A Message From the Grand Master - -

WILL YOU BE THERE?

One of life’s great compensations is to enjoy the wholesome companionship of "your own kind of people." That’s exactly what awaits every Knight Templar who heeds the cry: "On to Detroit in August, 1967."

The Bible says that after the resurrection and ascension of Christ, there came a time called "Pentecost" when the Holy Spirit descended from heaven and clothed His faithful followers with the power to go forth as the living representatives of Christ. In all humility that should be the coveted role of Knights Templar.

Sometimes I wonder whether we fully appreciate the position of leadership we occupy in the world as the Christian branch of Masonry. Whether we recognize it or not, ours is the challenge of a lifetime—to be the ones to hold high the banner of Christ—amidst worldly turmoil, immorality, atheism, and all the forces of darkness. If Templary were merely a Greek-letter fraternity the obligation would embrace only fleeting friendship. However, our Christian cause requires a deep sense of motivation, dedication, and devotion—one that cannot be shrugged off by mere lip-service. Either Knights Templar are merely reciting words from a ritual book, or we are a part of the great drama of the Order of the Temple whereby we vow to become the living representatives of Christ and the defenders of His Church.

Accordingly, an historic opportunity will be afforded on August 19-24, 1967, in Detroit at the 50th Triennial Conclave for Templary to show its colors to the world. Thousands of Templars will redeem their pledge by coming. However, some are hesitant—thinking of the time and cost. Unless a man is willing to make some sacrifice he doesn’t have it close enough to his heart. If a Knight Templar really wants to come badly enough he will find a way.

The Golden Triennial Conclave is the opportunity of a life-time, to mingle with other kindred spirits, to become reindoctrinated with the tremendous progress of our Christian Order, to touch the soul of Templary, and to imbibe the enthusiasm that will send him home a far better-equipped leader for our Christian Order of Knighthood than ever before.

So—when the question is asked: "Will you be there?" I hope you will answer loud and clear—"I WILL!"

WILBER M. BRUCKER,
Grand Master
GOLDEN TRIENNIAL AUGUST 19-24

Drill Teams, A Vital Force In Templary

By Howard F. Christner, P.G.C., Indiana

This Fiftieth Triennial Conclave marks one hundred fifty years as a glorious era during which multitudes of spectators have been thrilled and inspired by fifty Grand Encampment Parades and probably more than five thousand Grand Commandery Parades. These parades are about all that the general public ever sees of the Order of Knights Templar. Our great patriotic, educational and charitable programs have effectively touched the lives of thousands of individuals but the colorful spectacle of a Templar Parade has left its psychological and spiritual impress upon the minds and hearts of millions.

Among the great contributing elements of every Templar Parade are the well-drilled units which perform with precision the tactical movements of close-order drill along the line of march. Their approach is always greeted with cheers of acclaim and enthusiastic applause. The dignity and rectitude with which they demean themselves create the image by which the Order of Knights Templar is known to the world.

A dedicated drill corps has great value to the Commandery which gives it birth and supports its activities. The training in the important tactical movements of Templar Drill carries over into the ritualistic proficiency of officers and Knights as they conduct the ceremonial rites of the order. It is not unusual that a large number of the Officers of a Commandery should come from the ranks of its drill corps.

Most drill corps enjoy the support of an auxiliary organization composed of wives, families and friends who assist them in so many ways to achieve their highest goal.
—participation in the competitive drills of the Grand Encampment. The drill corps and its auxiliary frequently form the "hub" around which the social activities of the Commandery revolve. When it is necessary to raise funds for a trek to a Triennial or a State Conclave the auxiliary is always there to lend a helping hand. During the many hours when the team must drill, whether it be in the grey dawn of early morning or the after hours of late evening, the auxiliary is always on hand to cheer them on and to serve refreshments. All of these activities create a genuine spirit of love and loyalty which transcends personal selfishness and blossoms forth in the eternal spirit of Christian Brotherhood.

Preparation for participation in the competitive drills of the Grand Encampment is not a task to be taken lightly. It involves many long hours of practice, rigid discipline, regular attendance and Knightly conduct both on and off the drill floor. The general public and the rank-and-file members of the Commandery have little first-hand knowledge of the time-consuming disciplined practice which a team must undergo to prepare it for that crucial twenty-minute period on the Triennial Drill floor.

When the big day arrives there is much work to be done. After the team has marched in the Street Parade, which is a requirement to their participation in the competitive drills, there are plumes and gloves to be repaired and cleaned, uniforms to be brushed and pressed, shoes to be shined and many other details to be attended to. It is at this point that the auxiliary renders one of its most valuable services to the team. Each duty is by prearrangement assigned to dependable individuals so that no detail is overlooked. When all is ship-shape and the team is ready to enter the floor the auxiliary members rush to the auditorium to watch the performance of "their team" and to give their moral support in this hour of need. If they win there will be wild jubilation. If they lose there will be tears of disappointment, but they will be generous with their congratulations to the winning team. In the final analysis, "It is not that they won or lost, but how they played the game." Both winners and losers will return in three years to try again. This is the measure of the vitality of a Commandery.

The following teams were prize winners at Philadelphia in 1964:
Winner in Class A Competition at Philadelphia in 1964

Bagley; Rains; ODaniel; Benningfield, Sr.; Benningfield, Jr.; Walters; Scribner; Erwin; Reeder; Willey; Thompson; Brown, Sr.; Standley; Brazel-Patrick; and Chance.

“A” teams:
1. Dallas No. 6, Dallas, Tex., 942 points.
2. Lansing No. 25, Lansing, Mich., 938 points.
3. Golden West No. 43, Los Angeles, Cal., 932 points.
4. Los Angeles No. 9, Los Angeles, Cal., 929 points.

“B” teams:
1. Ivanhoe No. 54, Van Wert, Ohio, 969 points.
2. Long Beach No. 40, Long Beach, Cal., 968 points.
4. Lawton No. 18, Lawton, Okla., 959 points.

Scoring is based on 1,000 points with deductions for errors.
“A” teams have a total of 33 men and officers.
“B” teams have a total of 21 men and officers.

On behalf of the Committee on Drill Regulations, Theodore F. Voelker, P.G.C., Chairman; William U. Remensberger, P.G.C.; John H. Loree, P.G.C.; and the Judges who will assist them in conducting the drills, a cordial invitation is extended to all Sir Knights, their families and friends to witness the drills which will be conducted in Cobo Hall Arena on Monday, August 21st. Drilling will commence at eight o’clock in the morning and continue until all teams have been judged.

As of April 30th, the following Drill Teams have filed qualifying entries for the drill competition to be conducted at Detroit on Monday, August 21st, and these teams will also appear in the Street Parade on Saturday evening, August 19th, and attend the Divine Service on Sunday, August 20th.

“A” teams:
Los Angeles No. 9, Los Angeles, California; Golden West No. 43, Los Angeles, California; Raper No. 1, Indianapolis, Indiana; Knightstown No. 9, Knightstown, Indiana; Mt. Olivet No. 12, Wichita, Kansas; Genesee Valley No. 15, Flint, Michigan; Lansing No. 25, Lansing, Michigan; Trinity No. 20, Tulsa, Oklahoma; Elk City No. 22, Elk City, Oklahoma; Gethsemane No. 25, Okmulgee, Oklahoma; Bethlehem No. 45, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; Ruthven No. 2, Houston, Texas; Dallas No. 6, Dallas, Texas; Worth No. 19, Fort Worth, Texas.

“B” teams:
Long Beach No. 40, Long Beach, California; Fort Wayne No. 4, Fort Wayne, Indiana; Knightstown No. 9, Knightstown, Indiana; Muncie No. 18, Muncie, Indiana; Green-
WINNERS OF CLASS “B” COMPETITION AT CLEVELAND IN 1961
AND AT PHILADELPHIA IN 1964
IVANHOE COMMANDERY NO. 54, VAN WERT, OHIO

NED E. DULL, DRILL CAPTAIN

Team Members: Basil; Strohl; Cox; Bolton; Knittle; Brown; Wood; Baker; Mosier; Pond; Place; Wilkinson; Mohr; Terry; Lambright; Kennedy; Phenege; Ralston; Thomas; Basil; Baker; Montfort; Hanley; and Penn.

field No. 39, Greenfield, Indiana; Bloomington No. 63, Bloomington, Indiana; Emporia No. 8, Emporia, Kansas; Howell No. 28, Howell, Michigan; Bethlehem No. 53, Mt. Vernon, New York; Shawnee No. 14, Lima, Ohio; Hanselman No. 16, Cincinnati, Ohio; Holyrood No. 32, Cleveland, Ohio; Palestine No. 33, Springfield, Ohio; Forest City No. 40, Cleveland, Ohio; Ivanhoe No. 54, Van Wert, Ohio; Lawton No. 18, Lawton, Oklahoma; Worth No. 19, Fort Worth, Texas; Henry L. Palmer No. 42, Wauwatosa, Wisconsin.

J udges for Class “A” Teams: William T. Buckner, Virginia; Russell B. Tandy, Tennessee; William A. Perry, Oklahoma; Herman E. Friedrich, Wisconsin; Ralph B. Mitchell, Kansas; Etrebl A. T. Schaub, Maryland; Harold D. Hayes, Illinois.

Of the 32 teams entered thus far, only five have not previously participated in Grand Encampment Competitions.

Drill Schedules have been prepared and are in the hands of Drill Captains.

The Committee will be assisted by the following Judges:

CASEY BUCKNER, VIRGINIA
RUSSELL B. TANDY, TENNESSEE
WILLIAM A. PERRY, OKLAHOMA
HERMAN E. FRIEDRICH, WISCONSIN
RALPH B. MITCHELL, KANSAS
ETREBL A. T. SCHEMB, MARYLAND
HAROLD D. HAYES, ILLINOIS

J udges for Class “B” Teams: Alvin L. Crump, Illinois; Willard P. Matschke, Wisconsin; Robert J. Brooks, Michigan; Floyd A. Palmer, Kansas; S. Lewis Smith, Kansas; C. Harold Edwards, Nebraska; Schuyler C. Blackburn, Maryland.


Announcer and Commentator: Howard F. Christner, Sr., Indiana.

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<td>I shall teach my child respect for his fellow man.</td>
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<td>I shall teach him good sportsmanship in work and play.</td>
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<td>I shall instill in him an appreciation of religion and the family, the backbone of society.</td>
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<td>I shall strive for companionship and mutual understanding.</td>
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<td>I shall impart to him a desire to love and honor his country and obey its laws.</td>
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<td>I shall encourage him to apply himself to difficult tasks.</td>
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<td>I shall teach him the importance of participation in community affairs and local government.</td>
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<td>I shall teach him self-reliance and help him develop an independent spirit.</td>
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<td>I shall help him develop a sense of responsibility in planning for the future.</td>
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<td>I shall, above all, prepare him for the duties and responsibilities of citizenship in a free society.</td>
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"Juvenile Integrity Starts in the Home"
"The Good Old Days"—Sixty Years Ago

We sincerely thank Sir Knight Herbert E. Johnson of 27 Ten Brock Street, Albany, New York, for submitting the pictures and furnishing information on the Triennial held July 8-11, 1907, at Saratoga, New York.

Sir Knight Johnson reports—"Although I was knighted May 17, 1906 in Apollo Commandery, Troy, New York, my uniform had not arrived in time for the parade, hence, I moved about the streets and obtained the pictures. There were six official stands and several private stands from which the officials and the public could view the parade." Twenty two aides rode on horses. There were eleven divisions in the parade.

Sir Knight Johnson made a special trip to Saratoga to look over the issues of "The Saratogian" newspaper and was assisted by Mr. James Sargent and Miss Blanche Robbins in obtaining information relative to this Triennial, which was given full newspaper coverage.

Sir Knight Johnson hopes to be able to attend the Detroit Triennial.

1907 Triennial Reviewing Stand

Governor of New York in 1907 was Charles E. Hughes. He is seated second from left.

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LIFE’S CANDLE

Think of a little candle
Burning through the night
The tallow keeps it going
To make a little light.
And when the tallow’s all gone
Sometimes still the wick is there
To keep it burning brightly
’Til morning lights the air.

Life is the little candle
That is burning through the night
Love is the tallow

That makes the little light.
The ready wick is Jesus
Without Whom it wouldn’t burn
When all other love is gone
To our Father we can turn.

Laurie Cruickshanks
(11 years of age)
Apalachin, N. Y.

(Submitted by Benj. C. Cruickshank, Member, Washington Com. No. 1, Washington, D. C.)

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How DeMolay Is Organized

By Richard E. Harkins, Executive Director of DeMolay

The real key to the organization of the Order of DeMolay is the Master Mason who serves as an Advisor, for here is the individual who is directly helping good boys develop into better men.

Technically speaking, however, the Order of DeMolay functions in the manner shown in the Organization chart pictured here.

At the top of the organization, you have the International Supreme Council, which is the governing body of the youth Movement and regulates and has control over all laws, statutes and everything connected with DeMolay.

Nearly 70 of the 225 Active Members and Deputies of the Supreme Council are known as Executive Officers. The Executive Officer is the official representative of the Supreme Council for all DeMolay affairs in a jurisdiction. A jurisdiction is a particular geographic area (usually an entire state) which is designated for proper administrative effectiveness.

The Executive Officer in each jurisdiction does not receive payment from the Supreme Council for expenses for the operation of his jurisdiction, for it depends on volunteers who give freely of their time, energy and money in the interest of youth.

The Executive Officer of each jurisdiction also has the authority to appoint any number of personal representatives he desires to assist him in his DeMolay work.

Serving as a day-to-day liaison between the Executive Officer and the Supreme Council is the Grand Secretary and his Staff at DeMolay Headquarters in Kansas City. The small, full-time paid staff affords continuity to DeMolay operations throughout the world and provides valuable assistance in the way of information and materials, not only to the Executive Officer and his representatives, but to all the DeMolay chapters and advisors and members.

Next in the chain of command is found the chapter itself. Every DeMolay chapter must have a sponsor which must be either a recognized Masonic organization or a minimum of six Master Masons forming a Masonic group for the purpose of sponsoring a DeMolay chapter.
Officers of the International Supreme Council of the Order of DeMolay (L. to R.): George M. Saunders, Grand Secretary; J. Chris Nungesser, Deputy Grand Master; William A. Hensley, Grand Master; Albert P. Ruerat, Grand Junior Councilor; Chandler C. Cohagen, Grand Treasurer. Not pictured, Stanley Garrity, Grand Senior Councilor.

The sponsoring body passes a resolution of sponsorship, pledging itself to supervise, guide, and assist a DeMolay chapter. Basically, the sponsoring body agrees to provide a minimum of six Master Masons to serve as advisors to the chapter; to assist in providing a place for the chapter to meet; and to furnish not only interest in the chapter and its activities, but also to provide the moral responsibility of seeing that the chapter functions properly.

The Advisory Council is the key to the successful operation of any DeMolay chapter. The chapter will be just as strong as its advisors are, for the advisors provide the experience, the continuity, and the personal example that the DeMolay boys need to run a chapter properly. Eighty percent of all the chapters have a Mothers’ Club, which provides many useful services.

Each chapter has a line of 23 officers, whose stations closely parallel those found in the Blue Lodge. Four of the officers are elective, Master Councilor, Senior Councilor, Junior Councilor and Treasurer, while the remainder are appointive.

In a normal functioning chapter, the officers and members of the chapter actually run and administer the chapter’s functions and activities with only counsel and advice from the advisors.

As can be seen by the foregoing, there are many vital links in the DeMolay organization and all must function properly to insure the Order’s growth and progress.
Commanderries Reaching 10 Per Cent Quota of Life Sponsors in K.T. Eye Foundation, Inc.

ALABAMA
Mobile No. 2

ARIZONA
Columbine No. 9

ARKANSAS
DeMolay No. 3

CALIFORNIA
Woodlawn No. 21
San Diego No. 25
Fresno No. 29
Vacaville No. 38

COLORADO
Temple No. 23
Georgetown No. 4

CONNECTICUT
Palestine No. 6
Stamford No. 12
Washington No. 1
New Haven No. 2
St. Elmo No. 9
St. Johns No. 11

DELWARE
St. Andrews No. 2

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, 100% OF COMMANDERIES
Potomac No. 3
Washington No. 1
Columbia No. 2

FLORIDA
St. Lucie No. 17—100% of Membership
Springtime No. 40

GEORGIA
St. Omer No. 2
DeKalb No. 38
Coeur de Lion No. 4
Alexius No. 22
Rhodes No. 34
Hebron No. 23
Trinity No. 39

INDIANA
New Albany No. 5
Knightstown No. 9
Apollo No. 19

IOWA
Joppa No. 55

KENTUCKY
Webb No. 1
Newport No. 13

KANSAS
Cyrene No. 23

LOUISIANA
Ivanhoe No. 19—100% of Membership

MARYLAND
Thomas J. Shyrock No. 11
Beauregard No. 10
St. Elmo No. 12
Montgomery No. 13
York No. 16
Columbia No. 2
Maryland No. 1

MASSACHUSETTS & RHODE IS.
St. Bernard No. 12
Cyprus No. 39
Reading No. 50

MISSOURI
Ivanhoe No. 8

MICHIGAN
DeMolay No. 5
Detroit No. 1
Marshall No. 17
Jackson No. 9
Lansing No. 25
Howell No. 28
Northville No. 39
Ypsilanti No. 54
Muskegon No. 22
St. Bernard No. 16
St. Johns No. 24
Genesee Valley No. 15
Columbia No. 18
Battle Creek No. 33
Damascus No. 42
South Shore No. 31
Monroe No. 19
Peninsular No. 8
Ionia No. 11

MONTANA
Golden West No. 24
Bethany No. 19

MAINE
St. Amand No. 20

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NEW JERSEY
St. Omer No. 28
Ascalon No. 29
St. John's No. 9
Triumph No. 24
Lafayette No. 22
Trinity No. 17

NEW YORK
Temple No. 2
Manhattan No. 31
Bethlehem No. 53
Damascus No. 58
Marble City No. 63
Apollo No. 15
Coeur de Lion No. 23
Otsego No. 76
St. George's No. 37
Yonkers No. 47

NORTH CAROLINA
Lenoir No. 33
DeMolay No. 34

OHIO
LaFayette Lyttle No. 77
Bryan No. 74
Cincinnati No. 3

OKLAHOMA
St. Aumer No. 29
Duncan No. 46

PENNSYLVANIA
Bethel No. 98
Crusade No. 12

RHODE ISLAND
Thomas Smith Webb No. 51

SOUTH DAKOTA
Capitol City No. 21

TENNESSEE —
Lookout No. 14
Kingsport No. 33

TEXAS
Gonzales No. 11
Melrose No. 109
Kirgore No. 104
Ruthven No. 2
Paris No. 9
Ivanhoe No. 8
Brenham No. 15
El Paso No. 18
Ascension No. 25
Bonham No. 42
Wills Point No. 44
Llano No. 54
San Marcos No. 56
Yoakum No. 66
Dalhart No. 72
Midland No. 84
Crockett No. 91
Jacksonville No. 93
Monahans No. 102
Odessa No. 110
Abilene No. 27
Pampa No. 97
Arlington No. 107
Godfrey No. 37
Park Place No. 106
Haskell No. 49
Mineral Wells No. 99
Garrett No. 103
Colorado No. 4
Sweetwater No. 89
Houston No. 95
Plainview No. 53
Corpus Christi No. 57
Palestine No. 3
Denton No. 45
Vernon No. 33
San Felipe de Austin No. 1
McKinney No. 34
Litt S. Perry No. 111
San Benito No. 62

VIRGINIA
DeMolay No. 4
Piedmont No. 26
Fairfax No. 25
Fredericksburg No. 1
Arlington No. 29
Appomattox No. 6
Olivet No. 18
Malta No. 24
Old Dominion No. 11
Lynn No. 9

WASHINGTON
Townsend No. 9

WISCONSIN
Sparta No. 16
Neillsville No. 36
Olivet No. 18
Wauwatosa No. 51
Burlington No. 50

GUAM
Guam No. 4

JAPAN
Tokyo No. 1

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OKINAWA
Okinawa No. 2
SAUDI ARABIA
Al Hasa No. 1
Al Hasa No. 1—100%
of Membership
The above may not be a complete
list of the commanderies reaching
their 10% quota. Contact your
Grand Commander or other re-
ponsible Sir Knight in your Grand
Jurisdiction if your commandery
should be on this list. He should
notify the Foundation forthwith.

EXCERPTS FROM GRAND MASTER BRUCKER’S NEW LETTER
OF MAY 10, 1967

Room Reservations: 1,878 paid
room reservations have been re-
ceived by the committee for the
Golden Triennial at Detroit on Au-
gust 19-24.

We have reviewed the names of
every eligible Grand Encampment
member and find that many have
not yet sent in their applications
for room reservations to the Hos-
ing Committee. Since hotel and
motel rooms are being assigned on
a “first come first served” basis,
you owe a duty to tell all your
Grand Encampment members that
they may lose out unless they send
their reservations at once.

Knight Templar Magazine: We
had a tremendous spurt of sub-
scriptions last month and we now
have 35,348 subscribers for the
Knight Templar Magazine.

Life Sponsors: There has been
a steady stream of Life Sponsors
during the past month. We now
have 18,039 Life Sponsors. We
need only 1961 to reach the covet-
ed goal of 20,000 by August 19,
1967. Keep them coming!

Membership: The longer I am
your Grand Master, the surer I am
that there is no substitute for can-
didates. Talk is cheap and no
amount of alibis will explain a
poor membership record when the
“chips are down.” A good mem-
bership organization, plus some
solid effort to carry the message
to Blue Lodge Christian Masons
will still get results—no matter
how the cynics may talk. Your
Grand Master journeyed to Cin-
cinnati, Ohio, on Saturday, May 7,
1967, for the knighting of a Class
of 293 candidates by Hanselmann
Commandery No. 16, Knights
Templar of Ohio. Tell this to some
of the scoffers! It all depends on
the attitude—either a Command-
ery Officer is a “can do” or a
“can’t do”—and that’s how simple
it is!

NET GAIN OF GRAND EN-
CAMPMENT MEMBERSHIP TO
DATE—60.

From the foregoing you can
readily see that it is “touch and
go” as to whether we will have a
net gain or a net loss for the past
year! One single knighting or one
single NPD could tip the scales
either way!

Now you can understand why I
have urged all of you to adopt the
“Second Effort.” Wouldn’t it be
wonderful if we could show a net
gain in membership for the first
time in years? There is still time
for some Grand Commanderies to
improve their score. You will
never know how anxious I am to
see the Grand Encampment suc-
cceed in forging ahead.

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The journey from Third Guard to Grand Commander is quite an experience. In the beginning—uneasy pride. On the way—hard work and wonderful experiences. But when, finally, someone addresses you as "Grand Commander," it is very hard to believe.

My feelings at this moment are indescribable. Certainly, I am most appreciative of the honor you have conferred upon me. I thank God for the blessings of health that make it possible, up to this moment, to accept this challenge. And I am just a bit disturbed that there should be even one Sir Knight who, after experiencing the libations, does not actively dedicate himself to the proposition that every Christian Mason must be similarly benefitted.

The Order which we represent is, to me, so desirable and meritorious that I cannot imagine every Templar not leaping forward to further its concepts. Accordingly, with a sincere "hats off" to Sir Knight J. Harvey Moore, who has given us a most creditable year as Grand Commander, I salute the Sir Knights of Pennsylvania—all the while pledging the support of one of the most formidable and accomplished roster of elected and appointed Grand Officers and Division Commanders possible.

There are 25,000 of us. The Grand Officers invite your cooperation and enthusiasm in a massive effort—right now—not only to greatly increase that number, but to so improve our Templar image that none will pass us by.

HAROLD E. STOKELY,
R.E. Grand Commander
ELECTED GRAND OFFICERS, TRUSTEES, AND
APPOINTED GRAND OFFICERS

1967-1968

Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Pennsylvania

Grand Officers

HAROLD E. STOKELY..............................R. Em. Grand Commander
G. CALVIN DYSON..............................V. Em. Deputy Grand Commander
CHARLES R. EURICH..............................Em. Grand Generalissimo
WILLIAM D. GEESEY..............................Em. Grand Captain General
EWART ROBERTS..............................Em. Grand Senior Warden
RUSSELL R. ROBISON..............................Em. Grand Junior Warden
PERRY L. LABARR, P.G.C..............................Em. Grand Treasurer
JOHN W. LAIRD..............................Em. Grand Recorder

Trustees

DAVID J. GODSCHALL JOHN A. ROTH WALTER H. WOODING

Appointed Officers

Rev. and S. K. NORMAN C. YOUNG, Em. Grand Prelate
THOMAS H. SIMPSON..............................Assoc. Em. Grand Prelate
HARRY E. KILLEN, III..............................Em. Grand Standard Bearer
LLEWELLYN W. MILLS..............................Em. Grand Sword Bearer
HARVEY O. NIELSEN..............................Em. Grand Warder
FLOYD C. JONES..............................Em. Grand Captain of the Guard
CHARLES A. GARNES..............................Em. Grand Marshal
EDWIN A. JULIUS..............................Em. Grand Herald

Division Commander appointments and Committee appointments will be listed in the "Crusader" segment of the July issue of the Knight Templar Magazine.

DETROIT RESERVATIONS

Requests have been received by Grand Commandery Officers and by the Grand Recorder of Grand Encampment for Golden Triennial reservation forms. These are available through the Triennial Conclave Committee, Masonic Temple, 500 Temple Avenue, Box 100, Detroit, Michigan 48201. All interested Sir Knights are asked to check the February, 1967, issue of the Knight Templar Magazine. It featured full program and reservation information.
GETTYSBURG'S NATIONAL CEMETERY IS SETTING FOR DIVISION NO. 16 ASCENSION SERVICE

With Division Commander Julius A. Houser presiding, Divisions No. 15 and 16 combined to observe the annual Ascension Festival and Memorial Service at Gettysburg, on Sunday, May 7.

Dr. Harold S. Dunkelberger, P.C., Gettysburg Commandery No. 79, and former Grand Prelate (1956-57, 1963-64), was the speaker. Music was featured by the Gettysburg High School Band.

The traditional service at Gettysburg, revived in 1957, has been presented annually since that year as a project of Division No. 16, with Division No. 15 joining in the sponsorship in recent years.

DIVISION NO. 7 HIGHLIGHTS

Officers of the Commanderies of Division No. 7 were installed in public ceremonies April 8 in the Masonic Temple, Hazleton, with Division Commander Harry Houser as Installing Officer, assisted by George W. Smith, Marshal. Eminent Commanders installed were: Thomas L. Evans, Ivanhoe No. 31, Mahonoy City; Leon A. Wetzel, Prince of Peace No. 39, Ashland; Lawrence A. Keifer, Constantine No. 41, Pottsville; Christian Reimiller, Mt. Vernon No. 73, Hazleton.

The annual Ascension Day Service of Division No. 7 was held in the First Methodist Church, Tamaqua, with approximately 200 Sir Knights and guests in attendance. The Reverend Milton E. Deterline presented the sermon and the host choir sang "Battle Hymn of the Republic." Ivanhoe Commandery and Auxiliary hosted the service.

PAST COMMANDER PRESENTS 50-YEAR RECOGNITION TO SIR KNIGHTS HE DUBBED AS EMINENT COMMANDER

A unique ceremony was held April 27 during the Stated Conclave of Chartiers Commandery No. 78, when Sir Knight Richard J. Wilcox, Chartiers Eminent Commander 1916-17, presented 50-Year Certificates to three Sir Knights dubbed by him a half century ago.

Left to right, the three are: George Jacob Steinheiser, Thomas A. Pritchard, and Treasurer Emeritus Frank Raymond Rome. Sir Knight Wilcox, now 90, is shown in the second row with Robert L. Crum, Jr., 1966-67 Commander.

A fourth member of the class, Frederick William Schwarz, unable to attend because of illness, received his certificate in absentia.

STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL

Meal planners for Division Receptions during the 1967-68 Templar year in Pennsylvania will be interested in a private investigation of the Grand Commander's food preferences. Although the source of the information cannot be divulged, it has been learned that Sir Knight Stokely eschews chicken in any form. Otherwise, he has few food dislikes. In case there is any doubt, "to eschew" means "to shun."
Officers and committeemen pose with the class of candidates during Pittsburgh’s York Rite Festival in April. Chairman was Frank A. Arturo, assisted by Earl A. Zimber and Edward Fowler. It was the committee’s third annual festival, with another already planned. Held on three successive Saturdays, with all work completed by 5:00 p.m., the festival was a Division No. 2 effort in which Division No. 4 and 8 joined. Adherents of the festival idea say the festivals are responsible for a reduction in the average age of candidates and the photograph supports the claim.

SPREAD THE WORD! COTTRELL’S THE MAN!

“We all know his qualities, but be sure to let others know about them, too,” urges Grand Treasurer and Past Grand Commander Perry L. LaBarr, chairman of the committee advocating the election of John B. Cottrell, Jr., to the post of Right Eminent Grand Captain General of Grand Encampment.

The election will take place August 23 at Detroit during the Golden Triennial Conclave of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the U.S.A. Chairman LaBarr reminds all Pennsylvania Sir Knights in attendance to serve as Campaign Ambassadors during their stay. Sir Knight Cottrell, now Right Eminent Department Commander, North Atlantic Department, is already well recognized in a large segment of the country for his leadership in Masonry.

Pennsylvania has been joined by a dozen other Grand Commanderies in supporting his candidacy.
Denver Extends Invitation to Host 1970 Grand Encampment Triennial

An invitation to host the 1970 Grand Encampment Triennial at Denver has been sent by the Governor of Colorado (next page). Also joining in the invitation were the Mayor of the City and County of Denver, Thomas G. Currigan; the Chamber of Commerce; the Denver Convention and Visitor's Bureau; and the Grand Commandery of Colorado.

Suggested Promotional Talk for Knight Templar Eye Foundation

One of the most ardent workers for the Knight Templar Eye Foundation, Inc., is George E. Petrie, of 6305 South Federal Highway, Fort Pierce, Florida 33450, organizer of the now famous York Eye Sponsorship (Y.E.S.) Club.

He has used the following as the basis for his remarks in several Commanderies on the subject of the Knight Templar Eye Foundation:

"It’s the greatest thing that has ever come to the face of the earth. In the last ten years, eleven thousand people have been brought from darkness to light. If each one of these people only took up one foot of space—that’s over two miles of people. Can you imagine what these people would have to say if you could ask each one what it feels like to be able to see their loved ones again and all the beauties of nature?

"God's first recorded command was, 'Let there be light'—this, the day Masonry was born and now we as Knights Templar can dispense this light to the blind. Can any Sir Knight afford not to be a Life Sponsor for the small sum of $30.00? To date we have not received the first ‘no.’ If any Sir Knight cannot afford this, there are other more prosperous Sir Knights that will pick up their brothers.

"In closing, I would like to mention a little article that was in Knight Templar Magazine a few months ago. The article was entitled 'TOMORROW.' Tomorrow this Mason would help the sick and needy. Tomorrow he would help widows and orphans. Tomorrow he would support DeMolay—where our young Masons come from. Tomorrow this Sir Knight was going to make out an application for Life Sponsorship in the Knight Templar Eye Foundation. Well, you know the rest of the story. This man died with good intentions. If he could have just changed one word—tomorrow to today—he would have been one of the greatest humanitarians in the whole world. What we need today is—Today Masons! Today Knights Templar! Tomorrow never comes. With this thought in mind please take this application for Life Sponsorship and sign it today. Pay for it as you see fit. But sign it today.

"Thank you! And may the good Lord be with you till we meet again."

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March 27, 1967

Mr. Wilber Marion Brucker
Grand Master, Grand Encampment
of Knights Templar of the U.S.A.
2200 Penobscot Building
Detroit, Michigan

Dear Mr. Brucker:

On behalf of the people of Colorado, I extend a cordial invitation to the Knights Templar of the U.S.A. to hold their 1970 Grand Encampment at the Top of the Nation.

Awe-inspiring mountain scenery and an invigorating climate have long made Colorado a favorite year-around playground. Sunshiny days, cool rest-conducive nights, and excellent accommodations also make the Centennial State equally ideal as a convention site.

With a backdrop of the snow-capped Rockies providing a picturesque setting for an event-full schedule of typical Western entertainment, your delegates and their families may effectively combine convention business and leisure pursuits.

Whether your vocation or vacation brings you to Colorado, I assure you that you will find a friendly Western welcome awaiting you.

Sincerely,

John A. Love
TO A SKELETON

Behold this ruin! 'Twas a skull
Once of ethereal spirit full.
This narrow cell was Life's retreat;
This space was thought's mysterious seat.
What beauteous visions filled this spot!
What dreams of pleasure long forgot!
Nor hope, nor joy, nor love, nor fear
Has left one trace of record here.

Beneath this mouldering canopy
Once shone the bright and busy eye:
But start not at the dismal void,—
If social love that eye employed,
If wish no lawless fire it gleamed,
But through the dews of kindness beamed,
That eye shall be forever bright
When stars and sun are sunk in night.

Within this hollow cavern hung
The ready, swift, and tuneful tongue;
If Falschood's honey it disdained,
And when it could not praise was chained;
If bold in Virtue's cause it spoke,
Yet gentle concord never broke,—
This silent tongue shall plead for thee
When Time unveils Eternity!

Say, did these fingers delve the mine,
Or with the envied rubies shine?
To hew the rock, or wear a gem,
Can little now avail to them;
But if the page of Truth they sought,
Or comfort to the mourner brought,
These hands a richer need shall claim
Than all that wait on Wealth and Fame.

Avails it whether bare or shod
These feet the paths of duty trod?
If from the bowers of Ease they fled,
To seek Affliction's humble shed;
If Grandeur's guilty bribe they spurned,
And home to Virtue's not returned,—
These feet with angel wings shall vie,
And tread the palace of the sky!

Anonymous.

History of Lines "To a Skeleton"
From "PROGRESS MAGAZINE" July 1851

The authorship of the above poem has never been ascertained. It is all as much of a mystery as The Man in the Iron Mask, or the authorship of the Junius Letters. One account attributes the authorship to an unknown ghost who haunted an old library in London.

The story of the finding of this poem is an interesting one. It was written by an unknown hand in the library of the museum of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of London. An attendant of the museum was passing through the library during a holiday, and observed two sheets of paper lying on the table. A pen, ink and skull were the only other objects. He picked up the sheets and noticed that they were still damp. He blotted them carefully and turned them over to the librarian, who at once demanded to know who has been admitted on a day when no visitors were allowed. The rebuked attendant hurried away in search of the offender. Only a professor and two janitors were to be found in the building. He hurried back to his superior and recommended that the verses be burned as they were evidently written by a super-natural hand. This was seriously considered by the librarian, but after thinking it over he decided to show them to the Dean of the College upon his arrival next morning.

The poem lay upon the Dean's desk for some days and was read and copied by a great many professors and visitors. One of the visitors, it is said, sent it to the London Morning Chronicle, and it was printed in that journal. The poem made a remarkable impression on the mind of the public, and a demand arose for the name of the author. It was thought for a time, that a professor of the College had written the verses, but search of them disclaimed all credit.

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For ten years following this incident the question of authorship was frequently revived, and finally a reward was offered for any one who could furnish proof, fifty pounds sterling being offered for such information. No one has ever been able to claim the reward.

Although it was claimed that the first printed copy of the poem was in the London Morning Chronicle and unsigned, it was found in the European Magazine for November, 1716, signed with the initial "V." That was the signature used by an English authoress, Miss Anne Jane Vardill, afterwards Mrs. James Niven of Glenarm. This young lady wrote many poems for the European Magazine, printed over the same initial, but she denied an authorship of "Lines to a Skeleton."

Many writers when they wish to conceal their identity use the initial "V" or "X", and not infrequently "X.Y.Z."

So time went on and a hundred or more years have passed—and even more—and the authorship of the poem still remains as deep a mystery as ever. It is not probable that it will ever be solved.

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**Parade Orders for 50th Triennial Conclave**

Roy W. Riegel, G.C.G. of the Grand Encampment, K.T. of U. S. A. and Grand Marshal of the Parade, has issued detailed parade orders as of May 25. Some of the important features of general interest in the Order are as follows:

**Conference:** Provisions have been made for a staff conference on Saturday afternoon, August 19, promptly at 3:00 P.M. at the Oak Room, Masonic Temple, Detroit.

**Time of Assembly:** The parade will assemble with the first Division being ready to move out at 7:00 P.M. The parade moves promptly at 7:30 P.M.

**Reviewing Stand:** Located west side of Woodward Avenue—opposite the Soldiers' and Sailors' Monument.

The Grand Commanders will present a written report to the Grand Captain General, on August 19, 1967, showing the number and rank of the attending Sir Knights, bands and other marching units, from their respective Grand Commanderies. This information is needed so that the Grand Captain General can make a full report of the Parade to the Grand Encampment on August 21, 1967.

**Changing Clothes.** The Drill Hall 3½ Floor, Masonic Temple, Detroit, will be available to the Sir Knights for changing their clothes, before and after the Parade. Sentinels will be in charge of the Drill Hall at all times during August 19, 1967.

**Uniforms:** The properly authorized Templar uniform will be worn by each Sir Knight participating and marching in the Parade, to include black shoes, black socks and black pants without stripes or cuffs.

**Bus Transportation:** Shuttle busses will be available at Disbanding Area to Downtown and to the Masonic Temple.

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**In Memoriam**

New York
Harry Sanford Banks, G.C., 1944—April 16, 1967
North Carolina
Robert A. Bruce, G.C., 1961—May 30, 1966
Pennsylvania
South Dakota
Ernest A. Jones, G.C., 1939—March 14, 1967
Virginia
Frank Allerton, G.C., 1956—April 11, 1967

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A PRAYER FOR SUMMER CONSECRATION

Our gracious God, harvest field from which comes the bread of life, we bring to Thee our souls for nourishment and power. We have a hunger which temporal bread cannot satisfy, but which Thou alone canst meet. Grant that we may be recipients of Thy beneficent blessings both physical and spiritual. The splendor of the summer speaks of Thy grace and challenges us to greater moral beauty in our lives. We would consecrate every faculty of mind and body to Thy service.

We would pray for a courageous faith. Our Founding Fathers marched through days of trial when the future was unsure. So march we. Help us to prize highly and to guard carefully the faith which their loyalty and devotion passed on to us. Endow us today with strong and vigorous faith that will not be submerged by difficulty but will rise in spiritual triumph above it. Inspire us also with a holy zeal to serve Thee in every field of opportunity. Take away from us any selfishness, lack of purpose, or low idealism which would keep us from following Thee completely. Make us victorious Knights that shall commend to all the world the faith we profess.

We ask Thee for no soft comfort. We seek rather strength to fight more valiantly as followers of Thy Son. We would think His thoughts, look out on our troubled world with His eyes and feel with His love. Inspire us today with new visions. We would pray for eternal horizons around our daily duties. Lift us up to such an attitude that we may see Thy kingdom in all its splendor and work for its establishment in the hearts of men. Keep us by Thy grace as good soldiers until we shall win for Thee the victory and gain from Thee the Crown. We ask it in the name of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.

—Dr. Howard R. Towne, G.P.

From Our Readers

Ascension Day Service in the District of Columbia

The Ascension Day Religious Service, under the auspices of the Grand Commandery of the District of Columbia, was held at the Calvary Baptist Church, Washington, D. C., on Thursday evening, May 4. A large number of uniformed Sir Knights from Washington, Columbia, and Potomac Commanderies of the District of Columbia were joined by visiting Sir Knights from Arlington and Old Dominion Commanderies of Virginia and marched into the Church. In a most inspiring and appropriate sermon, Dr. Clarence W. Cranford, the minister of the church briefly recounted the early beginnings and history of Calvary Baptist Church, from which he very skillfully led into his Sermon, “Faith’s Power to Lift.” Assisting in the service were Sir Knight Samuel T. Farmer, P.G.C. and Grand Prelate; the Reverend and Sir Knight James H. Brown, minister of Capitol Hill Presbyterian Church; and the Reverend and Sir Knight Charles E. Niner, minister of the Hiss Methodist Church of Baltimore. The service was most impressive in every respect.

Ernest C. Barker, Correspondent

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HANSELMANN COMMANDERY, CINCINNATI, SETS RECORD WITH CLASS OF 293

All of the Orders of the Commandery were given to the above class of 293 Sir Knights by Hanselmann Commandery, Cincinnati, on May 6, 1967. It is believed that this is the largest class ever knighted by one Commandery.

Wilber M. Brucker, Grand Master, was the principal speaker at the Banquet following the ritualistic work.

While in Cincinnati Grand Master Brucker met the press and so paid a visit to the Burns Institute. He was interviewed by WLW-TV which interview appeared on the 6:00 P.M. and 11:00 P.M. newscasts.

Virgil Kent, Dep. Com., Herbert E. Rogler, G.C., and many other Grand Officers and P.G.C.’s of the Grand Commandery were in attendance.

George H. Thomas, P.G.C., was General Chairman for this most successful festival.

On Saturday, April 15, the downtown Temple 6 Masonic Temple of Albuquerque, New Mexico, was destroyed by fire. The York Rite Bodies lost all paraphernalia and equipment. The insurance was far from enough to cover loss and damage.

The York Riter

One of the interesting and instructive features of the Oklahoma Grand Commandery Conclave held at Shawnee on April 24-25, was the comprehensive review of the 1966 Proceedings of 29 of the Grand Jurisdictions of Knights Templar in the U.S., together with those of the Sovereign Grand Priory of Canada, which was made by Harry M. House, P.G.C., Templar Reviewer.

Brevard Commandery No. 24 of Florida has joined the Christian Crusade—Y.E.S. Club and made the initial pledge of $1.00 each of its 200 members. The goal is to have each Sir Knight paid in full ($30.00 for Life Sponsorship to Knight Templar Eye Foundation) by Christmas.

George E. Petrie, Florida

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Cyrene Commandery No. 39 of Rochester, N. Y., started its Centennial Year by a recent installation of officers at which time the Rochester Regiment of the Knights of St. John and their ladies were present. More than 200 were in attendance, including P.G.C.'s of N. Y. and other distinguished guests.

F. William Young, G.S.B.

TEMPLE COMMANDERY NO. 4, DES MOINES, IOWA, UNDER-TAKES CAMPAIGN FOR KNIGHT TEMPLAR EYE FOUNDATION

Jack K. Miller, Commander of Temple Commandery, recently announced that his chief project for the year was to make the Sir Knights of the Commandery conscious of the Knight Templar Eye Foundation program, and that his main endeavor throughout the year was to promote Life Sponsorships. In line with this announced intention, he has undertaken an intensified campaign along the following lines:

1. Appointed a committee with instructions to make a progress report at each stated Conclave.
2. Personal letters and visitations are being made.
3. Newspaper publicity is being given.
4. The chairman of the committee has already appeared approximately 3 hours on radio station KDMI and has spoken at length on the Knight Templar Eye Foundation and its work, and answered questions called in by interested parties.
5. Various organizations have been contacted throughout the city.

In response to the radio program a year old child, suffering from glaucoma, contacted the chairman of the committee, who secured the necessary forms from the Foundation for her parents and she is now undergoing treatment at Iowa City University Hospital. Another family, with two children both under school-age who have cataracts, have also made application for assistance. The Junior Warden of Temple Commandery, Sir Knight E. Mearl Lin, has contacted the family and their case is now being processed. Further reports will be forthcoming as the year progresses and Sir Knight Miller has hopes of seeing at least 15 per cent of the members of his Commandery Life Sponsors by the end of his year.

James F. Milligan, Correspondent

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As set forth in a report of May 1 by Werner F. Ehrhardt, Chairman of the Committee for the Knight Templar Eye Foundation of Al Hasa Commandery No. 1, K. T. of Saudia Arabia, all members were Life Sponsors as of November 1, 1966. Since that time there had been enrolled seven additional patrons for a total of 16 Patrons and one Associate Patron. All Masons and Masonic allied organizations in Saudia Arabia (11) are now Patrons or Associate Patrons. Since starting the campaign for life sponsors and patrons, the Commandery has caused to be contributed to the Knight Templar Eye Foundation, Inc. a total of $5,955.56.

The Knight Templar certainly appreciates the support from Malta Commandery No. 3 of Park City, Utah, with a membership of 31 and a total of 27 subscribers to the Magazine.

During the month of May the Chapter and Council Degrees were conferred by Signet Chapter No. 57 R.A.M. and Los Angeles Council No. 11 R. & S.M. and the Orders of the Commandery by Los Angeles Commandery No. 9 for candidates desiring to attend the Honolulu Shrine Ceremonial in June.

Buffalo-Keystone Council No. 17 R.&S.M. will host a state-wide out door assembly for the purpose of conferring the Degrees of the Cryptic Rite on Saturday, June 24, 1967, at Franklinville, New York. Special dispensations have been granted by Kenneth C. Schwartz, G.M. of the Grand Council of New York, and by the Grand Master of the Grand Council of Ontario in order that Canadian Companions may participate in the assembly.

It is expected that there will be a class of approximately 150 candidates from New York and 50 or more from Canada.

Earle J. Hino, Jr.,
Publicity Chairman

The York Rite Bodies of Florida are planning a VIRGIL I. (GUS) GRISsom MEMORIAL CLASS for Saturday, October 14, 1967.

The first class of candidates for 1967 of Trinity Commandery, Plainfield, N. J., was named in honor of their Past Commander, John Henry Frazee, who was born October 2, 1873. Sir Knight Frazee gave the ritualistic work of the 5th Libation and knighted the candidates. Sir Knight Frazee became the 15th Life Sponsor from the Commandery to the Knights Templar Eye Foundation to put Trinity Commandery into the 10 per cent column.

Wallace M. Gage, Com.

66 candidates received the Orders of Red Cross and Malta and 53 were knighted (the other 13 were to be knighted in their own Commanderies) at the York Rite Festival in Melrose, Massachusetts on Saturday, April 22nd.

The Templar, Mass. & R. I.

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Centennial Celebration of Louisville-DeMolay Commandery

Louisville - DeMolay Commandery No. 12, K.T., Louisville, Kentucky, was chartered June 27, 1867, and this year is celebrating its one hundredth anniversary.

May 2nd was Past Commanders' night and the Order of the Temple was conferred upon a class of twenty-four by the Past Commanders. Another class of eighteen will receive the Order of the Temple on June 10th.

The celebration will be climaxed by the Centennial Banquet at the Brown Hotel on June 17. The dinner speaker will be Sir Knight and Dr. Gerald E. Bisbee, "The Globe Trotting Preacher," General Grand Chaplain, General Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, International. Sir Knight Bisbee is a former Grand Prelate of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Minnesota.

Honored guests will include the heads of the state York Rite bodies and the Scottish Rite.

This Commandery is a consolidation of Louisville Commandery No. 1, chartered by the Grand Encampment September 17, 1841, and DeMolay Commandery No. 12, the merger taking place in 1933. In 1941, a Templar celebration was held, commemorating one hundred years of Templary in Louisville.

Wylie B. Wendt, Correspondent

K.T.'s and K.C.'s Meet at Sedalia, Missouri

On April 20 Saint Omer Commandery No. 11, K.T., and Sedalia Council No. 851, Knights of Columbus, met in the Masonic Temple in Sedalia for a joint fellowship dinner. The dinner was served by Sedalia Assembly No. 23, S.O.O.B. 139 Knights, almost evenly divided, attended this historic meeting.

Everyone was given the opportunity to speak his thoughts and some 25 responded. Among those present were Col. Monaca of White- man Air Base, K.C., Senator John Ryan, a M.M., State Deputy L'Hote, K.C., Harold Painter, P.G.C., Leo Coxon, Gr. Kt. K.C., H. J. Gwinn, E.C.

After an enjoyable hour of fellowship and fun nearly everyone went upstairs to the blue room where the Commandery was set up. The illuminated letter G, the spotlight on the Bible, the K.T. emblem deeply impressed the K.C.'s.

Among the many fine remarks were: A fine thing. We must live with them. We work together. Fraternal fellowship is Good. It won't do any harm. This is all right. We practice the ecumenical movement. We have taken the leadership in this community. We are on the right track. It is a pleasure to have a story like this.

Harold N. Painter, P.G.C.

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Honorary 33° Scottish Rite Masons Confer Order of the Temple in Chicago

St. Bernard Commandery No. 35, Chicago, Joseph A. Buckham, E.C., added a new Sir Knight to its roster March 29 when Samuel K. Zipp, 33°, received the Order of the Temple from a ritualistic team composed entirely of 33° Masons whose dedication to Knight Templary was well demonstrated by the impressive conferral. Eminent Commander for the Order was Clyde H. Heichel; Generalissimo, Clayton J. Lundy; Captain General, Sigurd R. Jensen; Prelate, Olcott N. Collar, who originated the project. Other participants included: Robert L. Giesel, Edward D. Hudson, Haldane Bean, Paul C. Rodenhauser, Leo C. Dimmer, Harry Hanlin, William Davis, Oliver Grunditz, Siegel Oxford, William Olsen, Elmer Seiler. The organist, C. Gordon Wiedertz, and the soloist, William L. Backus, also are 33° Masons.

Haute Saone Priory

Haute Saone Priory, Chivalric Knights of the Holy Order of the Fellow Soldiers of Jacques DeMolay was instituted at the Masonic Temple, Danvers, Massachusetts, on Saturday afternoon, April 15, 1967. Thirty-four boys received the Degree of Investiture and the Officers were installed the same evening.

The ceremonies were conducted by Independence Priory of Providence, Rhode Island, under the guidance of Sir Knight and Dad Phillip G. Rollins, Past Commander of Thomas Smith Webb Commandery No. 51, K.T. of Cranston, Rhode Island.

We are proud that this Grand Commandery was honored with the privilege of sponsoring this fine Priory. Many of our Sir Knights attended the installation and all advisory officers for the boys are filled by Sir Knights who have pledged their time and effort to assure success.

The first goal is to obtain a membership of not less than 100 prior to the beginning of the fall activities.

C. Burton Long, P.G.C.
There was an unusually large number of distinguished guests in attendance at the 98th Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery of Kansas which was held in Emporia on May 1 and 2. The above photo was taken during the Grand Commander's dinner and those present are from left to right:


"THE WORD," a synoptic drama by Myron K. Lingle, Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge F. & A.M. of Illinois, will again be performed at Springfield, Illinois, on Saturday, August 5. The cast of over 50 will include some of the most qualified ritualists in Central Illinois. A large class of candidates is expected.

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Pictured above are the twenty-one Royal and Select Masters who were created Knights of the Order of the Temple during the Spring Festival held in Jacksonville, Florida, March 18 through March 25, 1967.

This fine class is a result of the efforts of the presiding officers of the Jacksonville York Rite of Free-masonry Bodies and their ability to secure the co-operation and support of their members.

Henry W. Wallis is H.P. of Jacksonville Chapter No. 12; Raymond C. Park is H.P. of Duval Chapter No. 48; Luther Henry Tison, Jr., is Ill. M. of Hallmark Council No. 3; and Wendell D. Harrington is E.C. of Damascus Commandery No. 2.

RECRUITING ZEAL TWO FOLD

It has long been known that Al Crump, P.G.C. of Illinois, is one of the best petition getters in the Grand Encampment. Al certainly exemplified his recruiting zeal last month when he signed up the same Mason twice in Evanston's York Rite Bodies. The situation was brought to light when it was found that there were more petitions and money than candidates.

In true Masonic spirit one of the twice paid initiation fees was refunded.

The 98th Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery of Kansas at Emporia on May 1 and 2 was an outstanding success from almost any standpoint. Grand Master Wilber M. Brucker was present and addressed the opening session of the Conclave and the Grand Commander's Dinner at which 435 Sir Knights and Ladies were in attendance. Many other distinguished guests were present as shown above.

Seven drill teams competed in the competitive field drills.

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The following appeared in the feature VOICE OF THE PEOPLE in the Chicago Tribune, Monday, May 8, 1967:

Congratulations to The Tribune and Joanne Knoch for the J. C. Penney vignette on the occasion of his visit to the national leadership conference of the Distributive Education Clubs of America. Miss Knoch’s pleasantly professional words were well chosen and interesting, the Horatio Alger reference refreshing, and the focusing of attention upon a business leader who stresses golden rule principles, reassuring.

James Cash Penney is a Knight Templar who received 50-year membership recognition last June in New York City during the 150th anniversary observance of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States. He received this recognition from Wilber M. Brucker, former governor of Michigan, former secretary of the army during the Eisenhower administration, and now Grand Master of some 400,000 Knights Templar.

When Penney and Brucker faced each across the head table for this presentation, it was obvious to the 1,000 Templar Masons in attendance that they were looking upon two men who strikingly represented the best aspects of American leadership.

The Grand Encampment of Knights Templar is based on the same principles of service and integrity exemplified by James Cash Penney and Wilber M. Brucker, principles which we hope never will be considered too old-fashioned for use by the youth of today and the adults of tomorrow. As J. C. Penney said, “The opportunities open to them have never been greater.”

Paul C. Rodenhauser
Grand Recorder

WHEN A MAN IS POOR

A man is poor when he has lost the confidence of his friends, when people who are nearest to him do not believe in him; when his character is honeycombed by deceit and punctured by dishonesty. He is poor when he makes money at the expense of his character, when he does not stand clear out, supreme in his idea. When this is clouded, he is in danger of the worst kind of poverty. To be in the poorhouse is not necessarily to be poor. If you have maintained your integrity, if your character stands forth square to the world, if you have never bent the knee of principle to avarice, you are not poor, though you may be compelled to beg bread.

—Queensland Freemason


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WELCOME TO DETROIT

ADVANCE PROGRAM

Saturday, August 19
12:00 Noon: The Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the U.S.A. will convene in its Fifty-fifth Triennial Conclave in the Detroit Masonic Temple, 500 Temple Avenue.

6 to 7 P.M.: The Triennial Parade will form—moving at 7:30 P.M. through downtown streets, terminating at the City-County Building—a total distance of 1½ miles. Grand Marshal of the Triennial Parade will be Sir Knight Roy W. Riegel, Righit Eminent Grand Captain General.

Sunday, August 20
4:00 P.M.: Divine Service will be held at Cobo Arena in the Civic Center under the leadership of Sir Knight Howard R. Towne, D.D., Right Eminent Grand Prelate.

8:00 to 10:30 P.M.: The Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Michigan will honor the Most Eminent Grand Master with an informal reception at the Statler-Hilton Ballroom. All Sir Knights and ladies eligible.

Monday, August 21
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Tuesday, August 22
4:00 P.M.: The Triennial Conclave will reconvene in the Detroit Masonic Temple for a business session.

12:15 P.M.: A complimentary lunch for all members of the Grand Encampment will be served in the Fountain Room of the Detroit Masonic Temple.

12:15 P.M.: A ladies' luncheon will be held at Cobo Hall to which the wives of all honored guests and wives of Grand Encampment members will be invited.

2:00 P.M.: The Grand Encampment will reconvene.

8:00 to 10:30 P.M.: An exhibition drill will be given by the famous 16-platoon Drill Corps of Detroit Commandery No. 1 at Cobo Arena—followed by stage show entertainment, Grand March and Dancing. All Sir Knights, ladies and brother Masons eligible.

Wednesday, August 23

12:00 Noon: Complimentary Triennial Drill Team luncheon at Cobo Hall for all members of Drill Teams and their ladies. Prizes will be presented by the M.E. Grand Master.

Thursday, August 24
9:30 A.M.: The Grand Encampment will reconvene at the Detroit Masonic Temple, with the first order of business the election of officers to serve during the next Triennial period of 1967-1970.

12:15 A.M.: A luncheon for the wives of members of Grand Encampment and Distinguished Guests will be held at Dearborn Inn.

6:30 P.M.: The Triennial Grand Master's Banquet will be tendered to the Most Eminent Grand Master at Cobo Hall in the Civic Center.

Thursday, August 24
9:30 A.M.: The Grand Encampment will reconvene for the conclusion of all business and the installation of the Incoming Most Eminent Grand Master and other Grand Encampment Officers and Department Commanders.

12:00 Noon: Complimentary Luncheon for all attending the Installation of Officers.