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THE NEED TO COMMUNICATE

In formulating the policy for the Grand Encampment for this triennium, the Grand Encampment placed high on the priority roster the need for communication. It was said in "The Set of the Sails"—"Our Order has sufficient leadership ability to attain all of our objectives, but the success of our programs will be more easily attained by an accelerated sharing of ideas. Such communications must be in two directions: first, from the Constituent and Subordinate Commanders to the Grand Commanderies and to the Grand Encampment; second, from the Grand Encampment through the proper channels to the Constituent and Subordinate Commanderies."

One of the important tools in this communicative process is the KNIGHT TEMPLAR MAGAZINE. "Contacts must be more frequent and more effective. To achieve the first of these requirements, it has been decided to publish the magazine monthly. To accomplish the second, it is determined that it will contain only material informative and stimulating to the local Commandery and its members. YOUR active aid is solicited by: (1) contributing promptly and frequently items of news value, or of instructive or philosophical interest, and (2) increasing the circulation so that more members may be reached."

We need more subscriptions. A limited number of copies of the Knight Templar together with subscription supplies will be sent upon request to be used at special Conclaves where subscriptions may be advantageously solicited. Make requests for this material at least two weeks prior to Conclaves, to Willard M. Avery, P. O. Box 56, Knightstown, Indiana.

Membership Growth Vital to Templary's Destiny Role

By Sir Knight BURT D. PEARSON

NOTE: Sir Knight Pearson was Grand Commander of Minnesota in 1941, was North Central Department Commander 1955-58, is now serving his third triennial term as Chairman of the Grand Encampment Committee on Religious Observance. He is Editor and Manager of the Mesabi Daily News. We asked him to tell us why this remote Commandery is so successful.

No organization can grow nor even thrive unless it holds its votaries and attracts new members, and these latter in numbers to give it strength and the motivation to achieve the purposes for which it has been brought into being. It is so with Templary.

Templary is at a kind of crossroad in America today, a crossroad which the mood of the day and the failure of the general populace to measure up to the fateful responsibilities of this hour in history accents. New members are not being added in sufficient total to vitalize the great and significant obligations of the Order.

But the situation is not doleful, nor even discouraging, for new members are to be had—they but wait the proper invitation. Christian Masons of outstanding repute and good will are receptive. They wait to be enrolled and enlisted in the Rite which would league itself with the Christian Church in a great forward action to save America for the destiny ordained of God and proclaimed by the Founding Fathers.

Templary grows on the backs of dedicated Sir Knights—and only as, one at a time, they are added to the rosters of Commanderies the length and breadth of the land. Growth is begat when Sir Knights, in committee or singly, earnestly bid eligible prospects—one at a time—to cast their lot with an Order which seeks to bring all mankind to Christ.



Burt D. Pearson

It is the solemn duty of the leadership at the Grand Encampment command, the Grand Commandery echelon, the Subordinate and Constituent Commandery level and, indeed, at the grass roots to so emphasize membership as the surpassing need that there shall be set in motion a surge which puts every Sir Knight to work in a continuing plan to enroll recruits for Templary. There is no magic formula. New Sir Knights can only be enrolled one at a time, and only one at a time may be dubbed. I am only one, but I can in earnest and in zeal enroll at least one new member. Any one of us can do so,

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if we read correctly the "alert" of the hour.

It is a simple chore, this matter of soliciting desired members. It involves a man-to-man approach—person-to-person, if you please, and this in dignity and sincerity. But a first requirement in a blue-print for growth, for increased membership and fiscal solvency, is dedicated leadership from bottom to top, from grass roots through the Commandery to Grand Commandery and to Grand Encampment. It begins in the Constituent Commandery. Here we must be truly selective in our choice of officers, no matter that all may be leaders, rank and file Sir Knights not excepted, for in this domain must take place the person-to-person tete-a-tete. All of us must be mobilized and fired for action.

In the experience of Eveleth Commandery No. 35, Knights Templar, Eveleth, Minnesota (a city of 5,500 population), a planned program has produced results, and these over the years and in proportion to the zeal mobilized and expended. To be sure, there have been ups and downs—but the trend and the direction are consistently up. The uptrend is best assured as new officers and new membership solicitors get into action. Each of us, in our time and season, "shoot our wad," so to speak.

Eveleth (Minnesota) is in St. Louis County, in the heart of the iron ore country of the Mesabi Range, and is 60 miles north of Duluth, Minnesota. By edict of Washington much of North-eastern Minnesota is in depression, and is classified as a distress area, but this designation in no way stops men of self-reliance and determination from surmounting problems. The canvass for petitions goes on.

We strive in person-to-person solicitations to stress the importance to the Christian Church and to nation of a dynamic Masonic fraternity as it is represented in Templary (and in the York Rite) and this with no aspersion on any

other Rite. Indeed, many of us have membership in the other Rite. Unabated, the aim is to canvass and visit eligible Masons regularly and always on a high plane of good will.

For instance, one of our alerted Sir Knights meets up with an eligible Christian Mason, a proper subject for Commandery membership. This prospect may be a business-man, a professional man, a prominent citizen, a man of the trades, a responsible church member. This individual is told how much his enrollment in Templary will mean in stimulating the good impulses and forces in which he believes. He is told how much we need him for what he is, for what he can do in accepting increased responsibility. We need him because—and it is true—because God and America are calling. We would answer the call.

We do not add new members only to make Templary prosper. We do it in the larger purpose of Templary—for God and Country and on the foundation stone of Jesus Christ, the Great Captain of our Salvation. We are in dead interest about the mission of Templary.

Tried and inspired Sir Knights soliciting new members in time exhaust the periphery of their influence in this process of building membership one at a time. Then other Sir Knights take up the effort—that is, they do if they are sparkplugged by aggressive and able officers in the Commandery. This involves constant visitation to Blue Lodges, Chapters, Councils and Commanderies. It involves organized teamwork, all working in concert with each other—and it includes calls on potential candidates in their homes, at work, in office or at play.

And so, we find here and there in our efforts and drives those who accept the opportunity to be enrolled in America's finest Order.

We strive for classes of 12 or more and thus make the initiatory ceremonies an all-day affair. Men are too busy to

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take the orders piecemeal, we think. In this we emulate the other Rite. The all-day conclave gives Templary beneficial advertising newspaper-wise, and raises its repute. The active dispatch in dignity and fidelity to ritual of the ceremonies encourages large attendance and rank and file interest and participation. Carrying out this plan, officers rehearse often so as to properly present their parts. Nothing less than the best in exemplification of beautiful and meaningful rites is demanded.

Setting up a program for good-sized classes and spacing them out through the season of activity, we do not dissipate our Commandery funds in lunches and refreshments which go on interminably. The all-day exemplification permits us to call off for a light and inexpensive lunch at noon, perhaps a "coffee break" in mid-afternoon, and a dinner at 6 or 6:30 p. m., all complimentary because the income from continuing large classes provides a margin of safety, dollar-wise.

If Commanderies are to function as solvent entities, they cannot afford lunch giveaways which are tied to small classes and Red Cross, Malta and Temple exemplifications dragged through days and weeks, with consequent loss of interest. We believe from our experience that the Saturday all-day "festival" meets the exigencies of the times. In our belief, it invites and incites more officer zeal and competency and greater membership interest.

It is the prerogative of the individual Commandery to arrange its own fiscal affairs. Many elect to make a modest charge for dinners and lunches, and this is well and good, if and when necessary. However, by dispensing with the costly frills in garnishments and side dishes, the expense of a food serving can be held down. When Sir Knights feel that they get their money's worth in a repast, or a bit better, the Templar amenities are given a real lift.

Wives of Eveleth Commandery mem-

bers share in certain activities. They have formed a ladies' auxiliary. It meets only when the Commandery has its regular monthly business conclave, and in separate quarters, of course. The wife of the Eminent Commander for a given year becomes its president. A modest sum is collected for dues, \$1 annually, just to keep it functioning. When the Sir Knights have finished their session, or conclave, all join for lunch or some social activity. Sometimes the women do sewing or some other thing for a good cause, or for the Commandery. It would appear that both Sir Knights and ladies enjoy this extra-curricular fellowship.

Because Eveleth Commandery has nearly 600 members, it is a tremendous assist in helping the Eveleth Blue Lodge as its landlord. But for the \$100 monthly which the Commandery pays in rent, Eveleth (Minnesota) Lodge No. 239, A. F. & A. M. (membership about 200) would be sore pressed to pay the taxes (\$1,600) on its building and meet other obligations.

Because Virginia Chapter No. 77, Royal Arch Masons (Virginia, Minnesota, population 13,000) with a membership approximately that of the Eveleth Commandery, has experienced growth through close liaison with Templary in this area, it is able to pay Virginia Lodge No. 264 monthly rent of \$100—and this provides this Blue Lodge with solvency assurance.

Clearly, then, there is an absolute need in the United States—and elsewhere—of a strong York Rite. It is this Rite—through its Chapters, Councils, and Commanderies—which is helping to underwrite the Masonic Fraternity in non-metropolitan America and also in the cities. This Rite makes its economic bed with Masonry at the grass roots, in its fundamental suzerainty and foundation. Blue Lodge officialdom, where it is alert to the economic facts of life, notes this and hopes for accelerated York Rite growth.

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It is quite patent, at least to many earnest Sir Knights, that Templary and its kindred organizations of the York Rite must enroll many, many more members, and this as an absolute need in buttressing Blue Lodges throughout the land. The Rite is bearing a significant portion of the load in keeping Masonry alive and functioning in the nation, no matter that in far too many localities, the task has become a losing one. Masonry is fighting for survival in America, make no mistake about it.

In passing, let it be said that the Eveleth Commandery has solved the uniform problem. Before World War II, the fee generally in the United States included a uniform, which is to say that the petitioner paid something like \$125 to join, and was glad to do so. Now the Eveleth fee is \$75, which includes a \$25 down-payment on a uniform.

Minnesota Grand Commandery law fixes \$25 as the amount to be collected from each petitioner as a start toward the purchase of a uniform. When the Eveleth Commandery fee with the petition was \$50, with the requirement that each new Sir Knight acquire a uniform, difficulties rose in the period of the depression and in the wake of World War II. Uniforms, new ones at least, were unobtainable.

Now, the \$25 (total fee with petition is \$75) is put aside in a uniform fund by Eveleth Commandery. This armory fund grew to the point where some time ago it enabled the Commandery to purchase 24 or more new uniforms (complete) and these repose in the asylum as common property and are there worn. Unless authorized, these uniforms never leave the Temple premises. More will be added, if and when required. The uniform deposit accrues to the Commandery, an assurance that those wishing to buy their own uniforms—all officers and many members do—have a \$25 payment already made.

Incidentally, a firmly united drill

corps has been a real factor in stimulating Templary morale within the Eveleth Commandery. Presently staffed and officered by enthusiastic and active Sir Knights of the Commandery, it functions in many helpful capacities, one duty being to provide the lines for full form openings, inspections, rehearsals, and the Triangle episode. The average age of the membership of the corps is high, but this is just another attest of zeal and willingness to serve.

The Drill Corps of Eveleth Commandery was chosen by the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Minnesota to represent this Grand Jurisdiction at the 48th Triennial of the Grand Encampment held in Cleveland, Ohio, in August of 1961, and this it did, making the journey by chartered bus. It was an unforgettable experience for every Sir Knight in the contingent.

Again, as was written to the Most Eminent Grand Master not long ago:

"Only as all officers exemplify the ritualistic ceremonies movingly and correctly—as Sir Knights on fire in a great religious and citizenship crusade—can we revitalize and reactivate our present membership. By the same token, only as these present members are thus inspired will they have the zeal and the will to go into the highways and byways in a person-to-person, or friend-to-friend, program of inviting and soliciting those candidates on whom we would build Templary to the Heavens."

Christ is calling! America is calling! Masonry at the grass roots in this land is likewise calling! There is a note of apprehension in these calls! We shall do well to pay them heed!

Good citizenship—Christ citizenship—as expressed in a concern for the present, the future and the hereafter is the issue and the stake is freedom here and glory with the Nazarene in eternity.

Shall we, can we, be challenged to bring Templary to stature in the United States of America?

We should be counted in the millions!

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Our ties to Church, to true and undefiled religion, and to Country must be, can be, the catalyst by which we shall grow in commanding strength and numbers, one at a time, to be sure, because person-to-person, we have responded to high call and challenge.

Perhaps, the example and experience of Eveleth Commandery No. 35, (Minne-

sota) Knights Templar, may be helpful to other Templar groups. It is offered in a humble frame of mind and in full recognition that these specifications are not new, nor novel. Indeed, they are in use and are functioning in Templary's crusade wherever the workers in the vineyard accept duty and responsibility.

Three Departments Hold Successful Conference

AS PLANNED BY THE GRAND ENCAMPMENT, DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS HAVE RECENTLY HELD DEPARTMENT CONFERENCES

EAST CENTRAL DEPARTMENT, INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA, AUGUST 18, 1962



Representatives from Ohio, Michigan, Illinois, Missouri, and Indiana attending the Department Conference at Indianapolis.

The conference was called to order promptly at 1:30 P. M., and was strictly a workshop conference with the time being devoted to topics previously assigned to the various Grand Commandery jurisdictions.

Topics discussed and some of the conclusions reached were as follows:

1. MEMBERSHIP PROMOTION AND MAINTENANCE. Establishing goals and giving awards to individuals or Commanderies is practiced in most of the states. Evanston Commandery of Evanston, Illinois, the home Commandery of Al Crump, G. C. of Illinois, has shown a membership increase from 193

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in 1946 to more than 665 members as of this date. One of the policies followed in soliciting members was never to give a blank petition or leave a petition with a prospective member. The Sir Knight soliciting the brother sits down with him and fills out the petition or already has it filled out before the official contact is made.

One of the five states remits dues for 25 year members who are over 65 years of age, and has paid dues during the last five years; other states remit 50 year members' dues. Two of the states do not remit dues.

2. RITUALISTIC WORK. Work should be done well or not at all. Apologies should never be offered for poor ritualistic work, since this is merely emphasizing a weakness. The ideal way to receive the order of the Temple is individually. Where large classes are involved, there is much confusion and variance in the mechanics of handling ritualistic work in conferring the order of the Temple.

3. MASONIC CO-OPERATION.

4. COMMUNICATIONS AND PUBLIC RELATIONS. Publications should have a definite purpose, being directed to members of the Fraternity or non-members of the Fraternity as the case may be. Missouri is fostering a program of placing Masonic books in public libraries.

5. ORGANIZATION. From the discussion it appeared that Ohio was the most highly organized of the five states—having ten Divisions with elective officers, frequent divisional meetings

with good attendance of Sir Knights and Ladies. A Grand Officer was assigned to each Division.

6. INSPECTIONS. Grand Line Officers generally make inspections, although P. G. C.'s participate in this work in Ohio.

7. ACTIVITIES-ACTION PROGRAMS, etc. Most Commanderies presented awards for merit ratings, largest knightings, etc. Public installations and other public appearances in good uniform are urged. Drill team activities are of benefit to the Commanderies. Generally speaking, the Commanderies as such do not finance the Drill Teams.

8. EDUCATIONAL LOAN FOUNDATION. Most of the five states have most of their money loaned. Interest charged was 4% in four jurisdictions, and 5% in one jurisdiction. Two Grand Commanderies used the profits from loans for awarding grants.

9. EYE FOUNDATION. This work is favorably received. There is a lack of activity in pushing "Life Sponsorship." This should be pushed.

10. HOSPITALER AND RELIGIOUS ACTIVITIES. Many local Commanderies throughout the five jurisdictions participated in these activities. The Grand Commandery of Michigan sponsored Star Commonwealth for Boys at a cost of more than \$100,000.00. Illinois maintains the Home For the Aged and Infirm; and Indiana sponsors annual camping activities for boys.

11. KNIGHT TEMPLAR MAGAZINE.

After unanimous agreement that another meeting should be held in 1963, the meeting adjourned at 10:00 P. M.

NORTH CENTRAL DEPARTMENT AUGUST 18TH

TEMPLAR PARK, SPIRIT LAKE, IOWA

How to obtain the "Objectives of the Order" as set forth in the Grand Encampment's statement of policy, "The Set of the Sails," was the theme used by Robert V. Osborne, Department Commander, on August 18th during the North Central Department Conference at the Grand Commandery of Iowa's Templar Park, Spirit Lake, Iowa.

Dais officers and Grand Recorders of the five Grand Commanderies of the Department began their work with an Invocation given by Earl B. Bauer, Grand Recorder of Wisconsin.

Among the topics covered were Membership, Communications, Templar Philanthropies, Action Programs, York Rite Cooperation, District Organization, and

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Participation in the 1964 Triennial Conclave. The discussions focused attention on Templar problems in the Department. It was the group opinion that communications could and should be improved at all levels, and that a vigorous promotion of the "Knight Templar" magazine was one of the main ways to accomplish this objective.

The need for an effective and dynamic membership program was underlined. It was felt that a broad approach to this problem would at least partially include each of the other topics on the agenda. The discussion included the development of a well-rounded program of activities, means of carrying such a

program through, and a follow-up system to obtain the desired results.

Attending the Conference were: Robert V. Osborne, D. C.; **Wisconsin**, Victor G. Nowach, G. C., Van W. Harrod, D. G. C., Albert Rohrbach, G. G., Robert E. Billings, G. C. G., Earl B. Bauer, G. R.; **Iowa**, Dallas T. Alford, D. G. C., Merlin S. Rufer, G. G., Claude K. Bradley, G. C. G., Emil J. Biasi, P. G. C. and G. R.; **Minnesota**, Ralph K. Parker, G. C., William H. Spry, G. G., James Joyce, G. R.; **South Dakota**, John G. West, G. C., Harold R. Kaiser, D. G. C., Marshall I. Stenson, G. G., Elvin F. Strain, G. R.; **North Dakota**, Dorwin Z. Aas, G. C., George Teskey, D. G. C., Albert G. Tverberg, G. R.

SOUTHEASTERN CONFERENCE, COLUMBUS, GA., SEPT. 1-2

Responding to the call of Department Commander John W. Alford, Sr., of Mississippi, a number of Dais Officers from Divisions in the Southeastern Department met September 1, 2 in Columbus, Georgia to participate in a workshop session with Sir Knight Alford and Grand Generalissimo Crofts. A wide variety of subjects were discussed, covering a general review of condition of the Commanderies and means by which the Templar Order might promote the general welfare of the local Commanderies and their members.

High on the agenda was a review and report of general Templar programs as currently emphasized by Grand Encampment officers and committees. Conclusions generally recognized the great need for more communication of information to the local Commanderies through the Knight Templar magazine, information brochures, officer visitations, area conferences and schools, so that local units will understand the vital importance of programs of broad interest and community significance. Attention centered not only on the need for efficiency in business matters and ritualistic work planned and executed to insure the lasting interest of the candidate, but also on orderly recruitment of members, a varied social program,

and specific interest in the outgoing areas of religious activity, educational interest (including the Loan Foundation as a local program), patriotic and civic interest and activity, and charitable interest (including the Eye Foundation as a local program).

The Department will meet again in the Summer of 1963, and will include in that conference the several Grand Recorders.

IN MEMORIAM

Alabama

Frank Wharton Gaines, G. C., 1941—
September 18, 1962

Arkansas

James Miles Roberts, G. C., 1952—
August 21, 1962

Kansas

John Andrew Hetzel, G. C., 1945—
September 9, 1962

Louisiana

Norman DeVecmon Ott, G. C., 1945—
September 7, 1962

Oklahoma

Leonard A. Maphet, G. C., 1949—
September 11, 1962

Pennsylvania

Charles Daniel Zimmerman, G. C.,
1933—October 1, 1962

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Social Order of Beauceant Receives Recognition From Knights Templar Eye Foundation



Mrs. Lee and Sir Knight DeLamater

A special citation, recognizing their organization as a Contributing Division of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc., was presented to the delegates assembled for the 42 Annual Assembly of the Social Order of the Beauceant of the World, at Fort Worth, Texas. The presentation was made at the Supreme Worthy President's banquet on Wednesday evening, September 26th, by Sir Knight Walter A. DeLamater, Most Eminent Past Grand Master of the Grand Encampment, and the Executive Director of the Foundation, who with Mrs. DeLamater had flown to Fort Worth for this purpose. It was accepted by the Supreme Worthy President, Mrs. James E. Lee, in the presence of 750 delegates to the Supreme Assembly.

While the members of this organization have done many things to advance the cause of Templary, and have been cited with appreciation at business sessions of the Grand Encampment, this is the first time that such recognition has

been given publicly. In addition to sewing projects, catering banquets, and performing innumerable kindnesses to local Commanderies, the members of this Order have contributed over \$73,000.00 to the Eye Foundation. This cause is their official charitable project. Each year their participation increases over that of the preceding years.

In addition to presenting the citation, Sir Knight DeLamater gave the principal address at the banquet. This was received with apparent enthusiasm, and the speaker was given a standing ovation at he close. He reports that this was one of the most dignified, impressive and ably run conventions that he has ever attended.



George A. Weeks, P. G. C., Ch. of the Comm. on Public Relations of the Grand Encampment, was one of the Sir Knights most responsible for assisting the six-year old English boy, Raymond Simone in receiving assistance from the Knight Templar Eye Foundation. Through the Foundation two successful operations were performed on Raymond.

Shown in the picture left to right are: George A. Weeks, Sydney Simone, Mrs. Simone and Raymond D. Douglass, G. C., Mass. and R. I.

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News from Grand and Constituent Commanderies

Grand Commandery Conclaves Throughout the Nation

ILLINOIS HOLDS GRAND COMMANDERY CONCLAVE AT AURORA



Seated left to right are (front row): Alvin L. Crump, G. C.; Ragnar E. Broma, D. G. C.; Alfred E. Koch, G. G.; Haldane W. Bean, G. C. G.; Charles E. Bostick, G. S. W.; David E. Wennerstrand, G. J. W.; and Ronald H. Rammer, G. P.; (back row): George W. Bell, P. G. C., G. T., (G. C. G. of the Grand Encampment); Russel V. Wright, G. R.; Andrew E. Barton, G. S. B.; Stuart W. Stone, G. S. B.; John W. Wheeler, G. W.; Wesley E. Ahsland, G. C. G.

The 106th Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery of Illinois was held at the beautiful and most spacious Hilton Inn at Aurora, September 7 and 8, with Seth W. Flanders, G. C. presiding. An outstanding part of the Conclave was the participation of Sir Knight Harold D. Ross, Most Worshipful Grand Master of Masons in Illinois throughout the entire Conclave, including his pre-

sentation of trophies to DeMolay and Jobs Daughters teams that participated in the Grand Commandery Review. Sir Knight Ross also delivered two addresses during the Conclave.

Other distinguished guests present besides Sir Knight Ross, Grand Master of Illinois, were Willard M. Avery, Dep. Comm., E. Cent. Dept., and the personal representative of Paul Miller Moore,

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Harold D. Ross, Grand Master of Illinois, Presenting Trophies at Conclave

Grand Master of the Grand Encampment; Sam Ferrell, Dep. Comm. S. Cent. Dept. Grand Encampment; Glenne R. McArthur, P. G. C., S. Dakota, Ch. Pat. Act. Comm., of G. Enc.; Louis F. Heger, P. G. C., of Mo., Ch. of Comm. on Ritualistic Matters of the G. Enc.; Dallas T. Alford, D. G. C. of Iowa; Norman J. Young, P. G. C. of Iowa; James J. S. Mitchell, P. G. C. Iowa; Russell D. Hufington, G. C. of Ind.; E. Creighton Wilcoxon, G. C. of Ky.; Stanley G. Wilson, G. C. of Mich.; Abner G. Sager, G. G. of Mich.; Ralph K. Parker, G. C. of Minn.; James Joyce, G. Rec. of Minn.; Victor G. Nowack, G. C. of Wis.; Irving L. Heller, P. G. C. of Wis.; Benjamin H. Hall, M. E. G. H. P., Grand Chapter of Ill.; C. Warren Mayer, M. Ill. G. M., G. C., of Ill.; and many other distinguished guests from the Grand Lodge, Grand Chapter, Grand Council, Scottish Rite, and Shrine.

George Wilber Bell, G. C. Gen. of the

Grand Encampment, was an active participant as one of the members of the Grand Commandery of Illinois.

The following teams placed as follows: Competitive Drilling: Inglewood, Austin, Peoria.

Exhibition Drilling; Int. Order of Jobs Daughters:

Bether 14—Chicago 1st.

Bethel 46—Harvey 2nd.

Bethel 106—Barrington 3rd.

Austin Chapter of DeMolay, Chicago, gave a very fine exhibition drill.

Inglewood Commandery also gave a very fine exhibition drill and its band played a concert and for the drills.

The Conclave approved a resolution endorsing the objectives of Masonic Youth Organizations and pledged fraternal, advisory, and financial co-operation and assistance. It also took action requiring a committee of three members to personally investigate each application for a demit or a suspension.

Illinois Knights Templar Honor Grand Commander at Reception

Alvin Louis Crump, newly-elected and installed as Grand Commander of Knights Templar of the State of Illinois, was signally honored by a splendid dinner and reception in the Asylum of his own Commandery, Evanston Temple, Evanston, Illinois, on Friday evening, September 14, 1962.

Following a delicious dinner served by the members of Evanston Chapter No. 919, Order of the Eastern Star, a program was presented, in which the honor was extolled in many facets. His many Masonic and civic activities were reviewed, and his plans for an active and zealous program for Knight Tem-

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plary in Illinois outlined.

George Wilbur Bell, Grand Captain General of the Grand Encampment, Knights Templar of the United States presented the many distinguished guests, and Sir Knight Donald Lapp, Past Grand Master of the Grand Council, Royal and Select Masters of Illinois presented the several distinguished Cryptic Masons who attended.

The address of welcome was given by the Commander of Evanston Commandery No. 58, Sir Knight John Anderson. Brother Gilbert Hambler was the Master of Ceremonies. Several fine

solos were given by Rose-Marie Krainik with Beverly Saunders at the organ.

This was a brilliant and heartwarming affair, and attended by almost all of the officers of the Grand Commandery, Grand Chapter and Grand Council, Scottish Rite, and many associate Masonic bodies. The M. W. Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of Illinois was represented by R. W. Brother Clarence P. Schwartz, Deputy Grand Master. Many others were in attendance, including M. W. Brother Walter S. Turnpugh, past Grand Master of York Grand Lodge, Mexico.

EAU CLAIRE IS HOST TO WISCONSIN'S 104TH ANNUAL CONCLAVE



Wisconsin Grand Commandery Officers

All constituent commanderies were represented at the 104th Annual Conclave of Wisconsin on June 15-16 with the exception of one. All Grand Commandery Officers, Trustees, and 16 of the 21 living P. G. C.'s were in attendance.

Wilbur M. Brucker, Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Encampment was the personal representative of Paul Miller Moore, Grand Master of the Grand Encampment, and his addresses at the

Grand Commandery banquet and during the session were features of the Conclave. Other distinguished guests present were Burton E. Fulmer, Grand Master of Masons in Wisc.; Merle E. Hutchins, G. H. P. of the Grand Chapter of R. A. M. of Wis.; Frank Roberts, G. M. of the Grand Council, R. & S. M. of Wis.; Robert V. Osborne, Dept. Com. of East Central Dept. of the Grand Encampment, as well as many others.

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A committee appointed two years prior for the purpose of compiling a digest of the Grand Commanders' decisions presented a very comprehensive compilation of the decisions from 1859 to the present date. A report of the committee was ordered printed and the committee discharged with the commendations of all the Sir Knights of Wisconsin.

All Sir Knights and their ladies were royally entertained during the entire Conclave and enjoyed the many activities including the Templar Review and Drill Pageant in Carson Park which was the concluding feature of the Conclave.

The following officers were elected to serve the Grand Commandery during the coming year: Victor George Nowack, G. C.; Van Willie Harrol, D. G. C.; Albert Rohrbach, G. G.; Robert Edward Billings, G. C. G.; Karl Austin Crane, G. S. W.; Willard Paul Matschke, G. J. W.; Marvin Alvin Baker, G. P.; Thomas Bowman Lyter, G. P.; Martin August Klingberg, G. T.; Earl Becker Bauer, G. R.; Melvin Gillison Rigg, G. S. B.; Earl Irvington Oftedahl, G. S. B.; Charles Roy Buller, G. W.; George Robert Hughey, G. C. G.

The One Hundred and Fifth Annual Conclave will be held in the City of Madison, June 20, 21, 22, 1963.

MINNESOTA TEMPLARS HOLD CONCLAVE AT BEMIDJI, JUNE 8-9

The 97th Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery of Minnesota was a most successful and profitable one for Templary in that State.

The following were elected to the Grand Commandery Line: Ralph K. Parker, G. C.; Elmer J. Hill, D. G. C.; William H. Spry, G. G.; Garret H. Sohle, G. C. G.; Fred L. Kalmen, G. S. W.; Arthur J. Peterson, G. J. W.; Charles F. Gould, G. P.; James Wampler, G. T.; James Joyce, G. R.; Armor

M. Mathisen, G. S. B.; Calvin C. Hall, G. S. B.; Lee Hargesheimer, G. W.; Garret W. Magee, G. C. G.; Joseph B. Smith, G. T. Em.; William R. VanHousen, G. R. Em.

The 98th Grand Commandery Conclave will be held at Fairmont on June 14, 1963.

The Grand Commandery of Minnesota was saddened by the death of its P. G. C. and Grand Treasurer, James Wampler's passing on June 20th.

Grand Officers of Michigan Participate in Knight Templar Day in Upper Peninsula

On Saturday, July 28, Lake Superior Commandery No. 30, Marquette, Michigan held their first Knight Templar Day. Beginning at 2:30 p. m. the Officers conferred the Orders of Red Cross and Malta on a group of candidates. A dinner for Sir Knights and candidates was served at 6:30. At 7:45 Stanley G. Wilson, G. C. John H. Loree, D. G. C. and Abner C. Sager, G. G. of the Grand Commandery of Michigan, were received in due form after which the Grand Commandery Officers, assisted by Officers of Lake Superior Commandery No. 30, Escanaba Commandery No. 47, Iron

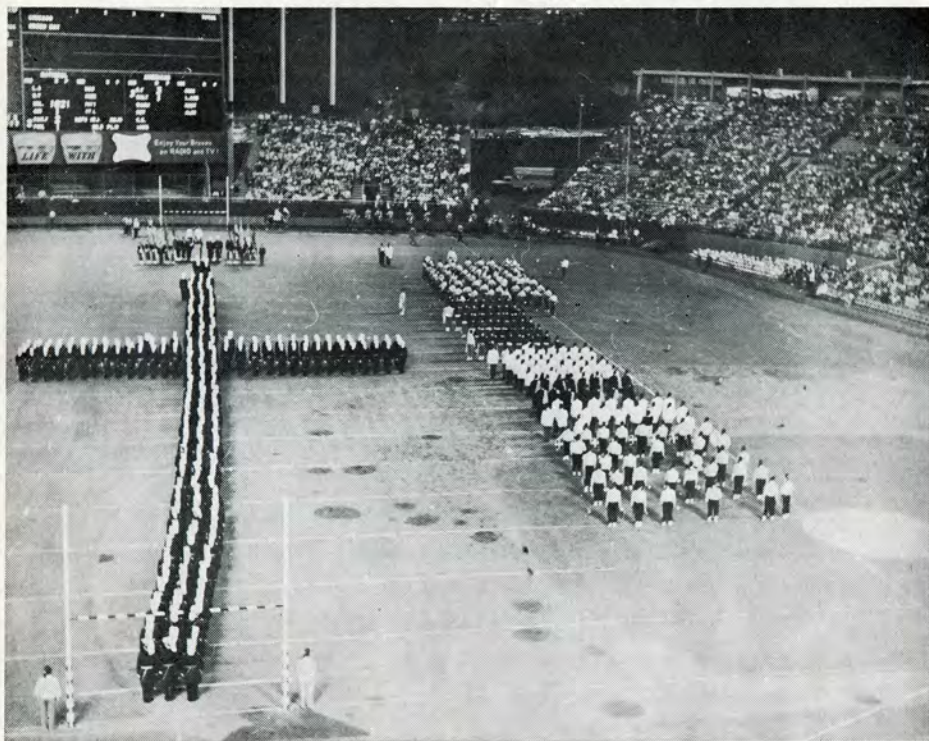
Mountain Commandery No. 57 and William R. Bigelow, P. C. of Howell Commandery No. 28 and Chairman of the Michigan Grand Commandery's Membership Committee conferred a very impressive Order of the Temple on 8 candidates.

This Conclave was considered very successful and others of its kind are being planned for Lake Superior Commandery.

Invitations had been mailed to all Upper Peninsula Commanderies and several visitors were present.

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KNIGHTS TEMPLAR PARTICIPATE IN PRE-GAME CEREMONIES AT MILWAUKEE COUNTY STADIUM.



We wish to thank Irving L. Heller, P. G. C., of Wis. for submitting the above picture, at which time a battalion of Knights Templar participated in the pre-game ceremonies at the 13th Annual Midwest Shrine Game sponsored by Tripoli Temple when the Green Bay Packers played the Chicago Bears in Milwaukee County Stadium on Saturday, August 25, 1962, which was preceded by a pageant of Shrine Units from Tripoli and Tebala Temples.

Approximately 46,200 were in attendance, including uniformed units and participants. All of the proceeds above the actual costs of the two football teams was divided equally between the Shriners hospitals for crippled children located in Chicago, Illinois, and Minneapolis, Minnesota.

**WORKSHOP MEETING HELD BY
GRAND COMMANDERY OF
CONNECTICUT**

On September 8, G. C. George H. Carter held a meeting of the Grand Commandery at Hotel Bond, Hartford, Connecticut at which time the Eminent Commanders of all of the Constituent Commanderies were invited, and most of them were in attendance.

Guy I. Robb, Dept. Comm. of the N.

Eastern Dept. of Grand Encampment and ten of the Grand Commandery Officers of Connecticut were present.

Department Commandèr Robb outlined the program of the Grand Encampment and the Grand Commander presented the plans of the Grand Commandery for the coming year. A very worthwhile discussion and exchange of ideas followed to make this a most successful meeting.

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"LENIN'S TEN COMMANDMENTS OF REVOLUTION"

1. Never reject terror on principle.
2. Salvation lies only along the road of International socialist revolution.
3. There are no morals in politics: There is only expediency.
4. Religion is the opiate of the people.
5. Let me teach the children, and the seed I have sown will never be uprooted.
6. Truth does not count unless it serves an end.
7. Our tactics: absolute distrust.
8. Regard all persons without sentiment.
9. Promises are like piecrusts: made to be broken.
10. Scheme . . . zigzag . . . retreat . . . anything to hasten the coming to power of Communism.

"GOD'S TEN COMMANDMENTS"

1. Thou shall have no other Gods before me.
2. Thou shall not make unto thee any graven image.
3. Thou shall not take the name of the Lord, thy God in vain.
4. Thou shall remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy.
5. Thou shall honor thy Father and Mother.
6. Thou shall not kill.
7. Thou shall not commit adultery.
8. Thou shall not steal.
9. Thou shall not bear false witness.
10. Thou shall not covet thy neighbors wife, or worldly goods.

"WHICH SHALL IT BE ? ? ? ? ?"

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