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# A Message From the Grand Master - -

## DRIVE VERSUS DRIFT



**Sir Knight Wilber M. Brucker**  
**The Most Eminent Grand Master**  
**Knights Templar, U.S.A.**

To “drive” is to make a vigorous effort to accomplish something.

To “drift” is to move aimlessly along the line of least resistance.

The early Christians were men with terrific drive. How else could their little band have revolutionized the powerful Roman Empire, and eventually spanned the globe? They were animated by boundless zeal. St. Paul and other missionaries knew no limits to their vigorous and concerted drive to carry the Christian Message. They counted no torture great enough to dissuade them. They chose death rather than renounce their faith. There were no “drifters” among them.

The Bible says: “As a man thinketh in his heart, so is he.” In modern language this means, as a man believes, so is he. Belief begets motivation, and motivation begets “drive.” If a man is sincerely motivated by a belief in God and in His Son, Jesus Christ, he simply cannot be a “drifter.”

We are living in the midst of the greatest luxury of all time. Men are sorely tempted to take luxury for granted. Why become concerned with anything of anybody? The slang expression: “So What?”—has become the deadly challenge of the day.

Every Knight Templar as well as every Commandery is constantly presented with the stark choice: to drive or to drift—which will it be? It’s so easy to take things for granted instead of facing up to the hard choices that require decision and action. It’s not always popular to insist upon carrying out a Templar program that requires time, effort, and attention. It’s much more comfortable to spend an evening with television than to respond to the call of duty. Why should we concern ourselves about enlisting candidates, or reaching our quota of Life Sponsors, or obtaining a few more subscribers for the *Knight Templar Magazine*, or helping to exemplify the Orders of Knighthood, or becoming a member of a drill team? The answer must be given “loud and clear”—Templary must always march on the feet of devoted Christian warriors—and Templary could fail just as other human institutions have done, if our Commanderies are allowed to drift.

Templary has the greatest incentive in history—the spur of the Christian faith. Knights Templar are motivated by a sincere belief in God—that we are put on earth for a purpose—some mission to perform—something worthwhile to make out of our lives—something we can do to help the lives of others. Templary is motivated by dynamic Christian zeal that insists upon our being personally concerned about our fellowmen. Knights Templar simply must rally to the call of high duty! Let’s drive and not drift!

WILBER M. BRUCKER, *Grand Master*

# IT MEANS MORE WHEN IT COMES CLOSE TO HOME!

## THE KNIGHT TEMPLAR EYE FOUNDATION, INC., HUMANITARIAN IN DEED AS WELL AS WORD

Sir Knight Bob Foster, Kankakee, Illinois, has a new and keener appreciation of the purpose and value of the Knight Templar Eye Foundation as the result of an experience that started one year ago in New York City.

"Last March," writes Bob, "while Patrick (the Fosters' 20-month-old son) was a patient at Columbia-Presbyterian Hospital in New York City, we expressed a need for financial help. At the admitting office a phone call was made to Rhinebeck, New York, and a personal interview by Mr. Paul Dinda in New York City. Help was available instantly. I might also add that Mr. Dinda kept in contact with my wife as to Patrick's condition and was a great morale booster.

"Last November 12, we again were at the hospital for a check-up and were informed that the

tumors, which we received your help with in March, had again started to grow and spread. Again, a phone call from the admitting office provided us with help—this time not to save his sight, but his life."

Sir Knight Foster says that Patrick is adjusting well to his new world of darkness and, as he says, "sees more than the other children with perfect sight."

Probably the quote most significant to those Knights Templar who have not yet become Patrons, Associate Patrons, or Life Sponsors is this paragraph from Sir Knight Foster's letter: "It is gratifying to know that there are people in the world who do care. Being a Sir Knight for several years, the Eye Foundation never really meant much to me. However, when the need did arise, you were there."

### Past Grand Master Walter A. DeLamater Visits Texas and Louisiana

February was a short month by the calendar, but a long and busy month for the Executive Director of the Knight Templar Eye Foundation, Inc. First stop on his February tour was Houston for a visit to the Grand Chapter of the Order of Eastern Star of Texas.

General DeLamater occupied a place of honor at the formal banquet then, at the Workshop of the Grand Chapter, spoke on the Foundation and commended the Chapter on their all-out support, noting that several thousands of dollars had been given, with still greater amounts in the offing.

While in Houston, the Executive Director attended the Conclave of Park Place Commandery No. 106.

At the conclusion of the evening, two DeMolay boys from the South Texas area Order of DeMolay presented him with a \$100.00 check for the Knight Templar Eye Foundation, Inc.

Another stop on the February mission was New Orleans, where General DeLamater learned of the unique method Ivanhoe Commandery No. 19 uses to obtain Life Sponsors. This Commandery took sufficient funds from their treasury to cover 243 Life Sponsors, one for each member—with reimbursement expected from the membership.

Sir Knight DeLamater presented Life Sponsor Certificates to all members present, acknowledged

the efforts of the entire Commandery and extended the greetings and special appreciation of the Most Eminent Grand Master, Sir Knight Wilber M. Brucker.

The Executive Director notes that "the Grand Chapter of the O.E.S. of Louisiana are also be-

ginning an intensive campaign to raise funds for the Knight Templar Eye Foundation, Inc. Barney Mulhern, Past Grand Commander of Louisiana, will be the chairman. The Grand Chapter of the O.E.S. will be more and more active in assisting and publicizing our Great Humanitarian Charity."

## THE EYE FOUNDATION SCOREBOARD

### Patrons, Associate Patrons, and Life Sponsors

As of March 20, 1967

	†	‡	*		†	‡	*
Alabama .....	18	5	495	North Dakota ....			30
Alaska .....	2		26	Ohio .....	14	8	725
Arizona .....	6	1	143	Oklahoma .....	3	2	156
Arkansas .....	6		134	Oregon .....	3	4	150
California .....	12	4	1,039	Pennsylvania ....	5	5	566
Colorado .....	3	1	182	South Carolina...			49
Connecticut .....	3	6	358	South Dakota ....	1	1	65
Delaware .....			32	Tennessee .....	45	10	504
Dist of Columbia	3	1	273	Texas .....	45	29	2,690
Florida .....	20	10	451	Utah .....	1	1	94
Georgia .....	12	3	495	Vermont .....		1	65
Hawaii .....			44	Virginia .....	12	4	451
Idaho .....	1		74	Washington .....	4	2	150
Illinois .....	3	2	335	West Virginia ...	11	1	204
Indiana .....	7	6	224	Wisconsin .....	2	5	328
Iowa .....	2	1	165	Wyoming .....	11	4	55
Kansas .....	6	3	215	Canal Zone .....		1	33
Kentucky .....	9	3	371	Germany .....	3		12
Louisiana .....	2		313	Guam .....	1		19
Maine .....	5		103	Japan .....	1		38
Maryland .....	11	8	485	Mexico .....			4
Mass. & R. I. ....	50	3	797	Okinawa .....			30
Michigan .....	5	8	1,068	Philippines .....			3
Minnesota .....	3	1	52	Saudi Arabia ...	14	1	118
Mississippi .....	36	6	225	Scotland .....			2
Missouri .....	12	4	278	Libya .....	1		
Montana .....	6	1	125	Canada .....			1
Nebraska .....			56				
Nevada .....	7	2	86				
New Hampshire.	3	2	66	TOTALS .....	473	191	16,649
New Jersey .....	6	10	223				
New Mexico .....	6	5	114	† PATRONS			
New York .....	22	6	806	‡ ASSOCIATE PATRONS			
North Carolina...	9	1	254	* LIFE SPONSORS			

## Examples of Knight Templar Eye Foundation Life Sponsorship Promotion

The successful promotion of the Life Sponsorship program has been accomplished because of the recognized value of the program and dedicated work of many Sir Knights. The following are some plans and ideas followed in various localities:

York Eye Sponsorship Club (YES Club) originated by George E. Petrit, 6305 South Federal Highway, Fort Pierce, Florida 33450, resulted in all of the Sir Knights of his Commandery becoming Life Sponsors. Sir Knight Petrie will be glad to relate this splendid story to any interested Sir Knight.

Many local York Rite bulletins have used a page of their bulletin from time to time for printing an application for Life Sponsorship.

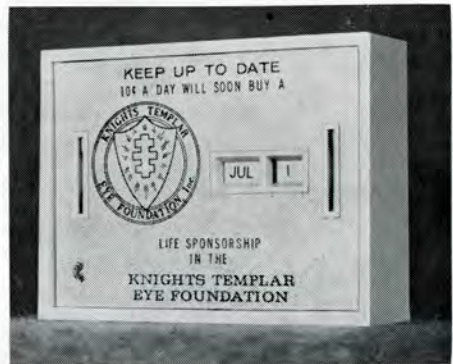
"We have received a letter from Walter A. DeLamater, Executive Director of the Knight Templar Eye Foundation, Inc., confirming a \$500 Patron certificate from the Providence Royal Arch Chapter No. 1, Providence, Rhode Island. Congratulations to our Companions in Rhode Island.

"Joan Castle of Lawrence Welk's band will be the feature attraction at a musical program sponsored by Natick Commandery No. 33, K.T., for our Knight Templar Eye Foundation. The musical will be held Sunday, April 16, 1967, with a matinee at 2:15 p.m. and an evening performance at 7:00 p.m."

—From *The Templar*, G.C. of Mass. & R. I., February, 1967

The York Rite page in the *Masonic Messenger*, official publication of the Grand Lodge of Georgia, F. & A.M., for February featured an explanation of the work of the Foundation and included an application for Life Sponsorship.

The Grand Commandery of Tennessee, through the work of Thomas M. Coleman, G.C., has sponsored a small savings bank idea and has purchased 300 banks at a cost of \$1.60 each for distribution throughout the state. Sir Knight Coleman says: "We sell them to the Commanderies, who in turn sell them to members and the idea is for the member to sell it back



### Eye Foundation Bank

to the Commandery for resale to another member. We not only expect to keep them in circulation, but hope that we may have to order more. We think this idea will be the means of selling more Life Sponsorships."

By courtesy of Sir Knight Coleman any Commandery wishing the banks may contact the manufacturer, M. A. Gerett, Inc., Menomonee Falls, Wisconsin 53051.

**Become a Life Sponsor NOW**  
by Using the Following Application

*Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc*

P. O. BOX 191, RHINEBECK, NEW YORK

Date ..... 19....

**APPLICATION FOR LIFE SPONSOR**

To the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc.:

I hereby apply for Life Sponsor Certificate in the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc., and attach hereto my check in the sum of Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) in payment thereof.

I am a member in good standing in

..... Commandery, K. T., No. ....

Located at .....  
(town) (state)

I understand that this payment for Life Sponsor Certificate will exempt my Grand Commandery and thus myself from any further assessment to the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc., and that it is tax deductible as per ruling Collector Internal Revenue.

.....  
(signature)

.....  
(name printed)

.....  
(no. and street)

.....  
(town and state)

.....  
(zip code)

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**THIS SPACE FOR USE ONLY BY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR EYE FOUNDATION, Inc.**

Received ..... Amount ..... Check Deposited .....

Receipt Mailed Applicant ..... Card Mailed .....

Receipts to Gnd. Rec. .... Life Sponsor No. ....

## Medicare And The Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc.

Many inquiries are being made concerning the effect of the U. S. Government Medicare Program on the policies and operations of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc. Under what circumstances and to what extent will the Foundation assist persons sixty-five years of age or more, who are covered by Medicare?

The general procedure for assistance to applicants covered by Medicare is as follows:

1. **SURGERY:** For one covered by the medical part of the Medicare Program, who also meets our eligibility requirements, the Foundation will pay the first \$50.00, plus 20% of the remainder of costs for the services rendered. However, the total amount granted for any particular surgical procedure SHALL NOT EXCEED the amount that would be authorized for a person not covered by Medicare.
2. **HOSPITALIZATION:** Within the limitation just stated, the Knights Templar Eye Foundation will pay the first \$40.00 for hospitalization plus 20% of the remainder of the bill. Medicare is responsible for the other 80%.
3. **GLASSES, PROSTHESIS AND CONTACT LENSES:** Inasmuch as Medicare does not cover costs of glasses, prosthesis, or contact lenses, the Foundation will pay for these items following necessary surgery, when they are considered as part of the surgery and requested by the doctor. The amount allowed will be in ac-

cordance with our fee schedule.

It must be remembered that Medicare assistance applies only to persons sixty-five years of age or older. In some instances persons are old enough to qualify for such assistance, but because they have failed to register cannot receive it until they have been registered for a period of six months. Such cases are few, but they do exist and must be considered. In such situations, the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc., will give the needed assistance based on its usual fee schedule for surgery and hospitalization, provided, of course, that the applicant conforms to the financial eligibility requirements.

Since more than fifty percent of all applications for assistance have come from individuals over sixty-five years of age, the Medicare Program releases some of the funds of the Foundation for assistance to a steadily growing number of children with cross eyes (allowed up to sixteen years of age), as well as other surgery for persons in every age bracket.

The Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc., is aware that in many localities the Medicare allowance for services of the Ophthalmologist exceeds those allowed by the Foundation. No set Medicare surgery fee schedule has been put into effect to date. Sections of the country have determined their own fee allowance, in range groupings, according to what the area considers "fair and reasonable" amounts. Due to these circumstances, the Knights Templar Eye Foundation,

Inc., has adopted the procedures herein outlined.

The progress that our Foundation has made can be seen in the outstanding results in the better than 11,000 cases processed to date. A most favorable image,

both within the United States and in foreign lands, has been created. The future is certain to enlarge this image, and bring to more and more people the answer to their prayers for "Light in a dark world."

**KNIGHT TEMPLAR EYE FOUNDATION, INC.**  
30 East Market Street  
Rhinebeck, N. Y. 12572

## To the Knight Templar Eye Foundation, Inc.:

**This little sonnet sincerely dictates my hearty wishes for the fraternity and success for the good plans relate.**

We only get out of life what we put into it each day of the year,  
The Knights Templar doing their best with constructive help and good cheer.

With a cheerful disposition and a smile to all we contact and meet,  
Will give us personal satisfaction and the one we meet a great treat.  
As each little seed of goodness produces a hundred fold when ripe  
So does good kind deeds and acts of good health and happiness provide  
For the city of happiness is located in the state of mind  
Created with the individual thoughts and acts in kind  
It is very good to help all in need, it gives personal service complete.  
Success of man is the will of God, but man must work, no responsibility shirk,

Incentive and vision will help improve every condition.  
Good health, joy, happiness, success, and peace of mind galore.

Yours respectfully and fraternally,  
HENRY KNAUST

Your 90 year old friend. Feels good to have my good sight and no false teeth, for which I thank God daily.

**(The above was recently sent to Walter A. DeLamater, Executive Director of the Knight Templar Eye Foundation, Inc.)**

### GOLDEN TRIENNIAL ROOM RESERVATIONS

Reservations for rooms for the Golden Triennial Conclave are mounting daily. As of March 21, the reservation total stood at:  
1,391

The Grand Encampment Housing Committee is ready to assist you with your reservations. Write:  
**REX R. BRUBAKER**  
Chairman Triennial Committee  
Masonic Temple  
500 Temple Avenue, Box 100  
Detroit, Michigan 48201



# Resurrection Splendor Brings Eternal Hope

SERMON DELIVERED AT ARLINGTON SUNRISE SERVICE

MARCH 26, 1967

By Dr. Howard R. Towne, Grand Prelate of the Grand Encampment

*"Blessed be God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to his abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead."*

—I PETER 1:3

Once again, the march of time has brought us to Easter, Heaven's spring-time greeting and the queen of the four seasons. Easter, however, is more than an event in the cycle of the seasons. Easter is God's glory day. For it is the day that death died. It is the day which marks the resurrection of God's beloved Son from the grave. This day in human history has an eternal message for us. And what is that message? "Christ is risen!" What momentous words those are. Those three words form the cornerstone of our christian faith. Everything about Christianity depends upon that fact. They are the heart of the world's greatest miracle story. Everything today—birds, bells, choirs, congregations, and spring-time itself seems to sound them forth like a trumpet blast. Those words put a blazing sun in the sky for us who believe, and open before us vistas of triumph, that are beyond the widest imaginations of men. "Christ the Lord is risen today, Alleluia!"

Easter began with the most momentous morning that ever dawned upon this earth. There was a radiance in the crimson light of that morning that the world had never known before. We have heard the narrative so often in song and sermon that there seems no virtue in merely repeating it. However, our repetition of it through the years sometimes makes us forget that its stupendous happenings were earthshaking, hope-reviving



DR. TOWNE

and joy instilling to those who were a part of them. Nothing like this had ever taken place in human history. From that day forward the currents of life flowed into new channels because of this earthshaking event. From that day forward human life was strangely new and different because God's Son, through his resurrection, had set the seal of victory and glory upon every work that He had done here upon the earth.

Now to have a proper understanding of the Easter Event it must be interwoven with the heart-rending events that led up to this momentous moment. We do wrong to isolate Easter as a particular incident or island. It is part of the whole life of Christ, and certainly cannot be disassociated from the events of passion week and the Cross. Without the Cross Easter could not have been. Without

Easter the Cross would not have been. God saw beyond the tragedy of Golgotha, but like a stormy midnight sky its reality is ever present.

Consequently, in our observance of Easter we do well to look back through the open tomb at the Cross. Our sin nailed Jesus Christ to that Cross and unless we see the death of Jesus through the open tomb it is the most ignominious of all man's crimes. The resurrection of Christ gives us a triumphant cross. There our sin was dealt with; there death with all its powers was vanquished and we have life in Christ.

Death came to Christ when He was only thirty-three. Yet his mission was finished. He came to bring justification, deliverance and eternal life to all who accept him as Saviour. When they crucified him his work of salvation was done. He said himself, "It is finished."

For three hours he agonized on the Cross while his pulse wavered. Then his tired heart gave out. He was dead. They did not even take the trouble to break his legs, for it was plain to see that he was dead. Those hands, so gentle, would never bless again. This One who had unstopped the ears of the deaf, loosened the tongues of the dumb, and opened the eyes of the blind, had proved seemingly helpless before the brutal hands of Roman might.

His despairing disciples buried him in a massive rock-hewn sepulcher, and closed the tomb with a huge stone door. Then they stumbled blindly down the hill, utterly crushed, beaten, and in their faces was the stark, dreadful look of hopeless despair. All the marvelous things that he had done had been suddenly swept over the wat-

erfall in the reality of his dying. To those hopeless disciples it was more than heart-shattering bereavement—it was the destruction of their dreams, of their ambitions, of their christian certainties. All things which they had believed had been overturned and life was bitter in their mouths.

Friends, the events of that black Friday find a startling parallel in our day. Things in which some of us believed have been overturned; ideals for which some of us lived have been tossed into the wastebasket of man's inhumanity to man; brotherhood has been blasted by a thousand rolling tanks, screaming planes and chattering guns. Into such a time the bells of Easter chime with special significance to proclaim a new message of hope. Life is still promising because Easter is real and abiding.

For on the third day, after that horrible Friday, and that desperate Saturday, something wonderful happened! The empty tomb took its place in history. Early rising women came to the rock-hewn sepulcher and found the ponderous stone rolled away and no signs of the dead Jesus. They found instead a shining messenger with a word for them and all mankind. "He whom you seek is not here, He is risen," as he said, "Come see the place where the Lord lay." The vivified body of Christ had moved out of his wrapping and left them, like a chrysalis abandoned by a butterfly. The risen Christ had changed the bitter cup of death and dust into a golden chalice of life and light. He had turned the sepulcher into a shrine of angels.

In a certain novel, some time back, a character remarked: "His-

tory is just news from a graveyard." Well, that is exactly what Easter is, "Good news from a graveyard. Good news for the thousands buried here at Arlington. Good news for America's Unknown Soldier who rests under the epitaph, 'Here lies in honored glory a soldier known only to God.'"

Good news for the countless millions who have died through the ages. Bereaved ones everywhere today can lift their tear-filled eyes from the grave to the stars and be comforted, for Christ said, "Because I live, ye shall live also." The miracle of the resurrection has meant the healing of a multitude of broken hearts. I think our Comrade Christ would like us to put that first, as He did. You remember, Mary Magdalene came first to the garden that misty dawn, to show her Lord's poor broken body some last tokens of love. She found the tomb empty and thought in her heart-broken fashion that the body had been stolen. Suddenly, through her tear-blinded eyes she saw One approach, who she thought, was the gardener. So she cried, "Where have you laid Him?" The single word, "Mary," was the eloquent reply. Christ had spoken her name and all of heaven was in it. With sobs and laughter mingled, she answered only one word, "Master," and all of earth was in it. Thus, the rains were over and gone and time of the singing of birds had come in the heart of Mary. She came into the garden weeping, and went out rejoicing in the glory of the first Easter.

Another broken heart was healing, some hours later. Peter, notwithstanding all his boastings had denied Christ openly. Since that

unhappy hour, shame had been eating at his heart. If only he could have the opportunity to ask forgiveness, and prove his repentance. But now it was too late. His beloved Lord was dead. Then, somewhere on that first Easter, in a place too hallowed to be named, Jesus came to him, and with words too sacred to be repeated, our living Lord gave him the assurance of forgiveness. Later, with radiant face, he shouted to the disciples: "I have seen Him, I have seen Him." In such a blessed fashion Peter found his Easter.

Friends, there is sufficient evidence of the resurrection of Jesus Christ to give proof to any open mind. We may refuse to believe, but the facts are there. There are more Scriptural passages in the Bible about the resurrection than about the death of Christ. One of the mightiest proofs is the astounding psychological change in Christ's disciples. Defeated and fearful, they suddenly were transformed into men of wondrous joy, abounding hope and high courage. They were changed from cowards into indomitable men who feared neither life nor death, and that in the course of one day.

Out from the rooms where they had hidden themselves, they swarmed into the world to tell the good news—"He is risen." In the power of Christ's resurrection they defied their persecutors, welcomed stripes and imprisonment, enduring the Roman's rack and the lion's hungry roar.

In a few brief years they had changed the face of the world. They transformed Egypt, they emptied the temples of Athens, they put out the altar fires of Diana of Ephesus and within 300 years placed the rugged Cross higher

than the Roman eagle. They had but one great theme as they marched across the pagan world—"He is Risen." The poet Heine had a cynical phrase with which he mocked this mighty message of Christianity. He speaks of the heralds of the gospel as "Knights of the Holy Spirit." Well that figure of cynical mockery is the proudest boast of militant Christianity. Yes, the heralds of the gospel are "Knights of the Holy Spirit." They proclaim the unquenchable hope by which we live. Because Christ is risen, we have the high privilege of walking with Him in newness of life, for by His Spirit we are identified with Him. He enables us to walk as son of God among the sons of men. Moreover, His resurrection is the guarantee of our own resurrection from the dead and our future glorification in heaven.

In Jerusalem today, they will show you our Saviour's empty tomb. And they might tell you the story of an old Pilgrim, who was seen, one day standing before the empty Sepulcher. Somewhere out of the East he had come, after a

long and weary journey, to fulfill a life-time dream. Across barren hills and burning deserts the Pilgrim had kept his dream and until now he had come to the Holy Place. With eyes wide and shining face uplifted, the Pilgrim stood silent, with his arms outstretched in mute memory of the cross, oblivious to all. Someone near, seeing his tear-wet eyes and his shining face exclaimed, "He sees something. He sees something." "Aye," replied a Christian watching him. "He sees the resurrection morning."

Oh Christians, we do not walk now on the wrong side of the resurrection in the light of a flickering hope. We are now sons of the sunrise and disciples of the dawn. We believe in a risen, ascended Saviour. In Him, we can live. In Him, we can die. In Him, we shall live all the ages to come. He said, "I am the resurrection and the life, he that believeth in me though he were dead yet shall he live. And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die." Never! Oh my soul be lifted up this day! This is our Easter Hope!

## **Indiana York Rite Grand Bodies Volunteer Two-Fold Program to Assist Grand Lodge of Indiana in Celebrating its 150th Anniversary**

The Grand Lodge F. & A.M. of Indiana will celebrate its Sesquicentennial from July 1, 1967, to July 1, 1968. The Indiana York Rite Association not only gave practical endorsement to the movement of wearing the Square and Compass emblem daily, but voted to take steps to see that every newly raised Master Mason in the State of Indiana during the Jubilee

year receives a Square and Compass lapel pin as a gift from the three bodies of the York Rite. The York Rite bodies are also contributing another important service to the Grand Lodge of Indiana during its Jubilee year by furnishing a souvenir paper apron to all in attendance at a number of large tyled meetings during the Sesquicentennial observance.

## SITES TO VISIT AT DETROIT TRIENNIAL, AUGUST 19-24, 1967

One of the finest attractions for those who prefer the arts and crafts will be enjoyed with a visit to the magnificent grounds of Cranbrook, located northwest of Detroit in Bloomfield Hills—about 45 minutes from downtown. Cranbrook Institute is situated among the estates of many of the automobile giants. Governor George Romney's home is near Cranbrook.



**Gardens of Cranbrook House**



**Institute of Science**

Cranbrook is visited by thousands each year who like to walk through the grounds of these Old English Tudor designed buildings.

The Detroit Lions football team uses the Cranbrook Institute athletic facilities for summer practice sessions.

Founded in 1904 by George G. Booth, Michigan newspaper publisher, and his wife, Ellen Scripps Booth, Cranbrook is composed of

six separate institutions. They are Brookside School Cranbrook, Kingswood School Cranbrook, Cranbrook School, Cranbrook Academy of Art, Cranbrook Institute of Science, and Christ Church Cranbrook. Most of the architecture is by Eliel Saariene, sculpture by Carl Milles.

Cranbrook Institute of Science is open every day except major holidays from 1 to 5 p.m., Cranbrook Academy of Art Galleries is open Tuesdays through Sundays from 1 to 5 p.m. The Gardens of Cranbrook House are open Tuesdays through Fridays from 1 to 5 p.m., weekends 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Christ Church Cranbrook is open every day from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. There are admissions at the Institute, Galleries, and Gardens.

These photos give a graphic view of the beautiful gardens, buildings, and their architectural design.

Cranbrook—another of the fine cultural sites the Sir Knights and their families will visit when they attend the Golden Triennial of the Grand Encampment in Detroit, August 19-24, 1967.

The city that put the world on wheels has many sites. To be sure you enjoy them all, the Triennial Conclave Program Committee has included Cranbrook in its long list of things to see and do in Detroit.



**Academy of Art**

## East Central Department Conference, Dayton, Ohio

A most successful Department Conference was held under the supervision of Virgil Kent, Dept. Com., on May 4-5. Grand Master Brucker made a hurried trip from Detroit to the conference, this being the third and last conference of his home department, all of which he has attended. George Wilbur Bell, G.G. of the Grand Encampment, and Paul C. Rodenhauer, G.R. of the Grand Encampment, were present for the entire conference. In addition to these distinguished Sir Knights, there were forty-nine Grand Officers and Past Grand Officers from the Grand Commanderies of Michigan, Indiana, Ohio, West Virginia, and Kentucky in attendance.

The major subjects discussed at

the conference were Membership Promotion, Public Relations, York Rite Unity, Eye Foundation, *Knight Templar Magazine*, Educational Foundation, Visitations, Civic Responsibilities, Communications, Knight Templar Cross of Honor, Festivals, Easter Sunrise Service, and particularly the Grand Encampment Triennial, including drill competition and proposed legislation.

The conference was concluded by the Sir Knights and ladies joining with the Sir Knights and Companions that were concluding their 31st York Rite Festival and Reunion at the Masonic Temple.

Rev. Harvey C. Hahn, D.D., a nationally recognized speaker, gave a most inspiring address.

### AN AFTER EASTER PRAYER

*Eternal God, Our Father, we bless thy name for the splendor of this season. We have now descended into the round of ordinary days after the mountain-top experience of Easter. Let, we pray Thee, the faith and hope of the Resurrection be engraved deep upon our memory to guard us through the coming months. We know not what turn may lead us into the valley of the shadow.*

*May we rejoice in the spring-time when all the out-of-doors is awakening. How thankful we are, gracious Father, for the wonders of nature, for the budding trees, the return of the songbirds, and the blooming flowers. But even more do we rejoice that above and beyond the awakening of nature, there is within us an assurance of New Life in Christ and Life Everlasting. May the seeds of the gospel planted in our souls in this season bring forth fruit in our*

*lives that we may be more devoted to the things of the spirit, more dedicated to service in thy Name, and more compassionate to the needs of others.*

*Come into our hearts by thy Holy Spirit and give our lives their spring house cleaning. Remove all evil thoughts, delusions and desires that are as trash within us, so that the life of the Son of God may have full sway in our hearts.*

*Oh, loving Father, may we as Sir Knights offer our lives upon thine altar. Grant we beseech Thee that thou who didst so love the world that thou didst give thy beloved Son to save it, may bless us with the gift of thy love that we may share it one with another and impart it in thy name to those who know thee not. We pray in the Name of Him who came not to be ministered unto but to minister, even Jesus, our Saviour and Great Captain.*

AMEN.

By Dr. Howard R. Towne, G.P.

PENNSYLVANIA SUPPLEMENT

# THE CRUSADER



Serving Templary in Pennsylvania

## A PERSONAL LETTER FROM THE GRAND COMMANDER

DEAR SIR KNIGHTS:

As Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Pennsylvania, I extend to each Sir Knight a most cordial invitation to participate in the 114th Annual Conclave to be held in the City of Erie, May 21, 22, 23, and 24, 1967.

Your Annual Conclave Committee, under the executive chairmanship of Sir Knight Fred J. Kraft, is working overtime to make this Annual Conclave outstanding. The Commanderies of Divisions Nos. 8, 10, and 12 will be your hosts. I am indeed grateful to the Sir Knights of these Divisions for their intensive efforts and arrangement of details in an endeavor to make the Conclave enjoyable to all who attend.

Many events are being planned for your interest which will be most educational and enjoyable. During the sessions while the Sir Knights are busy in meetings, a program of entertainment for the ladies is planned. This includes a brunch on Monday, May 22nd, in the Shrine Club, featuring a speaker and a musical program; Monday afternoon, a boat ride; Tuesday, May 23rd, a musical revue at 2:30 p.m. at the Erie Playhouse.

It is the sincere hope of your Grand Officers that every Commandery in Pennsylvania will be represented at this Grand Conclave, not only by its duly elected representatives, but by as many Sir Knights who may find it convenient to attend.

This is a wonderful opportunity to demonstrate our unity, our enthusiasm, to renew old friendships, make new ones, and to meet and converse with our fellow Sir Knights.

We look forward to the pleasure of greeting you and having you enjoy with us the interesting program arranged by the committee. Plan now to attend and help us make this Annual Conclave most memorable so that it will strengthen us all in the philosophy of Templary.

Courteously and sincerely,  
J. HARVEY MOORE,  
*Grand Commander*

## A TEMPLAR SALUTE TO PAST GRAND COMMANDER MAURICE A. HAMMER

One of Pennsylvania's best known Templar leaders is rounding out a busy year as Most Illustrious Grand Sovereign of the United Grand Imperial Council, Knights of the Red Cross of Constantine and Appendant Orders. Maurice A. Hammer, who headed the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Pennsylvania, 1948-49, was installed as leader of the Constantinian Order in the United States, Mexico, and the Philippines last June at Washington, D. C.



Currently he is in the midst of preparations for the 95th Annual Assembly of the Council—without lessening his interest and activity in the Grand Commandery

and in Masonry generally.

Sir Knight Hammer has distinguished himself in both York Rite and Scottish Rite Masonry. He became a 33° Honorary Member of the Supreme Council in 1956. He has presided over his Lodge, Chapter, Council, and Commandery—also over the Association of Masonic Veterans and United States Premier Conclave, Red Cross of Constantine. The Sir Knights of Pennsylvania salute Sir Knight Hammer for his Masonic accomplishments and contributions, and wish him and Mrs. Hammer continued pleasure and progress in their associations in Masonry.

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## 194 WELCOME GRAND COMMANDER MOORE

Danville was the March 4 scene for the 1967 Division Reception to Right Eminent Grand Commander

J. Harvey Moore with 194 Sir Knights, Master Masons, and ladies in attendance. Sir Knight Paul R. Seidel, Division Commander, extended greetings at the dinner gathering in the Masonic Temple and, following introductions and acknowledgments by Sir Knight W. Guy Christian, Eminent Commander of Calvary No. 37, presented the Grand Commander for the address of the evening.

Earlier, the ladies enjoyed a tea and a tour of the Historical Museum while the Sir Knights of the Division met for a conference with Grand Commander Moore and the Grand Commandery officers. Accompanied by their ladies, those in attendance included: Sir Knight Moore, Grand Captain General Eurich, Past Grand Commander F. Parson Kepler, Sr., Grand Senior Warden William D. Geesey, Grand Sword Bearer Edward H. Kinsman, Grand Captain of the Guard Howard T. Scull, Grand Marshal Joseph W. Williamson, Grand Herald Robert W. Fahnestock and, in addition to Sir Knight Seidel, the following Division Commanders: Charles W. McDermott, No. 1; C. Kenneth Gennaria, No. 3; Harry D. Houser, No. 7; Earle H. Baer, No. 9; Leroy C. May, No. 15.

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## ERIE FACTS AND FIGURES

The U.S.S. Michigan, first iron hulled warship, was built and launched in Erie in 1843.

One of the first lighthouses on Lake Erie, the Presque Isle Light, first flashed its oil burning beacon in 1818.

Misery Bay, located in the northeast corner of Presque Isle Bay, got its name from the cold and misery that the sailors of Perry's fleet suffered the winter following their victory over the British in the Battle of Lake Erie.





**DIVISION NO. 11 HONORS GRAND COMMANDER MOORE**

Pictured are three of the principals at the February 25 Reception of Division No. 11 for the Grand Commander: Division Commander B. A. Franklin, Sir Knight J. Harvey Moore, and Eminent Commander Orvill Eddy (No. 16). More than 300 attended the event at Athens. Other special guests, with their ladies, were: Grand Senior Warden Gessy, Grand Sword Bearer Kinsman, Grand Marshal Williamson, Trustee of Grand Commandery Godschall, Division Commander Baer (No. 9), and Division Commander Seidel (No. 14).

**GETHSEMANE COMMANDERY  
HOLDS JOINT BANQUET**

Eminent Commander Eugene A. Yeater and Mrs. Yeater, President of the Auxiliary, headed the joint committee in charge of the annual Past Commanders and Past Presidents Banquet at Gethsemane Hall, York, February 25. Special guests included Eminent Grand Captain General Charles R. Eurich, representing Grand Commander Moore; and Maryland's Right Eminent Grand Commander, Sir Knight Edward J. Warwick. Division Commander Julius A. Houser and Division Adjutant Ralph G. Habecker were in attendance, as was the President of the Auxiliary to York Commandery No. 21, Mrs. Guy Creep. In addition to Sir Knight and Mrs. Yeater, the committee for the banquet included: Sir Knight and Mrs. William Gilbert, Sir Knight and Mrs. Clair Smith.

**CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES**

- April 15—The 44th Annual Banquet of Allen Auxiliary, Northampton Memorial Hall—\$3.75 per person. Grand Commander and Mrs. Moore will be in attendance.
- April 23-25—The 121st Annual Grand Assembly of the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of Pennsylvania, Butler.
- May 20-24—The 114th Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Pennsylvania, Erie.
- August 19-24—The Golden Triennial Conclave of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the U.S.A., Detroit, Michigan.

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**IN THE MERRY MONTH OF MAY . . . ERIE!**



Erie was named for the friendly Eriez Indian tribe and is steeped in historical tradition. Erie is the site of Fort Presque Isle built by the French in 1753.

**Commodore Oliver Hazard Perry defeated the British in the Battle of Lake Erie in 1813. A replica of his flagship, U.S.S. Niagara, stands in the Public Dock Area and is open to the public.**



**PENNSYLVANIA TEMPLARS  
PLAN TRIENNIAL TRIP  
TO DETROIT IN AUGUST**

In support of the candidacy of Past Grand Commander John B. Cottrell, Jr., present R.E. Department Commander of Grand Encampment, plans are maturing for a large turnout of Pennsylvania Sir Knights and ladies at the Golden Triennial Conclave of Grand Encampment to be held August 19-24 at Detroit, Michigan, with

August 23 as the date of the election of R.E. Grand Captain General, the post for which "Jack" is a candidate. The Grand Commandery of Pennsylvania, since joined by a dozen other Grand Commanderies and Templar groups, proposed and unanimously endorsed the candidacy at its 113th Annual Conclave last May. Eminent Grand Treasurer Perry L. LaBarr, P.G.C., serves as chairman of the "John B. Cottrell for Grand Captain General" Committee.

# The Order of Knights Templar — A Unique Order

By Wylie B. Wendt, P.C. (Kentucky)

Our Order of Masonic Knighthood is a unique order, and this word "unique" is used in its correct meaning.

Many times a remark will be heard something like this: "Bill Jones has built a most unique house," or "Mrs. Jones has a rather unique dress," or "Bobby Jones has a boat that is almost unique." All these statements are incorrect, as the word "unique" may not be qualified or limited. Either the thing is unique or it is not. It is a matter of yes or no. This gives a clean line of division between it and the many adjectives for which the illiterate tend to substitute it, such as remarkable, unusual, exceptional, rare, marvelous, and the like, any of which could be used in the foregoing statements.

Unique means the only thing of its kind; unmatched; unexampled. Webster defines it thus: being without like or equal; single in kind or excellence.

Our Order of Masonic Chivalry is unique and it is unique in more ways than one. What are these ways that distinguish our order as being unique?

*First*, it is unique in the Masonic family of popular rites in that it is the only branch of Freemasonry (York Rite or Scottish Rite) which is predicated upon the Christian religion. An applicant for the Orders of Templary must declare his belief in the Christian religion and the practice of the Christian virtues. Templary is the New Testament of the Bible.

*Second*, our Order is unique in that it is the only branch of Freemasonry under one national sovereign power. The Grand Encamp-

ment of Knights Templar is the only National Sovereign Body in the United States. There is no national Grand Lodge. The General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons and the General Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters are not national sovereign bodies, in that all state Grand Chapters and Grand Councils are not members. Any state grand body may withdraw at any time. The General Grand Chapter and the General Grand Council are more like confederations than sovereign bodies.

There are two Supreme Councils of the Scottish Rite, each one of which is sovereign in its own area, but neither is national.

But the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States is a national sovereign body and each Grand Commandery and each subordinate commandery must be a member thereof or lose its legitimacy or regularity.

*Third*, the Order of Knights Templar is the only Masonic body in the United States in which each candidate receives the same ritual. Our Templar Order has one ritual and every commandery, constituent or subordinate, wherever located, must use that ritual. The ritualistic work is the same in every state of the Union. This cannot be said of any other Masonic body.

*Fourth*, our Order is the only branch of Masonry that has adopted a complete formal dress for its members. The Order of Knights Templar is declared in its constitution to be a uniformed order. The Grand Encampment permits each Grand Commandery to speci-

fy its own uniform regulations, but a uniform must be specified, and this uniform must be worn by the officers and team when conferring the Order of the Temple. The uniform is just as necessary to a Knight Templar who wishes to participate in the ceremonies of the Order as the wearing of a Masonic apron is necessary to a Master Mason who wishes to attend lodge, be present at a funeral, attend church with his lodge, or march in a Masonic procession. The appearance of Knights Templar in uniform is the one outstanding thing that is always remembered by the public when viewing a Knight Templar parade. There are many hundreds of present members who resolved to be Knights Templar while viewing a parade.

*Fifth*, the Order of Knights Templar is the only branch of the Masonic family, in which all members who are present at a conclave, no matter how large the number, may participate in the beautiful formal opening ceremonies, if properly clothed and equipped, and properly instructed. In other words, no member may be forced to just sit and watch, if he has a desire to participate. In this particular, Templary is outstanding in its formal ceremonies.

*Sixth*, the Order of Knights Templar is the only branch of the Masonic family, that makes an effort to observe the three great Christian religious days: Christmas, Easter, and Ascension Day. It is natural that our Order, being composed of Christian Masons, should observe those days. It is also fitting that we should observe these days as Americans, because our country is basically a Christian nation. As Knights Templar we take pride in observing these re-

ligious days, especially the Christmas Observance, whereby at noon, Eastern Standard Time, all commanderies are supposed to be in conclave simultaneously, to participate in the celebration of the birthday of Emmanuel, the Prince of Peace, and to drink a toast to the Grand Master of Templars in the United States. This service is indeed unique in the annals of fraternal organizations.

*Seventh*, the Order has a Knight Templar Educational Foundation, which operates for the purpose of lending money to college students to complete their college education. The present net worth of the Foundation is over \$5,000,000, and since the program began functioning in 1922, a total of over \$60,000,000 has been loaned to young men and women in this country to enable them to complete their education on a college level.

*Eighth*, the most recent philanthropic program of the Order has been the organization and operation of the Knight Templar Eye Foundation for research, treatment and/or hospitalization of diseases or injuries of the eye in an effort to prevent blindness. This service is available to anyone regardless of race, creed, color, age, sex or national origin. The treatment of patients for this purpose is free and limited to persons unable to pay. This is one of the greatest humanitarian charities in the country today.

*Ninth*, the Order of Knights Templar is the only branch of Freemasonry appearing on the pages of secular history. The Crusades, the religious wars of Palestine, began in 1099. This was an effort on the part of the Christian countries to wrest the control of the Holy Land from the infidels. The Crusades lasted ap-

proximately two hundred years. Our Order of Knights Templar was organized in 1118, and was one of the three Chivalric Orders active during this period, the other two being the Knights of Malta and the Teutonic Knights. The history of the Crusades was very largely a history of the Knights Templar and the Knights of Malta. We should be proud of our historical background.

*Tenth*, our Order is unique in that Templary perhaps had a greater influence on Freemasonry than any other single factor. Some examples of this fact are mentioned in an article titled "The Influence of Knight Templary on Freemasonry," by A. S. Hall-Johnson, appearing in the *NEW AGE* magazine, issues of November and December, 1951. The last paragraph of this article is as follows: "To sum up, Templar influence and contribution are noticed in the Ancient and Accepted (Scottish) Rite, in the Swedish Rite, in the

Royal Order of Scotland, in the Order of the Holy Royal Arch Knight Templar Priests, and possibly in the Royal Arch; while in the craft degrees, Templary has exercised an influence tending towards dignity in ceremonial working."

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In conclusion, it is seen that our Order of Knights Templar is unusual and distinctive. Each of the items enumerated above is unique, in that no other fraternal order or branch of Masonry can truthfully make a similar statement. The list is really impressive.

Truly our Order is unique in the structure of Freemasonry. Membership in a commandery of Knights Templar is the last step in York Rite Masonry. No higher honor can come to a Freemason than to be created a Knight of the Valiant and Magnanimous Order of the Temple, a Soldier of the Cross.

## Grand Master Brucker at Canal Zone Commandery

A special Conclave of Canal Zone Commandery No. 1 was held on January 29 at the time of Grand Master Brucker's visit there. The meeting was opened at 4:00 p.m. and all courtesies were afforded Sir Knight Brucker and the other distinguished Sir Knights in his party.

Sir Knight Brucker also visited Puerto Rico Commandery No. 1, San Juan, at the time of his Caribbean Cruise, attended a luncheon with 28 members of the Commandery present (the Commandery was not opened since he was there on Sunday), and collected 14 subscriptions to the *Knight Templar Magazine*.



**Grand Master Brucker**

Representatives from both of these Commanderies plan to be present in Detroit for the 50th Triennial.

## York Rite Gains in Missouri

By Bruce H. Hunt, G.R.

In the face of nearly 1,300 decrease in the Grand Lodge of Missouri, all three appendant York Rite bodies reported substantial gains for the same period of time. The Grand Chapter reported a net increase of 220; the Grand Council showed about 900; and the Grand Commandery had a net gain of 647.

The desirable conditions which produced this fine increase in membership may in part be subject to conjecture. In all certainty and without question it can be stated that the Missouri bodies made excellent use of existing conditions, planned carefully and worked hard to execute the plans.

Some who have endeavored to analyze the underlying reasons for the successful campaign to increase membership give a great deal of credit to Cryptic Masonry which was in its first year as a prerequisite to the Orders of Templary. They contend that the enthusiasm thus engendered can neither be disregarded nor ignored. This fact, coupled with complete unity of purpose so strongly evidenced by all York Rite bodies, plus the support of the Scottish Rite and the Grand Lodge, undoubtedly produced the end result. Without the most ideal conditions

all of the foregoing might have gone for naught.

To assist in the proper observance of the Sesquicentennial of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America, A. Basey Vanlandingham, Grand Master of Masons in Missouri, and a Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, secured the York Rite petitions of Missouri's Governor, Warren E. Hearnes. Without describing specific details, this beginning touched off a chain reaction among eligible petitioners which eventually resulted in the largest single and complete York Rite Class ever held anywhere at any time. The more than 1,100 candidates in the aggregate for all bodies of the York Rite assembled at Jefferson City, Missouri, on April 2, 1966, to form the now famous "Governor Warren Eastman Hearnes Class."

The Victory Banquet which followed was presided over by the Grand Master of Masons, and addressed by Wilber M. Brucker, Grand Master of the Grand Encampment, K.T.

The final chapter in the sesquicentennial story of Templary in Missouri is now written.

### UPPERMOST IN HEART AND MIND

"To assume the Vow of Office is tremendously important. It is not a mere mumbling of words, nor is it an idle gesture. The Vow of Office is intended to impress upon the mind and conscience of a Templar Officer the seriousness of his undertaking. He

is consecrating himself. He is agreeing to set aside the coming year for the work of our great Order of Christian Knighthood. He is telling his fellow Templars and the world that his devotion to duty is going to be uppermost in his mind and heart."

By Grand Master Brucker—General Order No. 17

## VENERABLE TEMPLARS

**Editor's Note:** Since featuring the oldest Sir Knight in years and in Templary in the February issue of the *Knight Templar*, we have received the following information relative to our senior Templars:



**William E. Hine**

William E. Hine, born April 25, 1863, at New Milford, Connecticut. He was raised a Master Mason in Harmony Lodge No. 20, in New Britain, Connecticut, on March 4, 1889, which, according to their records, makes him the oldest living Master Mason in that state. This information from the Grand Master of Connecticut, in a letter sent to Sir Knight Hine, dated April 1, 1965.

Not only is he, as we believe, the oldest Sir Knight, but on May 5, 1966, he became a Noble of Moslem Temple, Detroit. He has also become a member of the Hi-Twelve Club of Royal Oak, Michigan.

We are very proud of Bill. Incidentally, Bill is a "sharp" bridge

player.

—Orson L. Clark, Rec., Holy Grail Commandery No. 58

Gilbert E. Griffin, P.C. of Kanawha Commandery, Charleston, West Virginia, reports the following records from his Commandery: Frank A. Prince, born June 23, 1872, knighted April 24, 1898. Dr. Patrick L. Gordon, born November 24, 1873, knighted October 26, 1903.

John H. Campbell, born May 21, 1878, knighted March 7, 1902. Spencer R. Pierson, born September 20, 1875, knighted October 24, 1904.

Grand Master Brucker personally and on behalf of the nearly 400,000 Knights Templar, sent a letter of Congratulations to Sir Knight Edwin Ireland, a member of Temple Commandery, Schnectady, N. Y., our oldest Templar in point of service, congratulating him upon his 100th birthday on March 29.

Sir Knight Ireland was knighted April 16, 1889, and will have been a Knight Templar 78 years on the 16th of this month. The presiding officers of each of the York Rite bodies along with other prominent citizens of the community, joined Sir Knight Ireland in celebrating his 100th anniversary.

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### IN MEMORIAM

#### *California*

GRANT ARDEN VAN VALIN, G.C.,  
1945—February 18, 1967

#### *Louisiana*

WILLIAM LINDSAY LANE, G.C.,  
1965—February 4, 1967

#### *Wisconsin*

ELBERT WILLARD MILLER, G.C.,  
1961—February 13, 1967



## “Ten Rules For Creative Helpfulness”

By Norman Vincent Peale

**FIRST:** Be happy and strong yourself, for happiness and strength are infectious. Others pick up moods and spirit from you.

**SECOND:** Make yourself approachable. This is done by being out-going, kindly, understanding, unselfish, and sincere. Be the kind of person people will turn to.

**THIRD:** Have something spiritually real to share so that others will want the quality of life you have.

**FOURTH:** Pray for the person you want to help. Mentally see him as surrounded with God's love and care.

**FIFTH:** If the other person is cooperative, pray with him on the principle of Matthew 18:20: "Where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them."

**SIXTH:** Believe that in the fellowship of the "two or three" creative insights, ideas, and effective plans will emerge in which the

real solution to problems will be found.

**SEVENTH:** Help the other person to think out his own answers on a God guidance level. Be very careful at solving another's problems for him. He must get his own guidance.

**EIGHTH:** Believe in the other person. Let him see and feel esteem.

**NINTH:** Teach the other to believe in himself and have confidence in his own potential.

**TENTH:** Inspire the other to establish a "partnership" with God in all things, trusting the Bible promise, "The things which are impossible with men are possible with God." Luke 18:27.

(Dr. Peale has been most cooperative and helpful to Templary, particularly with his fine address at the 150th Birthday Party at the Waldorf last summer.)





JOSE CALVILLO, DETROIT COMMANDERY NO. 1

## Pity the Principal Speaker

An editorial by Wilferd A. Peterson

From *The Wisconsin Freemason*

Many a time at luncheons and dinners I have sat and felt sorry for the poor principal speaker.

For instance, at a recent national convention where I was present the principal speaker was a big man in American industry. He had traveled five hundred miles to deliver a serious address. Before he was given the floor these things had to go on first: Introduction of distinguished guests, many of whom had to get up and give little orations of their own. Introduction of the toastmaster with what was supposed to be a funny story. Remarks by the toastmaster. A full hour of third rate vaudeville including a mediocre ventriloquist, a torch singer who couldn't sing, a trumpet player who almost broke our ear drums, and a magician whose tricks had whiskers.

When the principal speaker finally arose to speak the hour was late, the audience was exhausted,

and he didn't have a chance. Out of courtesy to the sponsoring group he went through with the talk, but he was licked before he started. I have a lot of sympathy for a speaker who in a similar predicament is reported to have said: Ladies and gentlemen, I don't know what you are going to do, but as for me I'm getting . . . out of here!"

Experts say that good speakers spend from a half hour to as much as one or two hours in preparation for each minute they expect to speak. They deserve adequate time and an eager, alert audience.

Have special sessions, or meetings, for the horseplay. Don't steal precious minutes from the man who, at a big sacrifice in time and expense, has come to inform and inspire you on a vital subject. Cut down on the preliminaries. Clear the decks for the principal speaker. Give him a chance to do his best.

## The Supreme Court and Police

*As a Christian clergyman and editor, and as a responsible American citizen for whom I have high regard, I covet for myself and for my fellow citizens your comment on the recent 5-to-4 decision of the United States Supreme Court placing sweeping limitations on the power of the police to question suspects in their custody. I, and I am sure the vast majority of my fellow jurists, support the decision of the dissenting four. You, I am sure, do have an opinion and you answer questions!*

This question comes from a sitting judge who, of course, may not be identified.

On June 13th, the Supreme Court of the United States announced sweeping limitations on the power of the police to question suspects in their custody. The news announcement on the front page of the *New York Times* said: "The Justices split 5 to 4. In stinging dissents the minority denounced the decision as helping criminals go free to repeat their crimes. . . . Although Chief Justice Warren stressed that the ruling did not outlaw confessions, the majority's opinion drew bitter dissenting remarks from Justices Tom C. Clark, John M. Harlan, Potter Stewart, and Byron R. White." The *New York Times* continued: "Justice Harlan, his face flushed and his voice occasionally faltering with emotion, denounced the decision as 'dangerous experimentation' at a time of a 'high crime rate that is a matter of growing concern.' . . . Justice White said, 'In some unknown number of cases the Court's rule will return a killer, a rapist, or other criminal to the streets and to the environment which produced him, to repeat his crime

whenever it pleases him. As a consequence, there will not be a gain, but a loss in human dignity.'"

The immediate result of this Court action was to release four criminals, one convicted of rape and another of murder, criminals found guilty in lower courts. The release of these men did not find them innocent of their crimes. And we take our stand with the four dissenters, as indeed I am sure will the overwhelming majority of all free and law-abiding American citizens.

More than forty years ago, Justice Learned Hand, regarded by many as the most distinguished jurist of his generations, noting that under our criminal procedure the accused has every advantage, observed: "What we need to fear is the archaic formalism and watery sentiment that obstruct, delay and defeat the prosecution of a crime."

Responsible police officers generally, almost unanimously, are represented by the statement of Police Commissioner Leary of New York City, who said: "How far and how long are the rights of the accused to be considered, with little regard for the rights of the victim?"

In the July issue of *Reader's Digest* is an article entitled "Behind Those 'Police Brutality' Charges" by Fred E. Inbau. Dr. Inbau is a Professor of Law at Northwestern University and a member of Chicago's Crime Commission. This article is little short of terrifying but it is factual, deals with the particulars, and should be read by every American without regard to race, color or creed. All that these dissenting Justices have said about the rising crime menace

in the United States—deadly assault, rape and murder—is justified and confirmed.

Have we made a fetish out of safeguarding the interests of the individual, securing to the criminal his rights at the expense of the innocent victim and of society itself? It has been a long road to trial by jury, by the peers of the accused, a bitter struggle up from ruthless feudalism and from all the times before. But have we gone now beyond the goal?

[Editor's Note: The above article is authored by Dr. Dan Poling, Editor of the "Christian Herald" magazine and appeared in the October, 1966, issue. Dr. Poling was the speaker for the Knight Templar Sunrise Service at Arlington a few years ago.]

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#### "WE NOTE IN REVIEW"

The Hospitaler Committee of Michigan and its Deputies are carrying an aggressive activity program to commandery level. They reported 63 visitations to commanderies for instruction purposes, 45 local organizational meetings held, 40 special services held with 990 uniformed knights attending as well as Palm Sunday, Ascension Sunday and Christmas observances. Hospitaler activities include the whole range of outward activity from religious activities to community projects, and the committee reported, among other things, 8,809 sick calls made, 5,505 cards and letters sent, 1,114 floral pieces and remembrances sent, 3,392 widows or shut-ins visited, and 193 miscellaneous participations related to DeMolay, Masonic Home, orphans, Starr Commonwealth, etc. This is Templary in action.

#### "HOME OF THE BRAVE"

"I wonder what's come over this land of the free and the home of the brave. We are the descendants of a once great breed of men who had problems, and they had them a-plenty! But, did they whine and whimper and crawl through life on their hands and knees, piteously holding up their hands to some so-called benevolent Government, asking that they be taken care of? Not on your life! They took care of themselves. And they built here, with Freedom under God, the mightiest Nation in the history of mankind. . . . Now, what's happened? At the height of our military and economic power, having more goods and more services than any nation in the history of the world, at the height of our affluence, have we grown soft and fat? There's a terrible line in the Bible, where it says, 'He gave them their desires, but sent leanness into their souls.' Has that happened to the United States of America? If we are to believe what we hear about draft card tearing-up, and about violence of the young on university campuses, and contempt for government and authority, we are to think that there's some disease that has attacked the American people. But, thank God for the Knight Templar who believes in all the great old values of religion and order that made this country, which also believes that problems of a national or a personal sort are designed to make men and grow a people strong."

*Dr. Norman Vincent Peale  
—Sesquicentennial Celebration*

## *From Our Readers* **"Sharps and Flats" From California**

By Hap E. Ruggles, Correspondent



**Los Angeles Knight Templar Band**

Since 1942, Los Angeles, California, has had one of the finest fraternal bands in the nation, the Los Angeles Commandery No. 9 Knight Templar Band. The band roster lists fifty-eight Sir Knights, many of them still professional musicians.

This marching and concert band plays one concert a month, before the stated conclave. The stirring march tempos of all parades that this band appears has been heard and cheered by thousands. They also make appearances at various Blue Lodges, DeMolay, and Jobs Daughters meetings.

Since the inception of the band it has had one director, Hugh McNutt, who came to Los Angeles from Saint Joseph, Missouri, where he was a well-known musician. The president of the band for the current year is John H. Dart. There are members of the

musical unit that have played with the following well-known concert bands: Conway, Pryor, Creatore, Sousa, Clark, Cervone, and King. Out of the membership of the band there are three small musical units that make many appearances. They are: Jazz Band, Polka Band, and Saxophone Trio.

The Jazz Band is the same jazz



**Jazz Band**

band that stole the show at the past two triennial conclaves, held in Cleveland, Ohio, and Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. The same group that played your state or city song at the banquet and broke up the ball game for the Cleveland Indians, are now in rehearsal getting ready for the "big" one in Detroit, come August.

Los Angeles Commandery No. 9 not only has the finest band, it also boasts the champion drill team of California, which was won last

year at the stated conclave in San Diego.

Los Angeles Commandery No. 9 under Commander Frank R. Shultz, Officers, Recorder Frederick Jacobs, band, and the drill team are now getting "set" for the state conclave to be held in Sacramento, come April.

A word to the wise, look out Sacramento and Detroit, here comes No. 9 from Los Angeles with their champs and all with new uniforms . . . and the hottest music this side of . . . .

## Georgia Commandery Sponsors A Little League Team

By R. S. Sagar, Correspondent

Concerned for some time with the decreasing position of Freemasonry in the public eye, DeKalb Commandery No. 38 in Georgia has been looking for a suitable civic activity.

They have now sponsored a Little League baseball team, to be called "The DeKalb Templars" (DeKalb is their home county, the second most populous in the state). The team will be in the 8-12 years old group, major division, and is in a league that has about 40 teams, involving some 700 boys, and playing in three different lighted parks.

One advantage of this particular activity is that no direct involvement of members (other than on a volunteer basis) is required. We are all busy in our Masonic work, and operation of the league is by qualified and dedicated men with years of experience.

The cost has been moderate. The sponsorship fee is only \$250, including all uniforms, etc., and to this has been added a donation (not essential) of \$50 to the league's general funds. To keep a warm contact with the boys, \$100 has been allocated for two picnics,

trophies, etc. The sponsorship has been approved by the Grand Master and our Grand Commander.

An immediate return on this small investment is not expected, but we hope that if we keep it going for several years, other Masonic bodies also will participate. It is our long-term aim to restore to the youth of our country that interest in, and respect for, the tenets and teachings of our craft that were so evident in our earlier history. If we can instil a faith in the Almighty, a belief in the power of Prayer, and a pride in our Heritage, we shall have been well rewarded.

Washington Commandery No. 1 of Hartford, Connecticut, held a semi-public installation Tuesday, February 21, 1967. Sir Knight David Wainwright was installed Commander. The meeting was attended by Knights of Columbus from the Hartford area. Brother Knight Frank A. Francis, District Deputy for the Knights of Columbus headed the Knights of Columbus members who attended.

—ARTHUR J. MCKINNEY

### Planning Triennial



**Crofts, Brucker, Bell, and Riegler.**

Wilber M. Brucker, Grand Master, and three Grand Encampment officers met in Detroit recently to discuss final plans for the Golden Triennial Conclave to be held in Detroit, August 19-24, 1967.

Michigan and Detroit, being the home of the Most Eminent Grand Master, is going all out to make the 50th Conclave the most memorable in all Templar history. Detroit is a great city and is looking forward to the visitation of Sir Knights from all over the world.

In the memory of many Templars, the 1928 Conclave is recalled as being the greatest. The Michigan Templars are going all out to replace that date with 1967 as the one remembered as the finest.

Phillip J. Jones, P.C. of Washington Commandery No. 1 (Conn.) and P.G.C. for the State of Connecticut, was installed Very Eminent Grand Preceptor of the Grand College, Holy Royal Arch Knight Templar Priests of the United States of America, at an annual meeting in Washington, D. C., on February 19, 1967. This marks the first such installation of a Very Eminent Grand Preceptor from the State of Connecticut.

—ARTHUR J. MCKINNEY

### O.E.S. Grand Chapter Session



**Josephine H. Browning Receives Escort**

Josephine Harkins Browning, Most Worthy Grand Matron of the General Grand Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, was escorted to the East at a recent O.E.S. Grand Chapter Session at Portland, Oregon, by John William Givens, G.G., and Lloyd Kenneth McRae, G.S.W., of the Grand Commandery of Oregon. This escort was in recognition of Most Worthy Grand Matron Browning's work for the Knight Templar Eye Foundation, Inc., in designating it as one of her projects during her Triennium.

The York Rite bodies of California join with the Grand Lodge of California in the observance of Public School Week. The slogan for the year is "INSURE AMERICA'S FUTURE—KNOW AND SUPPORT OUR PUBLIC SCHOOLS." The heads of the California York Rite bodies have directed that no meetings will be held during Public Schools Week except those required by the by-laws and that no degrees or orders be conferred. They urge the members, wherever possible, individually and collectively, to attend some public school program during this period.

## "WE NOTE IN REVIEW"

In his report, Grand Commander NORRIS E. "SAM" BURRINGTON of *North Carolina* pointed to the fewest suspensions in 17 years and the greatest net gain in membership in 18 years. Lesser men might have been smug about it, but SAM made nine recommendations and commented under "State of the Rite"—

"There are . . . guide posts and measuring sticks whereby . . . one can evaluate interest and activity of a commandery. A cursory glance at the last annual returns will easily identify the active and inactive commanderies. Knowing this differential does not suffice. . . . While the problems are many and diversified they usually stem from one source, namely, poor leadership. . . . The problem will not just go away. It must be dealt with, and immediately.

"Personal visitations of inactive commanderies by the Grand Commander and a serious discussion of the directives contained in General Order No. 10 are evidently effective in the process of rejuvenation. York Rite Festivals appear to be the immediate salvation for a number of inactive commanderies and their participation should be earnestly solicited. Several commanderies that had become disheartened because of their inability to confer the orders . . . are now eager to

become a part of the York Rite Festival plan. . . . It is quite generally believed that with the advent of area festivals a spirit of competition may develop and result in even better ritualistic work."

## "WE NOTE IN REVIEW"

Kentucky held two stated conclaves this year. The annual conclave in May was the last expected to be held by the Grand Commandery alone—the September conclave was the first mutually planned and held in connection with the annual meetings of the Grand Chapter and Grand Council.

## "WE NOTE IN REVIEW"

The unique California Knights Templar Educational Foundation for Christian Ministry continues its good work, reporting 15 scholarships of \$1,000 each, three to outstanding students in each of five accredited divinity schools, also a contribution of \$2,000 to each of the five schools. Each California Templar contributes \$1 per year toward this program, and voluntary contributions over this amount are increasing.

## "WE NOTE IN REVIEW"

As a part of the business of the annual conclave, Grand Commander Billings of Wisconsin recognized all present having the 33° of the Scottish Rite.

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A child born with blindness may not miss the unseen beauty, but the sights denied the child bring heartache to the parents. Heartache changes to joy and gratitude when a child's sight can be restored, as it was for two-year old Rita Garrison, Oxon Hill, Maryland. Rita was born with cataracts covering both eyes. Through the sponsorship of Harry L. Beach, P.G.C., District of Columbia, the Knight Templar Eye Foundation, Inc., became the modus operandi for a miraculous transformation. Excerpts from a recent letter written by the child's mother, Mrs. Hubert Garrison, tell the story.

"You and the Knights Templar have given me the most wonderful gift any mother could want. . . . When Rita was blind she was like she was dying and I felt I was dying along with her. I wish you could see her now; all she wants to do is to look at books and write, and she loves to be outside to run and play. I am not able to keep her still for a minute. . . . Only God knows how happy I am, and so many times I sit and thank Him for your wonderful help. . . . I know that there isn't any way I can repay you with money, but I will always tell my baby about the gift you have given her, so she will grow up to understand what her life has been all about, and she will remember it for the rest of her life. . . . May God bless you and the Knights Templar and keep you safe and happy."

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