocation was given by the Rev. F. Morgan Roberts of the Union Presbyterian Church. Guests at the head table included Mayor William D. Ryan, State Legion Commander Martin B. McKneally, Mrs. Cory, Mrs. Hathaway, Henry A. Reissman, former state commander and now national executive committeeman for the Military Order of the Purple Heart, and Walter Tuttle, secretary of the Temple Hill group.

Some 40 additional members were reported enrolled in the Temple Hill Association before the evening was over.



Albany N. Y., October 18, 1957—Inspecting Officer and Council Officers at Inspection of Temple Commandery No. 2, Albany, N. Y. Left to right, Generalissimo Earl Ashworth; Eminent Commander William MacFarlane; Very Eminent Deputy Grand Commander, Knights Templar, Grand Commandery, State of New York, Avery Bullen; Captain General Kenneth Barden.—Photo by Sir Knight Ed. Kanzelmyer, St. George No. 37 (Photo file No 57108).



## FROM NATION'S OLDEST JURISDICTION

Sir Knight George A. Weeks, P. G. C. (Mass. and R. I.), Chairman of Committee on Grand Encampment Public Relations, and Potentate of Aleppo Temple, has mailed to the Editor an interesting account of the 154th Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar and Appendant Orders of Mass. and R. I., which was held in Boston, October 11-12, 1957.

The Official Guest and Inspecting Officer was Sir Knight C. Byron Lear, R. E. Past Grand Generalissimo of the Grand Encampment, representing the Most Eminent Grand Master. The Boston newspapers published pictures and stories of the event, from which has been copied the following:

### Heads Nation's Oldest Jurisdiction

#### DWIGHT PAGE NAMED COMMANDERY HEAD

A Worcester industrialist has been elected Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery, Knights Templar and Appendant Orders of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, with a membership of 15,000 Masons.

He is Dwight C. Page, of Shrewsbury, executive vice-president of Leon J. Barrett Co.

Page becomes the fourth former Grand Commander of the Worcester County Commandery to head the two-state organization in the 133-year history of the local Commandery.

The Massachusetts and Rhode Island Grand Commandery, oldest jurisdiction of Knights Templar in the nation, elected officers Saturday night in the Boston Masonic Temple.

Two other Worcester area men were elected at the Conclave. Clarence E. Booth, of Leominster, was named Grand Captain General, and William W. Armour, of Princeton, was elected Grand Warder.

More than 200 Knights Templar attended the session, preceded Friday night by a dinner for 90 specially invited guests.

Among those attending were presiding Grand Commanders of all Grand Commanderies on the Eastern Seaboard, Grand Masters, Grand High Priests and Grand Masters of Councils of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, and representatives of Scottish Rite Bodies in the Valley of Boston.

Also taking part were Weeks, as Potentate of the Aleppo Temple of the Shrine, and C. Byron Lear, of Hohokus, N. J., Past Grand Generalissimo of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States, as Inspecting Officer.

A 12-member Knight Guard and escort from Worcester County Commandery acted as Guard of Honor for Page.

A reception for the new Grand Commander is scheduled for 6:00 p. m. November 16th at the Masonic Temple.



*Photo shows Mrs. Walter P. Remele, of Pittsburgh, Pa., Supreme Worthy President, Supreme Assembly, Social Order of the Beauceant, with Grand Master DeLamater, upon the occasion of her Official Visit to New York Assembly, at the Masonic Temple in New York City. The Supreme Assembly adopted the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc., as their project on a National Basis for the year.*

### Albany (Oregon) Trestleboard

Sir Knight Robert Harryman, Eminent Commander of Temple Commandery No. 3, Albany, Oregon, has mailed to the Editor, issue No. 1, Vol. 7, January, 1957, Albany Trestleboard, which is an excellent publication of good Masonic news. Editor Walter Stuart, Jr., calls attention to "Our Centennial Year."

#### Members of St. Johns Lodge No. 17

As we are now approaching our centennial as a chartered Lodge in Albany, I think that it is fitting that we give a prayer of thanks to those who have guided the Lodge through all these years.

Plans are being formulated to celebrate this event. We would like your help and support throughout this coming year.

With best wishes to all our members and to all the associated bodies as we go into the final lap of our centennial year.

Fraternally,

AMOS CROOK,

Worshipful Master 1958.

It was "out with the old" and "in with the new" on 27th December, when St. Johns Lodge observed the Festival of St. John the Evangelist. The evening started with a fine dinner, prepared by the Annette Club, and served by the DeMolays.

The annual Christmas program sponsored by Temple Commandery for the Albany Masonic family, was held on Sunday, 22nd December. About 70 were in attendance.

Rev. Sir Morton Booth delivered the Christmas message, following which the toast to the Grand Master, his response and the greetings of the Grand Commander were read. Miss Kathleen Harper was pianist, and members of Takena Chapter of DeMolay were the choir.

With no "work" scheduled for December, Sir Robert Harryman planned a "ladies night" on Friday, 6th December. A potluck dinner was held at 6:30, followed by a brief business meeting of Temple Commandery. The Knights then rejoined the ladies for a program of colored slides, made by Seth French on his trip through Europe last spring.



*Twenty-five Sir Knights of Otsego Commandery No. 76, Cooperstown, New York, on April 30, 1957, made a pilgrimage to Richfield Springs (New York) Lodge No. 482. All of these Sir Knights took part in conferring the Third Degree of Masonry on the first class of candidates for the Lodge. The second class has followed, and all these Blue Lodge Masons have placed petitions for membership in the Chapter and Commandery. This kind of active work in a Commandery is the surest way to increase membership and to enlist more devoted workers in a Commandery. Congratulations to Otsego Commandery of Historic Cooperstown, New York.*

*Photo received through the courtesy of Sir Knight J. Harry Cook, Past Commander of Otsego No. 76, and Past R. E. Grand Commander of the State of New York. Sir Knight Cook is the second from the left in the first line shown in the photo.*

### Letter of Praise from John E. Rines

The following excerpts are quoted from a letter received from Sir Knight John E. Rines, P. G. C. (Mass. and R. I.), Chairman of Grand Encampment Finance Committee, and Trustee and Secretary of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc. His letter came from the Amherst Apartments, Orlando, Florida, dated December 10, 1957.

Friend John wrote: "The purpose of this letter is to tell you what a fine job you have done as Editor of the 'Knight Templar.' Of course, I read only that which applies to my 'bread and butter,' but I do read the 'Knight Templar,' and after several hours have just completed

reading the November-December issue. I congratulate you, not only on this issue, which I have read from cover to cover.

"Of course, you know that I am ninety-five per cent blind, but I try to carry on. This will be my 17th year on the Committee on Finance of the Grand Encampment, and Chairman since 1949. Also, I have served on the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc., since it was established.

"My deep appreciation for all the pleasure I have had in reading as much of the 'Knight Templar' as my restricted one glaucoma eye will allow. I want to remain your friend for Christ and Templary. . . ."

Most sincerely,  
JOHN E. RINES.



Malta Club, Huntington Commandery No. 9, Knights Templar (West Virginia), P. O. Box 1647, Huntington, W. Va.—December 4, 1957.

Dear Sir Knight Pancoast:

The attached picture is of our newly organized Order of Malta Team which we are quite proud. We have conferred the Order of Malta on our last two inspections and have been invited to three other Commanderies in the State to confer the work. We have 55 regular members of the team and have monthly meetings and social events.

If it is possible we would appreciate getting this picture published in the Templar magazine and a write-up about the work we are doing. Our Commander, William C. Steele, has appointed Sir Knight C. H. Gibbs, to procure subscriptions to the Templar magazine and we are happy to report that so far he has turned in 104 new subscriptions.

Fraternally yours—ARTHUR M. HERNDON, P. C.

## Good Publicity for Illinois Conclave

Through the courtesy of Sir Knight E. Robert Chable, R. E. Grand Prelate of the Grand Encampment, an extensive collection of newspaper clippings was received, which presented a story of an unusual amount of good newspaper publicity for a Templar event.

Sir Knight Chable, at present with the Rio Grande College, Rio Grande, Ohio, in his letter stated: "The enclosed articles will show just a small part of the wide newspaper publicity in connection with the Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Illinois, held at Springfield, on September 13, 14, 15, 1957."

Sir Knight Chable, Grand Prelate, who was the personal representative of the Most Eminent Grand Master, said that the newspaper publicity represented a marvelous coverage of the Conclave, which was undoubtedly the work of excellent Press relations.

The following excerpts are taken from some of the cutlines and articles which appeared in the newspaper, the Illinois State register and also the Illinois State Journal:

### Thousands View Templar Parade

Several thousand persons flanked the line of march through the downtown district yesterday as 3,500 Knights Templar of the Grand Commandery of Illinois staged their parade, concluding the 101st Annual Conclave which opened here Friday. Six bands were in the parade, which disbanded at the armory for a devotional service.

(From Illinois State Journal-Register, Springfield, Sunday, September 15, 1957.)

### Templars Hear Grand Prelate

Speaking at the Grand Commander's dinner last night at the St. Nicholas Hotel, E. Robert Chable, Right Eminent Grand Prelate of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America, praised the "phil-



*Sir Knight E. Robert Chable, R. E. Grand Prelate, Grand Encampment.*

osophy of love" manifested by the fraternal order. The speaker, Chable, left, is shown with James W. Lawrence, general chairman of the Conclave.

The dinner climaxed the second day of the three-day 101st Annual Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Illinois.

Chable asserted that all men had a philosophy of life by which they guided their action, but never organized it into "any coherent manner." He condemned the philosophy of "might makes right" as the code of "every dictator and tyrant the world has ever known."

In like manner, Chable disposed of the philosophy of "enjoy yourself because it's later than you think" as a "philosophy of pleasure" and the philosophy of materialism which he said "evaluates people in terms of what they own rather than in terms of what they are."

Declaring these philosophies "never have been accepted by the Masonic fraternity in general or the Order of Knights Templar in particular," Chable extolled the Masonic charities for the work they perform throughout the world.

Cited were the Knights Templar Eye Foundation which provides treatment and operations for victims of eye diseases who are unable to afford the expense; the various Shrine hospitals who furnish surgical treatment and medication for needy persons, and the Knights Templar Educational Loan Foundation which assists needy student through college through means of a loan fund of several million dollars.

#### Knights Templar Like News Coverage

Dear Sirs: In behalf of James W. Lawrence, the general chairman of the Grand Commandery Conclave which was held in Springfield a few weeks ago, as well as the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar, Elwood Commandery No. 6, of Springfield, and Demascus Commandery No. 42, of Havana, the two host Commanderies, we tender thanks to the Illinois State Journal and the Illinois State Register for the generous space given to this Masonic meeting.

The coverage was complete and I voice the grateful appreciation of all Knights Templar in the Central Illinois area for this fine publicity. The staff of both papers is to be complimented for cooperating so splendidly with our publicity committee. A job well done, indeed.

Sincerely yours,

ALFRED F. BECKER,  
Secretary, Springfield.

Elwood Commandery No. 6, Knights Templar, 420 South Sixth Street, Springfield, Illinois.

October 3, 1957.

WHEREAS, the 101st Conclave of the Grand Commandery of the State of Illinois, was held in Springfield, Illinois, on September 13, 14 and 15, 1957.

WHEREAS, the Conclave was extremely successful in every particular.

WHEREAS, the visitors and members from other cities and states were greatly impressed by the hospitality and genuine friendliness of all the residents of Springfield.

WHEREAS, the news articles and publicity coverage of the Conclave that was provided by the Illinois State Journal and the Illinois State Register, contributed very greatly to that feeling of "being welcome and at home" in Springfield among the visitors.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Elwood Commandery No. 6, Knights Templar, in stated meeting, do commend the publisher and the editors of the said Illinois State Journal and Illinois State Register for the great courtesies extended to us and to the Grand Commandery of the State of Illinois, and we here express our deepest appreciation thereof.

Signed: RICHINGS J. SHAND, Jr.,  
Eminent Commander.

Attest: C. H. GREGG,  
Acting Recorder.



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## Sigman and Gorham, Connecticut Masonic Leaders, Honored at Dinner

Sir Knights Horace M. N. Sigman, P. G. C., and Leslie W. Gorham, P. G. C., were honored at a Testimonial Dinner at Chatham Oaks, Saturday, November 9, 1957, given by the Temple Workers Association of St. Johns Lodge.

The history of the Masonic careers and accomplishments were printed in a program, personally autographed by members of the Association. This was one of the souvenirs presented with books of achievement and gifts to the guests of honor.

The Norwalk newspapers published an illustrated account of this event, attended by Church and Masonic notables, herewith presented, in part:

### Church and Masonic Notables at Testimonial to Two Leaders

A large crowd attended a testimonial dinner for Horace M. N. Sigman and Leslie W. Gorham Saturday night at Chatham Oaks, Connecticut avenue, given by the Temple Workers Association of St. Johns Lodge. The guests of honor were presented with books of achievement and gifts.

Distinguished representatives of the church, Masonry and friends of both men enjoyed a dinner which was preceded by the posting of colors by the Monk Grotto color guard for the singing of the national anthem, following which Edwin S. Austin pronounced the invocation.

General Chairman Ira S. Smith, Commander of Clinton Commandery, welcomed those present and then turned the proceedings over to Charles J. Fairhurst, master of ceremonies.

A gift was presented to Sigman by Rev. W. Wesley Williams, former pastor of the Norwalk Methodist Church and former Deputy Grand Chaplain of Masons in Connecticut. He now lives in Mount Vernon, N. Y.

Gorham's gift was presented by Judge

Frank Wilder, of Bridgeport, Past Grand Master of Masons in Connecticut, and a life-long friend of Mr. Gorham.

Mrs. Bessie Sigman and Mrs. Laura Gorham were proud witnesses of the high honors accorded their husbands.

Mr. and Mrs. Gorham's children and grandson were present.

Dinner music was played by Mrs. Marjorie Meade.

Host and hostess for the evening were Mr. and Mrs. Paul J. James. James is a former District Deputy of the First Masonic District, and Mr. and Mrs. James are Past Matron and Past Patron of Berkeley Chapter No. 95, to which both honored guests belong.

Also in attendance were past and present officers and members of many of the fraternal organizations of which Sigman and Gorham are members. Many members of the Norwalk Methodist Church, of which Sigman has been church school superintendent for 45 years, and members of the congregation of the East Avenue Methodist Church, where Gorham is a member.

### Chivalric Orders (Commandery)

The first step in the Commandery of Knights Templar is the Illustrious Order of the Red Cross, which continues the Royal Arch of the Chapter, R. A. M.

The second Order in the Commandery is the Knight of Malta, with its pass degree of Knight of St. Paul or the Mediterranean Pass. This is based historically upon one of the old Orders of the Crusades.

The Order of the Temple is the third of the Orders of the Commandery, and is wholly Christian. The Templar tradition derives it from the Society of the same name which played such an important part in the Crusades of the Middle Ages. Thus the York Rite completes the Masonic Story.



VINCENTI Y. ORODA

*Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of the Philippines.*

## FAR EAST No. 1 NEWS

December 9, 1957.

My Dear Chalmers:

I am just in receipt of a most interesting letter from Sir Knight Antonio Gonzalez, Eminent Commander of Far East Commandery No. 1, K. T., Manila, Philippines.

Sir Knight Gonzalez tells me the Far East Commandery recently knighted a class of 14, one of the Knights of Malta being Vincente Y. Oroda, the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of the Philippines, a photo of this distinguished gentleman being enclosed.

Sincerely and fraternally,

G. MAX FOWLER,

Department Commander, Subordinate Commanderies, Grand Encampment, U. S. A.



GRAND MASTER AS A TEXAS DEPUTY SHERIFF

*At the time Sir Knight Walter A. DeLamater, Most Eminent Grand Master, officially visited the Grand Commandery of Texas at Beaumont, April 14-17, 1957, he was presented with a ten gallon hat. The photo shows the Grand Master being presented with the badge, bearing the name of the Grand Master as a Deputy Sheriff of that county, and then was presented with a suitably engraved Silver Bowl. It was during the banquet program that the General was adorned with the ten gallon hat, badge and credentials. The Sir Knight on the right in the photo, the R. E. Grand Commander, J. Marvin Pugh, passed away on December 10, 1957. The Sir Knight presenting the badge, shown in the photo, was the Past Commander and Chairman of the local committee.*

## Join the Commandery of Knights Templar

The Order of Knights Templar extends an invitation to Brother Masons to join the Commandery and enjoy its many benefits and privileges, share in its services and charity, and thus enter into a new world of inspiration in Masonic activities. The Blue Lodge and Chapter Mason may petition for membership in the Commandery in any of the cities or communities in your State.

In Templar Masonry the teachings of the Lodge are unfolded in their entirety in the Commandery, which so portrays the life and work of Our Master, today's heritage to Christianity.

Masonry can confer upon its membership no greater privilege than that of opening the door of Christian Knight hood to those devoted and loyal Master Masons.

## TO MASTER MASONS

### An Invitation to Join the Order of Knights Templar

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The Commandery of Knights Templar

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