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Church Service Sunday Morning, August 17th

During the 47th Triennial Conclave, Indianapolis, on Sunday morning, August 17th, the 11 o'clock service will be held at the Episcopal Cathedral in Monument Circle, Indianapolis. This is in addition to the afternoon Divine Service announced in the program, at the Coliseum at 4 p. m.

The sermon at this service will be preached by Sir Knight and Rev. John Brett Langstaff, Grand Prelate of the Grand Commandery, Knights Templar of the State of New York, and Chaplain of the United Red Cross of Constantine, as guest preacher.

In 1929-30 Rev. Langstaff was in charge of this important Parish in Indianapolis.

Grateful Appreciation

Sir Knight Walter A. DeLamater, Most Eminent Grand Master, expresses his grateful appreciation for the many cards, letters, telegrams and flowers received while in the hospital after undergoing surgery. The Grand Master returned home from the hospital, and making very satisfactory progress, is more anxious than ever to advance the best interests of this great Christian Order.

GRAND MASTER'S MESSAGE

To the Sir Knights Greetings:

This will be my last message to you through the medium of our official publication "Knight Templar" as your Grand Master, and before we become absorbed in this message and then in a busy moment overlook it, your Grand Master desires to express his very grateful appreciation for the enthusiastic interest, loyalty and fine cooperation he has received throughout the jurisdiction of the Grand Encampment, from the Officers of the Grand Encampment, Past Grand Officers, Department Commanders, Committee Members especially the Chairmen and so many Sir Knights. You have all been most gracious and cooperative, the great number of wonderful letters received, the hospitality and courtesies extended to Mrs. DeLamater and myself, and the friendships made have been so rewarding and in the time still allotted on earth to your Grand Master it will bring back fond memories of a great group of Soldiers of the Cross and regular fellows.

It has been a delight, a real pleasure and an inspiration to meet and address so many Sir Knights and their gracious ladies and the distinguished leaders of Masonry throughout our great country and elsewhere.

Now for a brief summary of this Triennium and whether the objectives defined at the outset of this administration have been accomplished or not.

The major objective "A Revitalized and Greater Templary," it is believed that considerable progress has been made and that today there is evidence of a greater and more enthusiastic interest. Your Grand Master at both physical and financial sacrifice has endeavored to cover as much ground as



Sir Knight Walter A. DeLamater

has been humanly possible and has worked on "all cylinders" day and night. In his talks he has "laid it on the line" to use a common expression so as to forcefully state the weak and strong points of Templary and what was absolutely essential to create greater interest, enthusiasm, and to accomplish results if Templary was to live, let alone make greater progress.

The Knights Templar Chapel in the George Washington Masonic National Memorial in Alexandria, Virginia, has been fully completed and furnished and was dedicated April 20, 1957, with the Vice-President of the United States as our principal speaker. Over \$80,000.00 was raised for what can be truly said is a monument to Templary. After paying all final bills there will be a surplus to set aside for any necessary repairs or replacements of any items now in the Chapel.

We have been greatly disappointed at the lack of proper elevator service which prevented many who were anxious to visit the Chapel. With the approval of the Incoming Grand Master our Committee will hereafter arrange for proper elevator service on such occasions when large groups of visitors are expected.

The magazine "Knight Templar" was a new departure both as to format and content from the former Grand Encampment Review and the popularity of our new publication has been proven for to date we have received nearly 8000 subscriptions (and they are increasing every month) as against 532, our highest for the Grand Encampment Review.

A Department of Subordinate Commanderies requested and authorized at our last Triennial Conclave has demonstrated the importance of that decision by greater interest in Templary in our possessions and foreign countries wherein we have established a Subordinate Commandery under our Jurisdiction. It has resulted in bringing into closer relationship those Commanderies to the Grand Encampment and the results anticipated will be far reaching.

Your Grand Master has issued Dispensations to nine new Subordinate Commanderies as follows: One each in Tokyo, Okinawa, Guam, three additional Commanderies in the Philippines and three in West Germany.

The R. E. Department Commander, Sir Knight G. Max Fowler, of that Department has recently returned from officially visiting all of the commanderies in the Pacific at his own expense and has been in weekly communication with all Subordinate Commanderies.

Educational Loan Foundation has increased each year the number of loans made but some basic changes would seem advisable in the light of about 36 years experience and the fast changing age in which we are living,

the changes in modern educational trends. This will be discussed in forum on August 17 in Indianapolis, Ind.

The Knights Templar Eye Foundation project was the most advanced step ever made by the Grand Encampment. We are finally putting into practice what we vowed to do. In time the Foundation if permitted to function along the general lines now in operation will be as widely and favorably known as any other existing philanthropy. It is growing rapidly and building up a tremendous lot of good will and publicity. The scope of our work is not confined to any one group but we aim to help everyone, children, men, women, all races, creeds, color, age, sex or national origin; the only requisite being that the individual applying for treatment and/or hospitalization shall be unable to pay.

The Committee on Approval of Applications have endeavored to be sincere and conscientious and to fulfill the requirements of our Constitution in their decisions of approval or disapproval of the applications received, 185 to date, and growing almost daily. The Committee has endeavored in their interpretation and based their decision as their conscience dictated, and as would meet the approval of our Sir Knights, and in compliance with Section 18-1/2 of our Constitution. In addition to the 185 cases, we have contributed as grants to fifteen Departments of Ophthalmology \$225,000.00 for research into the little known causes of diseases of the eye which takes such a heavy toll of blindness each year. Our project is a great heartwarming, soul stirring and humanitarian work.

Membership—while the Grand Encampment as a whole has shown gains in numerical strength it would and could show far greater gains if first, we made a determined effort to cut down the number of demits and suspensions. There are entirely too many

and they can and should be reduced. Greater number of candidates can and could be received by enthusiastic interest, determination and getting out and working and working. Unless one has the interest and ambition to "get off their seat," use some energy and effort, your Commandery will show losses.

Fraternal organizations are at the crossroads. Are you going to be a party guilty of having it go down and down because of lack of interest and being too lazy to get out and hustle when by enthusiastic interest, well organized effort you would not only save it but it would grow and grow and show substantial gains? Try it!

In conclusion your Grand Master would like the Sir Knights and their families to feel that in his last official word through this publication, he is most grateful for the opportunity for service it was his privilege to have, and that symbolically with a hearty hand clasp and an arm around your shoulder, he is deeply grateful. His earnest and sincere wish is that all will enjoy the best of health, all the good things in life and that you not only continue but increase your interest, devotion to and your activity for a greater and Revitalized Templary than ever in its history, and that he will have the privilege of greeting you in Indianapolis August 16-22, 1958.

Let us all pitch in, give our best and make the Triennial 1958-1961 the greatest in the history of Templary.

All credit for what has been accomplished during the past three years is due entirely to the encouragement and divine guidance received from Christ our Leader, for your Grand Master has no hesitancy in stating that he has made no major decisions or addresses without first seeking the aid and assistance of our Supreme Grand Master, so to Him is entitled all the credit, and glory. Your Grand Master was only the medium through which Christ directed the work to be carried on. Your

Grand Master does however assume full responsibility for any errors of commission or omission.

Sir Knights and your families, God Bless you all and keep you in his tender care.

Put all your trust and faith in Christ. He will guide and see you all the way through in any endeavor undertaken in His Name as He has me. Make every effort to attend our Triennial Conclave in Indianapolis August 16-22, 1958.

Always your friend for a Greater Templary,

WALTER A. DeLAMATER,
Grand Master.

50-Year Medal to 86-Year-Old Sir Knight

James E. Hathaway of New Rochelle, N. Y., was presented the 50-year medal of the Grand Commandery of Massachusetts and Rhode Island at the public installation of officers in Bethlehem Commandery, No. 53, Mount Vernon, N. Y.

Sir Knight Hathaway, a very active 86-year-old, was introduced by the Eminent Commander, Sir Knight A. Raymond Seaman, escorted through the lines to the East where the installing officer, Sir Knight Stanley Wakefield, Past Grand Commander, presented the medal on behalf of Haverhill Commandery, No. 14, of Haverhill, Massachusetts.

Mrs. Hathaway was introduced from the foot of the lines and presented with a corsage of flowers by Sir Knight Edward E. Spooner, P. C., on behalf of Bethlehem Commandery.

They were picked up at their New Rochelle home by the present Commander, Sir Knight Charles S. Borger, who drove them to Mount Vernon and back that evening. They were also present at the pre-conclave dinner in the Knolls Restaurant.

PILGRIMAGES TO INDIANAPOLIS

Entertainment and Souvenirs for Visitors

All eyes in Knight Templary are being turned nowadays toward Indianapolis.

That Hoosier capital, famous for its hospitality, many homes, literature and national figures, is leaving no stone unturned to make the 47th Triennial Conclave of Knights Templar of the U. S. A., August 16 to 22, 1958, the greatest in the long and noble history of that Fraternity.

Under the general chairmanship of Sir Knight C. Wilbur Foster, who will be the Grand Commander of Knights Templar of Indiana, by advancement, in May, 1958, the various committees and Commanderies are busy at work.

One of the most notable and commendatory features of preparations is the unselfish and voluntary cooperation being extended by all other branches of Masonry and all Masonic-related bodies in Indianapolis and Indiana.

As an example, on the Central Committee headed by Sir Knight Foster are Sir Knight W. Henry Roberts, 33°, Deputy for Indiana for the Supreme Council, Scottish Rite; and his brother, Sir Knight J. Benjamin Roberts, 1958 Potentate of Murat Temple, Indianapolis, sixth largest Shrine Temple in the world.

Cooperation also is coming from countless other persons representing not only other Hoosier Commanderies of Knights Templar, but various Masonic and Masonic-related bodies.

Although the Conclave is weeks away already final arrangements have been made for pilgrimages from other states—and still more are to come.

By air, California will send its large delegation. Illinois will employ both special trains and a caravan. Special trains will come also from Pennsylvania and from Michigan's Detroit No. 1, Commandery.

Other States sending pilgrimages will be Colorado, Iowa, Nebraska, Wisconsin and Maine. Besides, another will come from the District of Columbia. Lansing, Mich., will bring along that city's nationally-famous high school band.

There certainly will be no lack of drill teams because already 34 such units have been entered in the competition which promises to be keen.

Of course, the eyes of the general public, at Triennials, naturally is centered on the colorful parade. They will not be disappointed at the forthcoming Indianapolis Triennial.

That line of march will take the marchers past and around Indianapolis' Soldiers and Sailors' Monument, in the city's famous Circle, a shaft honoring the dead of all the Nation's wars. It also will skirt the World War Memorial with its famous Memorial, its obelisk, tomb to the unknown soldier and national headquarters of the American Legion.

This parade will offer something rare. Heading the line of march and clad in the regalia of Crusaders will be members of the famous Horse Patrol of Murat Shrine Temple, riding their beautifully matched palominos. This troop has become a tradition in Shrine-dom and has appeared at great spectacles from Coast to Coast, including the annual East-West football game in San Francisco, the Pasadena, Cal., Annual Tournament of Roses Parade; the Memphis, Tenn., Cotton Carnival; the Kentucky Derby parade; the annual Cherry Blossom parade at Washington, D. C., and the Oyster Bowl football game at Norfolk, Va. Most of these riders are Knights Templar.

Appropriate decorations will be installed in the Fairground Coliseum for the sacred service on Sunday, August

17. Impressive black curtains will be hung at the back of the chancel, serving as a backdrop behind a huge, plain cross measuring 36 feet.

With this background a special choir of 50 voices, drawn from the Indianapolis Scottish Rite Chorus and the Indianapolis Symphonic Choir, will sing. This special chorus will be directed by Edwin J. Biltcliffe, who is director for both the groups from which this choir will be enlisted.

Brother Biltcliffe, incidentally, is widely known in local, State and National musical circles. He is also pianist for the Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra and was pianist-accompanist for Miss Eleanor Steber, Metropolitan Opera soprano, on her recent world concert tour. That tour was sponsored by the United States state department.

Reservations continue to pour into the House Committee. Already more than 2,200 have arrived for hotel accommodations—and the Triennial is yet weeks away.

Delegates and other visitors will wish to keep as lasting souvenirs the badges and printed program for this 47th Triennial, because, with simple taste and elegance, both stress the Sword and Buckler theme. That theme is to prevail throughout the Conclave as it is employed in connection with the various other Crosses of the order—Salem, Patriarchal, St. Andrews and the Cross & Crown.

Transparent name holders will have the Sword and Buckler design, together with the lettering printed in purple for the Grand Encampment members and in red for the Commandery members.

The same Sword and Buckler theme will prevail on street light poles throughout the length of the line of march. The names of the various Grand Jurisdictions present will be lettered on the panel below the Sword and Buckler and Cross and Crown.

A special feature for the afternoon of Sunday, August 17, will be an exhibition by the drill team of Detroit Commandery No. 1.

A trip to Indianapolis would not be complete without a visit to its world-famous Speedway. On that track where each Memorial Day the 500-Mile race is held a special race by some of the nation's outstanding drivers will be held for the benefit and enjoyment of all persons attending the Triennial.

Numerous special parties, luncheons and dinners have been arranged for various groups, in addition to the main general gatherings.

Certainly the distaff side is not being overlooked because, in addition to attending the special Speedway race, the ladies will have a round of shows, tours, luncheons, receptions, teas and a theater party.

Once I came across this tribute to Sir Knights in the Autumn of Life. An Eminent Commander, whose heart and mind was filled with the great spirit of Templary, announced a masterful idea:—"Welcome to Our Veteran Fraters," he said, smiling, "This Commandery will honor itself by receiving and honoring those Sir Knights who have been loyal and faithful down the years."

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Message from Sir Knight Wilber M. Brucker Right Eminent Grand Captain General

Thousands of loyal Knights Templar are looking forward with keen anticipation to the 47th Triennial Conclave of the Grand Encampment in Indianapolis, Indiana, August 16-22, 1958.

There is something splendidly satisfying about participation in a Triennial of the Grand Encampment. It has all the colorful pageantry that is associated with the big Triennial Parade, as well as the Drill Corps competition demonstrating excellent formations of well drilled Templars.

It has all the attractiveness of delightful and charming social events where Sir Knights and their ladies gather to enjoy outstanding local hospitality and entertainment.

It has its interesting and serious side where Sir Knights from every Grand Commandery and each Subordinate Commandery in the world gather to consider the accumulated experience of the past three years of active Templar operations and to discuss and set the policy, program and tempo for the next three vital years.

It also has its magnificent personal advantages by affording each of us an opportunity to "fraternize" and renew friendships by prolonged visits with our fellow Templars, with whom we are privileged to be associated for several fruitful days.

It also furnishes the inspiration for renewed zeal for Templary in the days to come, garnered from the ensemble of activities, contacts and events, which will equip all of us for better work in the future.

Looking back, it was probably my participation as a Platoon Commander in the Grand Commandery Parade in Michigan in June of 1923 that started my active Templar career. I got a thrill out of marching with my fellow Templars to the strains of "Onward Christian Sol-



Sir Knight and Hon. Wilber M. Brucker, Secretary of Army, R. E. Grand Captain General, Grand Encampment, Knights Templar of U. S. A.

diers" that I shall never forget. Since then I have marched in more than two dozen Michigan Grand Commandery parades, and I have never ceased to experience a similar thrill,—especially when marching in the "Passion Cross" formation. Templar parades are more than mere spectacles,—they constitute visible and tangible public support of the Christian cause with its deep significance for God and Country.

As for the effect on Triennial Conclaves of the Grand Encampment, I cannot emphasize too strongly the impact they have upon the city and state where they are held. Detroit, Michigan, was host to the Grand Encampment in 1928, and the effect of that great event still lingers in the minds and hearts of tens of thousands of Michigan people. I have attended several Triennials, including Miami, Florida, in 1937; Cleveland, Ohio,

in 1940; San Francisco, California, in 1949; New Orleans, Louisiana, in 1952, and New York City in 1955. Each one has been a bright page in Templar activities and has given us a chance to portray Templary in its best light. Each one has added to our happy experiences and the opportunity to demonstrate Templar devotion of the Christian cause in cities widely dispersed throughout the country.

In my opinion every Sir Knight should seriously consider attending the Triennial this year. It could be made a part of the family vacation itinerary of thousands of Templars. It could be planned by a group of Templars traveling together by rail, motor or air,—with all the added advantages thus afforded. All who go will enjoy the rich treat that is in store for them in Indianapolis in August.

WILBER M. BRUCKER,
Grand Captain General.

GRAND MASTER'S WELCOME

At the Easter Sunrise Memorial Service, Arlington National Cemetery, Easter Sunday Morning, April 6, 1958. Under auspices of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America.

Distinguished guests, ladies, Sir Knights, and Friends:

On behalf of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America which includes five of our possessions and five foreign countries, it is my privilege and honor to extend a most cordial welcome on this Easter morn, and to this most impressive and inspiring service.

What an inspiration to look out upon this large audience, in this rain and see so many who have and are rendering most distinguished service to our government, we are happy to see, so many of our uniformed Knights Templar and their ladies from distant parts of our

great country, thus giving tangible evidence of their faith in God, and to rejoice that Christ arose from the dead, after sacrificing his life for us.

We are proud to welcome our speaker, the Rev. Dr. Daniel Poling, father of the late Chaplain Clark V. Poling, one of the four chaplains who, when the *Dorchester* was torpedoed in the North Atlantic gave up their life jackets, went down with the ship, offering words of encouragement and prayers to the very last. A stirring episode in religious and American history.

We therefore pay special tribute to those four Chaplains, Catholic, Protestant and Jew, and to our heroic dead, who lie buried in this hallowed ground as well as in other resting places throughout the world and to those of our own order who have passed from our ranks.

We would lose the effect and significance of this day if we failed to receive the inspiration of this service, and as we leave this sacred and hallowed place if we fail to dedicate ourselves anew to Christ's service and in the year that lies ahead give more of our time and render greater service to his work and thus contribute in no small measure in the efforts to establish world peace, and a more united and awakened America.

WALTER A. DeLAMATER,
Grand Master.

WANTED BACK NUMBERS

Requests have been received for the early numbers of the "Knight Templar" Magazine. Especially for Volume 1, Numbers 1, 2, and 3. This would be November-December, 1955; February-March, 1956; May-June, 1956.

If any reader has a copy of any of these issues to pass along to some subscriber kindly mail them to the Editor, Chalmers L. Pancoast, 305 West 45th Street, New York 36, New York.

Also wanted—a copy of the book, "Templar Tales," now out of print.

An Appeal from the Grand Marshal

GRAND ENCAMPMENT OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Forty-seventh Triennial Conclave Parade Committee—Wilber M. Brucker, G. C. G.; C. Byron Lear, P. G. G., Grand Marshal; Theodore F. Voelter, R. E. D. C., North Atlantic Department, Chief of Staff.

Office of the Grand Marshal, December 8, 1957—Memo to: The Officers of the Grand Encampment, Department Commanders, Grand Commanders, Deputy Grand Commanders, Members of Grand Encampment Committees.

Every Templar in the United States who is the least bit conversant with the program of the present administration of the Grand Encampment, must be conscious of that program and extremely proud of our leadership.

Each Grand Commander, together with the line officers of each Grand Commandery, being kept closer to the activity and planned progress of the Most Eminent Grand Master, are certainly conscious of the results of the "Revitalized Templary" that he constantly strives for.

All Officers of the Grand Master's Staff and all members of Committees have personally experienced the profound and devoted service of a forceful and dynamic leader who has, at no little sacrifice, given unstintingly of his energy and all of his time to get Templary throughout the United States, moving in one direction; forward.

To such a valiant crusader, there must be a rewarding victory and there are ways by which each Grand Commander, and those of the Grand Master's official family, can contribute in a manner that will justify the many sacrifices of the Grand Master and make his heart exceedingly glad.

The active administration during the present triennium, comes to a close

with the 47th Triennial Conclave to be held in Indianapolis, August 16-22, inclusive. A record attendance on the part of the Templars of this country would be a rewarding expression for the Grand Master.

The finest and most significant tribute we could hope to render Walter DeLamater would be to have the greatest number of Templars that have participated in many years, pass in review before him on Saturday evening, August 16, 1958.

As evidence of my loyalty to the Grand Master and as well to the Grand Captain General of the Grand Encampment; to say nothing of my affectionate regard for the Order of the Temple and those who are devoted to it, I have accepted the appointment as Grand Marshal of the Triennial Parade, tendered me by my friend of many years, Sir Knight Wilber M. Brucker.

The purpose of this memorandum is to solicit your complete cooperation and active interest in the Triennial Parade in Indianapolis. The distinguished Templars to whom it is addressed are recognized as wielding a tremendous influence for the benefit of Templary in their own and many other jurisdictions and can be of the greatest possible help in organizing every area of the country so that our Parade will be one to be proud of, and a great tribute to a tireless Templar leader who will be reviewing his loyal knights for the last time as Grand Master.

May I respectfully request that active Triennial Committees in every Commandery in your State or Department be promptly organized with but one thought in mind; the Templar Pilgrimage to Indianapolis on August 16, 1958.

Will you not undertake the responsibility for seeing that your Grand Commandery officers set up a WORKING

COMMITTEE NOW in every Commandery, suggest the inauguration of Triennial Clubs whereby monthly amounts are paid to provide for the individual's expense to Indianapolis, initiate special Templar Trains or Bus caravans, get out press releases which insure favorable publicity and above all, arouse the membership on the Commandery level to attend the 47th Triennial Conclave and join the host of uniformed marching men who will present Templary and its "forward movement" on August 16, 1958.

A note from you, advising the writer as to the ways and means by which you believe your jurisdiction can best be organized would be appreciated.

Courteously yours,

C. BYRON LEAR,
Grand Marshal.

Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc., Notes

Sir Knight W. R. VanHousen, Grand Recorder, of the Grand Commandery of Minnesota, under date of January, 23, 1958, wrote to the M. E. Grand Master, Sir Knight Walter A. DeLamater, as follows: "I hand you herewith another check for the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, in the amount of \$25.00, received from Sir Knight John A. Knierim, 294 Endicott Bldg., St. Paul, Minn. I am happy to report that he is now a Knight Templar, having received the Orders in Damascus Commandery No. 1, of St. Paul, in their last class. The Knights Templar Eye Foundation gets full credit for his becoming interested in Templary."

"The Light That Shines on Their Faces"

Sir Knight Richard A. Swain, Eminent Commander, Ithaca Commandery No. 40, Knights Templar, of Alma, Michigan, has written an interesting letter regarding results from service through the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc.

His letter, to Sir Knight Walter A. DeLamater dated February 21, 1958, Mt. Pleasant, Michigan, states: "On behalf of Ithaca Commandery No. 40, I wish to thank you and the Foundation Committee for all the assistance you have given us on the Mr. ——— Case. It was wonderful. Mr. ——— is now at home and feeling very good. He will have most of his sight in the treated eye and has asked me to extend to the Foundation his appreciation for the assistance. On the morning I called Mrs. ——— to tell her the news she was very low in spirits, crying and very unhappy. When I gave her the news of the decision she cried again but this time in happiness. This is all the thanks we need for this kind of work. It is a great feeling to be able to help a fellow man now and then, the light that shines on their faces has a strange sort of glow."

Fraternally yours,
RICHARD A. SWAIN,
Commander.

PENNSYLVANIA

50-Year Members Honored

Special recognition for 50-year members marked the recent Ladies Night Program of Baldwin II Commandery, No. 22, in Williamsport, Pa.

The Sir Knights so honored were:

Harry J. W. Kiessling, P. C., 54 years; Edgar Nichols, 54 years; Charles E. Gohl, 53 years; Forest E. Gregory, 53 years; J. Fred Plankenhorn, 53 years; Harry R. Kuns, 52 years; Arthur L. Pepperman, P. C., 52 years; Sidney W. Dieffenbacher, 50 years; John R. Heim, P. C., former Division Commander, 50 years; Dr. Clarence E. Shaw, 50 years; William E. Springham, 50 years.

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Los Angeles Commandery No. 9

176 KNIGHTED

Los Angeles Commandery No. 9 Is Making Templary Great in Fifty-eight

In the asylum of Los Angeles Commandery No. 9 Knights Templar in the class for March 1958, 176 Knights of Malta were knighted Knights Templar.

This was the equal of any class ever knighted by Los Angeles Commandery No. 9. There were 99 members of Los Angeles Commandery No. 9, and the others were knighted in courtesy to three other Commanderies.

In the class of Los Angeles Commandery No. 9, candidates was a very noted Mason of this State, the Right Worshipful Phil N. Meyers, Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of California.

When Los Angeles Commandery No. 9 reports to the Grand Commandery Centennial Conclave at Santa Barbara, California on April 24th and 25th, it will go with a good stewardship record for 1958.

The Knights all commented on the beauty and solemnity of the Order of the Temple as conferred and openly expressed to the Officers that it far surpassed their anticipation.

We are proud to add another name to our roster of great men who have served other Grand Bodies of Masonry as presiding officers.

Submitted by Sir Knight Frank A. Amis, Past Commander, Treasurer & Editor of the Bulletin for Los Angeles Commandery No. 9 Knights Templar.

Donation from Ladies Auxiliary of Tancred Commandery

The Grand Master, Sir Walter A. DeLamater, also received a donation of \$100.00 from the Ladies Auxiliary of Tancred Commandery, No. 80, Buffalo, New York, for the Knights Templar Eye Foundation. Sir Knight DeLamater in reply wrote: "It was very gracious of the Ladies Auxiliary of Tancred Commandery to make this contribution. It is also of interest that the Social Order of the Beauceant adopted our project on a National Basis, and they are organized with Chairmen in every area throughout the United States. The first check for the Knights Templar Eye Foundation was received January 20, 1958, in a contribution of \$1,500.00, and they are just getting started."

Also in a letter to Mrs. Charles H. Wilson, President of the Tancred Commandery Auxiliary, he wrote: "I think it is a splendid thing the ladies have done. I want you to know, on behalf of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation how much we appreciate, not just the gift but the thought and spirit that prompted it. You are doing fine work and are to be congratulated and commended."

HON. WILBER M. BRUCKER SECRETARY OF THE ARMY

Sir Knight Wilber M. Brucker, Right Eminent Grand Captain General, of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America, has an interesting history.

After his return from War I, Sir Knight Brucker practiced law, became Prosecuting Attorney in Saginaw County, and Attorney General of Michigan. Previous to serving in World War I, during which he fought with the Rainbow (42nd) Division in France, he had served with the Michigan National Guard in General Pershing's Expedition on the Mexican Border against Pancho Villa.

Sir Knight Brucker was elected Governor of Michigan, 1931-33; following his term as Governor, Sir Knight Brucker practiced law in Detroit. On the recommendation of Defense Secretary, Charles E. Wilson, President Eisenhower nominated him General Counsel of the Department of Defense in April, 1954. In this post he was in charge of the Pentagon's internal security system. In June, 1955, the President nominated him to be Secretary of the Army, and the next month he assumed that office.

University of Michigan, LL. B., 1916. Honorary Degrees from several Colleges. He was awarded the Silver Star for bravery under fire in World War I. Sir Knight Brucker was Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Michigan in 1951. Chairman of the Grand Encampment Committee on Templar Jurisprudence, 1955-1958, appointed by the Grand Master.

Under date of September 3, 1958, the Most Eminent Grand Master, Sir Knight Walter A. DeLamater, announced the appointment of Sir Knight Wilber M. Brucker, Right Eminent Grand Captain General. He is also serving as a Trustee of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc.

Stuart H. Walker Honored

On the occasion of his completion of Fifty Years of Service in York Rite Masonry, Sir Knight Stuart H. Walker, Past Grand Commander of New York, was honored on September 19, 1957, at a dinner held in the Masonic Temple, New York City, followed by a Presentation Ceremony held at the Masonic Temple, Staten Island, New York. This was a most unusual and historic occasion, described in the following invitation:

Fifty Years of Service. You are cordially and fraternally invited to attend the presentation ceremony of a fifty year Grand Commandery Insignia to Sir Knight Stuart H. Walker, Right Eminent Past Grand Commander, Grand Commandery Knights Templar, State of New York by Sir Knight Walter A. DeLamater, Grand Master, Grand Encampment, Knights Templar, U. S. A. Thursday Evening, September 19, 1957 at 8:30 P. M. Masonic Temple, 514 Bay St., Stapleton, Staten Island 4, N. Y.

Participating in the Ceremony, M. W. Nathan Turk, Grand Master, Grand Lodge, F. & A. M., State of New York. R. E. George D. Barclay, Grand Commander, Grand Commandery, Knights Templar, State of New York. M. I. W. Ray Converse, Grand Master, Grand Council, Roy & Select Master, State of New York. M. E. H. Randall Kreger, Grand High Priest, Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, State of New York. I. Joseph Cameron Dunn, Past Grand Sovereign Red Cross of Constantine. R. E. Edward Holloway, Provincial Grand Master, Royal Order of Scotland.

1067th Stated Conclave, Empire Commandery No. 66, Knights Templar. Reception of guests 8:30 P. M. by order of D. H. Sanders, Jr., Recorder; Harry R. Cornell, Commander.

NEW MEXICO

Rare eye disease treatments under Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc.

From Sir Knight Elmer H. Riemen, Grand Recorder of The Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of New Mexico, has been received a story, which he says, "warms the hearts of all Sir Knights in this section of the country, and is doing more for Templary than any other single thing has ever done."

This unusual story is that on February 28, 1957, Teresa Aldinger, age 5, and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Aldinger, 419 South Aspen Street, Roswell, New Mexico, was left blind by the ravages of a rare disease, known as Stevens-Johnson Syndrome, so rare that many Doctors have never seen a case.

Sir Knight Riemen, writes: "Dr. G. F. Morrison, local eye specialist and consultant in Teresa's case, stated that no one knows the cause of the disease. He said persons afflicted, apparently become sensitized to their own protein. Serious skin lesions develop from head to foot, sometimes the eyes slough away, which was prevented in Teresa's case. He stated, that the eyes become overgrown with a skin-like substance, and that the eyes become immobile. And he also stated, that surgery must be done in a research center, because the disease is so rare.

"The Knights Templar Commandery No. 6, Roswell, New Mexico, assisted by the Social Order of Beauceant, Roswell Assembly No. 116, secured an application for aid for Teresa Aldinger from the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc. This application was approved.

"On September 27, 1957, Teresa had an appointment with an internationally known, eye specialist, A. Edward Mautenee, M.D., Department of Ophthalmology, The Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Maryland, who is also one of the several Ophthalmologists Advisors to the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc.



*Teresa Aldinger, Roswell, N. M.
Before Illness.*



*Teresa Aldinger, Roswell, N. M.
After Treatment 1958.*

"After the examination, Dr. Maumenee said there is a good chance of her regaining approximately 20% of her vision after approximately two years of treatment and surgery. Since then she has shown a remarkable response to treatment, far beyond Dr. Maumenee's expectations. At the present time she is going every two months for observation and treatment. Many more operations will be necessary before she will be able to see again. Corneal transplants will come after tissue destroyed by the disease has been restored through plastic surgery. Her case is furnishing research at John Hopkins."

Mrs. Aldinger made the following statement. "Before leaving Roswell to go to John Hopkins, I made application for Knights Templar Eye Foundation aid. Words cannot express my deepest appreciation, when I was informed that the Knights Templar Foundation had approved Teresa's case. It was a great burden lifted from our shoulders, knowing that everything possible would be done to restore her sight. We feel that mere words are not enough to express our gratitude, and we think the whole world should know what wonderful people you have in your organization and what they are doing in many cases to restore eye sight." (Mr. and Mrs. Leon Aldinger have granted permission for articles and pictures to be published in the "Knight Templar Magazine," regarding the illness of their daughter Teresa Aldinger.)

In his letter, Sir Knight Riemen stated. "This case has received wide publicity in the Southwest, and is being followed with much interest by all Knights Templar in this Grand Jurisdiction."

Havana Commandery No. 1 Knights Templar

Organized 1920—Chartered 1922.

Asylum, 20th Street No. 3308, Mari-
anao; H. L. Chemidlin, P. C., Record-
er; Russell H. C. Vining, Commander.

COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

I quote a paragraph from Bulletin No. 7 from our Grand Master: "Tell the story of Templary; spread the story of what the Order is doing for thousands of men who have become ardent and loyal devoted workers for Templary. By our attitude and actions we can give unspoken evidence of what we are and what our Order has done for us and make others want to become one of us. The man with one talent dug a hole and buried it; thus he earned the condemnation of Jesus and lost his talent. Let us not do the same. Let us be willing to meet the need. Join hands then brothers of the faith and let us inspire the lives of others. Templar Masonry needs more members, greater workers, enthusiastic leaders. May our lives influence those with whom we come in contact."

"RUS" VINING.

OFFICERS 1957-1958

Commander: Eminent Sir Russell H. C. Vining, Tel. A-1181, First Nat'l Bank of Boston.

Generalissimo: Sir Frederick William Stewart, Tel. FO-3136, International Harvester Co.

Captain General: Sir Mardsden Robert Leeder, Tel. M-2377, Edif. Banco Nova Scotia.

Senior Warden: Sir John Rafael Wheeldon.

Prelate: Rt. Rev. Sir A. Hugo Blankingship.

Junior Warden: Sir J. Eugene Carrier.

Treasurer: Sir Jacques Kloeti.

Recorder: Eminent Sir Harry L. Chemidlin, P. C., Tel. M-3113, Old Time Molasses Co.

Standard Bearer: Jonathan Horace Sotham.

Sword Bearer: Carl Camille Helmling.

Warder: Gordon Allen Coats.

Sentinel: Roberto Augusto Andrade.



THE OFFICERS OF TAYLOR COMMANDERY No. 28, SANFORD, FLORIDA

Front Row—Left to Right: Sir Knights, Robt. L. Conn, Sr. Warden; P. T. Piety, Commander; E. Blenus Williams, Gr. Sword Bearer; J. E. Blackman, Generalissimo; Manning Todd, Captain General.

Middle Row—Left to Right: Geo. W. Carver, Jr., Junior Warden; Em. E. J. Still, Prelate; Em. L. B. Steele, Treasurer; Em. F. L. Miller, Recorder; C. E. Overstedt, Standard Bearer.

Back Row—Left to Right: Em. C. J. Wilkinson, Sword Bearer; A. E. Wooten, Warden; M. Dietz, Guard; C. J. Rearick, Guard; J. H. Crapps, Guard.

FLORIDA

Taylor Commandery No. 28

"So built we the wall—for the people had a mind to work." I do not know of any sentiment that better describes the activities of Taylor Commandery than this quotation from the fourth chapter Nehemiah. Taylor Commandery is in the picturesque city of Sanford, Florida, near the headwaters of the St. Johns River. Sanford is often referred to as the Celery City, being the center of this thriving industry.

Quite often attention is focussed on the large Commanderies in our various States, and the small Commanderies are left to fend for themselves. Make no mistake in your thinking should the small Commanderies lag it reflects unfavorably on all of Templary. So when any Commandery makes a giant step I say, "Present Swords."

About two years ago Taylor Commandery was in a sad plight. Its membership was less than one hundred fifty, its work unimpressive, its officers poorly uniformed, the attendance was at a low

ebb, and its morale was at the vanishing point. Those who had the best interest of Templary uppermost in their thinking realized this unfavorable situation. With very little ceremony they abruptly changed the course of events. Proper paraphernalia was purchased, new uniforms ordered. A complete complement of officers were elected with instructions to exemplify the work in a creditable manner. In short their enthusiasm rubbed off on one another and today this Commandery has taken its place among the outstanding bodies of this State. Last year thirty-nine were Knighted and all indications point to a successful 1958. Needless to say, the progress of this body reflects favorably on all of York Rite.

So high is the morale in Taylor Commandery that they have resolved to take a crack at the Jess Ramsdell Trophy, which is given to the outstanding Commandery in Florida. "Be not weary in well doing."

BLENUS WILLIAMS,
Grand Sword Bearer,
Knights Templar State of Florida.



SWORD PRESENTATION

Taylor Commandery is proud of its leaders. Sir Knight L. B. Steele, Em. P. C. (Right) presenting Commander's Sword to Sir Knight P. T. Piety, Eminent Commander for 1958.

California History

"A New Century for Templary"

Historical facts inserted in the Monthly Bulletins:

The Grand Chapter and Grand Commandery will present a very beautiful token to Centennial Year candidates and their sponsors?

The Grand Commandery of California was formed on August 10, 1858 by San Francisco, Sacramento and Pacific (Columbia) Commanderies?

At the first Conclave of Grand Commandery, August 11, 1858, the first dispensations were issued to form Commanderies at Placerville, Oroville and Marysville?

California Commandery No. 1 was chartered as San Francisco Encampment and that the Eminent Commander was called the Grand Commander?

The first Commandery in Southern California was chartered in 1870 and was known as Coeur de Lion Commandery? This Commandery is now the second largest in the United States and is known as Los Angeles Commandery No. 9.

The gold-leaf encrusted Grand Standard of San Luis Obispo Commandery No. 27 was originally owned by Bodie Commandery No. 15, active in Mono County 1880-1886?

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Aliquippa's "Man of the Year" for 1957

Sir Knight Paul Miller Moore, R. E. Grand Generalissimo of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America, was honored with this title by the Aliquippa (Pa.) Chamber of Commerce.

The picture of Paul Moore in connection with a long article appeared on the front page of the "Beaver Valley Times," Aliquippa's hometown daily newspaper, under date of February 13, 1958.

The banner headline across the top of the front page was—"Paul M. Moore Named Man of the Year." This was followed by the story from which excerpts are herewith presented.

Aliquippa C-C Announces Choice for 1957 Honor

Aliquippa's "Man of the Year" for 1957 is Paul M. Moore—businessman, steelman, banker and leader in Aliquippa and Beaver County civic affairs for more than a half-century.



PAUL M. MOORE

. . . Man of the Year . . .

His selection as the fifth recipient of the annual honor was announced today by Aliquippa Area Chamber of Commerce.

The secret, three-man committee which made the selection termed its choice "an exemplary citizen," benefactor of his fellowman and a man whose "personal achievements and success never closed his door to those in need or to those who sought his help and advice."

The reaction of Mr. Moore, founder of P. M. Moore Co., builder supply firm, was humble and appreciative. He said:

"I am highly honored. The town has been very, very good to me—perhaps too good. It has given me more honors than I deserve."

Actual presentation of the plaque award will be made at the chamber's annual membership banquet February 22, when the Herman Eger Memorial Sports Trophy Award also will be given to the "Sportsman of the Year." The sports award recipient will be announced next week.

Both award winners are named by the secret panel whose members are known only to Stephen Plodinec, chamber president. The panel is guided by letters of nomination from persons in all phases of community life.

Mr. Moore was named from among six persons nominated for the honor. In announcing his selection, the panel said:

"After very careful and deliberate consideration of all the facts concerning Mr. Moore's contributions to the civic progress of this community for over a period of 50 years, we feel that this award can well be given to a man whose qualifications and accomplishments in civic activities are an open record.

"Mr. Moore always has been available for the countless jobs and tasks thrust upon him.

"We feel that Mr. Moore has fulfilled completely his obligation in service above self. It is our belief that he is an exemplary citizen.

"Since his arrival here in 1906 . . . he has contributed much towards the well-being of his fellowman and, therefore, is well qualified to be named, in his 52nd year in the community, as the 'Man of the Year.'"

Mr. Moore came to Aliquippa from Pittsburgh in 1906 as an official of Jones & Laughlin Steel Corp. to, in his words, "prepare the ground" for the site of the present mill.

He left the steel firm in 1912 to found the builders supply company that bears his name. Mr. Moore retired from business in 1950 but still serves as a member of the company's board of directors.

He has been instrumental in the founding of a dozen Beaver County institutions, civic organizations and service groups.

He was one of the organizers in 1910 of the former Woodlawn Bank & Trust Co., now Mellon Bank of Aliquippa, and served as its president for 32 years. He is the only surviving member of the original board of directors.

Mr. Moore helped organize the Beaver County Branch of the Pennsylvania Economy League and was chairman of the branch for 12 years.

Civic-wise, he lent his organizational talents to the founding of the Boy Scout movement in Beaver County, county and borough Red Cross drives, the old Beaver County Good Roads Committee, Liberty Bond drives in World War I, Aliquippa Golf and Rotary Clubs and Aliquippa Community Chest.

In his early years here as a J&L official, he formed the borough's first concert band in 1907 and 1910 managed J&L's first baseball team to the county championship.

He is a former director of Aliquippa Hospital and past president of the

board of trustees of Muskingum College, New Concord, Ohio, where he was graduated and later awarded an honorary doctorate of humanities degree.

His business activities include a five-year period as board of directors member of the old Woodlawn Gazette.

Previous honors accorded the new "Man of the Year" included a "Man of the Community" award given in 1955 by Aliquippa Rotary Club, a "Good Deed Award" presented in 1939 by the Exchange Club and the Scouting's Silver Beaver Award, highest award presented in scouting at the local level.

At the present, Mr. Moore is Grand Generalissimo of the Grand Encampment of the Knights Templar of the United States and is a Past Grand Commander of the Pennsylvania Knights Templar.

Born in New Concord, he now resides in South Brodhead Road. He attends Woodlawn Presbyterian Church, where he was board of trustees president for 25 years.

Previous recipients of the "Man of the Year" award included Louis Borasani, manager, C&L Supermarket; Dr. E. C. Linn, Aliquippa Hospital administrator; A. D. Dungan, retired assistant superintendent of Aliquippa Schools, and Paul H. Devaney, works manager, Aliquippa Works, J&L.

California History

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In the first 100 years of Templary in California two sons followed their fathers' footsteps by serving as Grand Commander?

William H. Waste—1921-1922.

William E. Waste—1951.

Robert B. Gaylord—1929.

Robert B. Gaylord, Jr.—1957.

William A. Davies, Past Grand Commander, and his son, Thomas A. served as Officers in the Grand York Rite Bodies for a period of 85 years? (1863-1947)

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(Left to Right): Sir Knights, Robert Gardiner Wilson, Jr., P. G. C., Chairman York Rite Committee; Dwight C. Page, Grand Commander of Massachusetts and Rhode Island; Frank H. Wilson, P. G. C., Grand Master of the Grand Council of Massachusetts; Eugene P. Carver, Jr., Grand High Priest of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts. Courtesy of Sir Knight George A. Weeks, P. G. C., Grand Recorder.

WORCESTER YORK RITE NIGHT

Worcester County Commandery No. 5, Knights Templar, held its York Rite Nite on Thursday, January 30, 1958, at the Worcester Masonic Temple with a total attendance of 312 representing Blue Lodge members from 44 Massachusetts Lodges and from eight other States.

District Deputy Grand Masters were presented as follows: R. W. Howard P. Lekberg, Blackstone 20th; R. W. Russell H. Gray, Brookfield 21st; R. W. George A. Russell, Worcester 22nd, Masonic Districts. There were seven Chapters participating: Eureka and Worcester of Worcester; Tyrian of Millbury, St. Elmo of Whitinsville, Webster of Webster, Doric of South-

bridge and King Solomon's of Warren. Hiram Council of Worcester also participated.

Our honored guests were: Sir Knight Dwight C. Page, R. E. Grand Commander; M. E. Sir Eugene P. Carver, Jr., Grand High Priest, R.A.M., of Massachusetts; M. I. Sir Frank H. Wilson, Grand Master R. & S. M. of Massachusetts; and Sir Knight Robert Gardiner Wilson, Jr., Past Grand Commander.

Sir Knight Dwight C. Page, Grand Commander, welcomed all present and gave a summary of our "York Rite Program" and prepared the way and introduced the speakers.

Grand High Priest, explained the De- M. E. Sir Eugene P. Carver, Jr., grees in the Chapter in a very convinc-

ing manner, after which M. I. Sir Frank H. Wilson, Grand Master, explained the work and Degrees of the Council. R. E. Sir Robert Gardiner Wilson, Jr., then delivered a stirring address on the American Rite and the Orders in the Commandery. At the conclusion, Worcester County Commandery exemplified "Inspection and Review" for the benefit of their guests, after which the Grand Officers retired. A collation and social hour was then enjoyed in the banquet hall.

Hugh de Payens Confers Orders on 52 Candidates

Hugh de Payens Commandery No. 20, Knights Templar, exemplified the Illustrious Order of the Red Cross and the Order of Malta in the Melrose Masonic Temple, Saturday afternoon and evening, January 11. These two Orders, presented in full colorful costume, with makeup, before one of the largest Masonic audiences seen in this vicinity in years, were conferred upon a class of 52 candidates who came from all over the jurisdiction.

This class was known as "The Frank H. Wilson Class" in honor of the Past Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar and the Appendant Orders of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, who is also the present Most Illustrious Grand Master of the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of Massachusetts.

The members and visitors were welcomed by Commander Howard L. Greer of Hugh de Payens, who promoted the event.

The Illustrious Order of the Red Cross was presented at 3 o'clock, after a prologue by J. Leroy Jones, P. C. The work was under the direction of Frank C. Greeley, P. C., assisted by Albert F. Ford, P. C.

The Order of Malta was presented at 7 o'clock under the direction of P.G.C. Wilson, assisted by G. Frederick Tebbetts, P. C. Com. Wilson gave a brief prologue. At the conclusion of the Or-

der, Com. Wilson expressed his appreciation for having a class named for him and then gave a resume of the history of Templary.

Com. Greer then reviewed some of the highlights of the Orders which the Candidates had received and congratulated the casts and all those who had a part in producing the work. He thanked the visitors for coming and then closed the meeting.

The success of the 1957 Ball encouraged the Club to again offer its services to R. E. Dwight C. Page in sponsoring a 1958 event. The R. E. would be particularly pleased to see more Drill Teams in action for the Pollard Cup. It is not necessary nor expected that you make a West Point showing, but if you can present 12 to 30 Knights who can creditably perform the following simple movements, it will suffice—you will be doing Templary in this jurisdiction a real service and putting your Commandery on the "Achievement" map. Last year the 3 teams enjoyed themselves as much as did the audience.

Rules for Competitive Drill

1. Units of 12 to 30 Knights in Full Templar Uniform.
2. 5 to 8 minutes on the floor.
3. Each unit to enter through Door A—March up Center of Floor—form Company Front—Present Swords to Grand Commander who will be on Stage at far end of hall.
4. Proceed with drill consisting of any formations you may elect which may include Crosses, Triangles, Wheels, Flanking movements, Sword Manuals, etc. A whistle will indicate that one-half minute more of the allotted time remains.
5. At termination of Drill, Form Company Front again, Salute Grand Commander and march out by Door B.

Three competent Judges will mark on Alignments, Precision, Tempo, Uniforms, Military Appearance, Commands, Timing and Execution, but NOT for unit size.

Publicity—Try to get every bit of good publicity you can for your Commandery at all times. Your Commandery is part of the life of your community. See that it has its share of recognition. And don't forget that City Editors usually have plenty of well prepared material brought to them by other people and organizations who want publicity. Chances are that they will use the best material readily available without too much "digging"—so protect your Commandery's interests by giving them plenty of good ammunition.

York Rite Nights—Worcester County topped all records so far this year with an attendance of 312 last Thursday evening, January 30. Interest ran high following fine talks by M. E. Eugene P. Carver, M. I. Frank H. Wilson and Judge Robert Gardiner Wilson, Jr. Excellent results seem assured. I understand Jerusalem Commandery is scheduling a "Night" soon. Contact Judge Wilson on arrangements for your Night as soon as possible. Time is getting short for results this year, and seldom has a better qualified group of speakers been available to you for the asking.

Membership—Only four short months to go to obtain the applications and knight the Candidates needed to make your year one that you will be proud to remember. We are still 26% under our quota objective. It's an old but true cliché that "those who want to do things find a way—those who don't find an excuse." All the excuses were found long, long, ago, so let's try to find the ways; it's a much more interesting and satisfying occupation. Time's a-wasting. Let's go. Natick and South Shore have done it. So can you.

Courteously yours,

DWIGHT C. PAGE,
Grand Commander, Mass. & R. I.

Damascus Commandery No. 42 Detroit

Sir Knight Murray D. Wilson, R. E. Past Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery, Knights Templar of Michigan, under date of March 10, 1958, wrote an interesting letter to Sir Knight Walter A. DeLamater, M. E. Grand Master, in which he said, that his membership in Damascus Commandery No. 42 was one of his most valuable possessions.

He stated that Damascus Commandery had been doing something for the youth of Detroit during the past few years. Early in March more than three thousand and two hundred young people were guests of the Commandery at a well supervised dance in the huge drill hall in the Masonic Temple, which broke all previous records for attendance.

Admission was free to holders of due cards in the Order of DeMolay, Rainbow Girls and Job's Daughters Organizations. Of course, the Sir Knights wore Templar Uniforms, while the ladies and girls wore formals. It was a beautiful and inspiring sight. These young people have all been indoctrinated with the spirit of Templary. Sir Knight Hicks G. Griggiths is Eminent Commander of Damascus Commandery.

In reply the Grand Master wrote: "You are to be commended, as is Damascus Commandery, and you have every right to be proud of what you are doing for young people. It is a great thing that your Commandery did at this time in which we are living where there has been so much juvenile delinquency. I think this is a real answer to the youth problem and creates a lot of interest both for the adults and young folks. . . . When you are helping the youth, whether they are girls or boys, you are doing great work for our Christian Order. It is an important step forward, and it shows vision, planning, enthusiastic interest and determination to help Templary, and also the young people.

Good Publicity for the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc.

But Will It Stay?

Door of Life Still Ajar For 18-Mo.-Old Brian

(By Paul Phelan, World-Telegram Staff Writer.)

Brian Lowe is 18 months old. He is from Volin, South Dakota, and the word he says best is "door."

The doctors up at the Columbia Presbyterian Medical Center hope that Brian's facility with the word "door" is symbolic. Because they are striving with all the wondrous techniques of modern science to keep open for him the door of life. The blue-eyed lad has a malignant tumor on the retina of his right eye that might be fatal.

Brain arrived at Newark Airport yesterday full of spunk, with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Lowe. He immediately took charge of the family baggage, gazed curiously at the ceiling where the loudspeaker voice came from, then, convinced the baggage was in order, explored the terminal.

"The doctors say he has an even chance to live," Mrs. Lowe said as Brian investigated the intricacies of a suitcase lock.

"The way he's been responding since his first treatments we are putting our hopes high, maybe too high," said Mr. Lowe, who rents and runs a 240-acre farm raising crops and livestock.

Last December the doctors at the center's eye institute gave Brian some carotid injections and fifteen deep radiotherapy treatments. He's back now to see if those treatments are holding the fort against further inroads of the retinal cancer, and to test the good left eye for danger signs.

The Lowes are here at the expense of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc., of Rhinebeck, N. Y. The foundation, a charitable organization, finances eye



BRIAN LOWE

"An even chance to live."

Photo by Albertin—Courtesy New York World-Telegram and The Sun.

care and eye operations for worthy persons.

"Everybody has been just wonderful to us," Mrs. Lowe said, and she meant it because everyone in their little village of 103 population—except maybe those in the cradle and those babysitting—turned out for a farewell best-wishes gathering.

Mr. Lowe, 35, is a member of Ophir Lodge 193 F. & A. M., at Wakonda, S. Dak., near his home town, and a member of the Consistory at Yanktown, S. Dak., also not far away. Mrs. Lowe is a Grand Representative of the Order of the Eastern Star. They have two other children, Ann, 9, and David, 5, being taken care of right now by Mr. Lowe's mother.—New York World-Telegram and Sun, Friday, March 7, 1958.



OREGON

Springfield, Oregon,
March 3, 1958.

Dear Sir Knight and Editor:

Creero Gordo Commandery No. 24, Cottage Grove, Oregon, and Ivanhoe Commandery No. 2, Eugene, Oregon, held a joint Christmas Observance, in the Cerro Gordo Commandery, which is the Masonic Temple, Cottage Grove, Oregon, on Sunday, December 22, 1957. Both Commanderies had a good turnout for the candle lighted ceremony. The Right Eminent Past Grand Commander Sir Knight Ray Allen and his wife were present. The Ladies of the Beauceant from Eugene, were well represented.

Eminent Commanders Joe B. Throop of Cerro Gordo and Hal E. Hill of Ivanhoe were well pleased with the attendance present. Extra chairs had to be placed on both sides of the Lodge Room for the guests.

Sir Knight Robert E. Dodge, Past Grand Prelate of the Grand Commandery of Oregon, gave the Christmas message and was well received. His message was very inspiring and enlightening and well said for the occasion.

The organ prelude by Maude Allen, Eminent Commander's greetings by Eminent Commander, Joe B. Throop, devotion by Excellent Prelate Sir Knight Harold M. Foster, of Cerro

Gordo. Organ selection by Maude Allen, He Shall feed his flock, the prophecy by Sir Knight Merle Frisbie, Grand Sword Bearer, Grand Commandery of Oregon. Another musical number by Maude Allen, O What a Beautiful City, The Sentiment by Sir Knight Hal E. Hill, Commander of Ivanhoe Commandery No. 2, The Toast by Eminent Commander and Sir Knights, The Grand Masters Response by Sir Knight Charles L. Willey, Eminent Past Commander of Bruce Commandery of Corvallis, Oregon, and Department Commander, of the Grand Commandery of Oregon. The Grand Commanders, Response, by Sir Knight Merle Frisbie, Grand Sword Bearer, of the Grand Commandery of Oregon. Another organ number by Maude Allen, "O Holy Night," Roll Call for Departed Sir Knights, by Sir Knight Charlie E. Ak-erblade. Benediction, by Sir Knight, Harold M. Foster, Excellent Prelate of Cerro Gordo. Recessional March by Maude Allen.

In addition to the Ladies of the Beauceant from Eugene, the members of families also were present.

I am enclosing a cut of the picture taken at Cottage Grove after the services. We used this cut for an article in the Oregon Freemason and hope that you can use this cut along with some parts of this news article.

An announcement in your magazine will be greatly appreciated.

Fraternally yours and thank you kindly,

S. K. MAX G. COGILL,
Member of Ivanhoe Com. No. 2.

Eugen Oregon,
March 3, 1958.

Editor, Knight Templar,
Dear Sir Knight and Editor:

Ivanhoe Commandery No. 2, Knights Templar, will observe their 75th anniversary May 19, 1958, in the Masonic Temple, Eugene. Ivanhoe Commandery No. 2 was chartered by authority of the Grand Encampment April 6, 1883. Many stories may be told of the early history of Ivanhoe Commandery as it was organized and chartered before Oregon had a Grand Commandery and Oregon Commandery No. 1, of Portland, Ivanhoe No. 2 of Eugene and Bruce Commandery No. 3 of Albany, Oregon, were the Commanderies that organized the Grand Commandery of Oregon.

After the early history is all put together will write you another article if you wish with the history of Ivanhoe.

Fraternally yours,
MAX G. COGILL.

FORT VALLEY, GEORGIA

THOMAS N. MORRISON

Department Commander, South Eastern
Department, Lakeland, Florida

February 17, 1958.

Dear Sir Knight Pancoast:

The Annual Inspection of Ivanhoe Commandery No. 10, Knights Templar, Ft. Valley, Georgia, was held February 6, 1958. The inspection was preceded by a dinner at the American Legion home, prepared and served by the Ladies of the Eastern Star. After the dinner musical numbers were furnished by two teen-age boys, David Luckie and Jimmy Williams, accompanied at

the piano by Mrs. Fred Fagan, their aunt. Following them was a quartet composed of Messrs. Donald Whatley, Andy Borders, "Ducker" Whatley and Woodfin Hinton, and they were accompanied by Mrs. Edgar Whatley, mother of the Whatley boys.

The Commandery was opened in Full Form by Eminent Commander Sir Knight Martin Chapman and his officers in a fine and impressive manner. The following Distinguished visitors were introduced: Carl F. Lester, Jr., the Eminent Grand Standard Bearer of the Grand Commandery of Georgia, who was the inspecting officer for the evening; Cody O. James, Grand Commander; Emmett A. Rodgers, Grand Generalissimo; William C. Sanders, Grand Junior Warden; William J. Penn, P. G. C., and Grand Recorder; W. Tom Bateman, Grand Sword Bearer; Past Grand Commanders John W. Murrell, David L. Paulk, Arthur W. Goodin and D. Warner Wells. Sir Knight John W. Murrell being the Dean of Past Grand Commanders, serving in 1917. Also present, Thomas N. Morrison, Department Commander, South Eastern Department of the Grand Encampment of K. T. of U. S. A. Eighteen Commanderies in Georgia were represented and 2 from Florida. The total attendance was 175 with 90 of this number in uniform. The Grand Lodge, Grand Chapter and Grand Council were also represented.

The total membership of Ivanhoe Commandery No. 10 is 173. The Order of the Temple was conferred on Knights of Malta Wanza Woodrow Davis and Charlie James Wright in a most impressive manner.

This is an annual affair and grows bigger each year, publication will tend to add more enthusiasm and much credit is due Tom Bateman, the Recorder.

A Templar's Dream of Heaven

"I am the resurrection, and the life," saith the Lord: He that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live: And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall NEVER DIE."

John XI:25, 26.

The Templar's vision of heaven is one of great beauty and happiness; the joyous uniting of friends in eternal life—the wonderful life beyond the grave. Believing, as he does, in the immortality of the soul, he can vision the golden sunshine, the sweetness and fragrance of flowers in his heavenly home.

Before the Gates-of-Gold he sees two Gleaming Doors ready to open at his knock. Outside those glittering doors he observes a deep moat or ditch. He cannot cross that murky ditch to the golden doors if he carries hate, selfishness, gloom, greed or sinful thoughts with him.

These human faults and sins he must dump into the pit of demons. But when he crosses the moat with a heart, mind and soul filled with faith, love, charity, cheerfulness, purity and all the Christian virtues, he will reach the gleaming doors safely and with great joy.

At his knock those massive doors swing inward revealing a world of glorious beauty and lovely brilliance and the sweetest of music. His spiritual body enters a heaven, wonderful beyond his dreams.

Coming from this heaven of glory and music are all the beauty and fragrance of all God's flowers. He sees "the green pastures and the still waters." Lofty snow-capped mountains form a background-curtain of majesty for all the marvels of his heaven.

Before him in the midst of the garden of lovely flowers is a great highway filled with angels and trumpeters leading a great Christian army of all the Templars that have gone before. Clothed in spiritual chapeaux and uniforms, with uplifted glittering swords, flying banners, their gladsome voices ring out with:

"Onward, Christian Soldiers, Onward!"

Across the skyways, in and out of billowing, fleecy clouds, they march ever onward; Soldiers of Christ in eternity—sending their spiritual influence back upon the earth to encourage other Sir Knights.

All of his departed friends come down the golden highway to greet him with outstretched arms and with joyous voices of welcome.

Then his gaze reaches to the very top of the golden highway. There at the peak stands the "Great Captain of Our Salvation," the Immaculate Jesus. He stands in a cloud of brilliance greater than the brilliance of all the diamonds in the world. There stands his Saviour with arms outstretched, and a great smile of joy on his face of gladness.

The Templar's heart overflows with peace and happiness. He is entering his Heaven with all the joy of meeting friends; and the fragrance of the flowers and sweetness of the celestial music fills his heart and soul.

Then Jesus takes him by the hand and leads him onward into a city gleaming white and astonishing in its charm and beauty.

In his heavenly home-city he finds life enchanting and glorious. In life-eternal his heart and soul and mind are filled to over-flowing with all the words and lessons of Jesus Christ he had heard or read in his earthly existence.

The reward of the valiant and magnanimous Templar had come at last. A practice of the Christian virtues on earth had given him a fine philosophy of life—a safe and sound philosophy for his daily living. It gave him the perfect way of life for here and hereafter. His dream of the Golden Heaven, promised by Jesus to "all that liveth and believeth in Him" had come true—a golden, glittering and glorious Heaven for all time—throughout eternity."

Sir Knight Chalmers L. Pancoast.
(Dedicated to Hazel Thomas Pancoast.)
May 13, 1958.

CENTENNIAL

Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of California

Centennial Committee — Robert A. Miller, Chairman, P. O. Box 875, Santa Rosa.

The Grand Commandery Centennial was formally launched in Sonora on January 4-5, 1958.

The committee would also appreciate publicity in your Commandery regarding the Centennial and its various functions and especially to cover the souvenirs to be awarded to the candidates and their sponsors.

Approximately 600 Sir Knights in full Templar uniform with colors and bands marched in the parades at Columbia and Sonora, January 4, 1958.

Sixty-eight Commanderies were represented at the Special Conclave in the re-built Masonic Temple at Columbia and one thousand people present heard the re-enactment of the formation of Grand Commandery of California on that memorable date of August 10, 1858.

California Commandery sent its full drill team of 31 Sir Knights; Los Angeles Commandery its full band of 52 pieces and Long Beach Commandery a "B" team of 15 plus officers and color guards to active participate at Columbia and Sonora January 4 and 5, 1958.

There were four divisions in the parades at Columbia and Sonora on January 4, 1958—each headed by a band, with the colors and beauseants of 68 Commanderies proudly waving in the beautiful winter sunshine.

An interesting fact is that 1,000 Sir Knights and families made Tuolumne County and Columbia and Sonora in particular come to life and vibrate with joy on January 4 and 5 as they have not done in nearly 100 years.

A new century for Templary.

GENERAL ORDER No. 5

To the Eminent Commanders and Recorders of the Constituent Commanderies of California:

Dear Sir Knight:

In 1957 Sir Knight Glenn W. Gurtner, Grand Commander, issued General Order No. 5 that our Commanderies were to insert in their monthly bulletins and notices a timely news item and this plan proved so successful that I am enclosing herewith a list of "squibs" to be inserted in your monthly bulletins, commencing with the March issues.

To be effective, I would like you to follow the schedule as outlined and if for any reason in some month you do not have space or do not print a bulletin, it will be satisfactory to use two of the items the following month. I think that these items are timely for our Centennial Year and I am sure that the Sir Knights of your Commandery will be interested in some of the historical items.

Also, I want to call your attention to the fact that the Grand Commandery will celebrate its Centennial birthday on August 10, 1958, and the Centennial Committee has suggested that each individual Commandery hold its own celebration between the 1st and the 15th of August. This celebration may take any form, such as a simple birthday cake served after a State Conclave or a Centennial class of candidates on Saturday, August 9, or religious services on Sunday, August 10. These items are given only as suggestions and we will be watching the program of each Commandery to see that some type of birthday celebration is had during this period.

Courteously yours,

ROBERT B. GAYLORD, JR.

Grand Commander

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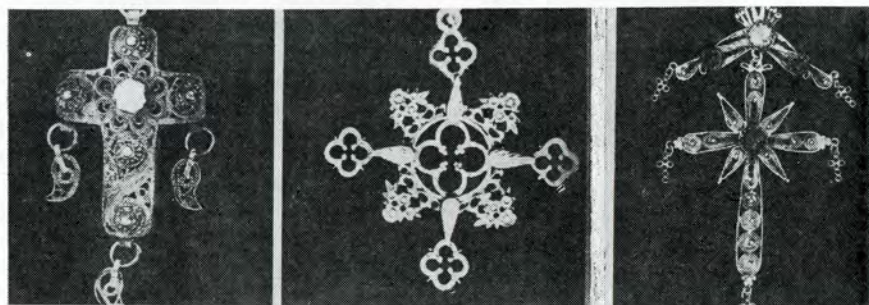
CHESTER H. NEWELL

Grand Recorder



THREE CRUSADER CROSSES

The one at the left is a replica of Godfrey de Bouillon's Cross.

*Damascus Cross**Venetian Cross**Greek Cross**Abyssinian Cross**Asia Minor Cross**King Arthur's Cross*

Knights Templary Is Living Faith The Cross—Emblem of Our Faith

In the Order of Knights Templar, the great Christian Knighthood organization, the Cross is the Badge of the Order and the Emblem of its Faith in the great Captain of our Salvation, Jesus Christ, the Lord and Master.

Knighthood borrowed the Cross as a heraldic device. Nations display the Cross in their flags. The Cross influenced the architecture of the world; most of the great Cathedrals of many Nations have Cruciform ground plans, as do

many churches built today.

Some years ago, the late, Sir Knight Mark Norris, M. E. Past Grand Master of the Grand Encampment, presented a clipping headed "Historic Symbol" by Madeleine S. Miller, which appeared in the New York Times. We are happy to use this article with illustrations, in Memory of Sir Knight Mark Norris:

(In part, as follows).

At the heart of Easter worship throughout Christendom today is the cross; the symbol of death, transmuted by the alchemy of faith into the emblem of living.

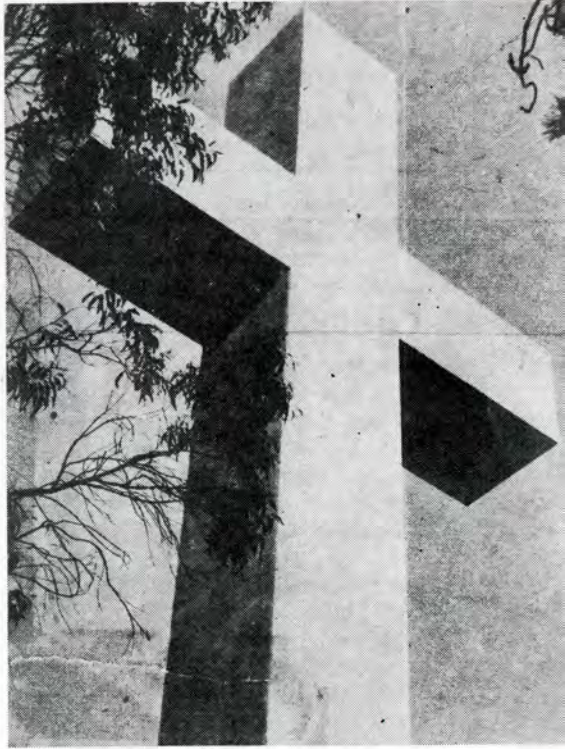
In the time of Constantine, at the opening of the fourth century, the Cross was publicly adopted as Christianity's sign and began to capture the hearts and the imaginations of men. From Byzantium and Rome its use spread swiftly throughout Western Europe and penetrated Africa as far as Abyssinia, while Nestorian and other Christian sects carried it through Asia to India and China.

Today there are hundreds of types of crosses, each type characteristic of a people's culture. On no single object has more artistry been lavished. On the Roman cross with its long upright and on the Byzantine cross with its equilateral form, craftsmen have worked endless variations.

Often the embellishments of the cross-makers amplified the simple message of the cross. Crusader crosses found in tombs in Palestine have a crutchlike upright, signifying that the believer leaned on the cross for strength.

Ornate crosses bore palm leaves in sets of three, signs of the Trinity and of victory. Intricately fashioned crosses are adorned with stars and flowers. Some show spear points, nails, the crown of thorns and occasionally the rod with its sponge of vinegar, reminders of Calvary. Some have crosslets in the four corners in allusion to the four Evangelists or to the four wounds of Christ.

Rubies studding a cross tell of the sacrificial blood. A circle means eternity,



"SOLDIERS OF THE CROSS"

Indianapolis, Indiana, August 16-22, 1958.

a sunburst speaks of the Sun of Righteousness, a crown hints of the promise of heaven. The Jericho cross wears birds pendent from its arms as tokens of the Holy Spirit. Many crosses have little lamps, meaning that the cross illumines the believer's way.

The typical cross of Russian Christians has two small transverse boards, the upper one for Pilate's scornful inscription, the lower one, always oblique, indicating Christ's footrest, wrenched from its original position by his agony.

In the Faith of millions on Easter Day the Cross holds out the hope of a better world.

The Knights Templar Easter Sunrise and Eventide Services are held before the Cross that overlooks the entire world.

Templary in the Philippines and Gen. Emilio Aguinaldo

(By Antonio Gonzalez, P. C.)

Far East Commandery Number One, Knights Templar, Plaridel Masonic Temple, 1440 San Marcelino, Manila, Philippines.

On December, 1907, letters of dispensation were issued to Far East Commandery No. 1, to open a Commandery of Knights Templar in the Philippines. Since then, Templary work began in this country. Last December, 1957, Templary in the Philippines was FIFTY YEARS old. It has been a constant, energetic, great and vigorous work. It is glorious in its achievements. General Emilio Aguinaldo is the last addition to its ranks. It is a crowning hour of recognition by the oldest Filipino Mason in this Grand Jurisdiction.

The Philippines is the outpost of Western civilization and Christian religion in the Far East. In the course of its history, the Filipino people has absorbed the spirit of the two great branches of Western civilization, namely, the Latin civilization and the Anglo-Saxon civilization.

The Philippines has been under the Spanish colonial regime for more than three hundred years. Spain brought to the Philippines its Latin civilization, and with it, the Christian religion. With the spirit of both institutions, the Filipinos were imbued for more than three centuries. But, during the closing years of the nineteenth century, the United States of America took political possession of the Philippines. America brought its Anglo-Saxon civilization, and the Filipinos promptly assimilated the spirit of its shining institutions.

The Christian religion was given with its advent a new and vigorous lease of life. Protestantism was able to break the monopoly of the Roman church on the religious affairs of the country, as the Christian religion started to move in an atmosphere of freedom and independence thus showing a healthy stability and steady progress.

It has been wrongly said that EAST is EAST and WEST is WEST. We repeat, this assertion is wrong. The Philippines has shown to the world that the contrary is true. When Spain came to the Philippines with its Latin civilization, the Filipinos were enjoying the benefits of their own autochthonous civilization. It was not vanished. Instead, it became the fundamental layer of the superimposed Latin civilization. The autochthonous and the Latin civilization were fused in the crucible of a new and vigorous civilization. And to this civilization was added the Anglo-Saxon civilization brought by America. Again, it was fused with the autochthonous and Latin civilization of the Filipinos, and a still more vigorous and stronger one was built, which is now prevailing. It is being manifested now in the national and individual life of the country and its citizens. Hence, our assertion that the Philippines is the outpost of Western civilization and Christian religion in the Far East, and that, at least in the Philippines, East is West and West is East.

And so with Freemasonry in the Philippines. Masonry has been in this country for more than one hundred years. Mainly, it was brought by Spain. It was a Latin type of Freemasonry. Before the last quarter of the nineteenth century, the Filipinos were struggling under the yoke of a political tyranny. There were in the Philippines and in Spain Filipinos working for political reforms which could alleviate their subjugation. Foremost were Brothers Jose Rizal and Marcelo H. del Pilar. There were in the fight many other Masons. But the movement failed. The friars and other Catholic elements worked against any concession. Then it was when Emilio Aguinaldo was made a Mason early in January 1895; a year thereafter Rizal was killed by his enemies, and Marcelo H. del Pilar died in Spain completely destitute.

The political emancipation movement then started. Aguinaldo the Mason led the forces of liberation and with the aid and assistance of Filipino Masons was able to destroy the aging colonial regime of Spain in the Philippines. The rest is history. Aguinaldo was not only the leader; he was the hero. The successful Revolution, in the words of Brother Aguinaldo, was Masonically inspired, Masonically led, and Masonically executed; it was an achievement we owe largely to Masonry and the Masons. Said the General and the Masons:

"During the Spanish regime, Masonry was outlawed in our country. The Masons were considered enemies of both the Church and the State. So they were hunted and persecuted. With the power and influence of the religious Orders and the Friars then, many of our brethren were thrown into prison, some were exiled to far away countries, and others faced the firing squad.

"All these cruelties, however, did not stop our enlightened countrymen from secretly seeking admission into the Craft in order to serve the cause of freedom, democracy, and justice in the Fatherland. With God to illumine them, and Masonry to inspire them, they fought the battle of emancipation and won. The Philippines thus became free and independent."

Then came America, and with America came to the country the Anglo-Saxon type of Freemasonry. Promptly there were Symbolic Lodges organized by the Grand Lodge of California. Then the Royal Arch, the Council and the Far East Commandery. These two types of Freemasonry—the Latin and the Anglo-Saxon—were united a few years after the organization of the Grand Lodge of the Philippines which happened on December 1912. Since then, we were privileged in the Philippines with the underlying Masonic background of these two prevailing types. Thus it was created a Masonic situation which was unique and rendered in the country the best results Masonically and otherwise.

Our Most Eminent Grand Master Sir Knight Walter Allen DeLamater, who is successfully accomplishing his efforts for a "Revitalized and Greater Templary" wrote the following lines:

"We have to consider this great Order of ours in a different category than just another Masonic body because it being bound around the Life of Christ makes it actually His work, and therefore it has to stand out at the top of the Masonic structure, as well as in the community."

In bringing Brother Emilio Aguinaldo to our ranks in Templary, we are giving substance in the Philippines to the splendid and magnificent Templary Work of our M. E. Master. As he said:

"The hope of the world is through Christ and we who have enlisted under His banner must have the fortitude, backbone, interest, and determination and make sacrifices if need be to advance Templary to a world-wide outstanding Christian organization."

Wise and meaningful words that should be always heedfully kept by all Sir Knights!

ANTONIO GONZALEZ,

Past Commander.

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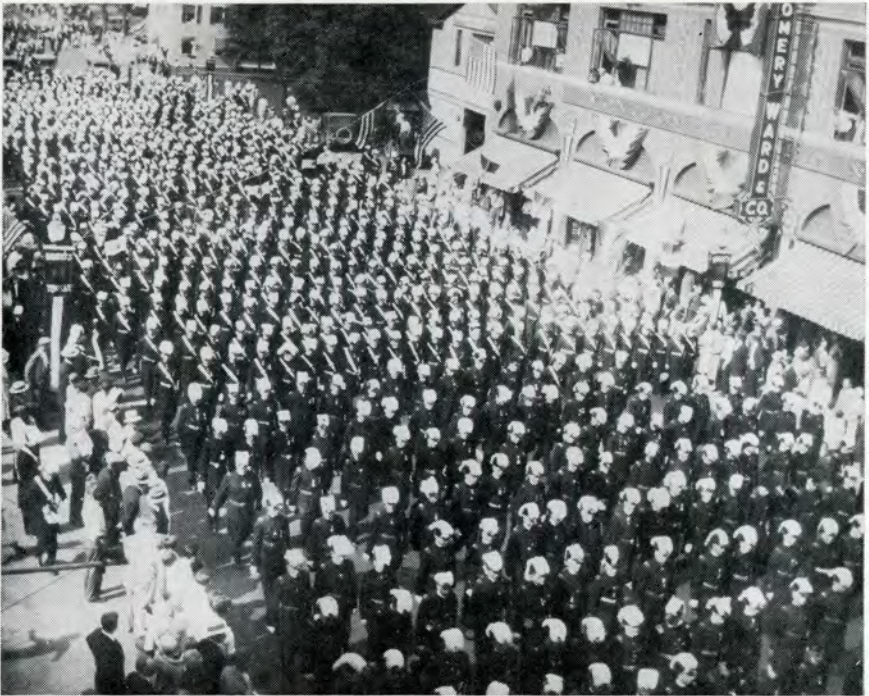
The assets of Grand Commandery include an item of \$5000.00 known as the "Reuben H. Lloyd Fund" which represents a bequest from Sir Knight Reuben H. Lloyd, Grand Commander in 1886-1887 and Grand Master of the Grand Encampment in 1898?

Three of California's Past Grand Commanders have continued their work for Templary by serving as Most Eminent Grand Master of the Grand Encampment of the U. S. A.?

Reuben H. Lloyd—1898.

Perry W. Weidner—1951.

Robert B. Gaylord, Sr.—1949.



NEW YORK KNIGHTS TEMPLAR PARADE

This scene, one of great beauty and emotional depth and spiritual significance, witnesses a Knights Templar massed formation, led by a massing of colors and banners (not shown in Photo) as the Sir Knights paraded for the glory and advancement of their Order.

The procession was preceded by the massed bands (not shown in photo) playing the Knights Templar own marching hymn, "Onward, Christian Soldiers."

The Knights and thousands of spectators provided a spontaneous chorus of voices singing this stirring song, which most of them had known since childhood. With the ranks in close file the Knights, shoulder to shoulder, proudly trooped behind their massed colors.

In many cities the Mass Formation of a Street Parade is a magnificent spectacle for the public to witness and enjoy.

This suggestion is offered so that the public will not miss the thrilling spectacle of the Massed Formation which follows the regular parade of Commanderies in many Grand Jurisdictions.

When the Sir Knights, marching by Commanderies and many Divisions, have

passed the Reviewing and Grand Stand, the parade continues on to a point where the Sir Knights are massed for review.

With colorful Bands, American Flags, Grand Standards and Templar Beauseants, and all Sir Knights marching in Mass Formation to the Templar Hymn of "Onward Christian Soldiers," this second or final part of the parade moves forward—a grand and glorious spectacle.

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