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SIR KNIGHT LOUIS H. WIEBER
Most Eminent Grand Master

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GRAND MASTER’S MESSAGE

On August 12, 1961, the Forty-eighth Triennial Conclave of the Grand Encampment will convene in Cleveland, Ohio. At that time I will have concluded twenty-one years of service as a Grand Encampment Officer, and will approach the time when I will step down as a Grand Encampment officer with mixed feelings of emotion—regret because my connection with the Grand Encampment will be terminated and that the opportunity of close association with Knights Templar on a national level will be curtailed—with a feeling of release, however, because I will be relieved of the responsibilities of Grand Master and that my duties will be passed on to another.

Fortunately for the Grand Encampment, the Right Eminent Deputy Grand Master, Sir Knight Paul Miller Moore, who has been a most faithful co-worker with me, and who is perhaps the best-informed Knight Templar in the United States, will succeed me as Grand Master.

I wish to acknowledge the cooperation which has been accorded me as Grand Master, not only by the officers of the Grand Encampment generally, but by the Right Eminent Grand Recorder, Sir Knight John Templer Rice, especially. His complete understanding of things Templar, and his readiness to help me on all occasions, has proven a bulwark of strength to me during my administration.

The Jurisprudence Committee, headed by Sir Knight William E. Crowe, Right Eminent Past Grand Commander, has given me wholehearted cooperation in all matters of jurisprudence coming up for decision in the Grand Encampment; yet, I would not have been able to carry on acceptably without the splendid cooperation accorded me by the Department Commanders who consented to serve with me during the last Triennium. Each in his own right, has on occasions proven himself a most worthy representative of the Grand Master of the Grand Encampment, and I wish to thank them publicly for the service they rendered the Grand Encampment.

While Grand Master I have, both personally and through the Department Commanders, tried to bring home to the Grand Commanderies belonging to the Grand Encampment the necessity of holding our membership and to curtail loss of the same through non-payment of dues, suspensions and demits. In the closing months of my tenure of office, I challenge anew the Grand Commanders, insofar as they are able, to do something in the jurisdiction over which they presided, to preserve Templar membership. Most of the Grand Commanders have made a bona fide
effort to carry out the wishes of the Grand Master regarding the stemming of the loss of membership and, in some States, have made remarkable progress in "holding the line!"

I want to thank all Knight Templar, whether an officer or a buck private, for the support they have given me during my tenure of office, and I sincerely request that they give the same support to the next Grand Master of the Grand Encampment.

Arrangements are being rapidly concluded for the entertainment of those who will attend the Triennial Conclave in Cleveland, August next, and I cordially invite you to make every effort to be present for, whether you are an officer in the Grand Encampment, an officer of your Grand Commandery, or merely an officer or member of a constituent or subordinate commandery, you will find attending a Triennial Conclave and sitting in its business session an experience never to be forgotten.

With a deep appreciation of the privilege Knights Templar have accorded me in allowing me to serve in exalted station of Grand Master of the Grand Encampment, let me issue my last command:

"ONWARD CHRISTIAN SOLDIERS"

LOUIS H. WIEBER,
Grand Master.

Ohio to Host Grand Encampment at 48th Triennial Conclave, Cleveland, Ohio, August 12-17, 1961

By Sir Knight Philip H. Coad

The City of Cleveland and its citizens are most happy to have the Knights Templar of the nation come to Cleveland this summer on the occasion of the Forty-eighth Triennial Conclave of the Grand Encampment.

It is just twenty-one years ago since this event came to the City and we have many pleasant memories of it, not the least of which was the starting in line of our own beloved Louis H. Wieber.

The month of August is ideal in this part of the country—it is not too hot usually and, after a somewhat cold and damp spring, the prospect of good weather is bright.

It is expected that around ten thousand Knights will be present at various times and from advance reservations, taxing accomodations to capacity, it would indicate a record attendance. Every effort has been made to provide a profitable and pleasant time for all who come.

The Headquarters will be at the Sheraton-Cleveland Hotel, where all meetings will be held, beginning with Reception and Registration on Saturday, August 12th, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. At 12 noon the Triennial convenes in the main ballroom, with Holyrood Commandery No. 32 forming the lines for the reception of the Grand Master, Sir Knight Louis H. Wieber, his staff and distinguished guests. At 7:00 a.m. the same day the parade will be reviewed in the Public Stadium, where seats have been provided for all. As always the parade through Cleveland streets of the Knights in full uniform, accompanied by bands and precision drill teams, will provide a thrill and an impressive occasion for the public.
At 10:00 p.m. a reception will be tendered to the Most Eminent Grand Master by the Grand Commandery of Ohio.

On Sunday morning, members of the Red Cross of Constantine will breakfast at 9:00 a.m. Divine services will be held in the Cleveland Public Auditorium at 4:00 p.m.—the Right Eminent Grand Prelate, Sir Knight Phil Porter, will deliver the sermon. At 6:30 p.m. a buffet dinner will be tendered the Grand Master, Grand Encampment officers and distinguished guests by the Grand Commandery of Ohio.

Monday, August 14th, will be devoted to drill competition, sight-seeing for ladies and, of course, sessions of the Grand Encampment from 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. In the evening there will be an exhibition drill by sixteen platoons of Detroit Commandery No. 1 of Michigan, in the Public Auditorium, followed by a vaudeville revue, dancing for all Sir Knights and their ladies, with light refreshments provided, and climax by the grand march led by the Grand Master and Grand Encampment officers.

The highlights on Tuesday are industrial trips for Sir Knights and their ladies, luncheon for all participating drill teams and Templar bands and, in the evening, a concert in the Music Hall by the Lake Erie Symphony, under the direction of Sir Knight F. Karl Grossman, Professor of Music at Western Reserve University, and a conductor of note.

On Wednesday, August 16th, there will be sight-seeing trips, both in the morning and afternoon. Ladies will be entertained at lunch on board the S.S. Aquarama honoring Mrs. Louis H. Wieber, wife of the retiring Grand Master. This will be a most enjoyable trip on Lake Erie of several hours duration—there will be entertainment and music. On Wednesday at noon Our Savior Tabernacle No. 33, Holy Royal Arch Knight Templar Priests, will honor their member, Sir Knight Louis H. Wieber, the M.E. Grand Master, at a luncheon.

The formal banquet for officers and members of the Grand Encampment, distinguished guests and ladies, will take place in the ballroom of the Sheraton-Cleveland Hotel at 6:30 p.m. At 8:30 p.m. a theatre party for visiting Sir Knights and their ladies.

The final meeting of the Triennial and Installation of Officers will be at 9:30 a.m. Thursday, August 17th.

In addition to the above enumerated events, there will be a number of breakfasts, luncheons, etc., planned by organizations coming from different parts of the country.

Overall it will be a jam-packed meeting, filled with interesting and enjoyable events. It is hoped there will be an unparalleled attendance at this gathering, revitalizing Templar Masonry and helping to raise it to greater heights as a force for human betterment in our great country.

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KNIGHTS TEMPLAR SAIL ON S.S. SOUTH AMERICAN

A Fine Outing for Templars and Families

This is a post-Triennial Conclave sail on the Georgian Bay Line, the S.S. South American, the week of August 20, 1961, after the Cleveland 48th Triennial Conclave (August 12-17, 1961). A sail with a host of other Knights Templar and their families, to the great Northland beauty land.

Seven days of pleasure—seven nights—glorious days and night. Special fares for full 7-day round trip are from $174.50 to $199.50 per adult. Passage may be booked for less than the seven days.

Fares for the full 7-day round trip are:

Cleveland-Duluth to Detroit—From C deck, $150.00; B deck, $165.00; A deck, $167.50.
Cleveland Duluth to Buffalo—C deck, $162.50; B deck, $180.50; A deck, $183.50.
Cleveland to Duluth, one way—C deck, $102.00; B deck, $111.00; A deck, $112.50.
Children 5 to 12, sharing cabin with at least one adult, travel at one-half fare.
Children under 5 no charge.
All cabins are outside rooms. Cabins are sold on basis of two persons occupying.

Departure—Leaving Cleveland Sunday, August 20th, 8:30 a.m. (D.S.T). Reservations limited to 200. Informal dress cruise. Get your reservation in early.
Write for circular and reservation form to Duluth and Georgian Bay Transit Company, foot of East River Pier, East 9th St., care W. R. Wingate, District Manager. Phone Cleveland, Tower 1-6777, for circular and reservations.

CLEVELAND PUBLIC AUDITORIUM
(Previous Knights Templar service view)
A drill exhibition will be given by Detroit Commandery No. 1 in the Cleveland Public Auditorium on Monday, August 14, at 8:00 p.m., to be followed by entertainment and dancing.
Sir Knight Wilber M. Brucker Honored

An attractive Brochure and many interesting newspaper stories, with illustration, presented in detail the new story of the very delightful "Welcome Home Dinner" honoring Sir Knight and Mrs. Wilbur M. Brucker, on March 10, 1961.

The event was sponsored by Detroit Commandery No. 1, Knights Templar in the Fountain Room of the Masonic Temple, Detroit.

The Detroit News, Saturday, March 11, 1961, carried a front page illustrated story with the cut-caption: "Back From Wars of Washington — Honored at a welcome-home dinner, last night, former Army Secretary Brucker and his wife, were greeted by: Louis J. Asmus, Commander of Detroit Commandery No. 1, Knights Templar; and Roger M. Keyes, vice-president of General Motors Corp., and a former Deputy Secretary of Defense. The news photo was followed by this heading:

BRUCKER WELCOMED BACK HOME;
RESTATES HIS FAITH IN AMERICA

By Walter W. Fuller

"There is nothing the Russians can do that we here in America can't — and better."

This boast was made last night by Wilber M. Brucker, former secretary of the Army, to more than 1,000 persons who gathered in the Masonic Temple to welcome him back home.

Brucker and his wife, Clara, were guests at a homecoming banquet arranged by fellow members of Detroit Commandery No. 1, Knights Templar. Fifteen military and civic organizations joined in the welcome.

Prior to the dinner, there was some of the pomp and ceremony which went with the office Brucker held for five years.

Military Flouish

Drums rumbled and bugles blared as the Bruckers were escorted, over a red carpet, to the speaker's table. The Pershing Rifles of the University of Detroit's

HON. WILBER M. BRUCKER

ROTC presented arms as the Bruckers passed.

During the program there were eulogies and presentations, and a biographical sketch of the "boy from Saginaw" who became Governor in 1931.

The speakers called Brucker a "great American" and a "Secretary of the Army who, the record shows, has had no peer."

Given Two Keys

Because Brucker was the legal adviser to the township of Livonia before it became a city, the suburb's Mayor William Brashear presented him with a key "to our city, our friendship and our hearts."

Circuit Judge Edward S. Piggins, toastmaster, presented a key to Detroit on behalf of Mayor Miriani, who had proclaimed the day as "Wilber Brucker
Day.” Sharon Cover, president of the National Association of Rainbow Division Veterans, gave a testimonial certificate, honoring his World War I service and former President Eisenhower sent a gavel made of wood taken from the White House during remodeling.

The formal eulogy was given by the Rev. Herbert Beecher Hudnut, of Woodward Avenue Presbyterian Church, where the Bruckers worship. Louis J. Asmus, Commander of Detroit Commandery, also paid his tribute. J. C. Lorne was general chairman of the party.

Praises Gis

Among the guests were Roger M. Keyes, a vice president of General Motor Corporation, and a former deputy secretary of defense; Don C. Arner, of Three Rivers, grand commander of Michigan Knights Templar, and Robert C. Winter, president of the Detroit Bar Association.

Brucker spoke of his career in “the pressure chamber called the Pentagon,” his official visits to Army posts around the world and the “wonderful men in our armed forces.”

“I shudder when I hear our people downgrade these dedicated Americans,” he said. “Most of them are better ambassadors for the United States than all the striped pants and stuffed shirts in the world.

“The peace of the world is in the hands of the American people. Only to the extent that we stand up and be counted, and pay the cost for our own defense, will we be saved.”

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The Detroit News editorial page, Friday, March 10, 1961.

From the Hometown

Today Wilber M. Brucker, as retiring secretary of the army, is being given a homecoming welcome by various Detroit organizations which take pride in his service to country.

Many who cannot attend will be there in spirit. The best judgment of Brucker as civilian chief of the Army is to be found in the affections which troops held, and still reserve, for him. No prior secretary was as highly regarded by ranks. They knew that he was administering their affairs in the spirit of a soldier rather than with the eye-to-the-main-chance view of a politician. Their morale, their confidence in government, was made the stronger because of their faith, in him.

The task was never easy for Brucker. It was a difficult time for the Army. On many occasions, he differed with the policies of the administration, feeling that they caused undue hurt to his service and to national security. When so convinced, he stood his ground and loyally opposed. For that, even more than for the extraordinary demand he put on himself in moving about the word to get a personal view of forces, we see him returning to us with honor high and armor shining. We say: “Well done!”

Detroit Commandery No. 1—Battalion Formation at Exhibition Drill.
GERMAN KNIGHTS TEMPLAR

In a letter received from Sir Knight Louis H. Wieber, Most Eminent Grand Master of the Grand Encampment, he announced the interesting fact that nine candidates received the Order of the Temple in Bavaria Commandery No. 3, Knights Templar, in Munich, Germany, on February 11, 1961. The photograph which accompanied the letter of information, and reproduced herewith, lists the officers of Bavaria Commandery No. 3, in the following order: (Left to right, in rear, candidates seated in front) Sir Knights Donald Arndt, Senior Warden; George Ward, Excellent Prelate; Curt Wagner, Sentinel; Robert McLean, Guard; David Silvernail, Sir Kt.; Varick Steele, Eminent Commander; Finus Clark, Treasurer; Carl Jones Captain General; Andrew Brown, Standard Bearer; and Harley Kellum, Sir Kt.

21 March, 1961, 7000th Support Wing, APO 57, N. Y.

(Frankfurt, Germany)
Editor News, “Knight Templar” Magazine, 20 West South Street, Greenfield, Indiana

Dear Sir Knight:

Enclosed is a small news item for the magazine, which we hope you will be able to use. We are having a wonderful time in Templar Masonry here in Germany, but assure you it’s not an easy task. We are enjoying the work and finding our German Sir Knights wonderful to work with. Our Commandery, Herrmann von Salza Commandery No. 1 K. T. (U.D.), is meeting in the beautiful Temple of the United Grand Lodges of Germany here in Frankfurt. We have the full support of our Past Grand Master, Most Worshipful Brother Vogel, and present Grand Master, Most Worshipful Brother Merkel, of the United Grand Lodges of Germany. It seems they just can’t do enough for us.

Most of our Sir Knights are made up of our military servicemen stationed here in Germany, however, we do have a good number of German Sir Knights, as well as many from Luxemburg City, Luxembourg.

We are pushing the magazine because we feel that our new Sir Knights can benefit and learn much from reading it. So, we wish you the very best for the year 1961. If by chance any of our Sir Knights from the states ever found themselves in Germany we would be most happy to have them visit us. Maybe also we could show them the city. We can always be contacted through the Grand Lodge Office, located at 37 Kaiserstr, Frankfurt. Telephone 331705.

Courteously,

JEWELL BROWN,
Eminent Commander.

TEMPLAR MASONRY IS ON THE MARCH IN GERMANY

Here in Germany, Sir Knights are telling the story of Templar Masonry to all Master Masons and Companions, with the results of many joining our ranks and becoming active and enthusiastic workers in the three very active Commanderies here in Germany, Bavarian Commandery No. 3, K. T., Munich, Heidelberg Commandery No. 2, K. T. (U.D.), Heidelberg, and Hermann Von Salza Commandery No. 1, K. T. (U.D.), Frankfurt.

Herrmann von Salza Commandery No. 1, K. T. (U.D.) in Frankfurt had no membership gains for 1959 through 1960. For this year, 1961, this Commandery has raised their membership from a low 12 to a high figure of 56, with a class scheduled for April which will raise the membership to over 70, a gain of over 58 new members this year, with the future looking just as bright as the first three months of 1961. In this Commandery there are Americans, Germans and Sir Knights from Luxemburg City in Luxemburg, all working together to march ever forward in this Great Order. It has been through the help of Heidelberg Commandery No. 2, that this record has been set in Hermann von Salza Commandery No. 1. With these two Commanderies joining hands and working together, much has been done. Our candidates are
Bavaria Commandery No. 13, Knights Templar, Munich, Germany
Class of 11, February, 1961, in front row.
Officers, left to right: Donald Arndt, S. W.; George Ward, P.; Curt Wagner, G.;
David Silvernail, Sir Kt.; Varick Steele, C.; Finus Clark, Treasurer; Carl Jones,
C. G.; Andrew Brown, St. B.; and Harley Kellum, Sir Kt.

always tremendously impressed with the
beauty of the work which can only be
done by Heidelberg Commandery in their
own special way, they will never forget
the fellowship following the conferring
of the Orders.

Much of this interest has been brought
about through the "Knight Templar"
magazine, which is being mailed to many
Masons, Companions, as well as to friends
who may some day become Masons.

Templar Masonry is on the march in
Germany.

Luncheon by the Knights Priests
of Our Savior Tabernacle
No. 33 in Cleveland

Arrangements have now been complet-
ed for the luncheon in honor of the Most
Eminent Grand Master, Louis H. Wieber,
during the Triennial Conclave in Cleve-
land next August.

Sponsored by the three Tabernacles in
Ohio of Holy Royal Arch Knight Templar
Priests, it will be held Wednesday, Au-
gust 16, 1961, at the Sheraton-Cleveland
Hotel, in the Cleveland room, at 12:15
o'clock p. m. Guests will be Grand En-
campment officers who are Knights
Priests, as will be officers of the Grand
College of America, H.R.A.K.T.P.

MENÚ

Clear beef consomme
Ember broiled giant Salisbury steak
(Mushroom sauce)
Julienne string beans Au gratin potatoes
Rolls and butter
White, rye or whole wheat bread
Rich butter
Pecan ice cream
Sheraton coffee, cream, tea or milk
served on request

Price—$3.25, including tax and tip

Tickets may be secured in advance by
sending a check to Reginald E. Anderson,
371 South Maple Street, Akron 2, Ohio.

Tickets will be on sale at the Cleveland
Hotel, beginning Saturday, August 12.
1961.

We are sorry not to be able to invite
the ladies, but the Cleve'and Room ca-
pacity is 400. Three years ago at Indian-
apolis there were 300 Knights Priests in
attendance, and we expect at least that
many at this luncheon.

10 Years Subscription

From Sir Knight Gus J Kriticos, of the
Seawall Hotel, Galveston, Texas, March,
1961, was received a check and letter
p'acing a 10 years subscription to the
"Knight Templar" magazine, in the name
of Prof. Panos G. Kriticos, Kalimnou 16,
Athens, Greece.
Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc.

Saturday, March 25, 1961.
Knights Templar Eye Foundation,
Rhinebeck, New York.

Dear Sirs:

I would like to express to you and your staff, our most humble and deepest gratitude, for making it possible for my mother, Mrs. Charlotte Walkup, to have eye surgery, through the eye foundation of your very fine organization.

There are seemingly few words to adequately express our deep appreciation to you or your representatives, Mr. Harry Laue and Mr. Crabtree, for their extremely courteous, tactful and diplomatic handling of what to us, seemed an unalterable situation.

The personal interest and miraculous skill of the doctors, and their tireless efforts, having learned from so many, their debt treatment, care and understanding given other patients, in addition to the needed assurance given my mother—can only say it has been many years since we've been privileged to know such kindness and human understanding—in just talking to them, as surgeons. All too few doctors in our experience, have given such generous warmth or confidence that contributed so much to the success of mother's operation.

Would also like to especially commend the registered nurse and the nursing staff of St. Joseph's Hospital in Fort Worth, for their expert cars, patience, good food, cleanliness and that extra perception so rare today, providing a sense of well-being—seeing to our every need with such thoroughness.

All in all, we shall never cease to praise and if possible in the future, to support so worthy an organization as the Knights Templar, for establishing the eye foundation, that many might say as did my mother, "I've never been so happy in my life!" . . . this, when at 74 without sight, the future might not have held such promise as it does now. The ability to see, read and resume other activities.

Having made the decision years ago, to contribute my own eyes to the eye bank—would appreciate now, such pertinent information as would enable me to follow through. Will appreciate such forms, as is necessary that I might fulfill this desire if you will be good enough to enlighten me further.

Meanwhile, kindly accept again, our heartfelt and most sincere appreciation for your wonderful work, its benefits to mankind in opening a whole new world for so many. With every wish for the continued success of all, I remain,

Yours most respectfully,

Helen Mae Bush
Mrs. Lincoln L. Bush (daughter)
7132 Hardisty Street,
Fort Worth 18, Texas.

MARYLAND CHARITY

Beauseant Commander No. 8, Knights Templar, Masonic Temple, Baltimore, Maryland. Conrad J. Raider, P. G. C., Recorder.

February 1, 1961.

"Knight Templar," 20 West South Street,
Greenfield, Ind.

Gentlemen:

I am enclosing herewith copy of letter which is self-explanatory as to the activities of our Commandery and would kindly ask that same be printed in the "Knight Templar" magazine, which I hope and trust may be the means to have other Commanderies do likewise.

We refer to our deeds of kindness from time to time, but very seldom does some of us think of doing something about it.

Beauseant has been doing this thing over a good number of years and is a voluntarily contribution made by the Sir Knights at our conclave just prior to Christmas and this is in addition to our Christmas observance contribution which also is given to some charity.
Please understand we do not want to shoot our horn, but thought it may give some one an awakening to do likewise.

With Knightly greetings and many thanks, I am

         Fraternally yours,
Conrad J. Raider, P. G. C.,
Recorder.
The National Lutheran Home for the
Aged, 18th and Douglas Streets, N. E.,
Washington 18, D. C.
Robert L. Lang, D. D., Pastor-Superin-
tendent.
John C. Stuff, D. D., Assistant Pastor-
Superintendent.
Mr. Lewis E. Ort\t, Commander,
Beauseant Commandery No. 8,
Masonic Temple,
225 North Charles Street,
Baltimore, Maryland.

Dear Mr. Ort:\n
I would thank you as Commander and ask you to convey our thanks to all mem-
bers of your Beauseant Commandery No.
8 for the most generous gift of $300.00
which you have presented in honor of our
devoted associate, the Rev. John Stuff,
D. D., and for the care of these aged
members of our Church whom he serves
as pastor.

I share with Dr. Stuff in deep gratitude
for this gift for the care of our 255 aged
guests. The gift exemplifies the Masonic
tradition of charity in a most meaning-
ful way for, through it, you pass beyond
the bounds of our great fraternity to do
good to all men.

May this kindness to these aged men
and women be returned to you and your
members in many personal blessings and
in your Commandery. I would extend to
you and to all our gratitude and, also,
our invitation to worship with Dr. Stuff
and our guests in our beautiful Chapel
on any Sunday which might be suitable
to you for such a visit.

Sincerely,
Robert L. Lang.

Scottish Rite Awards
Membership Award

Aurora Grata Scottish Rite Bodies of
Brooklyn, New York, offers as of Janu-
ary, 1961, the following award for Scott-
ish Rite memberships:

A beautiful gold-filled and enameled
Scottish Rite Medallion, suspended from
a purple ribbon, and to be worn around
the neck, will be presented to each mem-
ber who sponsors two candidates to re-
cieve the degrees in the four Bodies. A
diamond will be added for each two addi-
tional petitions. Eight diamonds in all
will complete the Jewel. Credits will be
cumulative from class to class and year
to year.

All petitions must be accepted by the
Membership Committee and the candi-
dates must progress to the Thirty-second
degree.

Only the top line signer on the petition
will be eligible for the Award.

The Commander-in-Chief will present
the Award at a Stated Rendezvous of
Aurora Grata Consistory. It will be per-
missible and urged that those who receive
this distinctive Award wear it at all
meetings of the Four Aurora Grata Bod-
ies. It will be a visible sign that the
wearer helped to strengthen the Rite and
promote the welfare of the Corner.

Credits will be given for petitions re-
ceived and approved starting with the
February-March, 1961, Class.

Templay has a great heritage. As
Knights Templar, we find constant in-
spiration in the spiritual heritage be-
queathed to us by those stalwart Chris-
tian warriors, who nobly wore the Cross
in the great Crusades of long ago. There
were eight Crusades from 1096 to 1271.
Their avowed purpose was to guard the
approaches to the Holy City, and to pro-
tect the pilgrims on their way to worship
at the Holy Sepulchre.
Letter from Sir Knight Geo. B. Milford, Past Grand Commander, 1010 Jefferson Street, Red Bluff, Calif.

February 17, 1961.
Sir Knight Chalmers Pancoast, Editor, "Knight Templar" Magazine, Newark, Ohio.

Dear Past Grand Commander Pancoast:

At the installation of the officers of Red Bluff Commandery No. 17, Knights Templar, of Red Bluff, Calif., on January 26th last, an event occurred which, probably, occurs in very few Commanderies of the United States. On the evening of that date Sir Knight James H. Haughey was installed Eminent Commander of the Red Bluff Commandery, and attending the installation was his father, James C. Haughey, who is over 100 years old. The event, which was an open installation, drew Sir Knights and ladies, as well as other members of York and Scottish Rite Bodies, to the extent that it taxed the seating capacity of the asylum. The installing officer was Sir Knight George R. Milford, Past Grand Commander of Knights Templar in California, assisted by Sir Knight Marion E. Pedlar, Very Eminent Deputy Grand Commander, who acted as installing Grand Prelate; and Sir Knight Jerome Edgar, Past Commander of Red Bluff Commandery, who acted as Grand Warder.
The accompanying pictures were taken following the ceremony. In the front row, second from left, is the father, James C. Haughey, on his left Sir Knight James H. Haughey, Eminent Commander, and on his left is the writer, Sir Knight George R. Milford, Past Grand Commander.

The evening was one long to be remembered and in inspiration to Templar Masonry in this area. It is not necessary to return the prints.

With Knightly greetings, I am,

Sincerely yours,

GEO. R. MILFORD.

Firm Foundation of Knights Templar

By Chalmers Lowell Pancost, P. G. C. of New York, and Editor "Knight Templar" Magazine

All organizations of Freemasonry are deeply concerned with the past, present and future of the fraternity, but more particularly with the years to come. From all parts of the United States has come encouraging reports of a growing interest and the promise of future advancement in the Order of Knights Templar, the uniformed branch of Masonry.

The new year of 1961 is a good time for enlistment in the "Army of the King of Kings"—a good time to give serious thought of the highest service that can be rendered to Templar Masonry by increasing its membership and by promoting the many worthy activities for human welfare.

In Templary we have an organization of great and lasting spiritual values, built upon the loyal service of sincere Masons of the past. Today the great responsibility of the growth of the Order rests with men of the present. To insure its growth our concern is enlisting in its ranks more Masons for its future advancement.

The Order of Knights Templar has reached its present size and influence, because of the Blue Lodge Masons and members of the Chapter and Council, who have petitioned for membership in the Order of Knights Templar. This interest of other Masonic Bodies forms the solid foundation of Templary and any future growth must come from the continued interest of our Masonic Brothers.

Every Knight Templar who loves this Order knows that he must not neglect his Lodge, Chapter or Council, for, after all, these groups of active Masons have made it possible for him to enjoy the many rewards and fine friendships found in Templar Masonry. Every branch of Masonry is dependent to a great extent upon the welfare of other Masonic Bodies.

Building up the Order of Knights Templar for the future means going back and engaging in more foundation work for increasing membership. We can expect results in bringing more men into the Order when we have increased our intentions to see more good men made Master Masons, Royal Arch Masters and members of the Council of Royal and Select Masters, all of which are important parts of York Rite Masonry.

In all the states every Lodge, Chapter and Council takes an active part in creating more Knights Templar for the future greatness of the Order.

In past years many editorials, articles and inspired talks have been employed to stimulate greater interest in the Commandery. All have achieved results. But there is only one solution to the problem of future growth and community influence and welfare. That is to obtain more members immediately—to get new blood into our ranks—more young men to become enthusiastic workers for York Rite Masonry and Templary. We want more candidates. There are many men who should be interested in becoming active members, in the Blue Lodge, Chapter, Council and Commandery.
From "The Crusader" of Pa.

Charles B. Wolfertz, Editor, Allentown, Pennsylvania.

Easter at Arlington

Last year, early in May, a letter was received from Robert S. Hanson, P. C., and Recorder of Ascension Commandery No. 97, in which there was an enclosure and this comment:

"The enclosed was in a publication which Helen received. She belongs to an organization known as P.E.O., and this was in a recent issue of the P.E.O. Record. I rather thought that the last two sentences are particularly good."

As we read Bob's enclosure, it seemed to be so well written, with descriptive words so excellently chosen that one could almost imagine being in Washington and a part of the surroundings and service.

It was written by Gail Brook Burkert and we want to share with you, not only the last two sentences, but the entire account because it is such an excellent writing.

Gail Brook Burkert, in the P.E.O. Record, tells of "Easter at Arlington."

"As we crossed the Potomac River, the sun was a hand breadth above the horizon and lighted the orderly streams of cars flowing toward Arlington National Cemetery Easter morning."

"Dogwood trees in bloom and late daffodils embellished the hillsides, as we neared the entrance. When we had left our car in the parking area, we walked toward the white marble amphitheater. Lines formed, as we neared the stairways, poured down the aisles and filled the edifice."

"Before the first note of Onward Christian Soldiers came from the distance, across the flower-sweet air, every unreserved seat was taken and the people were standing along the colonnades."

"The stirring hymn grew louder as the marching band approached, and in a moment we had our first glimpse of the smartly uniformed Marine band. In perfect tempo the musicians marched down the aisle, followed by color bearers and hundreds of Knights Templar."

"It was a memorably beautiful procession. Against a background of white marble columns and large flags, the silken colors carried in the procession rippled in the morning air, and the Knights' plumes blew in the breeze."

"Dignitaries filed in and were seated behind the large cross of Easter lilies on the platform. Like a surging wave, the thousands of worshipers rose for the invocation."

A view of the vast crowd assembled for the Arlington Easter Sunrise Memorial Service.
The service continued beneath the bright spring sky, with music, the Apostle’s Creed, repeated by the Knights Templar, with swords inverted, an eloquent sermon, the benediction and finally the Star Spangled Banner, sung with the morning sun flashing from hundreds of swords held in salute by the Knights, who have conducted this Easter Sunrise Memorial Service at Arlington for the past thirty years.

“At the close of the service, the cross of Easter lilies on the platform was placed at the tomb of the Unknown Soldier.

“Flying flags, the blare of martial music, sword salute, uniforms, and National anthem may seem incongruous at an Easter service. But, surrounded by the thousands of patriots in the vast national cemetery, who had died in war that we might live in peace, and with the National Capitol in sight, in seemed altogether fitting.

“Possibly this juxtaposition of religion and patriotism is not so strange as it may seem at first glance. For to be a good citizen of the United States of America requires the integrity, the courage, the self-sacrifice, and the faith in God, in man, and in self which fit a person to be a good citizen of heaven, too.”

We are grateful to Sir Knight Hanson for this thoughtfulness in making it possible for the readers of The Crusader to enjoy this fine story of “Easter at Arlington.”

48th TRIENNIAL CONCLAVE

Divine Services will be held in the Cleveland Public Auditorium, Sunday afternoon, August 12, at 4:00 p.m. Rev. Phil Porter, D. D., R. E. Grand Pre’ate, will deliver the sermon. The auditorium has a seating capacity of 10,000. The above view shows the Easter Sunrise Services in 1937.
ELMIRA, N. Y., JUNE, 1960

It is with regret that only a few of the many excellent photos, telling a pictorial story of the 147th Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery of New York State, June 17-19-1960, can find place in this issue. One photo shows the reviewing stand at Elmira, with the Grand Encampment and Grand Commandery Officers of New York and distinguished guests present.

In his Address, Sir Knight J. George Lang said, in part: "Perhaps a word of explanation should be made as to the reason for our meeting in Elmira in 1960, instead of elsewhere. We are meeting in Elmira today because we wish to honor the memory of our late Sir Knight Harold E. Murphy, Eminent Grand Junior Warden. Harold, when he passed away, left a great and enviable Templar record, not only as a member of St. Omers Commandery No. 19, and here in Zone 10, but elsewhere in this Grand Jurisdiction. St. Omers Commandery had anticipated a wonderful Conclave in his year, had the Lord spared him. Therefore, due largely to the efforts of the late Sir Knight Leslie D. Legg, Eminent Past Commander of St. Omers and Zone Officer of Zone 10; and other Sir Knights, we were invited by St. Omers Commandery No. 19, to hold the Annual Grand Conclave in Elmira in 1960.


NEW YORK STATE GRAND COMMANDERY OFFICERS
Elmira, N. Y., June, 1960

Other Distinguished Guests were: Vermont, Franklyn H. Churchill, Grand Sword Bearer; Maryland, Etrebil Schaub, P.G.C., Edward J. Warwick, G.S.W., William W. Werking, P.C. No. 3; Sir Knight Paul Reams Jarrett, R.E. Dept. Commander, personal representative of Sir Knight Louis H. Wieber; M. E. Grand Master; Grand Lodge F. & A.M. of N.Y., M.W. and Sir Knight William B. Wilkinson, representing the M. W. Grand Master Carl W. Peterson, of N.Y.


STATE OF NEW YORK ANNUAL CONCLAVE

Three Honored at Banquet Given by Knights Templar

Knights Templar and their ladies from the Twin Cities, Duluth, Superior, Range points and elsewhere gathered in the Eveleth Masonic Temple Saturday evening, January 14, at 6:30 o'clock, in a testimonial dinner occasion which paid tribute to Henry H. Peterson, Eveleth, Empler J. Hill and Burt D. Pearson, Virginia, the speaker for the event being Edwin A. Martini, Duluth. Mr. Martini is a prominent Head of the Lakes attorney and a distinguished member of all rites in Masonry. He is presently serving as the General Grand High Priest of the General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, International.

Mr. Martini praised the calibre and the motivations of the Founding Fathers of the United States, asserting that the need today in combating a godless tyranny rampant in the world is for leaders and a society no less dedicated to the eternal spiritual and moral principles. He cited the gains made by the Kremlin ideology in the years following World War II, during which period nation on nation has been "engulfed in the swirling black waters of Communism."

Mr. Martini declared that fraternal organizations which exalt the dignity of man as the creature of Almighty God, and those leagued with the church militant, are the nation's strong anchor to windward in the crucial time of the present. His plea was for a revitalization of the dedications which in the birth and preservation of this country had demonstrated their value to mankind. His postulate was for an end to complacency in the domain of the spirit and in the channels of American citizenship.

Herbert C. Peterson, a past commander of Eveleth Commandery No. 35, Knights Templar, under which organization's auspices the testimonial banquet-program was held, made the address which introduced Henry H. Peterson as an honoree, conveying to him the assembly's good wishes, also a suitable gift.

E. A. Loftquist, also a past commander of Eveleth Templary, and an active officer in the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Minnesota, introduced Mr. Hill, noting that he had been nominated for a testimonial role because of unexampled attributes. He presented Mr. Hill with an appropriate gift. Mr. Hill is currently the Eminent Grand Captain General of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Minnesota.

Jay O. Bergeson, likewise a past commander of the Eveleth organization, made the presentation which introduced Mr. Pearson, the third honoree, to whom was also given mementos of the occasion. Mr. Pearson is presently chairman of several committees of the national organization, more specifically known as the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America.

Those who were the honor recipients responded briefly in expressing earnest thanks and warm appreciation.

Donald W. Jarvi, Eveleth Eminent Commander of the Eveleth Knights Templar body, presided as toastmaster. In a preface talk, he reviewed the circumstances which had brought about the testimonial event and expressed gratitude that more than 200 had turned out as participants. He introduced a long list of visiting dignitaries and their ladies.

Invocation for the dinner was given by Thomas Connors, Gilbert; Mrs. Eldon Hendrickson, Eveleth, sang several numbers, accompanied at the piano by Mrs. Donald W. Jarvi, as did Frank Wilson, Duluth, likewise accompanied by Mrs. Jarvi. Benediction by Dr. H. E. Law, prelate of the Eveleth Commandery, closed the dinner-program. Throughout the course of the dinner background music was played. The dinner was served by the ladies of the Eveleth Chapter No. 214, Order of the Eastern Star.
Current officers of the Eveleth Commandery are as follows:

Eminent Commander, Mr. Jarvi; generalissimo, A. Edwin Forsman, Eveleth; captain general, John Ettestad, International Falls; senior warden, Dr. Michael Zaku’a, Chisholm; junior warden, Theodore Hill, Eveleth; prelate, Dr. H. E. Law, Virginia; treasurer, Bernard Peterson, Eveleth; recorder, Paul Covert, Eveleth; standard bearer, George Hill, Hibbing; sword bearer, Douglas Wilson, Eveleth; warden, Vern Lofdahl, Eveleth; sentinel, Harvey E. Sandstrom, Hoyt Lakes.

—(From Mesabi Daily News, Virginia, Minn.)

Scottish Rite research projects are located in leading universities, laboratories and institutions from coast to coast. Dr. Samuel Bogoch, of the Massachusetts Mental Health Center, Boston, directs studies of chemical constituents in the cerebrospinal fluid of patients suffering from schizophrenia and a comparison of these findings with those obtained in normal controls and in other types of mental diseases.
When the Knights Templar March

By Chalmers L. Panoast

(Reprinted by request.)

As I begin to write down my impressions of a Knights Templar street parade, the words of James Whitcomb Riley come to me:—"As the glittering pageant winds down the long street," I see in the Templar parade something more than a mere file of marching men. I glimpse a glittering pageant stretching back across the years in which thousands of Templars have marched for the glory and growth of Christian Knighthood. In fond memory, I hear the echo of the tramping of thousands of feet, now silent,—feet that marched for a great cause. The parade reaches back to those who marched in the years that have now gone over the horizon of time.

Our Templar parades of today are but a continuation of a procession of Christian Soldiers, marching, marching, marching onward and victorious.

In these long lines of marching Templars I see a triumphant procession in a colorful and spirited movement; a joyous panorama, which distance and time have not dimmed.

One of the great moments of my life was the recent experience as Grand Captain General of New York Templars, to ride a spirited horse at the head of a beautiful Knights Templar street parade. This was at our 120th Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery of New York, held at Yonkers, June 10, 1935.

Leading the parade, I turned in my saddle and looked back at the Mass Formation following me on South Broadway, after we passed the Grand Stand, and at that moment I received a real thrill—a pleasurable thrill—a thrill that seemed a fitting reward for all the effort to make that parade of a pageant of beauty and inspiration.
White plumes waved everywhere; shoulder-straps, white baldrics glistened, swords glittered, and jewels sparkled, and faces were animated with the joy of marching. When the massed bands struck up the marching song of the Templars —“Onward Christian Soldiers” — it came with a roar of thunder, but soul-stirring in its quality. Behind the bands came rows of American flags, then the beautiful grand standards of all Commanderies, followed by rows of the black and white beauegeants. Next came the gorgeous spectacle of marching Templars — the Officers, Past Officers and Baldric men stretched solidly from curb to curb. There was an enthusiastic outburst of applause from the thousands of people on the grandstands, sidewalks, office-windows, and housetops. It was a never-to-be-forgotten pageant, which was declared to be the most picturesque, colorful and promptly-moving parade in the history of the Order in the State.

As the massed bands continued the Processional Hymn — “With the Cross of Jesus going on before” — on past the Reviewing stand, where the Grand Officers reviewed the parade, the applause of the multitude increased until the ovation became a veritable triumph.

This colorful parade carried with it the mysticism, the traditions of ages: it carried with it that symbolic something which went past the eye and through the imagination to the heart. It went to the heart and it lingered there, up-lifting, thrilling and enthralling.

A school boy was at the window of the high school as the parade passed. He was to write an essay in a contest. He chose “The Templars’ Parade” as his subject. He wrote that the parade — the long line of Commanderies with bands and banners — was a brilliant spectacle — but that the “Massed Formation,” as it came back up the hill toward the Masonic Temple, to him represented “POWER” — This impression coming from a school boy is of importance. Templars; parades do represent “Power” — the power for good — the power for leading men to God — the power to develop loyalty, devotion and zeal for Christ’s Kingdom — for an enthusiastic movement onward and upward to greater heights for Templary.

“The Long Parade” of Templary had its beginning in the “Masonic Walks of Yesterday” — And through the parades of years the present connects the past with the yet unrecorded parades of tomorrow — thus generating Power and Progress. “The Long Parade of Templary” is a procession of Cross Bearers reaching from the First Crusade through the years to the Happiness of Eternity — it is an inspiring historic record of the past linked with the triumphs of the future.

Each year the Official Proceedings of the various Grand Commanderies relate enthusiastic stories of the dramatic street parades held during the Knights Templar Annual Conclaves. Public opinion of the parades, as expressed by the press, is esteem, reverence and praise. Daily newspapers report Templar Christmas Observances, Church parades; Easter Dawn and Easter Day Divine Services; Ascension Day Celebrations; Memorial Events; Knights Templar Days of Patriotism — all great spectacular activities in the forward movement of the Order of Christian Knighthood.

Many men find the thrill of being a Templar in marching in a spirited parade at an Annual Grand Conclave. They realize a certain ambition of attainment in being part of an organization in colorful costumes, bands, banners and jeweled decorations — an Order which has the esteem, respect and appreciation of the public. Once or twice a year they become an active and moving part of a one day parade or celebration. But the true Templar is more than a marching, glorified uniform. He is interested in “The Long Parade” — the parade of days of years that goes on day after day, year after year, requiring constant effort, regular attention to duties; that requires devotion, loyalty and hard work.

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As this "Parade of Templar" passes along the great highway of life man after man joins in and marches along. Some drop out along the way, without ever realizing the thrill of a long, year after year march.

Those that join "The Long Parade," get into step and keep in step with their fellow men throughout the years, are the men who make the parade a colorful and inspiring spectacle, because their hearts are the most important part of the Templars in Uniform. These are the men who walk with us day by day—"who clasp our hands as we march along together."

For those men who march along bravely year after year in "The Long Parade" life grows brighter and hearts grow stronger and courage takes hold of the souls of men.

In "The Long Parade of Templary" I have marched side by side with many men—men whom I have admired, and who were friendly men, helpful men; and men who have encouraged me to speak my heart to other men marching along, that they too might feel the pull of hope.

We call him a man, and a true Templar, who marches on with unfaltering steps. We call him Brave who refuses to drop out of the "Long Parade" no matter how weary or discouraged.—

"We call him strong, who stands unmoved—

When some great trouble hurls its shock;

But when the spent storm folds its wings—

How is his step in the silent, unending parade of life."

"BROTHER OF THE WILD GOOSE"

The New York, Ohio and New Mexico octogenarian—Chalmers Lowell Pancoast—celebrated his 81st March birthday as sole guest of the closed Hotel Warden, Newark, Ohio. His recent autobiography entitled, "Saga of a Roving Reporter—The Chalmers Pancoast Story," by the Newark writer, Kathleen Brown, a limited first edition, has become a popular book with many, and will soon become a collector's item.

Chalmers Pancoast plans to leave soon for a visit to one of his many home towns, Albuquerque, New Mexico, where he was a newspaper reporter on the Albuquerque Daily Citizen in 1902; and later in 1903 a reporter and traveling representative for the Albuquerque Journal-Democrat. The purpose of this 1961 flying trip is to arrange for the publication of his latest book, entitled: "Brother of The Wild Goose"—from the popular song: "When the Wild Goose Cries—I'll Go Where the Wild Goose Goes."

Another title is: "Pictorial History Album of New Mexico in Gay 90's," or "Here's New Mexico—The Sunshine State in 1900's."

This latest book is Chal Pancoast's 20th book written, with 16 now published. Besides being a veteran newspaper reporter of the Southwest, Chal has worked on the El Paso News, Denver Republican, Los Angeles Times and Examiner. Later, in 1910, Pancoast was associate editor of the Santa Fe Employes' Magazine. He traveled over the entire Santa Fe railroad system, writing stories of the early days on the Santa Fe, and the Red Ball system of handling freight for Collier's and Leslie's magazines; in addition to The Workers Magazine of the Chicago Tribune.

Pancoast, known in New Mexico as "Scoops" or "Scoupe" by Indians, is a retired Captain of the Territorial New Mexico National Guard. His retirement papers were signed by Brigadier General Osborne C. Wood, at that time, January 1, 1904, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, the capitol. He has certificates or documents to prove his service as corporal, sergeant, regimental quartermaster sergeant and retired captain. Later he was a member of the Cleveland Greys, of Cleveand, Ohio.

Chal Pancoast's first books on the Southwest were: "Death Trails of New Mexico," about strange religions of the territory; then "Trail Blazers of Advertising"; and "The Cub Reporter," now out of print.
Cleveland Editorials Out of the Past

Welcome, Sir Knights:

Of great importance to Templary is the opinion of the public. And the best means of judging this feeling of the people for the Order of Knights Templar is through the comments of the public press. An editorial in the Cleveland Press of Friday, July 12, 1940, was headed—"Welcome, Sir Knights," and was followed with these words: "Cleveland loves a parade. The Templar Uniforms, white plumes, glistening gold and silver medals, jewel-studded swords, and the bands and drill units will make a colorful procession. . . . But this is simply one of a number of reasons why Cleveland is fortunate in being host to this large Conclave . . . The Order of Knights Templar is an Order whose membership is based on attainment of the highest ideals . . . It is an Order that does a great deal of good in the world. To have its representatives here from far and wide is indeed a privilege."

This public praise presented on the editorial page of a leading newspaper is indicative of the fine spirit of appreciation and hospitality from the Cleveland people. To be held in high esteem and respect by those outside of the Order means much for the permanency and advancement of the Order of Christian Knighthood.

Even the Cleveland weather man was kind and considerate for the comfort of the Sir Knights. One editorial writer on the Cleveland Plain Dealer said: "Cleveland's welcome to the visiting Knights Templar is as cordial as our temperature usually is at this time of year, and as friendly as yesterday's sun, which so heroically tried to overcome the alien breezes from the north. Whatever the climate, which we confidently expect to improve as the Conclave progresses, we shall leave nothing undone, Sir Knights, to make your too-brief stay a most pleasant one."

Plumed Knights to Worship Today

In commenting on the Sir Knights, Roelif Loveland, writer for the Plain Dealer, said: "These Sir Knights are important men in their own communities, but while they are here their interest centers in paying solemn respect to God and their Order. It is a different type of assembly, quiet, dignified, serious, yet one senses the power behind it.

In the cross of Christ I glory
Towering o'er the wrecks of time.

"With the cross of Christ before them more than a thousand Sir Knights, vanguard of the marching Templars, formed the procession from the Hotel Cleveland to the Public Auditorium where they attended Divine Services at four o'clock on Sunday afternoon. Before them, stretching across the stage was a plain black curtain, and in the center of this severe decoration was 'A Cross.' Nothing more. The voices of the Sir Knights were strong as they sang the Processional Hymn 'Onward Christian Soldiers.' This Divine Service under the direction of Sir Knight Chester B. Emerson, R.T. E.M. Grand Prelate, set the tone for the Conclave. It was simple and beautiful. The Choir of the Trinity Cathedral, Edwin Arthur Kraft Director, led the Sir Knights in the spirited singing of 'All Hail the Power of Jesus Name' and other sacred and patriotic songs. Sir Knight Emerson was assisted by Rev. and Sir Knight Phil Porter, Em. Grand Prelate of the Grand Commandery, Knights Templar of Ohio."
KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF OREGON
Ivanhoe Commandery No. 2, instituted in 1883, Eugene, Oregon.
Springfield, Oregon
1030 North 7th Street
January 21, 1961
Sir Knight Chalmers L. Pancoast
Newark, Ohio

Dear Sir Knight Pancoast:

Eugene Assembly No. 198, Social Order of the Beauceant, installed their officers for the ensuing year in a very beautiful setting. The Knights Templar were invited to attend and had a good turn-out for their installation ceremony. The installing officers were Mrs. Frank Talbot, from Portland, Oregon, who is Supreme Worthy Preceptress of the Supreme Assembly, S. O. O. Beauceant of the World. She was assisted by installing officers as shown in picture. Front row—Mrs. Melvin G. Hensen, Chaplain; Mrs. Alton Schroeder, Installing Color Bearer, who is also a member of Supreme Assembly, Paraphernalia Commit-

tee; Mrs. Frank D. Talbot; Mrs. Fred Guske, Worthy President, Eugene Assembly 198, who was installed; Mrs. Harry O. Watson, Assistant Marshal. Rear row—Mrs. Richard Meyers, Standard Bearer; Mrs. Earl W. Fishel, Director of Music; Mrs. Frank L. Meyers, Marshal.

All of the officers in the picture of installing officers are from Portland Assembly No. 41, Portland, Oregon, except Mrs. Alton Schroeder and Mrs. Fred Guske, who are members of Eugene Assembly No. 198. This was the fourth installation of officers for Eugene Assembly No. 198. The officers installed on January 2, 1961, were as follows in the accompanying picture: Front row—Mrs. Merle W. Frisbie, Oracle; Mrs. Russell Roberts, Assistant Marshal; Mrs. William F. Guske, Worthy President; Mrs. Merle Hanson, First Vice President; Mrs. Claire Finlayson, Second Vice President; Mrs. Leon C. Bond, Preceptress. Second row—Mrs. George D. Robinson, Standard Bearer; Mrs. Merle Moore, Chaplain; Mrs. Ronald Gilstrap, Mistress
of Wardrobe; Mrs. W. A. Copeland, Jr., Inner Guard; Mrs. Harlan Carter, Color Bearer; Mrs. Robert Wagner, Recorder; Mrs. Richard Millhollen, Outer Guard. Three of the officers of Eugene Assembly were unable to attend but will be installed later. They are Mrs. Charles Hunt, Treasurer; Mrs. Ernest Stacks, Marshal; and Mrs. Ray Allen, Daughter of Household.

In their program Sir Knight Charles Willey played the organ with the flag escort by Knights Templar, followed by entrance of installing officers, escort and introductions of distinguished guests, introduction of installing officers, entrance of officers elect, installation, proclamation, presentation, good of the order, and finally refreshments. Ushers were Sir Knights. Introduction of distinguished guests were as follows: Mrs. Alton Schroeder and Mrs. Harry E. Watson, members of Supreme Paraphernalia Committee of Supreme Assembly, Past Worthy Presidents; Mrs. Frank L. Meyers, Mrs. Lon Knowlton, Mrs. Richard Meyers, of Portland Assembly No. 41; Mrs. George Williams, Past Worthy President, Corvallis Assembly No. 201, Corvallis, Oregon; Mrs. Robert Wagner, Past Worthy President, and Mrs. Alton Schroeder, Past Worthy President, Eugene Assembly No. 198. The Introductions were made by the outgoing Worthy President, Mrs. Merle W. Frisbie, of Eugene Assembly. She also introduced the following Sir Knights: Merle W. Frisbie, Grand Generalissimo of Grand Commandery of Oregon and Chairman of the Eye Foundation Committee of the Grand Commandery of Oregon; Charles Willey, Grand Standard Bearer, Grand Commandery of Oregon; Robert Wagner, District Supervisor, District No. 4, Grand Commandery of Oregon; Lyman C. Palmer, Past Grand Commander, Grand Commandery of Oregon, present Senior Grand Warden, of the Grand Lodge of Masons in Oregon, and many other Masonic titles.

Frank Talbot, Eminent Commander, Oregon Commandery No. 1, Portland, Oregon; Edward W. Norton, Grand Marshal, Grand Council, Royal and Select Masters in Oregon; Max G. Cogill, Master Seventh Arch, Grand Council, Royal and Select Masters in Oregon; Linn Beley, Illustrious Master, Hiram Council, Royal and Select Masters; Alton Schroeder, Eminent Commander, Ivanhoe Commandery No. 2, Knights Templar, Eugene; George D. Robinson, Excellent High Priest, Eugene Chapter No. 10, Royal Arch Masons; Ronald Gilstrap, Past W. Master, Wayfarer, Blue Lodge, Eugene; Mrs. Mabel Palmer, Worthy High Priestess; and Edward W. Norton, Watchman of Shepherds, Bethlehem Shrine No. 4, Order of the White Shrine of Jerusalem, Eugene, Oregon.

On the good of the order, Mrs. Frank D. Talbot gave a wonderful talk on the work of the Social Order of the Beauceant. Some of the things that I considered outstanding were that Most Eminent Past Grand Master of the Grand Encampment Walter A. DeLamater contacted the Supreme Assembly, in 1958, and asked the ladies of the Social Order of the Beauceant to assist with the Knight Templar Eye Foundation, Inc. They thanked him for asking their help and went to work and are still working. In their Supreme Assembly meeting in Des Moines, Iowa, they had contributed up to forty thousand dollars at that date, and are still doing their part to assist, both in finances and reporting cases to the attention of the Commanderies for investigation and processing.

They are very proud of the fact that they have been called upon to assist in this great work. Mrs. Talbot said they now have 196 assemblies in the United States, which includes one in the Hawaiian Islands. The next Supreme Assembly will be held in San Diego, California, in September, 1961.
The following announcements were made by Mrs. Everett Coe, Worthy President Elect, of Corvallis Assembly 201, in Corvallis, Oregon, January 14, and Mrs. Mary M. Brooks, Worthy President Elect in Portland, Oregon, on January 7. Mr. and Mrs. Wm. F. Guske, New Worthy President’s daughter, Jean, asked permission to approach the East and gave an outstanding reading taken from the Bible on the life of Ruth. It consisted of several typewritten pages and was wonderful, both in reading and the expressions that accompanied the reading.

The presentation of the Past President’s pin by Mrs. Alton Schroeder to their new Past Worthy President was an outstanding and impressive ceremony. Fraternally yours,

Max G. Cogill.

Templary stands forth as a valiant and magnanimous order announcements courage. It stresses a belief in Christ and his teachings which can bring peace and understanding to a world which is unsettled by fear, mistrust and misunderstanding. The world needs to get the spirit of Christian consciousness. Recently I read an article in Readers Digest, probably you did too, taken from the Navy Blue Book and titled “To Give Young Men Courage.” This one paragraph struck me, as follows: “Too many men are coming into service without the weapons they need, the weapons they need most. Faith in God, Faith in Country, Faith in Themselves and faith in their fellow fighting men. Boys are supposed to get these weapons a long time before they are old enough to put on a uniform. But something has gone wrong in this country. We’ve gotten too sophisticated. Everybody laughed at flag waving night—Now we could laugh ourselves into oblivion.

Tonight just to give you something to think about, I think that we should be ever-ready to perform our duty to God, our country, our neighbor and ourselves. As Knights Templars let us hold our swords ready to be drawn in the defense of the Christian religion, the protection of the institutions of our government, the relief of distress and may be overcome fear with courage inspired by faith in Jesus Christ. Ever remembering our motto “In hoc signo vinces.”

ONE OF MIGHTY HAS FALLEN

Yesterday I attended the funeral of Ray Vaughn Denslow, in Trenton, Mo. Several hundred Masons from Missouri and elsewhere came to pay a last tribute to a friend and neighbor who for the last several decades has exerted much influence upon the trend of Masonic thought and action, not only in the great Midwestern area but around the world. It was a simple service, and in its simplicity it conveyed the Masonic message as no pomp or glitter could have done.

Ray Denslow was, indeed, one of Freemasonry’s stalwarts. His pen had recorded the doings of the Craft in such an unusual manner that his Annual Review for the Grand Lodge of Missouri, which he entitled “The Masonic World,” was in demand by Masonic scholars everywhere. He had written ten volumes on Masonic subjects and history. He had headed the Commission to Europe in 1945, and perhaps was personally acquainted with more Masonic leaders than any of his contemporaries.

Ray Denslow was editor of “The Royal Arch Mason,” an authoritative Masonic publication with over 100,000 circulation among Masonic leaders the world around. He had worn the purple of our Fraternity in his Grand Lodge and in many of its appendant bodies. He was serving as Grand Secretary-Recorder of the York Rite bodies of Missouri at the time of his death.

I question whether any Mason living today could equal all of the talents for writing and speaking with such widespread acquaintance as did Ray V. Denslow. Truly he was one of Freemasonry’s stalwart sons.
For such a one it would have been fitting to bring forth all the pomp and ceremony that could be found in all the various Rites. Yet the service was a simple service in the Trenton Methodist Church, and a brother from his own Lodge delivered the committal service at the grave. Although hundreds of Masons from many states were present to sit with the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Missouri and many others of prominence, there were no jewels, no glitter, and no braid. White linen aprons plain and unadorned were in evidence everywhere. The message that was carried home by everyone present was that the way to measure a man is not by applying the tape to his girth or his head, but by determining the size of his heart.—Chas. S. McGinness, Grand Secretary of Kansas.

—Ohio RAM Newsletter

TEMPLAR NOMENCLATURE

Wylie B. Wendt, P.C.

The Order of Knights Templar is a sovereign body in Freemasonry, and it makes its own rules and regulations. It is not governed by the laws, regulations, traditions or practices of any other Masonic body. As a Knights Templar, we have our own nomenclature, and should be proud to use our nomenclature correctly. Below are mentioned some of the terms that are mostly misused.

The Templar unit of organization is a Commandery, not a lodge.

Commanderies hold conclaves, not meetings.

Commanderies hold stated conclaves, not regular conclaves.

Commanderies hold special conclaves, not called conclaves.

Commanderies confer the Order of the Red Cross, they do not put on the Order of the Red Cross.

Commanderies, or more properly speaking, priorities, confer the Order of Malta, they do not put on the Order of Malta.

Commanderies confer the Order of the Temple, they do not put on the Order of the Temple.

There are no degrees in the Commandery. There are three Orders.

The only time the word “degree” is mentioned in the commandery is in connection with the degree of Knight of St. Paul or Mediterranean Pass, the pass degree to the Order of Malta.

Commanderies open in full form or in short form, and the record should so state. Commanderies do not open in long form.

The official title of the presiding officer of a Commandery is Commander.

The honorary title of the presiding officer of a commandery is Eminent Commander.

The honorary title is used in speaking to the Commander. The official title is used in speaking about him. For example, “When composed of eleven, who are they?” “The Commander, Generalissimo, etc.” Or “The station of the Commander?”

The Commander never refers to himself by his honorary title, but always uses the official title. Example, “I am the Commander of Blank Commandery,” never “I am the Eminent Commander of Blank Commandery.”

All documents and official orders are signed by the Commander over his official title as Commander, and not as Eminent Commander. The Recorder should see that the title is used correctly.

The official title of the Prelate of a Commandery is Prelate, the honorary title is Excellent Prelate. The Commander and the Prelate are the only two officers of a Commandery that do not have the honorary prefix of Sir Knight to their stations, as is used with the remainder of the officers, as Sir Knight Captain General, or Sir Knight Recorder, or Sir Knight Warder.

The official title of a past presiding officer of a Commandery is Past Commander.
The honorary title of a past presiding officer of a Commandery is Eminent Past Commander, not Past Eminent Commander. The honorary title “Eminent” precedes the official part “Past Commander.” Do not divided the official part in the middle.

The honorary title of every member of the Order is “Sir Knight” and this honorary title precedes the name of the individual. There is no other honorary prefix to the name of any individual in Templary, despite the general incorrect use of Right Eminent Sir John Doe and Eminent Sir John Doe or Eminent Sir Sir Knight John Doe.

Do not use such titles as Eminent Sir or Eminent Sir Knight or Right Eminent Sir or Right Eminent Sir Knight. There are no such honorary titles in Templary.

The honorary title goes with the office or station, and not with the individual or the name of the individual. For example: Sir Knight John Doe, Right Eminent Grand Commander, not Right Eminent Sir John Doe, Grand Commander.

A Commandery holds its conclaves in an asylum.

A council of the Order of the Red Cross meets in an audience chamber, and does a part of the work in a council chamber.

A priory of Knights of Malta meets in a chapel, and does a part of the work in a guard room.

Commanderies that are a part of a Grand Commandery are styled “Constituent Commanderies.”

Commanderies that are directly under the Grand Encampment are styled “Subordinate Commanderies.”

The only Subordinate Commandery in continental United States is St. John’s Commandery No. 1, Wilmington, Delaware, as Delaware is the only state in the union that does not have a Grand Commandery. The remainder of the Subordinate Commanderies are outside the limits of continental United States, such as Alaska, Mexico, the Philippines, Hawaii, and Guam, where there are no Grand Commanderies.

Commanderies open and close. The Grand Commandery and the Grand Encampment convene and adjourn.

In a Commandery of Knights Templar refer to a member as Sir Knight Brown. In a priory of Knights of Malta refer to a member as Knight Brown or Brother Knight Brown. In a council of the Red Cross refer to a member as Companion Brown.
Easter, Fayetteville, North Carolina


For the 15th consecutive year the Knights Templar of this area of North Carolina conducted an Easter Sunrise Service in Fayetteville on Sunday, April 2, 1961.

It was an event which celebrated with color, music and devotion the most triumphant item in the calendar of Christianity, and as such its appeal to the people of our community cannot be overemphasized, joining together as it does citizens of various denominations in an observance of the victory of the Saviour over the tomb, pointing up the common hope and joy to all mankind in that message.

As practiced here the Easter Sunrise Service of the Knights Templar is not a substitute for the religious devotions in the churches of Fayetteville, but rather a preliminary to the worship which follows later in the day in the individual churches.

Let us always recommend without reservation attendance at this solemn and beautiful service, which is coming to be an annual tradition in our community.

Lafayette Memorial Park, 6:00-7:30 a.m.

(Based on an editorial by the Fayetteville Observer.

B. F. Hole.

The Masonic News Review, Newark, Ohio, Sir Knight Ernest W. Ryan, editor, gave the announcement front page space with the Easter message.

An opening feature of the program was the “Living Cross” presented on the stage. Kneeling at the foot of a large, illuminated white cross, the St. Luke’s Sir Knights formed the “Living Cross.”
THE TEMPLARS MARCH
(By Angie M. H. Burrows)

Police and troopers had cleared the way
On the Grand Knight Tempars' gala day,
And the street was bordered on every
side
With eager spectators from far and wide.
They stood on the sidewalks, row on row,
They stood at the windows and looked
below,
They sat upon seats erected high,
To feast their eyes as the Knights
marched by.

A roar of applause, and a mounted
Knight
With mounted aides following, left and
right.
Came leading a band which swung along
In perfect time with the instruments'
song.
Then the Grand Commander, in lonely
State,
Was motored forth as a potentate;
And other grand officers rode, as well,
More plumed and jewelled than one can
tell.

There were bands resplendent with ral-
ment white,
Instruments flashing with golden light,
Colorful jackets and graceful stride
With flags and banners and much beside.
And after each band came a company
brave
With measured tread and demeanor
grave.
Bearing its banner, on which the name
Of its own commandery proved its fame.

Delegations came from every town
Where knights objectives had won re-
nown,
And boys and girls of high school lore
Marched, proud of their band and flag
before.

Spectators applauded, or waved a hand
To a favored commandery, Knight or
band.
The procession was long, but we heard a
sigh
When the last delegation had quietly
passed by.

Then scarce an observed was in retreat.
They waited, content, on the hard board
seat.
They knew that the pageant, to Templars
dear,
And to on-lookers, would soon appear.
A silence, and then their eyes descried,
Filling the street from side to side,
Troopers preceding the massed return
Of those hundreds of Templars, grave
and stern.

Commandery officers rose to their feet
As the marchers advanced with homage
meet.
The band, all massed, with instruments
bright
Lit to a flame the sun's strong light
Filled the air with Tempars' song
Which the multitude sang as it marched
along—
The song that we learned in days of yore,
Of the cross that must ever march on be-
fore.

The massed flags followed, the standards,
too,
Backing the colors, red, white and blue,
As worthy Knights Templar are wont to
stand
In loyal support of their own good land.
And here they come marching, those
Templars bold—
Silver-trimmed uniforms manifold—
Filling the street from curb to curb,
Stepping as one in a gait superb.
And with every step that cast its spell,
Hundreds of white plumes rose and fell,
Facing the sky, yet bowing, too,
Symbols of peace and vows kept true.
And after the line had passed along,
And the band had ceased, and the stirring song,
The sound of those feet that had passed us by
Quickened the heart and moistened the eye.

That night I dreamed of a world laid low,
Torn and bleeding beneath her toe—
A giant gone mad with grief and greed,
Who could laugh and boast of his shameful deed.
Then I heard the tread of marching men,
Nearer and nearer they came; and then
The place seemed filled with a mighty throng,
Come to redress and spent world’s wrong.

The giant was captured and hid from view.
With the sword of the spirit they ran him through.
Then with tender hands and patient skill,
They healed the wounds of the world gone ill.
They decked her with justice, and mercy, too,
With brotherhood, honor and dreams come true.
They made her resplendent, with love and lore
And the Cross that shall ever lead on before.

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Forty-eighth Triennial Conclave

The 48th Triennial Conclave of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America will convene August 12-17, inclusive, at Cleveland, Ohio, in the ballroom of the Sheraton-Cleveland Hotel.

Office of the Triennial Conclave Committee—Sheraton-Cleveland Hotel.

Reconvening Saturday, August 12, 1961, 12:30 p.m., Hotel ballroom.

Conclave in session until 4:30 p.m.

Full Templar Uniform and Sword to be worn.

Street Parade—Saturday evening, August 12, 7:00 p.m., on downtown streets of Cleveland. Routes one and one-half miles. Review stand in Cleveland stadium.

Grand Marshal—Right Eminent Past Grand Commander of Ohio, Sir Knight Robert A. Burri. Watch for his detailed Parade Orders.

Chief of Staff—Sir Knight Arthur J. Althans, Eminent Past Commander.

Full Templar Uniform with Sword to be worn by all participating.

Sunday, August 13th—Divine Service in Cleveland auditorium, 4:00 p.m.

Buffet supper at 7:00 p.m. in the Sheraton-Cleveland Hotel.

The buffet supper by invitation—Tendered to the Most Eminent Grand Master, Grand Encampment Officers and Distinguished Guests.

Monday—August 14th—Drill competition, Cleveland public auditorium, at 8:00 or 9:00, to continue throughout the day.

Grand Encampment reconvenes—1:30 p.m. until 4:30 p.m., ballroom.

8:00 p.m.—Exhibition drill by Detroit Commandery No. 1, at Cleveland public auditorium, followed by entertainment and dancing. Dress, formal. Full Templar Uniform, without sword.

Sight-seeing and industrial tours each day.

Detailed program will follow.

Tuesday, August 15th—9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Grand Encampment reconvenes, ballroom. Lunch (or dinner) for Drill Corps and Bands. Awarding of prizes.

8:00 p.m.—Symphony concert, Music Hall of Cleveland public auditorium.

Wednesday, August 16—9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Grand Encampment reconvenes.

First order of business—Election of officers to serve next ensuing Triennial period.

Annual meeting and election of the Board of Trustees. And report of the corporation of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc.

7:00 p.m., reception. 7:30—Banquet tendered to the Most Eminent Grand Master in the ballroom of the Sheraton-Cleveland Hotel. Distinguished guest speaker. Followed by short musical program.

Thursday, August 17th—9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Grand Encampment reconvenes. Installation of officers for the ensuing Triennial period.

Note—This is a brief outline of the outstanding events as described in detail in Grand Encampment General Order No. 5, and printed on pages 1, 2, 3 and 4 of the August-September issue of the “Knight Templar” magazine. Also June issue, 1961.

Headquarters—Sheraton-Cleveland Hotel, public square.

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