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Our greatest asset is the youth of America, and whoever or whatever wins youth wins the future of America. It is among the youth that the Red Plague bearers do their most concentrated work. Teach your child the truths that have made this nation great, and you will have done much to combat the virus of communism.

J. Edgar Hoover

The cover photo—tells an interesting and typical story of the Order of DeMolay in action. The young man pictured is John E. Stackhouse, kneeling at the Altar of The Mother Chapter of DeMolay in Kansas City, Mo. Wearing his Chaplain's robe in the picture, John later served as Master Councilor of the world's first DeMolay Chapter, and was awarded the Order's degree of Chevalier for conspicuously outstanding service to the Order. He has since graduated from the United States Air Academy at Colorado Springs, Colorado, and is now a member of Tejon Lodge 104, A. F. & A. M., Colorado Springs. Like John, a high percentage of DeMolay boys later become Masons, leaders in their life work, and in the Nation. The flags in the background symbolize the many nations in which DeMolay, for nearly a half a century, has made a contribution to youth, humanity and Masonry. Photo courtesy of Indiana DeMolay Foundation, Inc.

Building Better Men Out of Better Boys

By JUDGE RALPH E. HAMILL, Indianapolis, Ind., Grand Master of
The International Supreme Council Order of DeMolay

Traditionally and allegorically Masons have been builders. Now they are in a position to undertake a construction job much greater than even King Solomon's Temple—the building of better men out of better boys.

The various branches of Masonry have very commendably looked after the aged and incapacitated. Very little has been done, however, in the way of training our youth to appreciate and preserve the American way of life, the dignity of man, the Golden Rule, and the preservation of our form of government. Fast-moving international events patently point up the fact that we desperately need leaders in our country who have been trained to think and act as the great Masonic leaders of old. This building of better men out of better boys is something that will live forever. Daniel Webster put it this way:

“If we work upon marble, it will perish;
If we work upon brass, time will efface
it;
If we rear temples, they will crumble
into dust;
But if we work upon immortal souls,
If we imbue them with principles,
With the just fear of the Creator and
love of fellowman,
We engrave on those tablets something
which will brighten eternity.”

The challenge which all the branches of Masonry accepted in Indianapolis can well result in a contribution to our country and to Masonry that is beyond our comprehension at this time. Something good and fine occurred in Indianapolis when the Sovereign Grand Commanders of our Canadian, Northern and South Jurisdictions, the presiding offi-



JUDGE RALPH E. HAMILL

cers of our York Rite Bodies, including Paul M. Moore, Grand Master, of The Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of United States of America, and such other great organizations as the Imperial Shrine, Royal Order of Scotland, International High Twelve, Red Cross of Constantine, and Mystic Order of Veiled Prophets unanimously requested the Order of DeMolay to institute plans and procedures whereby Masonry could better assist the Order of DeMolay in accomplishing its character-building endeavors with boys.

Many Templars have rendered invaluable aid to the cause of DeMolay for years. Jacques DeMolay was the last military Grand Master of Knights Templar, and is the martyred hero for

whom the DeMolay organization was named.

Judge Luther A. Smith, 33°, Sovereign Grand Commander A.A.S.R.S.M.J., in writing to the DeMolays of Tennessee, said:

"DeMolay is at the present moment

the Supreme Challenge of a United Freemasonry! For the sake of our boys, our Fraternity, and our Country, let's not miss the boat!"

Let every Masonic organization and every Mason individually accept this challenge. Destiny is in our hands. The time is now.

WE WALK TOGETHER

By C. C. "Buddy" FAULKNER, JR., Executive Secretary of Indiana DeMolay Foundation, Inc.

During the past few years there has been an increasing interest in the Order of DeMolay, the Masonic-sponsored youth movement for boys between the ages of 14 to 21 years. Masonry in many states is beginning to give increasing support to this wonderful work for our boys and young men. One state in particular—Indiana—took an early lead in development of the Order of DeMolay, and the Masonic potential DeMolay represents. It provides an amazing story, and is presented here to more fully inform our membership of what can be done—for youth and for Masonry—when all branches of the Craft unite in a common effort.

The story begins in 1957. Around a conference table sat the presiding officers of all Grand bodies of Masonry in Indiana—including the Grand Chapter, Grand Council, Grand Commandery, Grand Lodge and Scottish Rite, and representatives of the Shrine Temples. Their purpose in meeting—the Order of DeMolay, and they met with the DeMolay leaders in Indiana.

They adopted Articles of Incorporation, and thus was begun the Board of Directors of Indiana DeMolay Foundation, Inc. The first President was Sir Knight Willard M. Avery, now the Department Commander of the East Central Department of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar.

Their purpose—an activity for every DeMolay boy, under the best Masonic leadership possible, with every activity pointed toward building Character, building leaders, and preserving Masonic ideals and philosophies. They felt, and the record now bears this out, that this common effort would give all Masonic Bodies a deeper sense of purpose and a more skillful use of the trowel—to see who best could work and best agree. Those leaders would devote their time and ability, and Freemasonry would provide the dollars to get the job done. The dollar figure was no small one, either.

In 1958, the Foundation Board employed an Executive Secretary, to operate and coordinate the activities of DeMolay throughout Indiana. In the succeeding four years, with the financial and moral support of all Masonic bodies in the state, the record of accomplishments is virtually staggering. In 1958, 80 Chapters. Today there are 110, with nearly 25 in the formative stages. In 1958, 7,500 members of DeMolay in the state. Today, more than 10,000. Plans are to reach the 200 mark in Chapters, with a state-wide membership of 25,000 boys.

In 1958 attendance at the annual state conclave was about 450 boys. Now, attendance is well over 1,000. More than 500 boys take part in cham-

pionship competitive events at the annual meet . . . competition that was not possible before the birth of the Foundation. In 1958, 8 teams in the annual state basketball tourney. This year, 30 teams!

Annual contests now include basketball, baseball, bowling, golf, tennis, table tennis, swimming, essay, oratory, talent, Flower Talk, Initiatory Degree, DeMolay Degree and Installing Team. A parade is now a part of the annual state Conclave, and units from many Masonic organizations gladly participate. Commandery, Shrine and Grotto units blend well with similar groups of DeMolay members.

Competition produces effort, and effort in time produces success. Success in all things, Indiana Masons believe.

Other accomplishments include the monthly publication of the Indiana DeMolay Digest, mailed to every DeMolay boy, advisory council member and Masonic leader in the state. The publication reaches about 12,000 families each month, and has been a tremendous tool in the development program. It was impossible before the Foundation was begun.

Workshop sessions for all adult leaders are now held periodically, underwritten for the most part by the Foundation. Qualified and informed leaders are the key to the success of any program, and DeMolay is no exception.

The Foundation assists with the development of new DeMolay chapters, and technical assistance and advice is given weak and faltering Chapters. A special Civic Project contest is being sponsored, encouraging Chapters to make all-out effort to do something worthwhile for the communities in which they live.

Masonry in Indiana—through the Order of DeMolay—is meeting the challenge of the future by “building” today. Building character and Masonic philosophies and ideals into good boys

who deserve and appreciate Masonic interest and support.

The records bear that out. Three Indiana Grand Lodge officers this year are former DeMolays. The junior Past R. E. Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Indiana is a former DeMolay. One former DeMolay is in the officer line of the Grand Encampment (Wilbur Bell—Illinois). Scores of other former DeMolays are serving in positions of leadership in Indiana Masonry, and in other states as well. About 65% of the DeMolays later seek the Light of Masonry.

The Indiana DeMolay budget this year is in excess of \$20,000. Masons and Masonry provide that amount, and the dividends are great—for youth and for Indiana Masonry.

The secret of the entire program has been good leadership and the united effort of all branches of Masonry, and the Foundation has been the vehicle with which to get the job done. It provides the cement that holds Masonry together.

Templary Masonry in Indiana has, of course, been happy to be a part of this great adventure.

The Order for boys bears the name of one most familiar to Knights Templar. Jacques DeMolay was the last military Grand Master of the Order of the Temple, and was burned at the stake in the 14th century. This provides but another close relationship between today's Masonic-sponsored youth and the men of Templar Masonry.

“Who touches a boy . . . by The Master's plan . . . shapes the course of the future man.” Let us help Him all we can. Let us get busy across the nation and give our time, our interest and our dollars to the development of the young man of DeMolay, as well as the great potential they represent. It can be done with great success, as it is being done now in Indiana.

The Day That Jacques DeMolay Was Burned at the Stake!

By JOHN BLACK VROOMAN

As the mists rose from the little Island on the Seine in the early morning hours of that day of long ago, in the Fourteenth Century, the picture was not pretty.

For the populace it had been a Roman holiday. Vendors barked their wares, peasants and children took the day off, and thronged to the scene of the festivities with the eagerness of a mediaeval pageant—for pageant it was! Jacques DeMolay and his followers were furnishing the final touches to one of the tragic and eventful sequences of history.

The night before, scarce able to walk because of the tortures they had endured for weeks and months, these miserable and battered men were led from their prisons by the soldiers of the arrogant and selfish Philip the Fair, King of all France and Domains beyond the Seas. With the connivance and active assistance of the Pope, the infamous Clement V. DeMolay and his band of Knights had been lured to France by false pretexts and grosser promises. They were surrounded and thrown into the lowest dungeons of the Realm, where the cruelest tortures were administered without mercy. And now, in the semi-light of the early morning the 18th of March, 1313, the torch was applied to the faggots which had been heaped upon the helpless victims.

Here and there, the burning brands gave glimpses of bodies not yet consumed; in each spot was to be seen a pile of ashes, often mingled with dried blood and human increments; visages twisted with pain and grotesque with drawn agony, seemed to writhe in the rubble that surrounded these mangled bodies. But what the Pope, the King and all their followers could never erase was the sign of serenity and calm

from the faces of these martyrs who gave everything, even life itself, rather than sacrifice their ideals.

What of the pageant? The Bishops were there, with the lessor Priests, to convince the multitude that these wicked men had erred against **Mother Church**, and must suffer for their crimes. The soldiery—steeped in superstition and convinced that this was indeed, a judgement, did their sordid duty, dragging the half-conscious victims to their fate without qualm or conscience. The populace agreed that this was a holiday, the like of which had not been seen in many a day, and they reveled in the brutality and the cruelty, with animal ferocity, prodding and mocking the victims as they went to death.

But what of Jacques DeMolay and his band of valient Knights? The Saracen battles had not daunted them; the Crusades, with all their horror and fatality, had not stopped their progressive assaults, yet this—the treachery of King and Church, had done what all else had failed to do—they were caught in a living tomb, and sent to that Unseen World in chains and in the deepest torture. What an end to a glorious career of strife against wickedness and oppression; what a terminus to lives dedicated to peace and good will.

Yet, from the ashes of these fires, rose the Phoenix. The principles of Knight Templary, extinguished and exterminated, rose again, after many centuries of inactivity. It rose to greater and more permanent heights of power and influence, but has Knight Templary remembered the lessons of its greatest tragedy, and benefitted thereby?

Knights Templar have a precious and a rich heritage. This is not the time to forfeit it by indifference and apathy.

Governor of Illinois Proclaims Masonic Heritage Week September 30 Through October 6

In Illinois, a Council known as the American Masonic Heritage Council, created by the Most Worshipful Grand Master of Illinois, and working under his direction, is dedicated to a positive program that will make known Masonry's proud patriotic heritage and its continued historic interest in the welfare of the community and the general common good.

The Masons of Illinois feel that it is especially essential at this time, in today's nuclear age with its accelerated tempo and fast-changing values, that the part the Masonic Founding Fathers, and their successors, played in the history of our nation and State, from the very inception of our Republic to the present time, be widely known and fully understood by all—Masons and non-Masons, alike.

A first step in this program has been a proclamation, issued by Governor Otto Kerner of Illinois, designating the week

starting September 30th through October 6, 1962, as American Masonic Heritage Week; and in which he gives official recognition to the great contribution made by members of the Masonic Fraternity to our Nation's history.

Tuesday, October 2nd, has been set aside as York Rite Day by the Grand Chapter, Grand Council, and Grand Commandery, and cooperative programs are being arranged by local officers of the three bodies.

The final event of the week will be the Rededication of a Masonic Monument in the City of Chicago, by the Grand Master.

Supported by Grand Lodge Officers, Grand Officers from all co-ordinate Masonic groups, with participation by Templar Escort, and Shrine Units, the affair will be the first step in a program to present the image of Masonry as a driving force for community good to the citizens of Illinois.

Iowa Templars Back DeMolay

At the recent annual conclave, Iowa Templars "put it on the line" in support of the Order of DeMolay. The action was immediately characterized by Glenne R. McArthur, Chairman of the Grand Encampment Committee on Patriotic Activities, as being an excellent example of an "action program" in support of worthy institutions.

The Iowa Resolution (1) recommends sponsorship of Chapters of DeMolay by Commanderies, providing the Lodge having jurisdiction shall have declined such sponsorship, (2) recommends to the Grand Lodge and other Masonic bodies the establishment of a DeMolay Foundation similar to the Indiana DeMolay Foundation, Inc., (3) authorizes the Grand Commander to participate in the formation of a DeMolay Foundation,

and (4) authorizes a contribution of three cents per member at the time of organization or incorporation, and continuing support at the rate of six cents per member per year.

If and when the proposal has broad support, funds will be available for a full-time executive secretary, improved communications, and the aggressive promotion so favorable to the growth of DeMolay in Iowa. The Templars join others in recognition of the recent maturing of DeMolay as an organization of highly beneficial effect and assured permanence.

A full copy of the Iowa Resolution may be obtained from Sir Knight Emil J. Biasi, Grand Recorder, P. O. Box 434, Dubuque, Iowa.

Indiana Knights Templar Sponsor Camp for Boys

The Hospitalers Committee of the Grand Commandery of Indiana has since 1941 sponsored a week's camping program for boys during the first week of August, and to date have provided this summer recreational treat to 4079 worthy boys between the ages of 10-14, who come annually from most of the 59 commanderies throughout the State.

This beautiful camp site in Northern Indiana, named Camp Crosley in memory of Crosley Ball, was given to the Muncie Y.M.C.A. by the Ball Brothers of that city, of which Edmund F. Ball, Grand Treasurer of the Grand Encampment is a descendant, and is a project in which Sir Knight Ball is still vitally interested.

Many of the Sir Knights of the State find a rich fellowship as they annually drive their cars and take these boys to camp. On many occasions a special program is planned for the last day of the camp for the Sir Knights of Indiana.

The program of the camp during this special week is the normal program expected from a well organized camp located on a beautiful natural lake. Swimming, boating, and sailing are given high priority. Many non-swimmers become good swimmers by the time they



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leave for home. Well supervised boat hikes are planned, and trips are made by canoe to other nearby lakes. Various contests are held in swimming, boating, baseball, softball, tennis, badminton, archery, horseshoe pitching, croquet, ping pong, and track and field events. The boys are generally divided into two age groups; 11 and under, and 12 and over, so that competition will be more evenly divided. Those placing in the



OVER 4,000 INDIANA BOYS HAVE ATTENDED CAMPS

various events receive ribbons at an all-camp banquet held on Saturday night prior to the end of the week's camping activities.

A minister of the Christian Church has served the camp for the last 16 years conducting a chapel service each morning, and being at the camp site and participating in the various activities during the entire week. Cabin devotions are shared each night in each cabin that houses 14 boys and 2 counsellors.

Other important phases of a camper's life at Camp Crosley are crafts and nature study. Many of the boys become interested in leather craft, basket weaving, wood burning, copper enameling, and lanyard making. Hikes are taken each day and the boys are given instructions about infectious plants, trees, insects, snakes, and untamed animals of the woods.

A nurse is on hand at all times at the hospital designated as "Iodine Inn" to care for the aches, pains, bumps, and bruises that a camper might have. A doctor is also on call. The Grand Commandery provides insurance to cover most accidents that might possibly befall the boys.

One of the high-lights of a boy's ex-

periences at camp takes place in the evening. There is something about being around a blazing camp-fire along the lake shore or up in the woods that makes a fellow feel good all over, especially down deep inside. The singing of some of the fun songs as well as spirituals gives each camper a sense of fellowship with every other boy around the campfire. The games that are played as boys compete one with another bring a real sense of satisfaction to the camper. Many of the best stories told by the counsellors, the camp directors, or the chaplain are a thrill for these boys to hear. This year one of the most wonderful campfire experiences was the presentation of "An Indiana Pageant"—done with authentic costuming and actual Indian garb. The experiences in which one shares around a campfire linger in a boy's mind long after the thrilling experience.

Each Commandery of the State is free to send as many boys to this annual camp as it may choose. The cost per boy including spending money, but not transportation, is approximately \$25.00 per boy, and by many Sir Knights throughout the State is considered the best money spent by their Commandery.



CAMP CROSLY OFFERS MANY WATER ACTIVITIES

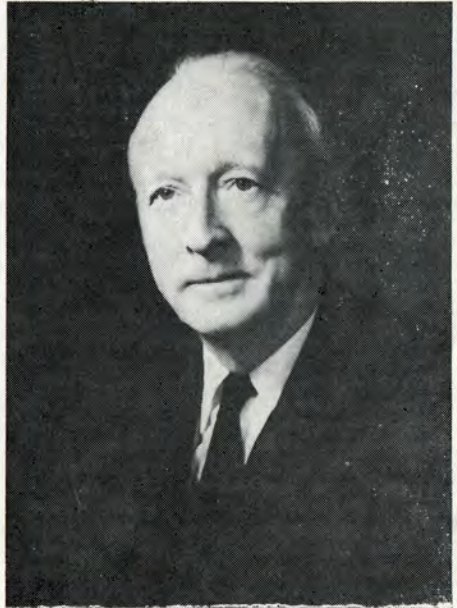
Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc., Makes Momentous Decisions

At their annual meeting in Chicago on July 12-14, 1962, the Board of Trustees of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc., were informed by the Executive Director, Walter A. DeLamater, that in its first five years of operation over five thousand applications for surgery and hospitalization have been processed, and grants totaling more than one and a half million dollars have been authorized. It was also reported that 1,000 Knights had contributed \$30.00 each as Life Sponsors.

The Board took two steps that should arouse much interest on the part of those who are not members of the Order of the Temple:

1. Because many non-members would like to have a share in saving persons from "a possible life of darkness," it was voted to establish a "Life Patron Fund." Upon the payment of \$100.00 in a lump sum the Foundation will issue to **any individual**, regardless of race, creed, sex or national origin, a certificate as a Life Patron of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc., or upon the payment of \$50.00 a certificate will be issued as an Associate Life Patron. All monies so derived shall be deposited in a separate fund, none of which may be used for the administrative expenses of the Foundation. Such contributions are tax exempt.

2. Inasmuch as several of the Grand or Coordinate Bodies of Masonry have expressed interest and a desire to participate in the program of the Foundation, and with a view to developing a strong team working for the good of humanity, it was voted "that any Masonic or Masonic Related organization applying to the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc., for active participation in their project and receiving approval of the Foundation may be known as:



JUSTICE HUGO L. BLACK

Cyrene Commandery No. 10, of Birmingham, Alabama, has sent in nearly fifty Knight Templar Eye Foundation Life Sponsor applications. Among these we note one from a distinguished member of the United States Supreme Court, the Honorable Justice Hugo L. Black.

“(Name of Organization)

A Contributing Division of The Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc.”

This plan will not absorb or subordinate any organization, but will be a means by which the deserving may receive appropriate recognition and credit, a number which is already impressive and increasing steadily.

Further information regarding either of the foregoing plans may be obtained from The Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc., P. O. Box 248, Rhinebeck, New York.

California Templars Plan Work With Deputy Grand Master Brucker

On a recent visit to California, Wilbur M. Brucker, Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Encampment and Mrs Brucker were entertained at a delightful dinner given by Fred E. Rankine, Jr., Grand Commander of California and Mrs. Rankine, at the Jonathan Club. Following the dinner the ladies were entertained while the Sir Knights car-

ried on discussions relating to important affairs of the Grand Commandery of California and particularly the work of the new Public Relations Program and the California York Rite Co-ordinating Councils. It is felt that the meeting was very beneficial in contributing to the advancement of Templary in California.



Ladies seated from left to right: Mrs. James H. Fulcher, Mrs. Noel W. Roser, Mrs. William D. Tucker, Mrs. Wilbur M. Brucker, Mrs. Fred E. Rankine, Jr., Mrs. Ralph Slocum and Mrs. Ann Edgar.

Standing from left to right are: William D. Tucker, G.S.W.; Fred E. Rankin, Jr., G.C.; Wilbur M. Brucker, Deputy Grand Master; Andrew James Copp, Jr., P.G.C.; Ralph H. Slocum, G.G.; John S. Lanier, G.P.; and Noel W. Roser, G.C.G.

“Templary on the March” in Boston Spectacular

In the Boston Garden, 20 Grand Commandery Officers seated on the stage, 114 Officers and ladies seated in the boxes, 748 Sir Knights in uniform from 35 Commanderies in formation on the floor. For this outstanding example of “Templary on the March” full credit was recently given to Robert Gardiner Wilson, Jr., P.G.C. and Past Imperial Potentate, by Raymond D. Douglas, G.C. of Mass. and R. I.

Inquiry has produced the following details of organization and program, which we think will be useful and interesting to Templars generally.

The 8th Annual All-Masonic Night, sponsored by Aleppo Shrine Temple, was held this year in the Boston Garden on Saturday evening, June 2.

In accordance with the usual formula, letters of invitation were mailed to the Secretaries of the 250 Blue Lodges east of Springfield on March 10, requesting advice as to the number of the one-page circulars with attached ticket applications desired for mailing to the

Lodge members. 210 Secretaries requested a total of 95,425 fliers, which included a form of application

Preceded by a half-hour concert by Aleppo Temple Shrine Band, the Festival, for the 8th consecutive year, began promptly at 7 p. m., with the grand entrance of the Potentate and all uniformed units of Aleppo Temple. Thereafter successively received were the Imperial Potentate; the State Officers of DeMolay with 1218 uniformed members from 58 DeMolay Chapters; State Scottish Rite Officers and Active 33°; Grand High Priest and M. I. Grand Master; Knights Templar; and finally the Grand Master of Masons.

This annual pageant, displaying all the music, color, and pageantry of the Shrine, as well as the various Masonic groups—most especially the Knights Templar—is considered to have done much to promote the Fraternity in Metropolitan Boston. Certainly, a gathering of more than 12,000 Masons in such a community is something of which we should be proud.

YORK RITE BODIES OF FLORIDA ENDORSE DE MOLAY

At the annual meetings of the Grand York Rite Bodies of Florida, the following resolution was adopted by said bodies:

“Realizing the disturbing influences that are confronting youth today, and the inroads the many “isms” are making into our way of life, and wanting to perpetuate the virtues of Light, Truth and Love, recognizing the high purposes, accomplishment and potential of the Order of DeMolay, and further realizing and acknowledging the tremendous force of good that is being accomplished by the Order of DeMolay. **Be It Resolved:** That this Grand Commandery of Florida assist in helping defray the expenses of administration,

within the State of Florida, of this valiant youth organization. That this assistance be at the rate of five cents (5c) per member, per year.

THE VOWS OF A DE MOLAY

At My Chapter's Altar—

Humbly and sincerely . . .

I promised to be a better son.

I promised to love and serve God, my country, and my fellow-men.

I promised to honor and protect every woman.

I promised to slander no one.

I promised to aid and uphold the public schools.

I promised to walk uprightly before God and Man.

All of these things, and more, I did promise!

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

ONE HUNDRED FORTY-NINTH ANNUAL CONCLAVE

GRAND COMMANDERY OF NEW YORK, HELD AT BUFFALO

By GRIFFITH G. PRITCHARD, General Chairman



**GRAND MASTER MOORE, G. C. MACLAUGHLIN AND DISTINGUISHED GUESTS
 ATTENDING CONCLAVE**

The 149th Conclave of the Grand Commandery was held at the Hotel Statler Hilton in Buffalo, N. Y., on June 22, 23 and 24, 1962.

The Grand Commandery convened at 1 P. M. on Friday in the Golden Ball Room of the Hotel Statler Hilton for business only.

Friday night Frederick R. MacLaughlin, Grand Commander, had his dinner for the Grand Line Officers, P. G. C.'s and Official Guests and their Ladies. One hundred and ten were present. This was followed by a reception for all Sir Knights and their ladies

in the Golden Ball Room. A soprano soloist and orchestra supplied the entertainment. Tea, coffee and cookies were served.

On Saturday at 9 A. M. the Grand Commandery was opened in accordance with the ritual. Grand Commanders representing twenty states were received. The Mayor of the City of Buffalo extended a very pleasant welcome to the City and also presented to the Grand Commander personally, a key to the City. There were representatives from the Grand Chapter, Grand Council, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, N. M. J.; Ismailia Temple, A. A. O. N.

M. S., the Grand Lodge F. & A. M. of the State of New York; the Sovereign Great Priory of Canada; Charles B. Wolfertz, Dept. Comm. of the North Atlantic Department of the Grand Encampment, U. S. A., and Paul M. Moore, Most Eminent Grand Master of Grand Encampment, K. T. of the U. S. A.

The Grand Commandery adjourned at 4 P. M. and the newly elected officers were installed in a very impressive ceremony by John Bahn, P. G. C. of New York.

The banquet was held in the Golden Ball Room at 7 P. M. A three level head table including over 50 official guests made a very beautiful sight. An excellent discourse on Knights Templar position and opinions and their impact on this present world was presented by Charles B. Wolfertz, Department Commander of the North Atlantic Department.

After the dinner, an exhibition drill, in accordance with Grand Encampment Tactics, was presented by Bethlehem Commandery No. 53 of Mt. Vernon, N. Y. The traditional Grand March was held, led by Grand Commander, R. MacLaughlin and Mrs. MacLaughlin. As the Grand March came forward twenty-four abreast they were stopped and a bouquet of red roses was presented to Mrs. MacLaughlin, and also to the wife of the incoming Grand Commander, Lowell H. Bryce. Dancing followed. The Ladies held a luncheon in the Terrace Room of the Hotel on Saturday noon. Mrs. Carl S. Harris was Chairman of the Ladies and each guest

received a pink carnation, tied to the stem was a beautiful Gold Knights Templar emblem of charm bracelet size. Mrs. Charles B. Wolfertz, wife of the Department Commander gave a lecture on her recent trip to Hungary. At 11 A. M. on Sunday morning, a terrific rain storm was in progress but by 1 P. M. the Parade took place under sunny skies. The Official Guests and P.G.C.'s rode in twenty white open convertibles furnished by the Oldsmobile Division of General Motors Corporation, with official Knight Templar seals painted on their sides. The Ismailia Temple Band led the procession followed by the escort of Sir Knights from Batavia Commandery No. 34.

The Church Service was held in St. Paul's Cathedral. Batavia Commandery No. 34 formed lines down the center aisle and the Grand Officers marched through the Arch of Steel. The ushers of the service were DeMolay Boys, dressed with their official capes. The chair composed of fifty men and boys under the direction of Mr. Donald Ingram, Organist-Chairmaster, rendered a beautiful song service. The sermon was preached by the Very Reverend John T. Sanborn, Rector of St. James Church, Batavia, N. Y. The cathedral was completely filled with Sir Knights and guests.

When the Sir Knights and their Ladies left the Cathedral, thus ending the Conclave, I feel they must have thought "This has been a Grand and Glorious Conclave."

NORTH CAROLINA GRAND COMMANDERY MET IN HISTORIC NEW BERN

By John H. Parker, P. G. C.

The eighty-third Annual Conclave of Grand Commandery of North Carolina met in Annual Session in the beautiful Scottish Rite Temple, New Bern, N. C. May 20th and 21st, 1962. Robert A. Bruce, of Greensboro, Grand Commander, presided with all officers being pres-

ent. Governor Tryon Hotel was the general headquarters for registration and other activities for the Sir Knights and ladies attending.

Templary made healthy gains in membership during 1961, gaining 132 members or over two per cent. A ma-

jority of the Commanderies showed much activity, meeting regularly, conferring the Orders, and showing proficiency in ritualistic work.

Grand Commander Bruce and his Division Commanders made frequent visitations throughout the year to local Commanderies, that reflected a healthy condition in Templary.

Rev. Robert L. Hugh, P. C., Grand Prelate, delivered an inspiring sermon in the First Presbyterian church on Sunday evening. The church was filled to capacity with Sir Knights in uniform; others in civilian dress and the ladies. This church is one of two designed by Sir Christopher Wren in Colonial days. The other was in Massachusetts. This church has been in continuous use by the same denomination. The interior is quite unique. Members entering the front doors face the worshippers as they enter.

The Grand Commandery lost two of its Past Grand Commanders during 1961, Luther T. Hartsell, Jr., a member of the Jurisprudence Committee of the Grand Encampment, and Herbert M. Foy. Both were Past Grand Masters in North Carolina.

New Bern is truly a "Masonic City." Its first Blue Lodge, St. John's No. 3, originally No. 2, was chartered by Joseph Montfort, the first and only Provincial Grand Master of and for America. Charter dated 1772. The original; charter, extant, is preserved in the Lodge vault, as are its minutes. Following the Revolution, a charter was granted by the newly created Grand Lodge of North Carolina and assigned No. 3 St. John's was one of the Lodges that created the Grand Lodge. Some two score Grand Lodges in the United States extending from the Atlantic to the Pacific can trace their ancestry to North Carolina.

Grand Commandery of North Carolina meets in 1963 in the City of Raleigh. Clarence B. Shulenberg, of Raleigh was elevated to the office of Grand Commander, and William Bryan Phelps, P. C., was started in the line by being elected Grand Warder.

The ladies accompanying their husbands, were entertained quite extensively with sight seeing trips to various places of historic interest, including a guided tour through the U. S. Marine Base at Cherry Point, N. C., Fort Macon on the coast at Beaufort Inlet, and through the Restored Tryon Palace and its ten floral gardens. The ladies were also entertained at luncheons, tours about the City, etc.

New Bern is the smallest city in the world, according to a recent survey, to have within its borders Blue Lodges, all York Rite Bodies, all Scottish Rite Bodies, and the Shrine, Sudan Temple, A.A.O.N.M.S.

Distinguished guests who were present at the Grand Commandery Meeting were:

John Lawton Crofts, Sr., G. G. of Grand Encampment, of Nokomis, Fla.; Charles H. Pugh, Dept. Comm. of the Cent. Atl. Dept., of Gastonia, N. C.; A. J. M. Wannamaker, P. G. C., of Orangeburg, N. C.; Powell E. Craig, G. H. Priest of Del.; Joseph C. Richmon, G. H. Priest of D. C.; Roy M. Stockman, P. G. H. Priest of D. C.; James A. Winfield, G. H. Priest of Fla.; Stephen Dimond, P. G. Master, Active Member, the International Supreme Council, Order of DeMolay; John B. Hubert, P. G. H. Priest of Ga.; Roy J. Eide, G. H. Priest of Iowa; Josse J. Camblin, G. G. R. of General Council of Iowa; William G. Peacher, H. Priest, Personal Representative of G. H. Priest, W. L. Hunt, of New York; Harold E. Busha, P. H. Priest of Ohio; John H. Wynn, G. H. Priest of S. C.; Russell B. Tandy, P. G. C. Priest of S. C.; Russell B. Tandy, P. G. C. of Tenn.; Wilbur Applewhite, G. H. Priest of Va., and Lester M. Sawyer, G. Treasurer of Va.

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