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GOD BLESS AMERICA

*God bless America, land that I love
Stand beside her and guide her
Thru the night with a light from above
From the mountains to the prairies
To the oceans white with foam
God bless America, my home sweet home,
God bless America, my home sweet home.*

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"THE PRINCE OF PEACE"

Overreaching and overshadowing all else . . . is that figure in the sky. From out of the realm of the supernatural He emerges—from the blue sky of God's eternity, He invades the stream of human events. He comes seeking to influence the affairs of men. Still robed in the familiar attire of His pilgrimage nearly two millenniums ago, He looms infinitely large on the world of contemporary affairs. For He is, literally and in fact, the only hope.

He, not the U. N., is the world's very last hope. Only He can prove to be the "Prince of Peace." And ere the days of grace for men are fully spent, He stands at the door to knock. He seeks entrance into the reckoning of men—from the least to the greatest and from the lowest to the highest levels of human affairs. What He said in the vision to Saint John is true for all generations, even this twentieth century. "Behold, I stand at the door, and knock."

By the Reverend Joe Hazlitt, Pastor,
The First Methodist Church, Stilwell, Oklahoma.

Patriotic Activities—A Templar Objective

By GLENNE R. McARTHUR, Chairman of Committee on Patriotic Activities of Grand Encampment K. T. of U. S. A.

The promotion of Patriotic Activities, a specific Templar objective, was brought into being by a resolution passed in 1949 by the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar. At the Cleveland Conclave of 1961, the Patriotic Activities Committee was given status as a "Standing Committee" of the Grand Encampment, thereby giving emphasis to the importance of the Patriotic Activities program as a part of the Grand Encampment program for Templary.

Realizing that a successful campaign to promote the patriotic aspect of Templary, must rest upon effective work in the Commanderies, the following paragraphs are offered with the fervent hope and prayer that all Constituent and Subordinate Commandery Committees will become supporters of this "movement"; that they will actively and aggressively plan, promote and execute programs in support of at least one of the essential facets to our American Way of Life; that they will emphasize and teach the importance of our common Heritage, remembering the admonition of Sir Knight Louis H. Wieber who while Grand Master said that "our country's existence depends upon the skill of the competent, the fidelity of the trustees, the courage of the brave."

Moral Re-Arming Needed

Moral re-arming is, today, the most pressing task challenging the people of this country, even more important than military rearmament. Public apathy and indifference can be more dangerous than space-arms and bombs. There is need to renew our faith in our heritage and to put our dreams and words into action.



GLENNE R. McARTHUR

Department Commander, 1958-61;
Chairman, Committee on Patriotic Activities.

Civic Responsibility

Continuing Civic Responsibility should receive the emphasis. Knights Templar should be concerned with the significance and proper observance of all national holidays. They should be concerned with active support and participation in worthy community projects. Templary should be deeply concerned with the active support of youth groups whose membership will be the leaders of the future. In the area of patriotic activities, Knights Templar can create in the public mind an image of responsible citizenship and aggressive leadership in the cause of Christian Freedom, Justice and Morality.

Administrative Organization

The administrative organization or mechanics for fostering and supervising the patriotic and good citizenship activities of Templary during this triennium include:

1. For each Constituent Commandery, a Patriotic Activities committee consisting of three or five members including a chairman, appointed by the Eminent Commander after consultation with his Dais Officers, to serve for the triennium, to promote patriotic activities in their respective communities through activities of their own choosing. (The names and addresses of such committee members and Chairman to be filed promptly by the Eminent Commander with the Chairman of his Grand Commandery Committee.)

2. For Each Grand Commandery, a Patriotic Activities Committee consisting of three or five members including a chairman, appointed by the R. E. Grand Commander after consultation with his Dais Officers, to serve for the triennium, to suggest, promote, foster, and supervise patriotic activities throughout its respective Grand Jurisdiction in cooperation with the corresponding committees of its Constituent Commanderies. (The names and addresses of such Grand Commandery Committee members and chairman to be filed promptly by each R. E. Grand Commander with his Department Commander.)

3. For Each Department of the Grand Encampment, a Patriotic Activities Committee consisting of the chairman of each Grand Commandery Patriotic Activities committee within the respective Department, said committee to be chairmanned by the Department Commander. (The names and addresses of such Department committee members to be filed promptly by each Department Commander with the Chairman of the Grand Encampment Committee.)

4. For the Grand Encampment, a committee consisting of the ten Department Commanders plus a chairman, and all appointed by the Most Eminent Grand Master of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar.

Check List for Patriotic Activities

The fundamental purpose of the Patriotic Activities program is "to foster and supervise patriotic and good citizenship activities on the part of the . . . Constituent and Subordinate Commanderies, whether in peace or in war, for the purpose of promoting the civic responsibility of Templary as an organization, and collectively demonstrating the patriotic principles of Templary. . . ."

The following areas of activity are suggested as worthy of consideration in a program of patriotic activity. Select one or two subjects as the theme and type of program. Local conditions and opportunities must govern but good Citizenship meetings and continued Civic Responsibility throughout the year should not be overlooked.

1. Patriotic

a. Increasing more sincere and serious interest in (1) The administration of governmental business and (2) The self-respecting observance of law and order by the average citizen.

b. Accident prevention—drive carefully—traffic education.

c. Law enforcement—observance of laws and regulations.

d. Community service.

e. Juvenile delinquency—assistance to courts, police departments, etc.—aiding Big Brother movements, boys' homes.

f. Patriotic holidays—more sincere observance and education.

g. Flag education—flag etiquette by schools and the public.

h. Foreign policy of the United States.

i. Domestic policy of the United States.

j. School Essay Contests.

k. Radio broadcasts—Town Meeting of the Air for school pupils and prominent businessmen.

l. Speeches and programs at Masonic gatherings, schools, luncheon clubs, churches.

2. Christianity

a. Go to church and support Christian institutions.

b. Practice fundamental Christian virtues.

c. Combat corruption in government, in business, everywhere.

d. Differentiate between what is legally right but morally wrong.

3. "Voting" In School, Local, State and National Elections

a. Emphasize the duty of voting by all citizens, during any and all elections.

b. Publicize the right of suffrage by all citizens.

c. Educate all citizens on the privilege and duty of suffrage.

4. Free Public Schools

a. Tax money for public schools only.

b. Check text books and instructors for subversive teachings.

c. Restore teachings of American history.

5. Subversive or Communistic Tendencies

a. Combat subversion in all labor, government and education groups.

b. Combat socialistic trends in government.

c. Support free enterprise.

6. Youth

a. Support and encourage DeMolay, Jobs Daughters, Rainbow Girls, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts and similar youth organizations.

b. Combat juvenile delinquency.

c. Be closer to our children, in and away from home.

d. Do not just send children to Sunday School and Church—go with them.

7. Civil Defense

a. Active participation with local defense committee.

b. Blood banks.

c. U. S. O. and other aids to servicemen.

8. Communication

a. Publicize Templary

b. Publicize Programs:

1. Newspaper 3. Radio

2. Bulletins 4. Television

FLAG ETIQUETTE

Did you know—When the flag is displayed from a staff in a church or public auditorium, if it is displayed in the chancel of a church, or on the speaker's platform in a public auditorium, the flag should occupy the position of honor and be placed at the clergyman's or speaker's right as he faces the congregation or audience?

A PRAYER FOR TODAY

Eternal and Supreme Commander of the Universe who sitteth upon Thy throne of love and mercy to view our labors in the cause of virtue and humanity, purify our hearts and cause us to know and serve Thee aright. Guide us in the paths of rectitude and honor, correct our errors by the unerring square of wisdom and enable us to practice the precepts of our Order that all our actions may be acceptable in Thy sight. Amen.—Rev. David B. Pearson, P. P., Oriental Commandery No. 12, Cleveland, Ohio.

"Patriotism in Peace"

By WILLIAM HORTON, Durham Chapter, Durham, North Carolina

(This is the winning oration in the International Supreme Council Oratorical Contest for 1962, as determined by vote of the Supreme Council members at the annual session.)

Is there patriotism in peace? In our Initiatory Degree the Seventh Preceptor has answered this question for us as he charges us, "there is a patriotism of peace as well as a heroism of war." But what is peace? Thompson has said that ". . . peace is the happy, natural state of man." In this sense our world has never known peace. But as we think of peace today, it is to us the absence of war. Many of us feel that our patriotic duty comes only during times of national emergency. Then and only then does this spirit of patriotism arise within us. But patriotism is not a dormant virtue which awakens once in awhile, or once in a lifetime, but it is a responsibility which we have taken upon our shoulders as citizens of this country. Peace affords us the opportunity to demonstrate that patriotism is the basis upon which we, the youth of this nation, can build our future.

One of the most important things we must realize is that war and patriotism are not synonymous. The real test of our patriotic duty comes during times of peace. The social difficulties which America faces today provide an excellent opportunity for us to demonstrate our patriotism. But we ask ourselves, "How can we, the youth of this nation, correct these problems." The answer is simple, "self-expression." The reason that we are faced with these social challenges, such as crime, corruption, and vice, is that our parents were too content with the status-quo and were not willing to speak out against these violations in their youth. They worried too much about their social position and

not enough about the dangers creeping into the society. Now these problems are ours. Will we be able to decrease them during our generation?

Communism is another example where the people of this country have let their patriotism slide into a dark corner. We knew more than two decades ago that Communism was a threat, but the American people passed the buck and enjoyed the present and never gave a thought to the future. Now Communism has a strong foothold in this country, but not so strong that we cannot break it. This is a challenge for the youth of America.

The youth of this nation are the very ones who are able to make the public aware of their patriotic duty as citizens of this nation. We as DeMolays can provide the stimulus necessary to awaken the American people. A patriotic nation means unity among its people and a unified nation is one whose foundation will not crumble under stress.

Patriotism must be built with the precision and care of an expert Mason. A Mason would find it impossible to build a wall from top to bottom, so like the Mason we must lay a firm foundation. If every DeMolay would begin to practice this virtue of patriotism in his home and community, I can think of no firmer foundation that could be laid.

The young people of America must lay aside their crown of youth and accept early in life the crown of manhood with its tarnished jewels. It would be much easier for us to go to war than to accept this heavy burden in peaceful times. But with the training and guidance of the seven gleaming jewels in the crown of youth, every DeMolay will be able to answer the call of his country to wage war against the foul patriotism

which produces the social filth in times of peace. The salvation of this nation rests in our hands.

In our modern day civilization, phrases such as atomic reactor, missiles, nuclear submarines, satellites, and radioactive fall-out have become commonplace in the vocabulary of the American people. **Meaningful words such as love, fidelity, honesty and patriotism seem to lose their connotation amidst the public apathy of today.** The people of our country tend to associate these words, especially patriotism, with bustles and stove-pipe hats. The patriotism of our forefathers lasted long after they had won their independence. This devoted spirit of patriotism must be rejuvenated in the American people if our nation is to survive. Our military might is unequalled and our defense system is the most modern in the world today. This nation will not be conquered from without, but it may collapse from within because of public apathy. Here is our real enemy, not Russia, but the American people. It is up to the youth of this country to alter this situation. Patriotism to our country, its ideals, and the prayers of its founders will give us the reinforcement needed for the foundation laid by those brave men who made it possible for us to be free.

Nothing is impossible for the American youth. If they will accept the burden placed upon their shoulders by their preceding generation, the major battle against public apathy will be won. I once heard an address given by a young man hardly older than ourselves. His closing remarks have always remained with me, for they demonstrate the true spirit of American patriotism: "I am proud to say I am an American," he said, "for my very name ends in 'I CAN'."

Today with the powerful atomic weapons of war available, peace is our only hope for life. R. G. Swing pointed this

out more bluntly when he said, "the alternative to peace is not war. It is annihilation."

Let us remember that there is a patriotism of peace as well as a heroism of war. Patriotism must start with a nation's youth to be effective. DeMolays throughout our nation, I charge you to exemplify our Seventh Cardinal Virtue and to remember the words of Milton, "Peace hath her victories no less renowned than war." The victories of peace have been few because of our lack of patriotism. A patriotic public provides the best cure for a nation's social ills.

In closing, I leave with you the words of Daniel Webster:

"Let our object be our country, our whole country and nothing but our country. And by the blessing of God, may that country itself become a vast and splendid monument, not of oppression and terror but of wisdom, of peace, and of liberty, upon which the world may gaze with admiration forever."

THE SECRET

I met God in the morning
 When my day was at its best,
 And His presence came like sunrise,
 Like a glory in my breast.
 All day long the Presence lingered,
 All day long He stayed with me,
 And we sailed in perfect calmness
 O'er a very troubled sea.
 Other ships were blown and battered,
 Other ships were sore distressed,
 But the winds that seemed to drive them
 Brought to us a peace and rest.
 Then I thought of other mornings,
 With a keen remorse of mind,
 When I too had loosed the moorings,
 With the Presence left behind.
 So I think I know the secret,
 Learned from many a troubled way:
 You must seek Him in the morning
 If you want Him through the day!
By Ralph Spalding Cushman

York Rite Bodies of Fort Pierce, Florida Participate in Cornerstone Laying of Courthouse



Additional pomp and color was added to the recent Masonic cornerstone rites at the new St. Lucie County Courthouse by Fort Pierce Commandery No. 17, Knights Templar, shown here in the parade of Masons from their lodge hall to the ceremony site. Over 500 persons witnessed the half-hour ceremony.

William S. Christian, Grand Master of Masons in Florida, recently evidenced the feeling of a united Masonry in the State of Florida by issuing the following request: "M. W. Grand Master of Masons of Florida requests that all appendant orders including DeMolay and Rainbow assemble at Fort Pierce Masonic Temple at 12 P. M. on May 26,

1962, for the purpose of proceeding to the site of St. Lucie Courthouse to proceed to lay the cornerstone of this edifice."

St. Lucie Commandery No. 17, K. T., as well as other York Rite Bodies of Fort Pierce responded to this request and joined in a most impressive cornerstone laying of St. Lucie County's new million-dollar courthouse.

Knight Templar Eye Foundation, Inc. Answers Questions

What Am I Getting for My Money?

Is your assessment, contribution or bequest worth it? Is it money thrown away or an investment? Have you ever received a greater return on any money

you expended?

Read the following letters of among many recently received, for the answer.

Case No. 3991—Lena Williamson,
Sponsored by Pikeville Commandery No.

45, Pikeville, Ky.

"Dear Sirs: April 2, 1962

I am writing to you to let you know about my eye operation. Before I went to the hospital and was operated on I could not see to get through the house by myself. Now thank God I can see to pick up a pin on the floor.

"I just don't know how to thank you for all your help for without it I would have had to went all through my life in darkness. I will close thanking you one and all and may God bless you all."

Case No. 3877—Ava Lee Moseley, Sponsored by Worth Commandery, No. 19, Ft. Worth, Texas.

March 9, 1962

"Dear Sir Knights:

Please accept my sincere thanks and appreciation for the recent operation in saving the sight of my eye. Without your gracious Foundation I feel sure I might be blind today. How kind and considerate everyone was to me, the Sir Knight and the doctors. You certainly are doing a wonderful work, truly you are giving and serving to those who have no means, God surely will bless you. Thanks again. I shall always praise and know your organization does practice "You are your Brothers keeper."

Case No. 4229—Susan C. Raborn, Sponsored by Waco Commandery No. 10, Waco, Texas.

"Dear Sirs:

I want to express my appreciation to you for taking care of the expenses involved for my eye surgery. This time a year ago I was almost completely blind and now I can see very clearly, and read my newspaper and Bible.

Texas Commandery Presents Flag

B. C. Courtney (right), Commander of Arlington Commandery No. 107, of Arlington, Texas, is shown presenting an American flag to Mansfield Lodge No. 331, A. F. & A. M., of Mansfield, Texas, as a gift of the Commandery. C. D. Elrod, Worship Master of the lodge, accepts the flag in behalf of the lodge membership.

40th ANNIVERSARY

Frankford Commandery No. 92 Philadelphia, announces its Fortieth Anniversary.

Officers elected to serve during this Anniversary Year are: John B. Sidebotham, Sr., Commander; Torence E. McPeak, Gen.; Thomas S. Lever, Capt.-Gen.; Louis Winter, Treas.; Walter E. Tompkins, Jr., Rec.; George A. Williams, G. Calvin Dyson, and Arthur M. Gordon, Trustees.

George A. Williams, P. G. C., Chairman of the Fortieth Anniversary Committee, and the committee are planning a Church Service, a Social Evening, and an Anniversary Banquet to commemorate this Anniversary Year.

Frankford Commandery's goal for 1962 is 40-4-40.

News from Grand and Constituent Commanderies **Grand Commandery Conclaves Throughout the Nation**

GRAND COMMANDERY OF CALIFORNIA CONCLAVE HELD IN CONJUNCTION
 WITH OTHER YORK RITE BODIES



Shown above at the California Conclave from the left are: Fred E. Rankine, Jr. Grand Commander; Joe Beranek, Jr. Potentate of Acmaldikah Temple, Guy B. Mize, Grand Master of California, and Marion E. Pedlar, immediate Past Grand Commander of California.

The York Rite Bodies of California held their annual sessions at Long Beach during the week of April 23, preceded by an Easter Religious Service on Sunday, April 22.

The Honorable Edwin W. Wade, Past High Priest, and Mayor of Long Beach, gave the welcoming address and was active throughout the week's activities.

More than 1750 delegates and their

ladies attended the three York Rite banquets.

The 104th Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery was opened by James F. Dougan, G. C. on Thursday morning, April 26th.

The formal opening session was preceded by full form opening competition between California Commandery No. 1 and Santa Montica Bay Commandery

No. 61, with both showing much proficiency; the later Commandery was declared the winner.

The street parade was led by a band furnished by Los Angeles Commandery No. 9. The parade culminated in the Municipal Auditorium where a batallion review and competitive drills were held. Los Angeles Commandery No. 9 was judged the winner in Class A competition and Long Beach Commandery No. 40 the winner in Class B competition.

The Most Eminent Grand Master Paul Miller Moore was represented by

Yale Williams, Department Commander of the South Pacific Department of the Grand Encampment.

P.G.C. James F. Dougan and P.G.C. Arthur M. Loomis installed the following officers for the ensuing year:

Fred E. Rankine, Jr., G. C.; Robert A. Miller, D. G. C.; Ralph H. Slocum, G. G.; Noel W. Roser, G. C. G.; William D. Tucker, G. S. W.; John S. Lanier, G. P.; George L. Edmondson, G. T.; Chester H. Newell, G. R.; Henry J. Weisser, G. S. B.; C. Earl Stewart, G. S. B.; Fred J. Arnberg, G. W.; Edgar Dauphin, G. C. G.

NORTH DAKOTA HOLDS CONCLAVE AT GRAFTON

At the 73rd annual conclave of the Grand Commandery of North Dakota, held at Grafton, April 29-30, 1962, all Templary in North America symbolically united when the personal representatives of the Grand Masters of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar U.S.A. and of the Sovereign Great Priory officially opened the conclave by the traditional presentations.

John G. White, Provincial Grand Prior, Manitoba, decorated Ernest R. Nyman, the presiding Grand Commander, with the jewel of Frank White, former governor of North Dakota and treasurer of U.S.A., which is the official badge of the North Dakota Grand Commandery.

Robert V. Osborne, Dep. Comm. of the Grand Encampment, presented Grand Commander Nyman with the sword of former Governor White, the sceptor of authority.

That the significance of this interna-

ional ceremony might be fully appreciated, Albert G. Tverberg, Grand Recorder, depicted the historical background that extend into the territorial area.

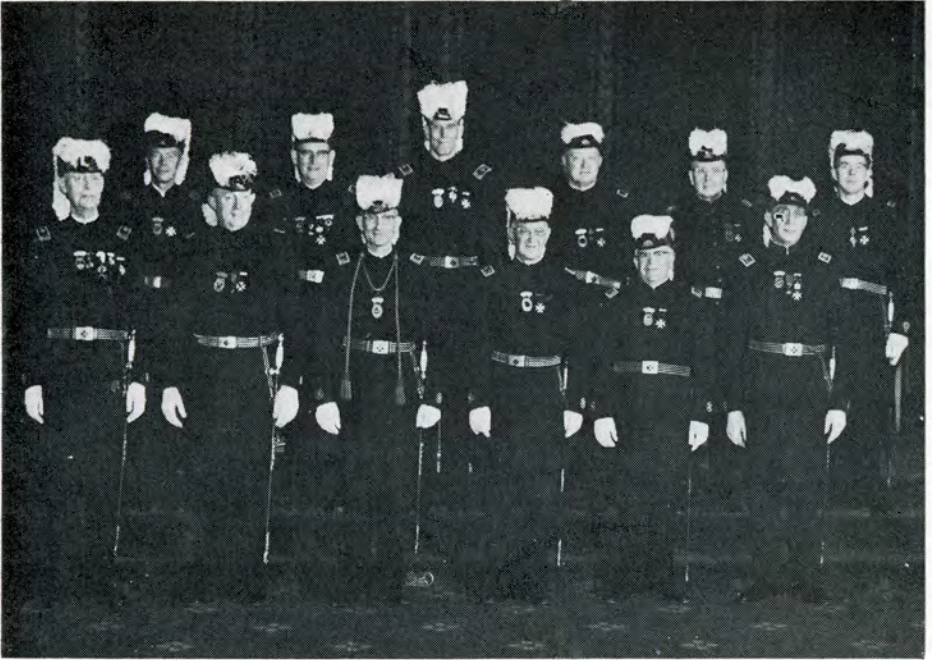
Guest speakers were J. Marlin Kyle, Grand Master of Masons of North Dakota, Calvin H. Rustad, Grand High Priest, and C. E. Dresser, Grand Illustrious Master.

Officers elected for the coming year and installed by Robert V. Osborne, Dep. Com. and C. E. Dresser, P. G. C. were: Dorwin Z. Aas, G. C.; George Teskey, D. G. C.; Elof A. Erickson, G. C.; Ben J. Westdal, G. G.; Ray S. Olson, S. W.; Robert J. Page, J. W.; Rev. L. R. Burgum, G. P.; Helmer Mohagen, G. T.; Albert G. Tverberg, G. R.; Walt E. Beisecker, G. S. B.; George E. Burchill, G. S. B.; Harley R. Kingsbury, G. W.; Glen M. Robertson, G. C. C.

The next annual Conclave will be at New Rockford, April 28-29.

OREGON GRAND COMMANDERY CONCLAVE

By MAX G. COGILL, Chairman of the Public Relations Committee



Front row (left to right): Harold W. Given, Grand Generalissimo; Maurice F. Roberts, Deputy Grand Commander; Merle W. Frisbie, Grand Commander; John R. Pond, Grand Captain General; Charles L. Willey, Grand Senior Warden; Richard T. Tusant, Grand Recorder.

Back row: J. Robert Williams, Grand Standard Bearer; John W. Givens, Grand Sword Bearer; John R. Brownell, Grand Junior Warden; Lloyd K. McRae, Grand Warden; Ernest W. Peterson, Grand Treasurer; Robert F. Wagner, Grand Captain of the Guard.

The Grand Commandery of Oregon, annual Grand Conclave was held in Portland, on April 9th, 1962, in the Masonic Temple.

George Wilbur Bell, Grand Captain General of the Grand Encampment represented our Most Eminent Grand Master, Paul M. Moore. The conclave was well attended from the State of

Oregon and adjoining States and border provinces of our neighbor Canada. The Grand Commandery Officers were installed in a public ceremony enjoyed by all present. Lyman C. Palmer, Department Commander of the North Pacific Department, installed the Grand Commander, Merle Wesley Frisbie, who in turn installed his Official family.

GRAND COMMANDERY OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND ANNUAL CONCLAVE DIGEST

By SCHUYLER COE BLACKBURN, P. G. C., Grand Recorder

The Ninety-second Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery of Knights

Templar of the State of Maryland was convened in the Masonic Temple in Bal-

timore on Wednesday, May 9, 1962.

Grand Commanders of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, New York, New Hampshire, Connecticut, Maine, Pennsylvania, West Virginia and the District of Columbia were present, and the Grand Commander of New Jersey was officially represented.

The Grand Master, Paul Miller Moore, was represented by Charles Harrison Pugh, Department Commander, Central Atlantic Department.

We were privileged to have with us the Grand High Priest, the Grand Master and the Sovereign Grand Inspector General, with the guest of honor being the Grand Master of Masons in Maryland, Brother Martin H. Kinsinger.

Thirteen of the nineteen living Past Grand Commanders were in attendance.

The Grand Recorder reported the membership of the Constituent Commanderies of Maryland as of March 31, 1962 to be 4,420, a net gain of 136 for the Templar year just closed; 295 Sir Knights were dubbed and 111 died.

There were no changes in the Constitution and Regulations of the Grand Commandery at this Conclave, but amendments pertaining to the uniform, initiation fees and inspections of the

Constituent Commanderies were proposed for future action.

A recommendation of the Grand Commander that Commanders-elect be required to pass an examination in Templar law before being certificated for installation was adopted, and the Committee on Ritual and Tactics was directed to prepare appropriate questions and answers.

The following Grand Officers were elected and appointed: William Edward King, G.C.; George Frederick Flentje, Jr., D.G.C.; Charles Wesley Chamberlain, Jr., G.G.; Sydney Gorman Kellner, G.C.G.; Frank Foster Smith, G.S.W.; Edward John Warwick, G.J.W.; Adam Brown Caldwell, G.P.; Norman Strippy, R.E.P. G.C., G.T.; Charles William Zimmerman, P.G.C., G.T. Emeritus; Schuyler Coe Blackburn, R.E.P.G.C., G.R.; Harry Nicholas Reimuller, G.S.B.; Oscar Charles Helmer, G.S.W.; Alton George Billmeier, G.W.; James Primus, G.C.G.

The Joint York Rite Committee has decided that a similar program shall be carried out next year.

The Ninety-third Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery of the State of Maryland will be convened on Wednesday, May 15, 1963.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA HOLDS 67th ANNUAL CONCLAVE

The District of Columbia held its Annual Conclave in the Hotel Washington on May 12th. One of the outstanding features of this Grand Commandery Jurisdiction is its assistance in the Grand Encampment Easter Sunrise Service and its sponsorship of the Annual Easter Sunrise Breakfast following the Arlington Memorial Service. The Grand Commandery voted to continue sponsoring this breakfast.

The officers to serve this Grand Commandery for the coming year are: Harry

L. Beach, G. C.; J. Rowe Mehlfelt, D. G. C.; Garland L. Nowland, G. C.; Andres E. Moynelo, G. C. G.; William E. Barkman, G. S. W.; Eston E. Burge, G. J. W.; Samuel T. Farmer, G. P.; Horace W. Parsley, G. T.; Rodger R. Kauffman, G. R.; James E. Buehler, Sr., G. S. B.; H. LeRoy Wright, G. S. B.; George C. Moreland, G. W.; George M. Fulmer, G. C. G.; William E. Barkman, I. G.; Edward O. Stillie, A. I. G.; George M. Fulmer, I. G. W.; Frederick L. Freeman, A. I. G. W.; Karl T. Weimar, Jr., . Q.

KANSAS GRAND COMMANDERY CONCLAVE



Members of the Committee on Tactics and Ceremonies—standing: Carroll C. Arnett, retiring Grand Commander; Walter C. Midkiff, Judge; Phillip H. Flottman, Judge; David J. Brown, Judge; Thomas L. Francis; James G. Duff, Incoming Grand Commander. Seated: Neil M. McLeod, Chairman of Committees; Stanley J. Kirk, P.G.C.; Floyd A. Palmer, P.G.C., and George E. Schutz, P.G.C. of Oklahoma and the No. 1 Judge.

A highlight of the Kansas Grand Commandery Conclave held at Emporia on May 7 and 8 was the competitive drill of nine drill teams in three classes, and the awarding of prizes totaling \$1,000.00, under the direction of the Committee on Tactics and Ceremonies shown in the above picture.

Grand Master Paul Miller Moore was represented at the Conclave by G. Wilbur Bell, Grand Captain General of the Grand Encampment, who delivered the address at the Grand Commander's Banquet. He was given a standing ovation at the conclusion of his speech by more

than 400 Sir Knights and ladies who were in attendance.

Armand H. Bishop, Department Commander of the West Central Department of the Grand Encampment and also the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Masons of Kansas was present and actively participated in the Conclave.

The Conclave was presided over by Carroll C. Arnett, Grand Commander, who was highly complimented for the exceptionally well managed Conclave, which was kept on time from beginning to end.

Next year's meeting will be in Pittsburg on May 6 and 7.

KENTUCKY GRAND COMMANDERY CONCLAVE



Three of the above took over new positions following elections which concluded the three-day Kentucky conclave. Pictured from left to right are: George Wilbur Bell, Chandlerville, Ill., Grand Captain General of the Grand Encampment; E. C. Wilcoxon, of Lexington, Grand Commander Elect; William J. Blade, D. G. C.; and Henry C. Smith, G. C. of the G.

The Grand Commandery of Kentucky held its 115th Annual Conclave at Owensboro on May 20-22 with Elmer Smith, Grand Commander presiding.

One of the outstanding features of the Conclave was the unusually good newspaper publicity afforded the activities by the Owensboro newspaper. Feature articles were run on Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday with pictures at least two of which were three column dimensions, with detailed articles and accounts of the activities. Sir Knight Smith and his committee should be congratulated for this outstanding publicity.

The Right Eminent Grand Master was

represented by Sir Knight G. Wilbur Bell, Grand Captain General of the Grand Encampment who gave the principal address at the annual banquet.

Also present was Sam Farrell, Department Commander, South Central Department.

Other distinguished guests present were: Carl Eli Anderson, P. G. C., Illinois; Alvin L. Crump, D. G. C., Illinois; Jean L. DeCamp, P. G. C., Arkansas; Leo C. Dimmer, P. G. C., Illinois; Seth W. Flanders, G. C., Illinois; J. Robinson Harris, G. C., Virginia; Louis F. Heger, P. G. C., Missouri; Russell D. Huffington, G. C., Indiana; R. Gale Kirby, G. C., West Virginia; Arch E. McClanahan, P. G. C., Tennessee; Thomas W. Oliver, G. C., Alabama; Cecil J. Pierce, D. G. C., Ohio.

The Grand Commandery Officers elected for the coming year are as follows:

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Day is done.
Gone the sun
From the lake,
From the hill,
From the sky.
Safely rest;
All is well;
God is nigh.

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