

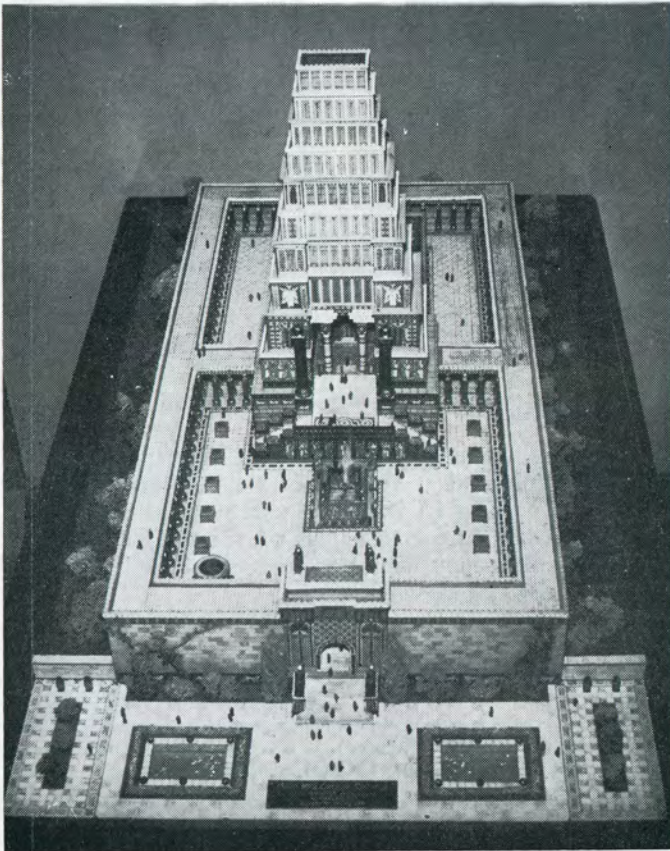


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A Message From the Grand Master - -



PAUL MILLER MOORE, Grand Master of the Grand Encampment

"We, The Knights Templar"

During this Triennium, the line officers have been stressing membership problems because we feel we must face facts. Declining membership is a problem. Whose problem? The Grand Commanderies? The Constituent or Subordinate Commanderies? The Grand Encampment? Who is Grand Encampment?

The Preamble of the Constitution of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar states:

"We, the Knights Templar of the United States, in order to secure unity and better government and to increase the prosperity and influence of templary, etc."

Therefore, Grand Encampment means you, me, and every Sir Knight; and we are charged with the duty of looking after the prosperity and welfare of Templary. Declining membership is a flagrant admission of the neglect of this duty. Negligence mars our character, as Templary requires faithfulness in all work. We are never shown maps with all the courses of our duties projected on them, but we are shown always the next duty. Our duties may seem hard and the door appears shut before us, preventing our progress. But when we quietly and with faith and determination move forward, the door opens. If we will it, we will find the way. The path of duty is never really an obstructed path.

If we move ahead, taking the step that lies full in the light, we carry the light forward too and it then shows us another step. We learn to know the way by walking in it. If we will not take the one step that is made clear, we cannot know the part of the way that is hidden in the shadow. By doing the duty that lies nearest, it will always bring us to the next duty. In doing, we will know.

Thus, if the duty set before us seems impossible, still let us begin the doing of it. Declining membership is a challenge. Lets accept the challenge, begin to work on it, and it will not be an insurmountable task.

PAUL M. MOORE, Grand Master

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What To See In Philadelphia While Attending The Forty-Ninth Triennial Conclave

(Last of a Series)

By CHARLES S. BAKER, JR., Secretary
Committee on Masonic Culture of the Grand Lodge, F. & A. M. of Penn.

EMBLEMATIC DESIGNS

Very curious are two emblematic designs. One is dated 1801. There is only one other like it in the World and that is in the collection of the Grand Lodge of England. This design shows the figure of a man formed out of the Signs and Emblems of the Lodge, the Sun is the head, Squares form the arms and so on. The legend underneath reads as follows:

"A FREE MAN"

"Form'd out of the materials of his Lodge
Behold a Master Mason rare
Whose Mystic, Portrait does declare
The Secrets of Free Masonry
Fair for all to read and see.
But few there are to whom they're known
Thos' they so plainly here are shown."

The other design bears the date, 1755. Under an elaborate emblematic picture of the legend:

"The mysteries that here are show
Are only to a Mason known."

In one corner of the Museum are portraits of all the Presidents of the United States who were Masons. They are the following: George Washington, John Tyler, Millard Fillmore, John Hancock (President of the Continental Congress) James K. Polk, James Buchanan, Franklin Pierce, James Monroe, Zachary Taylor, James A. Garfield, Andrew Jackson, William McKinley, Theodore Roosevelt, William H. Taft, Warren G. Harding, F. D. Roosevelt, Harry Truman. James Buchanan belonged to Lodge No. 43 Pennsylvania. Andrew Jackson was at one time Grand Master of Tennessee.

There are also numerous portraits of great men in their Masonic regalia, including Emperor William I and the Emperor Frederick of Germany; Oscar II,

"General Stor Maestare" or Grand Master of Sweden; King Edward of England, and many others.

A faded paper bears the oldest known American Lodge Notice which, oddly was a Masonic summons sent to Brother George Washington. It reads as follows:

"You are desired to meet the master and brethren of Lodge No. 39, Ancient York Masons, at their room at 7 o'clock this evening, by order of the master.

"August 28, 1786.

A large case standing in an alcove contains the Masonic Apron worn by George Washington. A brass plate on the case states that the apron was embroidered by Madame Lafayette and presented to Brother Washington by Brother Lafayette, 1784. Among the manuscripts is a copy of an address of the Grand Lodge to George Washington and the reply of Washington to this address. The last letter written by Washington is also on exhibition here. It is dated at Mount Vernon, December 13, 1799. Close by is an engraving showing the memorial services for Washington held in Zion Lutheran Church, December 27, 1799. The picture shows "Light Horse Harry" Lee delivering his famous oration.

SOLOMON'S TEMPLE

An ancient painting of the building of Solomon's Temple about 300 years old, hangs in this room. There is also a fine copy of an allegorical painting in the new Masonic Temple in Berlin. It represents Wisdom, Planning, Strength executing and Beauty adorning a structure.

One of the extremely old things in the museum is a fragment of a baked clay cylinder found in Bablon and giving an account of the restoration of the temple by Nebuchadnezzar about 600 B.C. Still older is a stone gavel found on the turf

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moors of Denmark and presented to Dr. Sachse by the Crown Prince of Denmark. This is supposed to be about 5000 years old.

A curious picture showing marks of great age and bearing Masonic Emblems represents a skull on an open book. The legend in French reads: "Souviens-to, O homme, que tu n'es que poussiere et que tu retourneras en poussiere," which means "Remember, O Man that thou art only dust and to dust thou shalt return." It is a grim picture and rather gruesome to the sensibilities of a life-valuing and life-loving age."

Among the jewels that should be mentioned is one worn by Jerome Bonaparte, brother of Napoleon. It bears the initials "J.B." and was worn when Jerome, after being made King of Westphalia, was installed as Grand Master of the Lodges of that Kingdom. The Jewel worn by the Emperor Frederick when he was made Grand Master of Prussia is here. Also a duplicate set of founder's Jewels issued by authority of the Grand Lodge of England and embracing all parts of the world even to India, China, and Africa. Also working tools used by King Edward of England when, as Master of all the Masons in England, he laid corner-stones.

A miniature of Robert Burns is highly valued. It is considered a good likeness. There is also a gavel from the Lodge to which he belonged, made of wood from John Knox's house.

MODEL OF KING SOLOMON'S TEMPLE (See Cover)

KING SOLOMON'S TEMPLE—Original Design and Model by John Wesley Kelchner, 1923, Restoration, Repainting, Decoration and Landscaping by Albert Wesley Hilt, 1950.

An amazingly exact description of the Temple has been carried down from the mists of antiquity by the Scriptures.

After many years of research this scale model was created. All lineal measurements, ornamental scheme and decorative technique of that period are rendered accurately.



CRUSADER'S CROSS



SOLID GOLD CARD OF INVITATION
TO PRESIDENT WM. McKINLEY WITH
LARGE DIAMOND FROM CALIFORNIA
COMMANDERY NO. 1 K.T.

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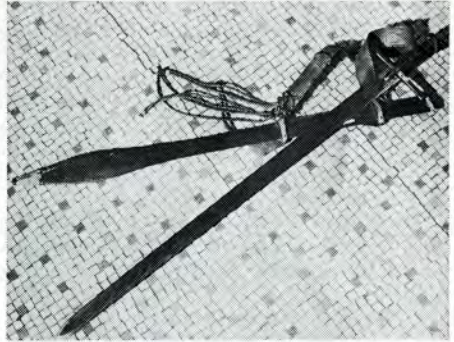
Here, in miniature, is the Temple as planned and begun by King Solomon.

In ancient times a cubit equalled the length of the arm from the elbow to the tip of the middle finger. It was customary for the Master of the work to use his own arm as a standard. Roman cubits were about 17 $\frac{2}{5}$ inches; that of the Hebrews 22 inches.

This model is scaled to the Hebrew cubit as recorded in 1 Kings; 2 Chron. On loan to the Masonic Temple of Philadelphia by A. J. Holman Company, a Philadelphia Bible Publisher from 1839.

13th Century Crusader's Sword, with its scabbard formerly owned by the Earl of Carlisle at Naworth Castle, England, who was a descendant of the "Howards" who lived in that part of England many

centuries donated by Richard Mayson, P.G.M., The Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan A.F. & A.M.



CRUSADER'S SWORD

York Rite Bodies Of Indiana Adopt Resolutions Approving Co-operation And Unification

For the first time in modern York Rite history in Indiana, the Grand Chapter, Grand Council and Grand Commandery met during the same month. Prior to this year, the Grand Chapter and Grand Commandery had a Fall meeting while the Grand Commandery annually met in May. Even more noteworthy is the action taken by these three Grand Bodies relative to their stand upon the question of co-operation and unification of the York Rite.

Resolutions were passed as follows:

COMMANDERY RESOLUTION:

WHEREAS, in order to strengthen the York Rite Membership, and,

WHEREAS, the membership of the Grand Commandery is dependent upon the Subordinate Chapters and Councils,

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Grand Commandery recommends the unification of the Three Grand Bodies under one governing body subject to similar action upon the part of the members of the Grand Chapter and Grand Council.

DATED this 8th day of May, 1964.

CHAPTER RESOLUTION

(Similar Resolution Adopted by Council)

Whereas: The time has come to do something concrete, definite and constructive upon a broad and lasting basis to close ranks and actually achieve

through unification, one great York Rite brotherhood which can and will work together under one York Rite banner;

And whereas: Certain progress has been made by the Indiana York Rite Association and individual efforts;

And whereas: The leaders of the York Rite feel that there is an urgency for stronger action by a unified and representative group, whose component parts shall be members of the Grand Chapter of Indiana, The Grand Council of Indiana, and the Grand Commandery of Indiana, committed to and empowered for definite and progressive planning and action;

And whereas: The Grand Commandery of Indiana, at its Grand Conclave on May 8th, 1964 presented and adopted a resolution of policy toward the strengthening of York Rite Masonry and the Grand Council of Indiana, at its Grand Assembly May 21st, 1964, also presented and adopted a resolution with similar aims toward strengthening York Rite Masonry.

Therefore be it resolved that the Grand Chapter R.A.M. of Indiana does declare itself in common consent with such a policy for unification and cooperation of the York Rite Grand Bodies of Indiana.

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Missouri York Rite Bodies Consolidate Activities

As a result of action culminating at the Grand Commandery Session of Missouri, the Grand Chapter, Grand Council, and Grand Commandery have appointed a full-time Grand Lecturer for all three Grand Bodies and have divided the state into seven York Rite sectional divisions, with the idea in mind of coordinating York Rite activities throughout the State.

York Rite Festivals are high on the list of organizational activities sponsored by the Bodies. A statement of policy follows:

"Missouri 1964-65

YORK RITE FESTIVALS"

"For the past several years the membership of the York Rite Bodies has steadily declined. Many studies have been made as to the cause of this decline and as to what measures could be taken to improve the situation.

The Grand Bodies of the York Rite in Missouri have decided on a plan they believe will improve the situation. This plan can easily be put into operation in most places in Missouri. In other places it may prove to be more difficult. Nothing can be gained by continuing as we have in the past and any change should be an improvement. With this thought in mind, the following plan is recommended and each constituent body of the York Rite is urged to cooperate and make every effort to put it into operation.

1. The State is divided into seven regions. Each region now has ten or more Chapters, two or more Councils and four or more Commanderies.

2. Each region shall have at least one Regional Deputy and one Line Officer from each of the York Rite bodies who will act as the executive committee for planning and putting on the Festivals. They should select one of their members as chairman.

3. The committee should contact the Grand Lecturer as soon as possible to set a date for their Festival. Efforts should be made to hold only one Festival in Missouri on any one date. This should enable more Grand Officers and visitors to attend each Festival.

4. The committee should select the casts for each degree and order as soon as possible and notify each body of its degree or order or each member of the cast of his particular part. Effort should be made to have each degree or order conferred by a constituent body in its entirety. No one such body should confer more than one degree or order. No one person should act in more than one part. No one body should confer two degrees or orders in succession.

5. When one body becomes proficient in the giving of any one of the degrees or orders, it is planned to have them shifted to another degree or order. This should be particularly helpful to the smaller bodies who find it hard to have enough ritualists to do all the work in all the degrees or orders.

6. Outside the East and West regions, it shall be the intention to hold each Festival in a different city.

7. The Regional Committee shall make an effort to pool the costumes within the regions, so that only the best of costumes shall be used. Efforts should be made to wear sandals instead of shoes and to have bare legs showing below the skirts of the costumes instead of pant legs.

8. Each member of each cast should wear appropriate makeup for his part.

9. Needless to say, the members of the cast should memorize their parts; reading from the Ritual will not be allowed.

10. Only one petition for the York Rite should be procured and one initiation fee should be paid. A prospective candidate should be asked to petition the York Rite and not the Chapter, Council or Commandery. After he has signed the petition, the initiation fees and the combined petition can be divided between the respective three bodies.

11. Each Festival should be made an important event. Photographs should be made of each class and the candidates extended every courtesy. Each particular body in each region should work to have a large attendance of members as well as candidates. Stories and pictures should be given to the newspapers. The

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words "York Rite" should always be used in describing the Festivals and the members.

12. It is not intended that all work be confined to the Festivals. Any constituent body may hold work within their own Temple, if they find it necessary to accommodate all their candidates. However, the Festival should always be the primary method of initiating candidates.

It should be borne in mind in all initiation plans and ceremonies, that the candidate is the important person

present. He is entitled to the best ceremony we are capable of putting on. These ceremonies are serious and all persons present should be warned to keep the proceedings dignified. No horse play or laughter should be indulged in. Conversation on the side lines distracts from the ceremony and interferes with hearing. Keep in mind that everything that is done and every word spoken is for the benefit of the candidate and not for the glorification of the cast or the entertainment of the side lines."

Knights Templar And The "Faith 7" School For Mentally Retarded Children, Shawnee, Oklahoma

By FREDERICK J. SMITH, G.S.W. and Correspondent From Oklahoma



"Presentation of Certificate"—Adults, left to right: Fred J. Smith, G.S.W., Grand Commandery, K.T. of Oklahoma; Mrs. Arnold Davis, Jr., teacher; Neal D. Leech, Commander; Allen Crowover, Gen.; Ed Kellogg; Fred Melton, Capt. Gen.; Mrs. V. E. Pearson and Mrs. Jerry Armstrong, teachers. The children are not identified, except the little girl on the extreme right is Dana Davis, daughter of Mrs. Davis.

When Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Davis, Jr., Shawnee, Oklahoma, were told that their first born child, Dana, was mentally retarded, they did not bewail their fate as many would have done. Instead, these young parents, Ann and Arnold,

decided that they had been entrusted with this special child because of some design on the Trestleboard of the Great Architect of the Universe. At that time Shawnee had no facilities for training, or teaching, the mentally retarded, and

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it seemed to Ann and Arnold that the establishment of such a school was the design they were to execute.

Under the leadership of these young parents, it was not long before the Shawnee School for Mentally Retarded Children was established. Arrangements were made for the School to use one of the World War II Barracks on the campus of Oklahoma Baptist University as a temporary home until such time as permanent quarters could be built. When it was announced that Sir Knight Leroy Gordon Cooper, a native of the Shawnee area, would make his orbital flight, plans were well underway for construction of the permanent school building.

Ann Davis wrote Sir Knight Cooper, requesting permission to name the new school the "Faith 7" School for Mentally Retarded Children in honor of his flight. This permission was granted, and as a part of the ceremonies of the "Gordon Cooper Homecoming Day" Sir Knight Cooper "broke" ground for the new building. In addition he donated framed copies of his picture and of his now

famous prayer to the School. The picture below shows Mrs. Ann Davis, Dana, and Sir Knight Cooper on the speakers stand at the Ground Breaking Ceremony.

In the new school building, the class rooms have been named for the original team of astronauts, the central hall for the late President Kennedy, and the reception room for Sir Knight Cooper. Cooper's picture and prayer will be displayed in the reception room.

When the School announced that their next project would be to obtain a bus for the children, and asked for contributions of "trading stamps," Sir Knight Cooper and his wife, Trudy, responded by donating several books of stamps. At present about one-half of the necessary stamps have been collected. Anyone desiring to aid a worthwhile project is urged to send stamps—singles or completed books—to the "Faith 7" School, Shawnee.

Realizing that no school is complete without a Flag of our Beloved Country, a member of Shawnee Commandery No. 36, K.T. of Oklahoma, wrote to Representative Tom Steed requesting his help in obtaining an American Flag which had been flown over the U. S. Capitol in Washington, D. C. In due time the flag, and a letter certifying that the flag had been flown over the Capitol, were received from Brother Steed.

On Monday afternoon, March 9, 1964, five members of Shawnee Commandery in full uniform, presented the flag to the "Faith 7" School. Knowing that the flag was to be presented, the teachers had spent countless hours teaching the "Pledge of Allegiance" to the students. While a blinding, late winter snow storm was raging outside, it was warm and cozy inside, and the Sir Knights in attendance were noticed wiping tears from their eyes as the children recited the "Pledge" to the flag.

The "Faith 7" School for Mentally Retarded Children is associated with both the State and Federal Mentally Retarded Agencies. At present there are approximately 25 students enrolled, ranging in age from 6 years to 36 years. Besides learning the basic A, B, C's, the students are taught trades, so they can



"Groundbreaking Ceremony Speakers Stand"—Pictured are: Dana Davis, Mrs. Arnold (Ann) Davis, Jr., Sir Knight Gordon Cooper.

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help support themselves. Material has been donate to the school for class room work, and for use in the workshop. Items made by the students are sold, locally, the student receiving a part of the purchase price, with the balance of the funds being put into the school funds to continue operations. Donations of canned fruit juices, scratch paper, quilt patches and material that can be used in sewing or manufacture of rag rugs would be welcomed by the school authorities.

Support for the new school, in the

forms outlined above, has come from many fronts. Most Shawnee residents have donated time, material or money to the school. The trade unions have helped by encouraging their members to donate their labor for specific jobs. We are proud to say that the individual Masons of Shawnee have been in the forefront of those making contributions to the School. In addition, the Shawnee Masonic Temple Association (of which Shawnee Commandery is a member) contributed \$1,000 to the School in the fall of 1963.

Texas Grand Commandery Conclave



Litt S. Perry

Litt S. Perry was elected Grand Commander of Texas Knights Templar at the 111th Conclave in Houston, April 10-15. A registration of nearly 2,000 set a new attendance record.

For a business man who "retired" several years ago, Perry is one of Abilene's busiest men. He was operator of a dental laboratory for 33 years in the West Texas city. He retired in order to devote full time to his church, community, and Masonic orders.

Among the many distinguished visitors who attended the Houston Conclave, were: Walter A. DeLamater, P.G.M., Grand Encampment and Executive Director of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation; Sam Ferrell, Dep. Com., South Central Department of the Grand Encampment, and Sir Knight John R. Collard, Jr., Grand Master of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Texas.

There were ten Past Grand Commanders of Texas in attendance during the four-day Conclave.

The Grand Commandery donated \$5,000.00 to the Home for the Aged Masons for the maintenance of the Knight Templar Hospital.

Membership as of Demember 31, 1963 was 30,357.—By Norman D'Olive, Correspondent, Texas.

IN MEMORIAM

Illinois

George William Martin, G.C., 1950—
May 10, 1964

Indiana

Hugh Elliott Mauzy, G.C., 1943—
May 7, 1964

Maryland

Robert Courtenay Jones, G.C., 1948—
April 24, 1964

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Recently Knighted Class In Evanston Commandery



Seated: Cleo F. Smith, Gen.; John E. Cook, Com.; Everett M. Farwell, C.G.
The above pictured class of candidates of Evanston Commandery (Illinois) made this Commandery the largest Commandery in the State.

The Commandery was created in 1886 and in 1944 had a membership of 199 Sir Knights. Since that time, it has consistently gained in membership each year and now has more than 700 members. Fifty-four were knighted during the present year.

The gain in membership is due in a great part to the activities of the North Shore York Rite Association, which has arranged for the Spring and Fall Festivals each year since 1952.

Standing in the front row, second from the right is Jim Mills, radio and television personality, who is instrumental in the production of the long playing record described below.

Long Playing Album To Dramatize Masonic History

Highlights of the Masonic history and their appendant bodies have been set to music for a long playing souvenir record album to be produced by Sir Knight Jim Mills, Evanston Commandery No. 58, K.T., Chicago television and radio broadcaster, for release in July by the Compass Record Company, 670 North Michigan Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Based upon more than a year of intensive research, under the direction of Masonic historian Alphonse Cerza, "The Story of Masons" will reveal a dramatic

profile of the fraternity from its early beginnings to the present day.

Illustrating the magnitude of Masonry, the courage and compassion of Knights Templar will be one of the impressive features of the LP.

Since Sir Knight Mills, who is the narrator, wants the music and story interpreted with the same dynamic impact as a Broadway production, professional performers, musicians and singers have been engaged for the stereophonic recording session.

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Photographs and illustrations of Masonic lodges and temples as well as costumed members of appendant bodies and associations will be reproduced on the album cover and the inside pages.

The center fold will graphically illustrate the structure of Masonry from entered apprentice up through the York Rite and Scottish Rite. It will also show significant Masonic associations.

According to Sir Knight Mills, "The

purpose of the LP is to stimulate interest in the Masonic order and their appendant bodies by clarifying their image through the dimension of music, voices and pictures."

Because of the early demand for the souvenir LP by many lodges and temples, it will be made available to Masons before it is released to the general public. However, it will be previewed nationally on radio and TV immediately after the recording session.

Omar Shrine (S. C.) Aids Eye Foundation

By HUGH N. LAYNE, Correspondent

"Inasmuch as you did it unto one of the least of these my brethren ye did it unto me."

The highlight of the Fifty-Seventh Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery of South Carolina occurred in mid-session when A. J. M. Wannamaker, at the close of a brief address presented through the Grand Commandery to the Eye Foundation a check for \$400.00 from Omar Shrine A.A.O.N.M.S.

Sir Knight Wannamaker, who has presided over the Grand Lodge of South Carolina as Grand Master and as head of the other three York Rite Grand Bodies, is presently Potentate of Omar Shrine Temple. The contribution brought by him reflects the recognition by this allied order of the outstanding work being done by the Knight Templar Eye Foundation, Incorporated. This recognition stands out more vividly in the light of the tremendous service being done by the Shrine in the many Hospitals for Crippled Children maintained by it. This Grand Commandery is acutely aware of the high compliment paid by this Shrine Temple in making the contribution.

Present and witnessing the presentation was John L. Crofts, Sr., Grand Generalissimo of the Grand Encampment whose pleasure over the incident was evident.

William M. White, Grand Commander, received the check on behalf of the Eye Foundation and with a few well chosen words expressed the sincere appreciation of the Grand Commandery for



A.J.M. Wannamaker presents check to William M. White on behalf of the Eye Foundation.

this recognition of the worthiness of our cause.

It is felt that the support of the cause of the Eye Foundation by this Shrine Temple (with its first obligation to the Hospitals for Crippled Children) should prove an inspiration to the constituent bodies within the jurisdiction and even throughout the Grand Encampment. Let us then be up and doing.

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East Central Department Holds Conference

An abbreviated session of the East Central Department Grand Officers and P.G.C.'s of the Grand Jurisdictions of Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, Missouri and Ohio was held on Sunday morning, May 10, at Muncie, Indiana, in connection with the Indiana Grand Commandery Conclave. A special invitation had been extended to those who would not normally have been attending the Conclave to attend the Ox Roast held on Friday night and participate in the Saturday activities which were highlighted by competition of 15 drill teams, street parade and closing banquet.

Twenty-three Grand Officers and P.G.C.'s from the five states attended the business session of the conference which was opened by a short message on the Ascension, given by D. DeVon

Hossler, Grand Prelate of the Grand Commandery of Indiana. The main topics discussed at the conference were the following:

1. Position of the Commandery in relation to the Blue Lodge and other Masonic Bodies.

2. Co-operation and/or consolidation of efforts of the York Rite Bodies.

3. Proposed ritualistic changes to be submitted for consideration at the Grand Encampment Conclave.

4. Proposed amendments to Constitution and By-Laws of the Grand Encampment to be considered at the Triennial.

A total of 45 Sir Knights and Ladies enjoyed a fine dinner at the Holiday Inn to conclude the conference.

Grand Commandery Of North Carolina Conclave

By ROBERT A. BRUCE, P.G.C., Correspondent

The eighty-fifth annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of North Carolina was convened in Greensboro, North Carolina on March 23rd, 1964, with a devine worship service being held the evening prior.

The attendance was excellent and the Grand Commandery was honored by the presence of many out of state visitors which included those appearing in the picture at the right: John Temple Rice, P.G.M., and Grand Recorder of the Grand Encampment and Charles H. Pugh.

The Sir Knights of North Carolina were delighted to have Sir Knight John Temple Rice visit again, as the personal representative of Sir Knight Paul Miller Moore, Most Eminent Grand Master of Knights Templar of U.S.A., and to receive his message.

One highlight of the Conclave was the report that the Grand Commandery had a net gain in membership for 1963 of 176. North Carolina has continued its march of increased membership, without a break, for over twenty years.



Left to right: William F. Clark, Most Excellent General Grand High Priest of the General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons; John Rice, P.G.M., Grand Recorder of the Grand Encampment; Charles H. Pugh, Dept. Commander of the Central Atlantic Dept. of the Grand Encampment; and Samuel A. Hennis, Jr., Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of North Carolina.

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From Our Readers

SIXTY-FIVE YEARS A KNIGHT TEMPLAR

Solomon Commandery of Oak Park, Illinois observed a most unusual event on May 4 in honoring its distinguished Knight Edward John Bullock on the 65th anniversary of his knighting. Honor was also paid to those with 25 and 50 years of membership.



Edward John Bullock

Alfred Emil Koch, G.C. as well as other distinguished guests, including Edward Albert Glad, who for more than 40 years has been associated with Sir Knight Bullock in Masonic affairs, participated in the recognition service.

Sir Knight Bullock responded with his usual eloquence and vigor in acknowledging the certificate of recognition presented to him.

Material submitted by W. G. Mateer.

Washington Commandery, Saratoga Springs, (N.Y.), is celebrating its 100th Anniversary at the Annual Zone 5 Ball on Saturday, September 19th.

This affair is open to all Masons and friends up to the capacity of the accommodations.

"TEMPLAR NIGHT AT THE POPS" was enjoyed by the Sir Knights of the Boston area on Tuesday, June 2. This annual affair is under the auspices of the Presiding Councils Club Knight Templar.

We wish to CONGRATULATE the Nobels of Naja Temple A.A.O.N.M.S. South Dakota on the first issue of Naja News. One of the feature articles in this issue advised of the Five Assemblies during the first half of the year by Black Hills Bodies of the York Rite. The picture of ten candidates recently created Knights Templar from Belle Fouché, also appeared as a group picture, in this issue.

25 YEARS AGO

On Wednesday, March 4th, 1964, at the Inspection of Narragansett Commandery No. 27, Westerly, Rhode Island, six Sir Knights were present who were present at the Inspection of Narragansett Commandery, twenty-five years ago on February 15, 1939:

Frank H. Wilson P.G.C. was the Inspecting Officer at that time.

The other Officers were: Frank W. Smith, Em. Commander, now a Past Commander and Chairman of the Membership Committee; C. DeLoss Maxson, was Generalissimo, now a Past Commander and Chairman of the Finance Committee; W. Porter Howxie, was Captain General, now a Past Commander serving as Musical Director; Donald W. Kenneth, was Senior Warden, now a Past Commander and serving as Recorder; G. Kenneth Howxie, was Junior Warden, now a Past Commander and serving on the Demit and Suspension Committee.

Can any other Commandery equal this after twenty-five years of Valient Service to TEMPLARY?—The TEMPLAR, Mass. and R.I., George A. Weeks, Editor.

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St. Omer Commandery No. 30, Litchfield, Illinois, has three Grand Line Officers; and two appointments serving Grand Bodies.

They are: Nelson Avery Adams, P.C., G. Master First Veil, Grand Royal Arch Chapter; John Alfred Johanson, P.C., Grand Stewart, Grand Council Royal & Select Masters; John William Wheeler, Jr., P.C., Grand Standard Bearer, Grand Commandery; Homer Wilbur Hendricks, Gen., District Deputy Grand High Priest, Grand Royal Arch Chapter; Robert Etris Griebel, P.C., District Deputy Grand Master, 94th District Grand Lodge, F. & A.M.

Maura K. Phillips, Recorder, St. Omer Commandery No. 30 K.T.

Soldier's National Cemetery, Gettysburg was the site of the annual Ascension Festival and Memorial Service of the Fifteenth and Sixteenth Divisions, Knights Templar of Pennsylvania on Sunday, April 26. This special observance has been held in the National Park for many years and not only commemorates the Ascension of our Lord but is also an occasion for Knight Templars to raise their prayers and praises in dedication of their own lives.

The parade to the cemetery was led by uniformed Templars on horseback, followed by the color guard and band of Gettysburg High School. Paul C. Rodenhauer, G.C. was in an open convertible as were the other Grand Officers. There were 75 Sir Knights in the parade through downtown Gettysburg to the cemetery.

The address was delivered by the Rev. Dr. Harold A. Dunkelberger, Grand Prelate of the Grand Commandery of Penna.

Presiding at the service was John P. Wildasin, Division Commander of Division No. 16.—**Harold S. Christman.**

KNIGHTS TEMPLAR MUST WEAR THE APRON WHEN CONFERRING THE DEGREES IN BLUE LODGES.

The above fact was recently called to our attention as a result of the picture of the Sir Knight in the May issue of the Knight Templar who recently con-

ferred the Master Mason Degree. The picture did not show the Sir Knights wearing the apron, and the story did not state whether the apron was or was not worn during the conferral of the degree.



John Given is shown presenting Cord and Jewel to his father Harold W. Given, G.C., of Oregon.

"Harold W. Given, Right Eminent Grand Commander, of Oregon, has several projects of interest, for the next year, but, one especially of interest to the Knight Templar Magazine. He will give a one year free subscription, to each Sir Knight, knighted during the next year and he hopes that over one hundred and fifty (150) will be knighted. He will talk on Knight Templar magazine at every conclave that he attends."—Max G. Cogill, Correspondent, Oregon.

FREEMASONS OF MANY NATIONS STAMP ALBUM

Realizing the need of an album for postage stamps that honor Freemasons of the world Gregory R. Lucy, president of the Masonic Stamp Club of Missouri and author of the historical stamp album FREEMASONRY IN THE MAKING OF A NATION, devoted three years to research, writing and page layout. The result is a truly outstanding work—FREEMASONS OF MANY NATIONS.

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Easter 1964

Onward Christian Soldiers

Easter Sunday Morning . . . March 29 . . . 7:10 a.m. with the brilliant rays of the rising sun streaking through the trees and over the hills of Arlington National Cemetery . . . the United States Marine Band stepped off to the music of our stirring marching hymn "Onward Christian Soldiers," leading the procession of 535 Uniformed Sir Knights into the Amphitheater for the 34th Annual Easter Sunrise Memorial Service sponsored by the Grand En-

campment of Knights Templar U. S. A. The capacity audience heard a thrilling Easter Sermon delivered by the R. E. Grand Prelate of the Grand Encampment, Rev. G. Mason Cochran, entitled "The Final Triumph."

The music of the Marine Band . . . its Soloist . . . the U. S. Army Chorus . . . the presence of the Grand Encampment Officers and the distinguished members of the Government . . . the placing of the Cross of Lilies at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldiers . . . the attendance of such a large delegation of Sir Knights representing all of the States on the Atlantic Seaboard . . . all blended together making another inspiring Easter Sunrise Service. Another great day for Templary . . . and may the Easter never come when this service ceases to be a Templar sponsored event. Harry L. Beach, P.G.C., Chairman.

"WE NOTE IN REVIEW"—

Grand Commander Hugh B. Shaw of Washington recommended that Records transmit information on members removing to another Commandery jurisdiction, in order to prevent losing contact. How reasonable! Your Church does it.

Templars Participate In Corner Stone Laying

By WYLIE B. WENDT, Kentucky Correspondent

Two hundred and fifty Knights Templar in full regalia formed the uniformed escort of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky, F. & A.M., at the ceremony of laying the corner stone of the new Masonic Temple in Newport, Kentucky, April 12th.

Seven commanderies were represented in the street parade, as follows: from Kentucky, Covington Commandery No. 7 and Newport Commandery No. 13; from Ohio, Cincinnati Commandery No. 3, Hanselmann Commandery No. 16, Cincinnati, Miami Commandery No. 22, Miamisburg, Hamilton Commandery No. 41 and Trinity Commandery No. 44, Norwood.

The corner stone was laid with due Masonic ceremony by Most Worshipful

(and Sir Knight) John E. Dawson, Grand Master of Masons in Kentucky, assisted by a full corps of Grand Lodge Officers. The principal speaker was Sir Knight Oscar Hesch, city manager of Newport, a member of Newport Commandery No. 13. The Grand Master is also a member of this commandery.

The parade was twelve city blocks in length and was one of the largest ever held in this northern Kentucky city, one of the oldest in the state.

All the craft lodges of Campbell County, together with Syrian Shrine Temple of Cincinnati and their band and a large number of the members of the Order of DeMolay marched in the parade, which was led by the large marching band of Newport High School.

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Nearly all persons admire the work of great singers or actors or writers or painters, but many seem to be unmindful, in their admiration or even envy, of the price which such persons pay.

The struggle for excellence in any field is unremitting because men have to fight to retain heights, just as they fight to scale them. The price of excellence is unremitting toil, constant self-control and a continual disdain of the shoddy. But the persons who have followed this road, whatever the medium in which they have worked may be, are rightly recognized as the best that our race can show.

They have not always been happy men and women in all their lives, for happiness is only one aspect of the good life, but the relevant fact is that they have had the vision of greatness, without which no moral progress is possible.—Elton Trueblood.

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