Charles B. Wolfertz, Department Commander,
North Atlantic Department of the Grand
Encampment, K. T. of U. S. A.
In editing the Knight Templar one of the problems has been that of obtaining representative news from ALL of the Jurisdictions within the Grand Encampment. In order to meet this problem various methods of approach have been considered. This issue of the Knight Templar is the first attempt at one of of those methods.

We are featuring the states of New Jersey, New York, and Pennsylvania, which make up the North Atlantic Department. This Department was chosen to be first in this series, due to the fact that the home of our Grand Master, Paul Miller Moore, is in Pennsylvania. We have two other Departments now working toward furnishing information for subsequent issues of the Knight Templar, and other Departments will be asked to do likewise.

Charles B. Wolfertz, P. G. C. of Pennsylvania and Department Commander of the North Atlantic Department, has co-operated whole-heartedly in this endeavor.

Our objective in this series of features will be to bring to the readers of the magazine ideas that are not entirely of local interest, but are general in nature. From the experience in getting out this issue of the magazine we find that most Jurisdictions have more to report than can be covered in our limited space. The reports submitted to me from New Jersey, New York, and Pennsylvania, have been greatly curtailed due to lack of space. Three or four major items of activity in Pennsylvania were completely omitted, and may be treated later as general articles in the Knight Templar. A very fine report was submitted by Warren H. Deck, G. C. G. of New York, relative to New York's Zone Schools of Instruction, setting forth the problems that were confronted and the solutions which are being formulated. It is our hope in the future that we may find space to publish this report as a separate article.

The only way that the Knight Templar can be a medium of information for Templary is for us to make changes and to meet changing conditions. We do not have a monopoly on how to do this. Write us from time to time with any ideas that you may have.

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Personalities and Activities in the North Atlantic Department--Pa., N.J. and N.Y.

Leaders In The Department


Sir Knight Paul Miller Moore is our leader not only in the North Atlantic Department but in the World. His accomplishments are many and have been set forth in this publication from time to time. Future policies and programs formulated by him will be printed as he may direct. This issue of the Knight Templar is devoted to those leaders in the Department that are serving under our Grand Master, Paul Miller Moore.

CHARLES B. WOLFERTZ, Dept. Com. of North Atlantic Department, K. T. of U.S.A.

(Picture of Sir Knight Wolfertz appears on the cover)

The three states in the North Atlantic Department are ably headed by Charles B. Wolfertz, 2718 Hamilton Street, Allentown, Pennsylvania, who is “the son of a Father who loved and lived Masonry.”

His wife, Irma, is a Deaconess ordained in the Reformed Church and ministering to the Magyar peoples in the Eastern part of the United States.

Sir Knight Wolfertz has served as an Elder of his church, President of the Board of Trustees, Assistant Superintendent of the Church School for 10 years, and Superintendent for 33 years. He is presently teaching the United Bible class and has just completed 45 years of perfect attendance in Sunday school.

In the business world he is associated with his brother in the firm of C. F. Wolfertz & Co., which are distributors of hardware and housewares.

He served as Grand Commander of Pennsylvania in 1946-47 and has been an active worker in all York Rite Masonry. One of his outstanding contributions is that of editing “The Crusader,” the publicity medium of Pennsylvania Templary. He has served on

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Grand Encampment Committees and at the present is a member of the Board of Directors of the 49th Triennial Conclave, Inc., of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Sir Knight Cottrell has worked and is working in all branches of York Rite Masonry in Pennsylvania. He was crowned in Philadelphia Priory No. 12 K. Y. C. H. in 1957 and was elected Prior in 1962. He was elected Viceroy of Philadelphia Council No. 8, Red Cross of Constantine in 1962. He is a member of the Scottish Rite and Shrine, and was a charter member of the Order of DeMolay in 1926. He has been a member of the Advisory Committee of Ardmore Chapter, Order of DeMolay since 1958.


Sir Knight Cottrell has served for 15 years as a deacon in the Presbyterian Church and has just completed 6 years as an elder in the church.

He is now employed as the senior cost analyst with the Philadelphia Electric Company in Philadelphia.

Besides serving as Grand Commander and in other activities as listed above, he is vice-chairman of the local committee of the 49th Triennial Conclave of the Grand Encampment K. T. of U. S. A.

Sir Knight Bryce is a native of the State of New York where he has resided all his life. He is the founder of the Bryce Funeral Home, and one of his sons is now associated with him in this business. Another son is an M. D. and is on the Colgate University staff.

Lowell H. Bryce, G. C. of N. Y.

Sir Knight Bryce has presided over all York Rite Bodies, is a Past Prior of Trinity Priory, Past Monarch of Iron Grotto, Past Potentate of Oriental Shrine, and has been active in work of the Grand Lodge. He is a member of the Royal Order of Scotland, Royal Order of Ireland, Red Cross of Constantine, Holy Royal Arch Knight Templar Priests, has been elevated to the 33rd Scottish Rite, and has many other Masonic honors.

He has also served his community in many civic activities, including that of being President of Bethesda Home Board, Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Y.M.C.A., President of Kiwanis Club, etc. His life has been devoted to Masonic and community activities.

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Robert L. Vannote was born in New Jersey, moved early with his family to Florida, but returned to his native state in 1923 where he has lived since that time. Since 1929 he has been associated with the New Jersey Agriculture Experiment Station in the employ of the Morris County Mosquito Extermination Commission as Superintendent, Secretary and Consultant. He is a Past President of the American Mosquito Control Association and is a member of the Entomological Society of America. He is the author of many publications and has served as a consultant in many State agencies. During the prewar and war years he served, part-time, as Assistant to the President of the Newark (N. J.) College of Engineering, Institutional Representative for the U. S. Office of Education, and Armed Services Representative.

He is a member of all of the York Rite Bodies where he has spent much time in work. He is also a member of the Red Cross of Constantine, Holy Royal Arch Knight Templar Priests, and of the Shrine.

Outstanding Activities and Plans

in the North Atlantic Department

Pennsylvania Templars Prepare For Forty-ninth Triennial Conclave

Responding to the address of welcome by the representative of the Mayor of the City of Philadelphia to the Sir Knights and ladies attending the 104th Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery of Pennsylvania, W. Pitt Gifford, P. G. C., stated:

"We have come from every part of this great Commonwealth—from the chimney corner of Pennsylvania on the shores of Lake Erie; from the steel capital of America in Pittsburgh; from the wine country; from the mountains and the fertile valleys—converging upon this great friendly metropolis of Pennsylvania, the City of Brotherly Love, the Cradle of Liberty; founded by William Penn, made famous by the life and works of Benjamin Franklin; the seat of the most historical shrine in America, Independence Hall, from which emanated those immortal documents which lie at the foundation of the Republic, the Declaration of Independence, and the Constitution of the United States.

Here were hammered out on the anvil of debate those great principles that have given us the American way of life. Here were the beginnings of constitutional government in America; and we are reminded anew that the preservation of those liberties is a fresh task for each uncom-
ing generation.

We have felt the warmth and cordiality of your hospitality even before your formal expression of it this morning. May I express to you, and through you to the City and citizens of Philadelphia, our last ing gratitude and appreciation for the goodwill and hospitality you have so lavishly extended to us.”

With this beautifully descriptive language, we are reminded of the natural resources, the diversity and achievements of industry in the jurisdiction in which will be staged the 49th Triennial Conclave of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States . . . and of the friendly city in which we will gather beginning on August 22nd and continuing through August 27th of 1964.

The Committee on Triennial Conclave of the Grand Encampment, together with the local committee, under the Chairmanship of George A. Williams, P. G.C., and the officials and citizens of the City of Philadelphia are making plans to make this one of the finest Triennial Conclaves in the history of the Grand Encampment.

The Grand Encampment has not met in Philadelphia since 1919, and all of the pent-up hospitality of the intervening years will burst upon the Sir Knights and ladies from every jurisdiction as they come to Philadelphia. Our finest hotels and motels have reserved more than 5,000 air-conditioned rooms for your comfort and pleasure while in the Quaker City.

An evening has been designated to enjoy entertainment in famed and beautiful Fairmount Park, in the open-air Starlit Natural Amphitheatre in Robin Hood Dell, the summer home of the musicians of the Philadelphia Orchestra.

You will visit Independence National Historical Park, in the heart of the City of Brotherly Love, in which is situated Independence Hall, the seat of the proprietary capitol of the Province until 1776, the capitol of the United Colonies until 1781, the capitol under the Articles of Confederation until 1789 and the capitol of the United States until 1800, and still the home of the cherished symbol of freedom, the Liberty Bell.

Valley Forge, that revered area where George Washington and his gallant men gave so much for liberty, will be visited during your stay at the “19th,” as well as numerous other historic spots in Philadelphia—Betsy Ross’s home where our Flag was created—Carpenters Hall—Congress Hall—and the restored homes of early America.

The cultural and scientific highlights of the City, in which you will be interested include the Philadelphia Art Gallery, the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts, the Rodin Museum, the Franklin Institute Science Museum, the Fels Planetarium, the Zoological Gardens and the new Aquarama.

A sail on the broad Delaware River, a visit to the Philadelphia Navy Yard and the port facilities are, likewise, on the entertainment program.

You will be royally entertained. We, in Pennsylvania feel that the 49th Triennial Conclave must and will be a fitting climax to the long and brilliant career of its own beloved Sir Knight, Paul Miller Moore, the Most Eminent Grand Master, and our committees are sparing no effort to make this vision a reality.

**New Jersey Honors Its Most Distinguished Knight Templar—C. Byron Lear, at Recent Festival**

The 100th Anniversary Conclave Committee of the Grand Commandery of New Jersey recently expressed the spirit of the Sir Knights of that Jurisdiction with the slogan, “Hats Off to the Past—Coats Off to the Future.” Among many activities of the Jurisdiction is that of sponsoring Field Days and Templar Festivals. The most recent of these festivals was held on Saturday, October 22, 1962, the 19th annual, when the first two Orders of Templary were conferred on a class of candidates representing each of the Commanderies stationed in New Jersey.

In recent years, it has become the

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The impressive conferral of these Orders left nothing to be desired and it was clearly evident that all who witnessed them were captivated by the sincerity of each member of the casts and, on candidates and members as well, the effect was the same.


The guest of honor was brought into the asylum behind the United States colors and beaulcakes of the Command-

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eries of New Jersey and the accompanying color guards, all in full Templar uniform. The colors and beacons formed the line through which Sir Knight Lear passed to be received by the Grand Commander, Robert L. Vannote.

Arthur P. Johnson, P. G. C., paid a glowing tribute to the Templar interest of Sir Knight Lear on both the State and National level for a period of forty years.

In more detail, George H. Riley, P. G. C., traced the Templar experiences of the guest of honor through all those years and, in fitting words, presented an illuminated scroll attesting to the love and affection held for Sir Knight Lear by the Grand Commandery of New Jersey.

In accepting the handsomely-framed memento, Sir Knight Lear observed that it was exactly forty years earlier in 1923 that he had attended the Grand Commandery for the first time to receive the charter granted at that time to Bethlehem Commandery No. 27, of Ridgewood, where he served as its first Eminent Commander. He urged the members of the class to assume more than a passing interest in the Christian Order with which they had become identified indicating that replacements in all Masonic bodies were sorely needed.

Enthusiasm and Templar interest was the keynote of the 19th Templar Festival and the large number in attendance attested to their continued interest in Templary and their high regard for the guest of honor.

Recent Templar Events in New York

REPORT OF LOWELL H. BRYCE, GRAND COMMANDER OF NEW YORK

The Grand Line Officers of the Grand Commandery have recommended to each of its Commanderies ways of promoting Templary, as well as gaining back those who have dropped by the wayside.

Of utmost importance in the overall picture is the need for sincere cooperation and concern between the Grand Line and all Sir Knights. Before this is possible, however, we recognize the need to get behind both Grand Lodge and Grand Chapter in order to strengthen and assist, for it is from this source that the Commandery must draw its membership.

From the Chapters we aim to draw a net gain of 150 members. This goal of 150, from June, 1962, to June, 1963, is an ambitious one. In order to spur us on, awards will be made to the Commanderies achieving the greatest gain, both numerically and percentage-wise. The award will be a beautiful new United States flag, plus free dinners for two Commanders and their wives from the winning units. The goal could be easily achieved if each unit increase is but 7% of its total membership.

In order to keep suspensions and denials to a minimum, we are endeavoring to place special emphasis upon personal contact in these cases by the unit Commander, the Recorder, and finally by the

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Our overall goals are:
- 1,000 LIFE SPONSORS.
- 1,000 TEMPLAR MAGAZINE SUB-

Scriptions.
A monthly letter sent to all Commanderies points up our aims and status quo and, I believe, creates interest among the Sir Knights.

ANNUAL PICNIC OF CENTRAL CITY COMMANDERY No. 25 OF SYRACUSE AT CAMP BROCKWAY STATE PARK.

This picnic is annually supported by other Commanderies of Zone 9, consisting of Salem Town, Auburn, Lake Ontario, Fulton, and Cortland.

NEW YORK CITY ASCENSION DAY SERVICE

On the third Sunday of May of each year, the Council Officers Association of the Metropolitan New York area hold their annual Ascension Day Service. This year the service was held at St. Bartholomew’s Episcopal Church, Park Avenue and 50th Street. The service is preceded by a short parade usually consisting of a large delegation of Sir Knights in uniform with non-uniformed Sir Knights wearing their Malta Crosses. The Grand Captain General of the Grand Commandery of New York is the Grand Marshall for this occasion, which has been held continuously for the last 33 years. Sir Knights from neighboring jurisdictions of New Jersey and Connecticut frequently attend this observance.

50-YEAR PINS PRESENTED TO MEMBERS OF HOLY CROSS COMMANDERY

Lowell H. Bryce, G. C., Chauncey C. Thayer (receiving 50-year pin), Frank Freemer (received 50 year pin), and Francis F. Barter, Commander.

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41 SIR KNIGHTS FROM ZONE 9 ATTENDED ARLINGTON EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE

This group was made up at Syracuse and was joined by other Sir Knights at Cortland.

LAKE ONTARIO COMMANDERY No. 32 OBSERVED 100th ANNIVERSARY

On Saturday, October 27th, Lake Ontario Commandery No. 32 observed its 100th Anniversary. The toastmaster for the evening was DeForest E. Phillips, who was Commander of the Commandery in 1916. A fine dinner, history of the Commandery, an address by Lowell H. Bryce, G. C., entertainment, and dancing were the features of the Anniversary Observance.

"WE NOTE IN REVIEW" —

In the Committee report, we note two interesting developments which will no doubt increase the usefulness of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation in Wisconsin. First, the Committee has enlisted as advisors three outstanding ophthalmologists of Wisconsin, who though not Masons or Templars, have given freely of their time and effort. Second, the Wisconsin Foundation (philanthropic) purchased a supply of very attractive decals and pressure sensitive transfers for display by the Sir Knights, as well as plaques for display in Masonic Temples and in ophthalmologists' offices, and envelopes carrying the same emblem for use by the Committee. We have seen these, and they are attractive.

50-YR. PINS PRESENTED BY GRAND COMMANDER ON DECEMBER 21, 1962

Left to right are: Neil R. Baker, G. J. W., William L. Cummings, P. C., Lowell H. Bryce, G. C., Em. Gustave, C., Frederick Field, Central City Comm., and George McCann, G. C. G.

BE'S IN YOUR BONNETS (Chapeaus)

BE enthusiastic—it's contagious.
BE informed—it pays to know.
BE energetic—it gets results.
BE friendly—it wins friends.
BE sincere—it begets respect.
BE faithful—it encourages others.
CEDRIC W. HEPNER, P. C.
Shamokin Comm. No. 77 (Pa.)

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Supt. of Gary Steel Works, U. S. Steel Corporation, Speaks at Grand Commandery of Indiana Meeting

A most inspiring and patriotic speech entitled "A New Crusade" was delivered by F. A. Dudderar at a recent meeting of the Grand Commandery Officers and distinguished guests. Mr. Dudderar revealed a warm feeling for Knights Templar when he volunteered the information that he was aided in completing his college education through the Educational Foundation of the Grand Commandery of West Virginia. Highlights of this most scholarly speech are as follows:

"History reveals that Templary has had a direct effect upon the preservation of a major portion of our American Way of Life."

"When the first Crusade was organized and Jerusalem subsequently wrested from the Saracens and the Holy Sepulchre restored to Christianity, the Knight Templars came into being to defend and protect the great hosts of pilgrims who visited the Holy City. These Knights were dedicated men who died protecting the principles of Freedom and Christian beliefs."

"Today, another Crusade needs defenders dedicated to the preservation of the American Way of Life and its competitive enterprise system. There are people who would remove the word 'profit' from our vocabulary. They would substitute the subtle soft-sell semantics of 'share the wealth'."

"As Americans, we need to raise our sights to one incontrovertible fact—that America is strong and on the move. We need to heed the advice so often given by our parents and help our nation count a few of its economic blessings."

"First, we have freedom. We have the freedom to choose our work, to stop or start, to quit and try another. The ignition key of our economic machine is profit. Without profit, no one would invest his savings to provide the tools of production. Without profit, industry can no longer adapt the fruits of research and improve our standard of living; develop new sources of raw materials. Some bias does exist in our country today against this freedom to receive a reasonable reward for money invested and goods and services produced. The employees of American business are in the end the real victims of a philosophy of squeezing profits."

"The ever prevalent view that one can get more and more at the expense of someone else, is a paradox. It is directly opposed to the principles of personal freedom and initiative that has made this country great as it is today. We cannot continue to "let the government do it and the taxpayer pay for it."

"With taxation on income already amounting to virtual confiscation in the highest brackets, it must logically follow that future growth of the tax load is going to be borne in the most part by the ordinary fellow—either through increases in his own income tax rates or through taxation, directly or indirectly, of consumer goods that he will pay as part of the price of those goods. There is simply no other place from which tax revenue can come. Americans must not

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forget that government has nothing to spend except the tax dollar taken from American workmen."

"When people talk about a 'permanent' or 'too-high' segment of unemployment, they are really talking about an inadequate supply of capital funds flowing into the job-creating productive sinews of this nation."

"When they speak of working a 32-hour work week, they apparently think that we can produce as much and be as useful to society at large as those willing to work 40 or 48 hours and who, of late, have much the same tools that we have. Are we that much better that our 32 hours are worth in dollars and cents three or four times the other fellow’s 40 hours? We can 32 hour ourselves into economic oblivion."

"It is no fun to be the highest paid, but most unemployed workman in the world. Speaking of 'Fair Share' or 'Sharing Wealth,' are we dividing it more—but enjoying it less?"

"To preserve the American Way, we need a host of economic, freedom loving Knight Templars, who like their predecessors stand up in defense of individual rights, and the integrity and dignity that is inherent in a free man."

"Will you join this New Crusade?"

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**Patriotic Activities for the New Year**

As we start this New Year of 1963, we need to be reminded of our allegiance to our great country. We should say with love—"I am an American" and "This is my country." These sentiments should be reflected throughout 1963 by the Patriotic Activities Committee programming in each and every Constituent Commandery of this Grand Encampment. Such programming may be within your Commandery or within your Community. You should indulge in both.

As a help to you, we list Important dates for 1963 below:

**New Year’s Day**, January 1st

**Lincoln’s Birthday**, February 12th

**Washington’s Birthday**, Feb. 22nd

**Americanism Week**, February 12-22

**Jefferson Day**, April 17th

**Freedom Day**, U.S.A., May 1st

**Armed Forces Day**, May 20th

**Memorial Day**, May 30th

**Flag Day**, June 14th

**Independence Day**, July 4th

**V-J Day**, August 14th

**Labor Day**, September 5th

**Constitution Day**, September 17th

**Columbus Day**, October 12th

**Veterans Day**, November 11th

**Thanksgiving Day**, November 24th

**Pearl Harbor Day**, December 7th

**Christmas Day**, December 25th

Programs are in order for these dates at your Conclave, on special call, or as a Community-wide venture.

Of course you continue to give the "Pledge of Allegiance" at the opening of each Conclave. Remember that our allegiance as Knights Templar is to "God and Country."

By your program "in action," each day you build the Image of Temporal.

**PATRIOTIC ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE**

**GLENNE R. McCARTHER, P.G.C.,**

**Chairman.**

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**IN MEMORIAM**

**Alabama**


**California**


**District of Columbia**


**Louisiana**


**Nebraska**


**South Dakota**


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Chief Surgeon of San Francisco Shriner’s Hospital Knighted in California Commandery No. 1

Dr. Edwin Richard Schottstaedt, Chief Surgeon of the San Francisco Unit of the Shrine Crippled Children’s Hospital, received the Orders of Knighthood in the Asylum of California Commandery No. 1 on Friday night, November 30, 1962.

The Eminent Commander, Ernest Tsang, and his proficient corps of officers conferred the impressive ceremonies, assisted by J. Clark Benson, Secretary of the Hospital Board of Governors and a Past Commander of California No. 1. Chairman Emeritus of the Board Ernest C. Hueter, Senior Past Potentate of Islam Temple and second oldest living Past Commander of the Commandery, was among the many in attendance.

Dr. Schottstaedt was joined in receiving his Order by a life long friend and fellow student of their prep schooling and internship, Dr. Vernon Clyde Harps, Jr., well known in medical circles and a past president of the local and state Medical Association.

In a fine fraternal gesture, a third participant was included in the ceremonies with the doctors. This was Alfred Angelo Bianchi who had petitioned and received his prior degrees and orders in San Francisco Commandery No. 41. Sir Knight Albert A. Hubner of that Commandery and his corps of officers, who met in the same Temple on the same night, performed the Knighting ceremony on Bianchi.

Doctors Schottstaedt and Harps planned to trod the hot sands of Shrinedom on December 15th and it was anticipated that Sir Knight Bianchi would join them.

"WE NOTE IN REVIEW"—

The California Educational Foundation for Christian Ministry in the year 1961-1962 was able to continue its program of (1) awarding six scholarships in each of five California accredited Divinity Schools, and (2) assisting the schools in their faculty salary budget. Support for this project amounts to one dollar per member member per year, and the work is considered so worth while that additional income is being promoted. The funds and program are under the direction of the Educational Foundation Committee, which conducts interviews each year at San Francisco and Los Angeles to determine which students may best be helped. This activity, which is both educational and religious, is in addition to a vigorous promotion of the Educational Foundation, which funds are more than two-thirds invested in student loans, and the small separate California Educational Foundation used for the same purposes. "Knight Templar" hopes to bring a feature article on this outstanding program at a later date.

A Prayer for Today

Our Heavenly Father, We thank Thee for another day in which we may make amends for our failures and meet the responsibilities of the new hour with fresh inspiration and courage. Give us the strength to take our stand on the side of truth and justice, of mercy and sacrifice in all of the righteous struggles of our day.

Impress upon those who hold authority over nations and peoples the truth that they brought nothing into this world and they will take nothing out of this world. And that beyond the appraisals of man regarding their use of authority, there will fall upon their record the searching light of Thy judgment, for, to rulers as to all, will come the twilight hour and darkness will close their day of life.

So teach us all to number our days that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom, which cometh from Thee. Amen.
K. T. Eye Foundation Receives $2,000.00 Donation From Atlanta, Ga., Shrine

W. Tom Bateman (left), Grand Commander of Georgia, receiving a check from Potentate Len DeFoor (right), on behalf of Yaarab Temple, A.A.O.N.M.S., Atlanta, in the amount of $2,000.00 to be used for the Knights Templar Eye Foundation. The presentation was made at the annual Feast of the Tabernacles on October 11, 1962, and was the first donation from Yaarab Temple for this worthy charity.

Sir Knight Bateman thanked the Shrine for its generous donation and stated that it would be used to "bring the blind by the way they know not, and to make darkness light before them." He emphasized that this is not simply a Grand Encampment project, but one that all Masons can take an active part in. Any person knowing of someone that is blind, or going blind, who might be helped by hospitalization and surgery, is urged to get in touch with a Knight Templar for information and assistance. Anyone can also have a share in the support of this program. While the Knights Templar Eye Foundation does not solicit outside contributions, any person, firm or organization may make a contribution, large or small, and it will be gladly received. An increasing number of persons choose at the time of the death of friends or loved ones to make memorial gifts to the Eye Foundation, and these are promptly acknowledged to the family.

Any Knights Templar may become "Life Sponsors" to this great cause by sending $30.00 to the Eye Foundation, taking credit for the same on his income tax, if he so desires. This $30.00 contribution relieves the member from the stated annual assessment.

"WE NOTE IN REVIEW"—

Maine has appointed a "tiger" as Chairman of the Membership Committee, Sir Knight Frank L. Bourke, Grand Captain General. He reports: (1) That committees have been appointed in all Commanderies, except those that need them most, (2) That a Plan of Action has been received and a method of approach has been adopted, (3) That the Committee was not selected to bring distinction to them but because of a proven record of personal effort, (4) That three area meetings will be held, to be followed by meetings with local committees, and preference will be given to the most sensitive situations, (5) That Commanderies are urged to appoint only men who are active, aggressive, and dedicated to the task, and that the Grand Commandery Committee will not hesitate to suggest changes where those appointed prove to be apathetic, indifferent or conspicuous by their absence, and (6) The Committee is motivated by and dedicated to the irrefutable premise that "what we do not do for ourselves today for the better, certainly time will take care of for the worse."—We salute you, Sir Knight Bourke, and remark that you are perfectly oriented, in our opinion, to accomplish pre-planning, program, and promotion at the Commandery level, which is the essence of the approach of Sir Knight Arch Dulmig and the Membership Committee of Grand Encampment.

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From Our Readers

Bert F. Kearney, Master of Montebello Lodge (California) No. 451 F. & A. M., has advised that "copy of the Knight Templar, official publication of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar, October 1962 issue" was included with other Masonic and affiliated bodies literature in the corner stone at the Corner Stone Laying of the George Schurr, Jr. High School Building on November 10th. More than 2,000 people and almost 1,000 Masons were in attendance on this occasion.

Max G. Coghill, Ch. of Pub. Rel. Com. of G. Com. of Oregon reports that Saturday evening, September 8th, was an outstanding evening at Ivanhoe Commandery, Eugene, Oregon, at which time Grand Commander Merle Wesley Frisbee installed the officers assisted by Roy E. Allen, P. G. C., and Inspector General.

The occasion was attended by representatives from the Order of Rainbow for Girls, White Shrine of Jerusalem, Order of Eastern Star, Social Order of Beauceant, Scottish Rite, Blue Lodge, Grand Council, and Grand Lodge.

Other Grand Commandery Officers as well as Eminent Commanders of visiting Subordinate Commanderies were present.

To Arch M. Dullig, P. G. C., Chairman Committee on Membership, K. T. of P. O. Box 840 U. S. A. Tyler, Texas

Dear Sir Knight Dullig:

All of the Constituent Commanderies of Tennessee have received the brochure on York Rite Festivals and there is evidence they are in use and successfully so. In fact, we of Tennessee suspect the Grand Encampment of adopting our proven program. (Of course, some other jurisdictions may have used this or a similar program before we did.) I know some of our Festivals have been working thirteen years and I believe one has been working fifteen years.

This year our Festival totals were not as good as some other years. However, various groups have had special class days and that with the monthly work should give us a good year.

We have six York Rite Associations in Tennessee that work in all four Bodies of the Rite. Through the year they lend assistance wherever needed and promote the Chapter, Council and Commandery. At the Festivals we stress good and impressive ritualistic work and "Good Fellowship." We feel the Festivals have been important in keeping Tennessee in the net gain group each year.

Courteously,

RUSSELL B. TANDY,
Chairman, Membership Committee Grand Commandery of Tennessee.

"WE NOTE IN REVIEW"—

The Grand Commandery of Wisconsin pays to the DeMolay Board of Governors the amount of five cents per member annually, for support of the work of DeMolay on the State level. The Executive Officer for DeMolay attends Grand Commandery and reports progress. In 1962 Exec W. O. Helwig reported an increase in membership and two new Chapters, and invited the Templars to join the DeMolays at their Conclave to be held at Camp Sandstone on Green Lake.

"WE NOTE IN REVIEW"—

Among the activities reported by Grand Commander Carroll C. Arnett (1961-1962) of Kansas: Taped a television interview; Filled the pulpit twice in churches other than his own; Commander in Order of the Temple for his Methodist District Superintendent; Addressed out-of-town community Father and Son banquet; Served with escort at Grand Lodge cornerstone laying for new post office; Attended Easter Services of his Commandery for the 20th consecutive year.

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Plan To Attend the Arlington Easter Sunrise Service, April 14, 1963

Where There's Smoke, There's Fire -

Or, where there's a substantial increase in readers of Knight Templar, there's fired-up leadership making effective Commandery contacts. We salute this month, for gains in three months as indicated, the following Grand Commanderies, and dedicate our editorial policy to adding fuel to their fire:

Utah .......................................................... 62% of quota
Kentucky .................................................. 44% of quota
Michigan ................................................... 36% of quota
Indiana ...................................................... 29% of quota
Wisconsin .................................................... 21% of quota
New Jersey ................................................ 19% of quota
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