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**“That last night at supper lying,
Mid the twelve, his chosen band,
Jesus, with the law complying,
Keeps the feast its rites demand;
Then, more precious food supplying,
Gives himself with his own hand.
(Plainsong, 1263 A.D.)**



**A New Commandment for
Guests at the Messianic Banquet!**



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COMMANDERY SUCCESS SIMPLIFIED

—by the Grand Master

The success of Templary depends upon and is composed of the success of local commanderies. Achievement of this essential may become easier if we reduce our thinking to basic needs and methods. To suggest these on one page is perhaps a bold enterprise but here is the formula of one Knight Templar.

Commandery purpose is to provide a vehicle for the expression or implementation of the purposes described by the several declarations and vows made and assumed by every Knight Templar. To be successful, such a vehicle must somehow release a good part of the potential of the total membership for constructive contribution to the social community within which the commandery operates.

Commandery methods may and will vary according to local needs and local opportunities. Our laws are not intended to eliminate such variety of expression, but only to provide general direction. However, we think that any successful approach will always need (1) leadership, (2) direction, and (3) program.

Leadership. Since Templar leadership is elected by the members, it is suggested that they should look for (1) Templar dedication, (2) executive ability, and (3) Templar knowledge,—in that order of importance. Having the first two qualifications, the member chosen can rather quickly gain the essential knowledge of the members' abilities and desires, Templar laws and processes, and the basic ritual of business procedures and courtesies.

Direction. Templar objectives may be divided quite simply into (1) fraternal, that members may know personally and enjoy the company of and learn a deep loyalty to other similarly purposeful men and their families, (2) religious, that Templars may deepen their own Christian commitment and support the Christian Church and Christian ethics as a group within their communities, and (3) services and charities, that Templars may understand and by performance demonstrate within their communities the compassionate concern for others which is the hallmark of the Christian Knight.

Program. Social, to provide opportunity in the broadest and most interesting way for fraternal association and the development of fraternal objectives. Ritualistic, to teach new members and remind all members of the basis, historical background and commitments of Templary. Community oriented activities in the recognized Templar fields of support of the Christian religion, education, charities, and our government and its institutions, and to meet as we can the most obvious community needs.

In general. Templar laws are not intended to be restrictive except as they may specifically be so. Together with a commendable proficiency in those things we must do there should be a variety of program expressing initiative and experimentation at the local level. If a proposed program will interest and involve our members, and if it is neither un-Masonic nor un-Christian,—TRY IT!



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The Memorial Window of Our Apostolate, designed by the Grand Prelate and Frederick Cole in London, will be installed in the new Columbarium and Crypt Chapel of the Good Shepherd in Tulsa's Parish of the Trinity. Trinity Commandery No. 20 will be represented at the Dedication on Good Shepherd Sunday, the second Sunday after Easter.

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From the MAIL BIN

Piscataway,
New Jersey

In answer to my letter that was published in the "Editor's Mailbin." I wish to thank all the Sir Knights that sent me material to read. I also wish to thank Sir Knight Rodenhauser for the material he sent. I also wish to thank Sir Knight Wallace Gage, E.G.J.W. of New Jersey, and a Sir Knight of my own Commandery, Trinity No. 17, for his great interest in my case and his kindness. It's a great feeling when you belong to an organization that cares.

FRANK T. FELLMAN

Bloomington, Illinois

I would be very grateful for any help you might give me in regard to a medal found last summer.

Description: Side one, Apollo No. 1, a large K and a large T, Latin "pro Deo Homine Et Fraternitate" Chicago Side two, May 15, 1845 in Commemoration of 1,000 active members April 28, 1908.

There is a small hole at the top.

Thank you for any help you may give me.

FRANK NUSSBAUM

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Westfield, New Jersey

In 1894 and 1895, the Council Officers of Trinity Commandery No. 17, Plainfield, New Jersey were Sir Knights Daniel C. Adams, Commander; Jacob Kirkner, Generalissimo and Nelson Y. Dungan, Captain General. Each of the three went on to become Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of New Jersey, with Sir Knight Adams

holding that office in 1903, Kirkner in 1905 and Dungan in 1914.

Can any other Commandery match this?

I was pleased to see our little jurisdiction did very well in the Eye Foundation last year, per the February *Knight Templar Magazine*. Seventeen out of our twenty-five Commanderies place in the top 100, with regard to per capita contributions.

WALLACE M. GAGE, E.G.J.W.

Rice Lake, Wisconsin

Editorial Note: The following letter was written to and is printed in the "Knight Templar Magazine" because, in Sir Knight Oftedah's words, "The Knight Templar Magazine' has the potential of becoming not only a periodical of greatly increased interest, but also, like a trade journal, a source of valuable information and suggestion, an uplift to all and an important help in determining thought trends . . ." Grand Commander Oftedah's own thought and opinion on a Templar subject are expressed in the letter.

A suggestion is herewith tendered that uniform experts be commissioned to devise a completely new Knights Templar Uniform, as attractive as those of certain Shrine Marching Bands, yet consistent with Templar dignity.

The tentatively ultimate choice could be pictured in the *Knights Templar Magazine*, with general comment invited. With sufficient approval indicated, some special unit could be authorized to wear it and outfit themselves for display at the Denver Triennial.

In support, the following observations are tendered:

Big business has indicated unqualified acceptance of the theory that good packaging has a tremendous sales impact. In

our case, we should remember that it is not the braid-bedecked and be-medaled Dais Officer whose interest concerns us as much as the undecorated, bedraggled-looking member of the rank and file, whose numbers and interest make or break our Commanderies. The Officers will be the first to admit this.

If we recognize the validity of the forgoing statements, this thought may occur to us: Shall we identify with a uniform so attractive that all members will feel so proud in it that they will be happy to respond to a call for their appearance on any occasion that demands, or shall we bow to traditionalism and insist on the continuance of an archaic, one hundred odd year old garb, that invites as many cat-calls as cheers? Fatigue uniforms and other innovations clearly indicate dissatisfaction among the elite; dwindling Drill Teams and reluctance to purchase anything but second-hand uniforms expose a singular lack of enthusiasm in the rank and file.

The suggestion for change is not prompted so much by the desire as by a reluctance to consider letting the Order die to preserve the Uniform.

Unhappily, many of our membership are reluctant to suggest change for fear of violently emotional reproach and reprimand.

Because of the precarious nature of our membership and activity pattern, time is not on our side. We cannot wait for a more enlightened day—our very existence demands that we inaugurate aggressive counter-action now.

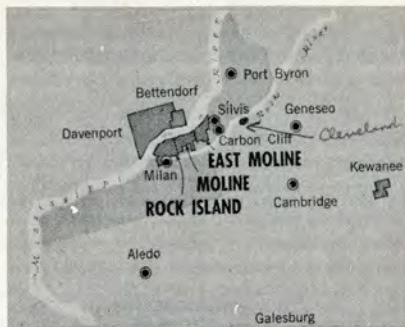
It is most urgent that we acknowledge the seriousness of our position and apply the same shrewd realism to our evaluation of suggestion that has proven so effective in our business pattern. Suggestion should not only be welcomed but eagerly invited.

EARL I. OFTEDAHL
Grand Commander

Davenport, Iowa

In looking over the March issue of the *Knight Templar Magazine*—which I always enjoy reading—I see that you folks wonder where Cleveland, Illinois is.

It is located on the east bank of the Rock River a few miles north of Carbon Cliff and below Joslin.



The above map shows "about" where it is.

RUSSELL A. HULT

GRAND MASTER WITNESSES OLD DOMINION INSTALLATION

The 81st installation of the officers of Old Dominion Commandery No. 11, February 21, was witnessed by Grand Master Crofts and a full complement of Grand Encampment officers. The installation took place in the George Washington Masonic National Memorial, Alexandria, and the appearance of Sir Knight Crofts was made possible in connection with his attendance at Masonic Week activities in Washington.

The outgoing Commander was Robert D. McMarlin. His successor is Frank M. Mumford. Present with the Grand Master were: Deputy Grand Master Bell, Grand Generalissimo Roy W. Riegle, Grand Captain General Willard M. Avery, Grand Recorder Paul C. Rodenhauer, the Grand Prelate, Dr. Curtis W. V. Junker and Past Department Commander John B. Cottrell, Jr.

The progress report as of March 1 for the Knights of the Round Table announces:

404 MEMBERS

128 LIFE SPONSORSHIPS PURCHASED

101 COMMANDERIES ASSISTED

11 STATES ASSISTED

19 LADIES AND

3 DEMOLAY MEMBERSHIPS

Voluntary Eye Foundation Campaign Listings Revised

In the February salute to the top Commanderies in the 1968 Voluntary Campaign for the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Arizona Commandery No. 1, Tucson, "gained" 331 members and "lost" 35 points in the ratings.

It came about because Arizona Commandery's membership was figured at 630. With a total Voluntary Campaign contribution of \$323, the per capita response was figured at 51¢. However, the membership is 299, rather than 630, and the per capita giving thus amounted to \$1.08—which raised Arizona Commandery No. 1 from 63rd to 28th position on the list of producers.

The discrepancy was noted by the Commander, W. E. Shepard, who also pointed out that his Commandery had eight Life Sponsorships in 1968 in addition to the Voluntary Campaign response.

In addition, Past Grand Commander R. Samuel Allen, Wyoming, drew attention to several of his jurisdiction's Commanderies missing from the "top 100." The records failed to take into account one of the *two* reports from Wyoming. Grand Master Crofts advises that the following resume incorporates the adjustments:

CONSTANTINE No. 9, Cody, Wyoming—11th of all Commanderies with \$1.92 per member;
ASCALON No. 5, Green River—

CHANGES IN GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER

Under date of February 24, Charles G. A. McGaughey, General Grand Secretary, General Grand Chapter, announced that General Grand High Priest Sprague H. Carter had accepted with regret the resignation of Charles C. Ricker, North Carolina, from the office of General Grand King. Companion Ricker's letter noted the resignation, submitted "with deep sorrow," was made "upon medical advice and for reasons of health."

Former General Grand Scribe, Calvin A. Behle, Utah, will serve as General Grand King until the General Grand Chapter Triennial Conclave in October of this year, and Edward M. Selby, Ohio, has been named General Grand Scribe.

26th with \$1.27; HUGH DE-PAYEN No. 7, Lander, DE-MOLAY No. 6, Sheridan, ST. JOHN'S No. 4, Buffalo and WYOMING No. 1, Cheyenne, all were within the list of 100 Commanderies most responsive.

The Grand Master says: "Certainly the activity in Wyoming was outstanding with 11 of 17 Commanderies participating by contributions and special projects and three others active in signing up Life Sponsors and Patrons. For all members in Wyoming the average contribution was 40¢, an average exceeded only by Nevada, New Jersey and Arizona of the Grand Commanderies."

G. Wilbur Bell Makes DeMolay Presentation To Grand Recorder

G. Wilbur Bell, D.G.M., Grand Encampment, appeared at the Annual Spring Reunion and Initiation of DeMolays of Northern Illinois March 1, in his capacity of DeMolay Executive Officer for Southern Illinois, to introduce Paul C. Rodenhauser, Grand Encampment's Grand Recorder—and Editor of the *Knight Templar Magazine*, for the presentation of the latter's Honorary Legion of Honor cordon, certificate and life membership card.

Walter E. Bischoff, Executive Officer for Northern Illinois, in charge of the day's ceremonies, presented the cordon after Sir Knight Bell had noted the Grand Recorder's professional record in television, as well as his Masonic highlights—including service as Grand Commander of Pennsylvania and his Honorary 33rd Degree in the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction, A.A.S.R.

Grand Commander Stuart W. Stone (Ill.) and other leaders of York and Scottish Rite Masonry, along with several thousand DeMolays, Masons, wives and friends were present for the full day of initiation and reunion features at the Scottish Rite Cathedral, 935 North Dearborn, Chicago.

"You have been raised to life with Christ . . ." (Good News For Modern Man)

"Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ . . ."
(Jerusalem Bible)

"If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above . . ."
(The King James Bible)

"If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above."
(The Revised Standard)

"Were you not raised to life with Christ? Then aspire to the realm above . . ."
(New English Bible)

From the Easter Epistle, Colossians III: 1-4.

AN EASTER MEDITATION ON "LIFE AND LOVE— WITH CHRIST!"

BASED ON THE

MESSAGE OF EASTER FROM THE 39th ARLINGTON SUNRISE MEMORIAL SERVICE

By Curtis W. V. Junker, D. D. — Right Eminent Grand Prelate of
The Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of
America

6 April - Easter - 1969 A.D.

EASTER IS AN ANNOUNCEMENT AND A FACT, not a deduction of logic but a Living Christ. The Church universal exists to proclaim this reality and the Creeds sum up the facts: the man Jesus of Nazareth, born of woman, really died, and rose again in all reality from the dead, proof-positive that henceforth the powers and gates of death and hell would no longer have dominion over mankind.

The early Church did not hesitate to proclaim: "You have been raised to life with Christ . . ." How affirmative a statement St. Paul makes in the Easter Epistle read this glorious morn in chapels and churches, in dugouts and hilltops, homes and upper-rooms or shrines of the spirit such as this National Cemetery amphitheater with tombs of the unknown dead of World Wars I and II and Korea. Whether that Epistle to the Colossians be heard in the familiar version: "If ye be risen," "Since you are risen," or "You are risen," one thing we can know—these words about dying and living with Christ are a proclamation of Love, Light and Life. Man then, man now and man forever must be the vessel into

which the Holy Spirit breathes the return of all creation to the Dominion of Almighty God. The fact that Christ is Risen is not only, or even primarily, a proposition to be accepted by the mind, but "a reality to be appropriated" by the whole of a man—body, soul, mind and strength. Christians aware that they live this side of Good Friday and Easter have a confident hope that allows them to face the certainty of death and the uncertainty of life.

Now, the Easter Gospel generally read this day begins with a foot race to a cemetery. It concludes with vision and faith. A disciple saw and believed, and then, during that Longest Day which stretched from Easter to the Ascension, came to understand and respond. He and disciples since came to appreciate the real meaning of the sixth word from the cross: "It is finished!—It is accomplished!" The specific events of Passion-tide cease to be isolated vignettes in the life of the Redeemer and Saviour. They became, and become, on the contrary, interlocking parts of one great canvas, portraying the mightiest of all the mighty acts of God: namely, the Victory of God's love over death, the Victory of God's light

over darkness, the Victory of His "at-one-ment" over all the things which divide us from Him and from one another.

The cry of Victory from the hard wood of that Cross, "It is accomplished," is a telling revelation of the "creative power" of God's love which brings us into being and the "re-creative power" which delivers us from self by His "enabling life, healing light and reconciling love."

Above the mundane fear that life is ultimately meaningless—the weariness, despondency and pessimism, the boredom and frustration of horizontal living, comes the affirmation that life has dimension and meaning already revealed. The demonstration of that accomplishment on Easter and continuously in the lives of those who have risen with Christ—this one mighty act of resurrection—is an accomplishment, a new creation, which changes the whole meaning of life for those who believe. Life for them becomes not an endless repetition of imperfections, but an adventure of high excitement, because behind and within life there is a creative Power which nothing can destroy, a love which rejoices in every new born and re-born life, every poet's new poem, every carpenter's new-built house, every creative act of kindness. More amazing even than the darkness of human sorrow and suffering is the mystery of the love forever creating and recreating, the love exposed supremely on the Cross and during Easter-tide, which, for us, is *always*.

Let's apply then, what St. Paul in today's Epistle, affirms to be the meanings of resurrection, God's greatest accomplishment, His new creation.

THE WAY OF ASPIRATION AND CELEBRATION

He says to us first of all, "You have been raised to *Life with Christ*. Set your hearts, then, on the things that are in heaven, where Christ sits on his throne at the right side of God."

"Raised, set your hearts, reach out for the highest gifts of heaven." The Good Thief, for example, did not really know who Jesus was; he thought Jesus was an earthly Messiah who would turn the tables on His enemies and become a king. The Good Thief dared to ask of such a

dignitary only that Jesus remember him when He assumed His throne. Instead Jesus promised more than the man could have dreamed of asking, to be *with* Jesus in paradise. We, unlike the Good Thief, *do know* Who Jesus is; and He is available to us; we have only to "reach out" to Him.

Browning suggests something of the "aspiration" which Easter evokes in us in his familiar lines:

**Ah, but a man's reach should exceed
his grasp.
Or what's a heaven for?**

In our reaching for the highest gifts of heaven there is nothing static, no goal beyond which we cannot go—for our heaven is infinite; God's love is infinite; we reach and we reach and there is always more to reach for. As in school field competitions, so at the recent Olympics, the pole vaulting contenders tried to outdo each other. As one watches there is never an end to trying. Each time, after the horizontal bar is cleared in a superb demonstration of courage and ability, the bar is raised still another fraction of an inch. "Set your heart—reach out for the highest."

Recall the best person you ever knew. Such persons can free us from ourselves. Their lives help us forget our own self-centered anxieties; we are lifted out of ourselves and freed.

This is even more true of Jesus. In so far as we set our hearts and reach up to Him we become increasingly *free men*. No longer chained to a drearily horizontal life, with a meaningless series of imperfect moments, we begin to "celebrate" what it means to be made free by Christ.

You can't believe this. Mary Magdalene didn't believe it either. Staying behind and mourning Jesus in the garden, she saw someone but recognized Him not. Then the unknown spoke one word, "Miriam." Running toward Him, she cried out, "Master." One word sufficed to reawaken in Magdalene the ardor and certainty of her faith. "Do not cling to me thus, I have not yet gone to my Father's side." In such manner, rather than "touch me not", scholars now agree, He replied! So God calls each of us to celebrate and if we have not found Him, it just may be we have not recognized

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MASONIC WEEK AT WASHINGTON HIGHLIGHTED WITH SEMINARS AND CEREMONIES

From Friday, February 21, through Tuesday, February 25, the Shoreham Hotel at Washington was the scene of successive and sometimes simultaneous, discussions, dinners, receptions and ceremonies in connection with the Conference of Grand Masters of Masons, the Grand Secretaries' Conference, and the annual meetings of the Masonic Service Association and the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association.

Grand Encampment officers in attendance, headed by the Grand Master, John L. Crofts Sr., included Deputy Grand Master G. Wilbur Bell, Grand Generalissimo Roy W. Riegle, Grand Captain General Willard M. Avery, Grand Recorder Paul C. Rodenhauer and the Grand Prelate, the Rev. Curtis W. V. Junker, D.D.

The Grand Masters' Conference tea and reception officially started the sequence of events Friday, February 21, at the Shoreham. The Deputy Grand Masters' breakfast was a Saturday morning gathering, followed at 10 by the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association meeting at the Memorial in Alexandria, with John H. Hessey, presiding. Luncheon at 12 concluded the meeting.

Before returning to the Shoreham for afternoon sessions of the Conference of Grand Masters and the Grand Secretary's Conference, those present witnessed the traditional Annual DeMolay Patriots' Day Observance of George Washington's birthday at the Memorial. The ceremony is sponsored by the Court of Chevaliers, Nation's Capital, with the cooperation of the State Associations of Maryland and Virginia, DeMolay.

Participants included: The Langley High School Concert Choir, Mrs. Linda Cook, director; the Rev. Donald W. Monson, L.O.H., St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Washington; William P. Jacobs, Jr., D.C. Executive Officer, I.S.C., DeMolay;

Woody Childs, State Master Councilor, Virginia and Morley E. Frech, Jr., State Master Councilor, Maryland; J. Terry Keighley, Master Councilor, Anacostia Chapter; the Rev. Ted Chelpon, L.O.H., St. Katherine's Greek Orthodox Church of Southern Virginia and the Grand Master of the International Supreme Council, Order of DeMolay, Albert P. Ruérat. Grand Master Ruérat, assisted by Rick Coy, International Master Councilor, placed a wreath at the George Washington statue.

A Saturday evening highlight was the annual banquet of the Forty-first Conference of Grand Secretaries in North America, with Dwight L. Smith, P.G.M., Indiana's Grand Secretary, presiding as President of the Conference. The speaker was the Grand Master of Masons in Puerto Rico, M.W. Brother Hipólito Marciano.

Banquet toasts saluted the President of the United States, the Queen, the Memory of George Washington, the Masonic Service Association and All the Craft Wheresoever Dispersed. Proposers of the toasts were the President of the Conference of Grand Secretaries, the Chairman of the Conference of Grand Masters, M.W. Thomas C. Raum, Jr.; the president of the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association, M.W. Brother Hessey; the President-elect of the Conference of Grand Secretaries, Carl R. Greisen and Executive Committee Chairman Toft, Masonic Service Association.

Music, refreshments and tours featured the Sunday afternoon reception for Brethren and ladies by the Supreme Council 33°, A. & A.S.R., Southern Jurisdiction, at the Supreme Council landmark, the House of the Temple, 1733 16th Street, N.W.

The Imperial Council of the Shrine sponsored the invitational Frank S. Land Breakfast at the Shoreham Monday

GRAND MASTER CROFTS APPOINTS EDWARD M. KNIGHT TO COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Edward M. Knight, P.G.C., Alliance, Nebraska, has been named to the Grand Encampment Committee on Finance by Sir Knight John L. Crofts, Sr., Grand Master, to serve under the Chairmanship of Arch M. Dullnig, P.G.C., Texas. The appointment fills the vacancy created by the death of a longtime member of the committee, Carroll H. Lockhart, South Dakota.

Masonic Week . . .

morning, February 24. During the breakfast a Shrine gift of \$10,000 for DeMolay was presented to DeMolay's Grand Master, Albert P. Ruérat, by the Imperial Potentate, Chester A. Hogan. Breakfast speakers were M.W. Brother Robert L. Gilmore, Grand Master of Masons of the State of Washington and the Honorable Henry R. Jackson, U.S. Senator from Washington. Both are Masonic associates and friends of Imperial Potentate Hogan. Other Representatives, Senators and Government leaders were present.

The Grand Master's banquet Monday evening, climaxing two days of meetings and seminars, was a black tie event in the Regency ballroom of the hotel, with approximately 1,000 attending. Chairman Raum presided with Vice-chairman Perry A. Risberg, M.W. Grand Master, Wisconsin, assisting.

The concluding Masonic Week gathering was the Fiftieth Annual Meeting of the Masonic Service Association of the United States Tuesday morning, February 26. The anniversary address was presented by M.W. Brother H. Dwight McAlister, P.G.M., Grand Secretary, South Carolina. Speaker McAlister stressed the need to awaken "the sleeping giant" of Masonry and to translate discussion into action, "to make it (Masonry) operative." Rather than in the past, the speaker emphasized that "the golden age is in the future."

(Editor's note: A copy of M.W. Brother McAlister's anniversary address is scheduled for a later issue of the Magazine.)

The new member is a well-known banker and Mason. He served as M.W. Grand Master of Masons of Nebraska in 1952 and was R.E. Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Nebraska in 1962-63. His father Reuben E. Knight, was Treasurer of the Grand Commandery for twenty years. Upon his death in 1965, the Grand Commandery elected Edward M. Knight to this office.



Born December 4, 1911, Edward McKean Knight is a graduate of the University of Nebraska, holding the degree of Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering. He became associated with the Alliance National Bank in 1932 and is now its President. Active in many banking and civic activities, including Rotary, he is Past President of Group 6, Nebraska Bankers Association—in addition to many later participations and honors.

The Committee, in addition to the new appointee and Chairman Dullnig, consists of Hoyt McClendon, P.G.C., Alabama; George H. Thomas, P.G.C., Ohio and Perry L. LaBarr, P.G.C., Pennsylvania.

Announcement of the appointment was made February 19.



Washington Meeting Major Step In York Rite Unification



Unanimity was the aim Friday, February 21, at Washington when, for the first time in the recalled history of the York Rite, the presiding officers of the three Grand York Rite Bodies gathered to focus their exclusive attention of the subject of York Rite organic unity.

The initial invitation was extended by Sprague H. Carter, General Grand High Priest, General Grand Chapter, R.A.M., International, at the suggestion of Calvin A. Behle, Utah, Chairman of the General Grand Chapter Committee on York Rite Unity and present General Grand King.

The three presiding officers were accompanied by a total of 10 other officers from the three bodies. The announced purpose was to discuss, consider and explore the possibility of a position of accord on York Rite Unity. Grand Master John L. Crofts headed the Grand Encampment group of Deputy Grand Master Bell, Chairman of the Grand Encampment Committee on York Rite Unity; Grand Generalissimo Roy W. Riegler; Grand Captain General Willard M. Avery and Grand Recorder Paul C. Rodenhauer.

Attending with C. Ellwood Smyrk, General Grand Master, General Grand Council, R. & S.M., International, were Hoyt McClendon, G.G. Principal Conductor of Work; General Grand Recorder Bruce H. Hunt and Joseph C. Bryan III, who is the General Grand Marshal.

In addition to General Grand High Priest Carter, the General Grand Chapter was represented by Calvin A. Behle, General Grand King; Past General Grand King Charles C. Ricker, General Grand Scribe Edward M. Selby, and the General Grand Secretary, Charles K. A. McGaughey.

THE RESULT OF THE CONFERENCE WAS THE FORMATION BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT OF AN INTERNATIONAL YORK RITE COUNCIL OF THE DAIS

OFFICERS OF THE THREE GRAND BODIES CHARGED TO MEET AT LEAST ONCE ANNUALLY TO STUDY SUGGESTIONS AND FORMULATE RECOMMENDATIONS. SIR KNIGHT JOHN L. CROFTS, SR., WAS ELECTED THE FIRST CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNCIL AND MAY 8 WAS ANNOUNCED AS THE DATE FOR THE NEXT COUNCIL MEETING.

Associates of the Council are the Secretaries-Recorders, Charles K. A. McGaughey, Bruce H. Hunt and Paul C. Rodenhauer. The latter was elected secretary of the International York Rite Council.

Chairman Crofts, in a letter to all members following the conference, announced that the May 8 meeting would be held in Milwaukee immediately preceding the annual meeting of the United Grand Imperial Council of the Red Cross of Constantine. The International York Rite Council meeting will convene at 1:00 p.m., resume May 9 at 9:00 a.m., and adjourn at 12:00 noon.

The Chairman's letter re-emphasized the decisions made at the Council's formation: 1—That attendance by the members and associates was deemed to have priority, that full attendance was essential to any useful purpose, and that all will be excused from any competing assignments by the three titular heads so that only illness might interfere; 2— That, although items may be added to the agenda by action of the Council members while at Milwaukee, a tentative agenda should be formed by correspondence and distributed in advance of the meeting.

The February 21 discussions which led to the forming of the International York Rite Council were described as "virtually unanimous in expressions of basic belief that organic unity is inevitable and de-

“MASONRY ON WHEELS”

Masonry is on the move in more ways than one according to Thomas J. Guice, President of the two-and-a-half-year old National Travelers Club, Inc. Sir Knight Guice has in mind the travels of more than 700 Masonic families now associated with the campers' club he heads for "sight-seeing, fun and good fellowship."

Open to Masons who use tents, trailers or campers, the "N.T.C." originated from a notice in the *Royal Arch Mason* requesting anyone interested in forming a Masonic Travelers Club to meet at Black Horse Tavern Campground, Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, August 12-16, 1966. Twenty-three families participated in the first rally and the club has since expanded to include members stretching from California to Florida to New Hampshire.

Each state in which membership is held is divided into units. These units plan the various camping programs for the season, combining for National Rallies each year. Presently there are two units in New Jersey, four in New York and Ohio, and one unit in Connecticut, Massachusetts, Maryland, Rhode Island, Florida, Pennsylvania, Michigan, Ne-

braska, Missouri and Delaware.

The Master of Travel, who is the leader of each unit, has a list of all the other units' proposed activities for the entire camping season. Last November Maryland, Delaware, Pennsylvania and New Jersey members camped together on a Brother's farm. "This way a Brother traveling in another state can participate in camping activities and meet many people he would never have an opportunity to meet," explains Sir Knight Guice, a member of Monumental Commandery No. 3, Maryland.

"We do not have specific camps where we go year after year. We try to visit many different campgrounds." Seventy-four families attended the National Rally held at the Brunswick Lake Swimming Club, in Brunswick, Ohio, last year. This year with a big increase in membership, we are hoping to at least double that."

The 1969 National Rally will be held at Greenville Farms Family Campgrounds, Haymarket, Virginia, August 4-10. The business meeting is scheduled for Saturday, August 9. "We welcome prospective Masonic members to all our campsouts."

Wash. Meeting . . .

sirable." Variations of opinion were expressed about the feasibility of immediate moves toward merger.

The formation meeting was jointly conducted by the two York Rite Unity Chairmen, Sir Knights Behle and Bell. Chairman Behle summarized three considerations for the group: the feasibility of pursuing a course to unite on an international level, an examination of "areas in which we might continue to cooperate on sectional and state levels" and whatever gains might be possible in a unified organization.

Chairman Bell pointed out that the gathering was a fresh start. "Our purpose is not necessarily to review the past, but to realize we are in a new era and to take appropriate action."

Each officer attending expressed his views and recommendations on organic unity. Upon the basis of those expressions the International York Rite Council was proposed and approved.

Many of the members were planning to attend the Easter Sunrise Memorial Services at Arlington, Virginia, Nightingale Trailer Park on Route 1, the week-end of April 4-6.

Units have also been invited to participate in the Annual Ascension and Memorial Service at Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, May 2-4, with headquarters at the Battleground Campgrounds.

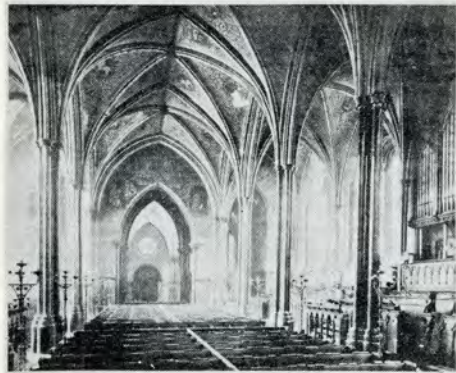
The East-Penn. unit, headed by Sir Knight Kenneth R. Bindschusz, Jerusalem Commandery No. 15, Phoenixville, invites all Masonic campers to a Labor Day week-end at Lebselter's Grove, Clay, Pennsylvania.

The annual dues for membership are \$2. Further information is available from Thomas J. Guice, 2909 Salisbury Ave., Baltimore, Md. 21219; William G. Daniel, Vice-President, 6047 Cruften Drive, Dayton, Ohio 45424 or Loring W. Stannard, Secretary-Treasurer, 13 Wiley Street, Milford, Connecticut 06460.

THE ROUND CHURCH OF THE TEMPLE, CIRCA 1185

John C. Norberry, Ukiah Commandery No. 33, Ukiah, California, has uncovered and relayed descriptive material and pictures of "The Round Church of the Temple," built by the Knights Templar in 1185 in London after their return from the Second Crusade. Sir Knight Norberry's collection includes a book published in 1893 by the N. D. Tompkins Publishing Co., the source of the following material.

The mail-clad effigies on the pavement of the "Round" of Temple Church are not monuments of Knights Templars, but of "Associates of the Temple," persons only partially admitted to the privileges of the powerful Order. A staircase in the wall leads to the triforium of the Round Church, where may be seen, packed away like lumber, the greater part of the clumsy monuments that once disfigured the walls and columns below. In this strange museum, Lord Chancellors, Councillors of State, learned Benchers, Barons of the Exchequer, Masters



of the Rolls, Treasurers, readers, poets and authors, jostle each other in dusty confusion. Opening upon the stairs leading to the triforium is a penitential cell, measuring four feet six inches by two feet six inches, with slits toward the church through which the prisoner, unable to lie down, could still hear mass. In the view we see the fine Early English interior or the choir of Temple Church. The roof of the choir is painted with arabesques, and is lighted by a large east window. The organ was built under peculiar circumstances. At the latter end of Charles II's reign the Benchers resolved to have the best organ in London; the competitors for the building of the instrument were Father Smith and one



Harris. Both built an organ. Drs. Blow and Purcell were employed to show the powers of Smith's instrument, and Battista Draghi, organist to Queen Catherine, performed on Harris'. Immense audiences came to listen, and the competition lasted a year, during which time there was much nefarious bellows-cutting. At length Lord Chief Justice Jefferies decided in favor of Smith. Part of Harris' rejected organ went to St. Andrew's Holborn, and part to Christ Church Cathedral, Dublin.

The Round Church of the Temple is the finest of the four round churches still existing in England; the other three are at Cambridge, Northampton and Maplestead, in Essex. This church was built by the Knights Templars in 1185, after their return from the second Crusade. It is reached by Inner Temple Lane, now rebuilt as Dr. Johnson's Buildings. Temple Church fortunately escaped the Great Fire, in which most of the Inner Temple was destroyed; but it has not escaped the hands of the vandal "restorer." The church is now divided into two parts, namely, the Round and a rectangular choir, where service is now performed. The former, whose curious exterior is shown here, was built in 1185 on the plan of the Church of the

\$25,000 PRESENTED BY KNIGHT TEMPLAR FOUNDATION OF CALIFORNIA FOR CHRISTIAN MINISTRY

The following report from William D. Tucker, P.G.C., Chairman, tells of the 1968 Scholarship Awards and Grants of the Knights Templar Foundation of California for Christian Ministry Scholarship Committee. The report was forwarded by California's correspondent, James F. Raymond.

The Knights Templar Foundation of California for Christian Ministry Scholarship Committee met at the School of Theology at Claremont on October 12 and at the Office of our Grand Recorder in San Francisco on October 21, 1968, to interview the students nominated by the Scholarship Committees of the five accredited Theological Seminaries in California.

A total of fifteen students were interviewed by our committee and approved for scholarship awards. Three thousand dollars was granted to each of the five Seminaries to be used for three scholarships of \$1,000 each for the academic year 1968-1969. In addition to the scholarship awards, our Foundation awarded an amount of \$2,000 to each Seminary to



William D. Tucker
Chairman

be applied to their current faculty salary budget, thereby supporting two of the major areas of work in the life of our Divinity Schools.

As the Assistant to the President of one of our Seminaries says, "The investment which the Knights Templar Foundation of California for Christian Ministry is making in terms of educating men for the ministry will pay rich dividends in terms of future service to the Church and to the World."

The members of the Committee are indeed proud to be a part of this great work and even more proud of you, the members of our Constituent Commanderies, who make this work possible by your annual contributions and gifts to the Foundation, thereby literally wielding our swords "in the defense of the Christian Religion."

Some of those men who received scholarships from our Foundation over the past few years are now serving most effectively as Ministers in California Churches.

H. William Gregory graduated in 1967 with the Doctor of Religion Degree and is serving the United Church of Christ in Claremont. John G. Parks graduated in 1968 with the Doctor of Religion Degree and is now the Assistant Minister of Huntington Park United Methodist Church.

Richard Knowles graduated in June, 1968 with the Doctor of Religion Degree and is now the Associate Minister at Los Altos United Methodist Church in Long Beach.

Round Church . . .

Holy Sepulchre at Jerusalem; it is 58 feet in diameter, and was consecrated by Heraclius, the Latin Patriarch of Jerusalem. Anyone may inspect the church daily (except Saturdays) between the hours of 10 and 1 and 2 and 4. Goldsmith's tomb is in the northeast corner of the churchyard. The outside of the church, on the Inner Temple side, was re-faced as we now see it in 1822. The North, or Middle Temple side, was completely covered by very old houses until about 1868, when these were all pulled down. The church is entered by a grand Norman arch under the western porch. This opens upon the Round Church of 1185, and from here, between the graceful groups of Purbeck marble columns, one looks into the later church of 1240; these two churches, built within fifty-five years, form one of the most interesting examples we possess of the transition from Norman to Early English architecture.

United Grand Imperial Council, Red Cross of Constantine at Milwaukee May 9-10

Most Illustrious Grand Sovereign Lloyd A. Landgren, Kenosha, Wisconsin, will preside over the 97th Annual Assembly of the Knights of the Red Cross of Constantine and Appendant Orders May 9-10 at the Sheraton-Schroeder Hotel, Milwaukee. M.I. Knight Companion Landgren, long identified with Templary, is an active and recognized leader also in the Scottish Rite. He is a Past Grand Commander of Wisconsin, a Past Department Commander, North Central Department, and was crowned an Honorary Member of the Supreme Council, 33°, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, Northern Masonic Jurisdiction. The following information from the Chicago office of the United Grand Imperial Council details the Annual Assembly plans and reviews the history of the Red Cross of Constantine and Appendant Order.



Irving L. Heller, Intendant General, Division of Wisconsin, P.G.C., is General Chairman of the local committee in charge of social events. Registration, which is expected to include Masons from as far as Alaska, Hawaii and Canada, is scheduled Friday morning, May 9. The Grand Imperial Council will convene for an afternoon session, followed by buffet supper and entertainment. Saturday morning will be the final session concluding with a luncheon.

The ladies will be entertained at luncheon at the Milwaukee Athletic Club and in the afternoon both Knights Companions and ladies will have a conducted bus tour of Milwaukee. The formal and traditional banquet in the Crystal Room of the hotel is the highlight of the Annual Assembly. The host Conclaves, St. Wilfred of Milwaukee and Winnebago of Madison, are in charge. Speaker of the evening will be the Rev. David J. Griffith, Illustrious Grand Chaplain, Pastor, Trinity Presbyterian Church, Milwaukee.

History of Order:

The Order of the Red Cross of Constantine was established by Constantine the Great, first Christian Emperor of Rome and most powerful monarch of his time, after the Battle of Saxa Rubra, 312 A.D. Constantine and his army were said to have seen a flaming cross in the sky at noonday and in Grecian letters the inscribed words, "By This Sign Conquer." That night Constantine was again

visited with a vision of Christ displaying the same celestial cross and directing him to frame a similar standard and march against his enemies.

Constantine executed the commands of heaven, inscribed the shields of his soldiers with the celestial sign of God, the sacred monogram of the name of Christ, and had a decisive victory at the Milvian Bridge. He made Christianity the religion of the State and in 324 A.D. the Roman world again was united under the authority of one emperor. Constantine summoned the first General Council of the Church, after the time of the Apostles, in Nicaea in Asia Minor 325 A.D. He presided as head of the empire. The Nicene Creed there formulated has since been a powerful instrument of Christian theology.

After the death of Constantine and the division of the Empire among his three sons, the Order is said to have flourished for some time, but afterward declined. In 1190 it was revived by the Emperor Michael Angelus Comneus on a scale of increased family, considered lineal descendants of Constantine. Members of the English branch in the 18th Century were men of high social position and of eminence in the Masonic Fraternity, but they were unable to say when the Order was restricted to Freemasons, although it is presumed this was about 1788, as from this date it appears under wholly Masonic auspices.

California York Rite Bodies Support "Public Schools Week"



PICTURE WORTH A THOUSAND WORDS?

For years we have agreed with the oft-expressed adage that one picture is worth a thousand words. Last month's issue of the *Knight Templar Magazine* proved the exception to the rule.

On page 5 we illustrated Charles A. Howard's editorial on DeMolay with a picture of Ralph A. Kalp, Grand Commander of Connecticut. Then, to prove our consistency, we pictured Chairman Howard on page 27 with a release from Connecticut Correspondent Case on the subject of Connecticut's Grand Commander.

One picture is worth a thousand words—if it's the correct picture. We apologize to Sir Knights Howard and Kalp.

P.C.R.

The Masons of California, with the slogan, "The Public Schools, Freedom's Foundation Stone," are again enthusiastically sponsoring their annual "Public Schools Week," according to Sir Knight John R. Nocas, Generalissimo of Calvert Commandery No. 62. The Grand Lodge of California initiated "Public Schools Week" in 1920 and since then many Jurisdictions have undertaken to hold and sponsor similar observances.

The California York Rite Bodies are assisting in publicizing the event by displaying posters in busses. Sir Knight Lovell E. Spurgeon, Grand Commander, is pictured (center left) showing the poster to Robert A. Crigler, Grand Master of Masons in California (center right). Looking on are J. Wilbur Combes, (left) Grand High Priest, and Arthur B. Ledbetter, (right) Grand Master, Grand Council, R. & S.M.

K.T. EYE FOUNDATION BENEFIT

PANCAKE & PORKY

Sunday April 13, 1969

KNIGHTS TEMPLAR EYE FOUNDATION

FORT PIERCE SHRINE CLUB

South 29th Street

7:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.

Donation \$1.00

Tickets Committee Chairman, Leon Jensen, St. Lucie No. 17, Fort Pierce, Florida, expects sale of tickets to reach 2,500 for the Commandery-sponsored breakfast.

United Grand Imperial Council . . .

The Order was established in the United States in 1870. Membership in its Conclaves is constitutionally limited to a definite number and is by invitation only. There must be the basic membership of Lodge and Chapter and generally membership in both Rites. The Order is Christian in character and membership honors those that have contributed to the advancement of Ancient Craft Masonry, to any of its branches, or something substantial to the betterment of the civic, industrial and religious life of the community.

The Order exists in all parts of the English speaking world. The United Grand Imperial Council of the United States, Mexico and the Philippines, besides Conclaves in continental United States, has Conclaves in Alaska, Hawaii, Japan, Okinawa, Canal Zone, Philippines and Mexico.

STATE OF MICHIGAN



MICHIGAN LEGISLATURE

House Concurrent Resolution No. 4

Offered by the Speaker on behalf of the entire membership of the House of Representatives and the President pro tempore on behalf of the entire membership of the Senate.

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION AS A MEMORIAL FOR THE HONORABLE WILBER M. BRUCKER.

WHEREAS, The Honorable Wilber Marion Brucker, forty-ninth Governor of the State of Michigan and Secretary of the Army 1955-1961, died at seventy-four years of age October 28, 1968; and

WHEREAS, A vigorous public servant and man of high integrity, an astute attorney at law and a staunch friend, Mr. Brucker began his political career in his native Saginaw in the Prosecuting Attorney's office as assistant when twenty-five years old, was Prosecuting Attorney at twenty-eight; assistant Attorney General of Michigan at thirty-two, Attorney General at thirty-four, and was elected Governor of Michigan when thirty-six to serve as head of state through 1932. While Governor he cut his salary ten per cent, to \$4,500 annually, declaring he "felt like a vagabond king"; and

WHEREAS, In 1919, after military service from 1916 in Mexico in the Pancho Villa campaign, through foreign combat in World War I with the U.S. Army's Rainbow Division, Mr. Brucker opened a private law practice until appointed Michigan's Attorney General. In 1934 he returned to that practice until appointed general counsel for the U.S. Department of Defense in 1954-1955. In July 1955 he accepted appointment as Secretary of the Army, serving for seven years, and in 1961 again resumed law practice until his July 1968 retirement; and

WHEREAS, At seventy years of age, Mr. Brucker once again accepted a public post as one of Michigan's four Republican members of the State Apportionment Commission. A gentleman and statesman of the old school, Mr. Brucker's lifetime produced nearly a half century of constructive influence to benefit Michigan society and an exemplary career in its history; now therefore be it

RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES (the Senate concurring), That by these presents tribute is accorded as a memorial for The Honorable Wilber M. Brucker, one of the notable sons of Michigan who returned to his country and state in far greater portion than life's abundant gifts to him; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this memorial be presented to the Brucker family in testimony of the enduring esteem of The Michigan Legislature.

Adopted by the House January 8, 1969.

Adopted by the Senate January 9, 1969.

Beauregard J. Kenyon
Secretary of the Senate.

W. H. Hatcher
Clerk of the House of Representatives.



East Central Conference At Dayton

Abner C. Sager, Department Commander, presided over the Department Conference of the East Central Department of Grand Encampment at Dayton, Ohio, March 8, with 44 Grand Officers of the five Grand Commanderies participating in a one-day workshop session that featured the presence of Grand Master John L. Crofts, Sr., Deputy Grand Master G. Wilbur Bell, Grand Captain General Willard M. Avery and Grand Recorder Paul C. Rodenhauer. Another participant from the Grand Encampment was the Chairman of the Committee on Drill Regulations, John H. Loree.

Adam S. Riffin, P.G.C., Indiana and Indiana's Grand Captain General, Omar E. Hager, consider a point of information made by the M.E. Grand Master, Sir Knight Crofts.



Grand Commander Kenneth N. Johnson, with Deputy Grand Commander Freer on his left, checks his fellow Kentuckian, Dr. Henry C. Smith, Grand Generalissimo, on alternate Knight Templar action possible if York Rite Unity doesn't reach successful conclusion.



Ohio's new Grand Recorder, Herbert E. Rogler, P.G.C., clarifies a Constitution and Statutes point with Sir Knight Crofts during a break in the March 8 Conference.



Among those present were 11 officers and Past Grand Commanders from Indiana, 11 from Michigan, five from Kentucky, eight from Ohio and nine from West Virginia.

RED CROSS DINNER IS ALSO SEMINAR

One of the informal discussions by Masonic leaders in connection with Masonic Week at Washington was the Sunday evening, February 23, dinner at the Shoreham hosted by Grand Sovereign Lloyd A. Landgren, United Imperial Council, Red Cross of Constantine.

After the dinner, ranking officers of almost all branches of Masonry exchanged views on the present of Masonic bodies and their future. "Accepting change," the "dynamics of attracting young people," "translating Masonic thinking into current events," the need to "keep the principles and change the methods" were some of the phrases which described the tone of the meeting. George A. Saunders, Grand Junior General and Imperial Recorder, Shrine Imperial Council, acted as Secretary.

It was observed that this and similar discussions in the past are instrumental in laying the groundwork for progressive programming and action in the various bodies, based on "a common understanding of the needs and possible solutions."

Those present in addition to Grand Sovereign Landgren and Noble Saunders were: Grand Master Crofts, Grand Encampment; George A. Newbury, Sovereign Grand Commander, Supreme Council 33°, N.M.J.; Renah F. Camalier, P.G.M., P.G.S.; G.C., Deputy, District of Columbia, Supreme Council 33°, Southern Jurisdiction; William E. Yeager, P.G.M., Pennsylvania, Grand Senior General, Red Cross of Constantine; Harry O. Schroeder, P.G.M., Maryland; Hoyt McClendon, Mississippi, Grand Orator; P.C.W., General Grand Council; Chester A. Hogan, Imperial Shrine Potentate; Lyman E. Smith, G.M.G., Convent General, KYCH; William H. Cantwell, P.G.M., Delaware, P.G.C., Red Cross of Constantine; Thomas C. Raum Jr., M.W.G.M., Kansas, Chairman Grand Masters' Conference; R. Lee Lockwood, Texas, Grand Viceroy, Grand Chancellor, Supreme Council 33°, Southern Jurisdiction, P.G.M., DeMolay; Samuel W. McIntosh, Executive Secretary, Conference of Grand Masters of North America; Stanley Maxwell, Executive Secretary, Supreme Council 33°, N.M.J.; and P. C. Rodenhauer, Grand Recorder, G. E.

THE OLD GUARD

By Wylie B. Wendt
P.C., K.T.C.H., Kentucky

Commanderies of Knights Templar throughout the United States have small groups of earnest long-time members who are devoted to the Order and these loyal and enthusiastic groups constitute the backbone of the local Commanderies. In some Commanderies these Sir Knights are actually formed into an organization and given a name. In other Commanderies the organization is merely implied, the old-time loyal and enthusiastic workers recognizing other veterans having the same devotion and loyalty. For want of a better name, these groups will be referred to as "The Old Guard."

Any Commandery that does not have an Old Guard is in a bad way. Some Commanderies actually have such an organization, named the "Old Guard" or "Veteran's Group," with a stipulated number of years of Templar membership and activity before a Sir Knight becomes eligible for this venerable and honored group.

In the smaller Commanderies, the Old Guard may be composed largely of Past Commanders, although this need not necessarily be so, as all Commanderies have members who do not aspire to office and yet are faithful in attendance and in devotion to duty over many years. If a

Commandery has a Drill Corps, many of its members will constitute an appreciable percent of the Old Guard. There is a joy that comes to a man when he is a member of a unit or organization that is doing something worthwhile, that brings returns to him as in no other way.

Any Knight Templar who has paid dues in a Commandery for a large number of years and who has not availed himself of becoming a member of the Old Guard has missed one of the fine things of life, because nowhere will be found a group of men who are more closely knit together than a group of Templars who have been working together for fifteen, ten or even five years.

The friendships formed here, based upon mutual respect, are lasting and are tangible results of Templar membership and service. The progress of the years and the combined efforts of the Sir Knights serve to increase their love and admiration for each other and to strengthen their friendship. And when the time comes when participation in Commandery affairs must be reduced, the memory of the association with this fine group of Templars will be something that will not fade and which cannot be taken away.

Prayer of St. Francis of Assisi

"LORD MAKE ME AN INSTRUMENT OF THY PEACE; THAT WHERE THERE IS HATRED—I MAY BRING LOVE, THAT WHERE THERE IS WRONG—I MAY BRING THE SPIRIT OF FORGIVENESS, THAT WHERE THERE IS DISCORD—I MAY BRING HARMONY; THAT WHERE THERE IS ERROR—I MAY BRING TRUTH; THAT WHERE THERE IS DOUBT—I MAY BRING FAITH, THAT WHERE THERE IS DESPAIR—I MAY BRING HOPE, THAT WHERE THERE ARE SHADOWS—I MAY BRING THY LIGHT, THAT WHERE THERE IS SADNESS—I MAY BRING JOY.

LORD, GRANT THAT I MAY SEEK RATHER TO COMFORT—THAN TO BE COMFORTED; TO UNDERSTAND—THAN TO BE UNDERSTOOD; TO LOVE—THAN TO BE LOVED;

FOR IT IS BY GIVING—THAT ONE RECEIVES; IT IS BY SELF-FORGOTTING—THAT ONE FINDS; IT IS BY FORGIVING—THAT ONE IS FORGIVEN; IT IS BY DYING—THAT ONE AWAKENS TO ETERNAL LIFE."

THE KNIGHT LINE

Observations, reports, news
and views on Templar topics
and personalities

Latest information from the Triennial Conclave Committee at Denver indicates that a slide-and-script presentation on Triennial attractions will soon be available for program use in Commanderies around the country. The chairman is Richard K. Ayers, 215 Hewitt Building, Denver, Colorado 80202.

The committee also reports it is working on a special display board, containing pictures and other Triennial Conclave information, for use at large gatherings. The display will be approximately six feet in length and 44 inches high, says the spokesman, and will require an eight foot table for the base.

John H. Loree, P.G.C., Michigan, Chairman of the Grand Encampment Committee on Drill Regulations, says he received undeserved credit for the drill team article in the March issue of the *Knight Templar Magazine*. Authorship, he says, belongs to Grand Commander Ned E. Dull, Ohio. Next drill team feature to be included in a forthcoming issue is being prepared by Leighton E. Harrell, P.C., Recorder, St. Elmo Commandery, Hyattsville, Maryland.

Sir Knight J. Edgar Hoover, FBI, will be the author of a special article in the July issue of the *Knight Templar Magazine*.

Harold S. Gorman, Department Commander, South Pacific Department, has arranged for his 1969 Department Conference to be held at Las Vegas, Nevada, Saturday, November 8. The South Pacific Department includes the Grand Commanderies of Arizona, California, Nevada, New Mexico and Utah.

It has been said before; it will be said often again: "In Templary, there are no problems—just opportunities."

G. Calvin Dyson, Grand Commander, Pennsylvania—who, in May will be presiding over the 116th Annual Conclave

of the Grand Commandery of Pennsylvania—was on hand together with other Grand Commandery officers to join with Grand Master John L. Crofts in the Centennial Observance of York Rite Masonry in Columbia, Pennsylvania. Cyrene Commandery No. 34 was constituted in March 1869; Corinthian Chapter No. 224 in June. The combined anniversary observance was scheduled March 22-23.

Carl J. Baesemann, North Pacific Department Commander, has a personal story of a harrowing experience in a rather restricted area of an airplane. It's a story that needs telling verbally, but we can reveal that Sir Knight Carl—a rather large and imposing gentleman—became wedged in what could be considered a compromising position. The problem was solved with no damage to the Department Commander, but the plane had to be partially dismantled.

C. Krith Reporter

OKLAHOMA SIR KNIGHT DIES

"Tulsa World" reported the following Friday, February 7:

Carl Hansen, whose name has been synonymous with Masonry since he became a member of Hugo Lodge No. 217 A.F. & A.M., March 1, 1921, died at 6:10 this morning at Memorial Hospital after a lingering illness.

Sir Knight Hansen gave Hugo Masonic Bodies the distinction of supplying the only area man ever elected to three of the top state offices of York Rite Masonry in Oklahoma. He was only the fourth state Mason to have achieved this honor when he was elected Grand Commander of Oklahoma in 1960.

Previously he had served as 1947 Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Oklahoma, Royal Arch Masons, and as 1954 Illustrious Grand Master of the Grand Council of Oklahoma, Royal and Select Masons.

Immediate survivors are his wife, Mrs. Agnes Hansen, and a sister, Mrs. Louise Ludvingsen, Austin, Texas.



Carl F. Hansen
 Oklahoma
 Grand Commander — 1961
 Born October 5, 1890
 Died February 7, 1969

Frederick A. Nicholson
 New York
 Grand Commander — 1948
 Born August 7, 1884
 Died February 17, 1969

John A. Gebhardt
 Wisconsin
 Grand Commander — 1953
 Born March 26, 1896
 Died February 26, 1969

Edward A. Glad
 Illinois
 Grand Commander — 1927
 Born July 8, 1883
 Died March 12, 1969

“To Remain Unchanged in a Changing World is to Perish”

The keynote speaker February 22 for the Conference of Grand Masters of Masons in North America at Washington, D.C., was the M.W. Grand Master of Michigan, Milo E. Underhill. Sir Knight Underhill, a member of Lake Superior Commandery No. 30, Marquette, presented the Masonic fraternity with the question: “If your lodge closed tonight, would the community or most of the membership even know that it had closed?”, then developed the theme that “change is indispensable to survival in a fast changing world.”

The speaker urged pursuit of some of the unorthodox virtues of life - Self - denial, Excellence and a Liberal Heart and Mind. Excerpts of the keynote address follow:

We in the Masonic fraternity ought to pursue the virtue of self-denial in order to discover and fulfill the purpose of our existence. We were not created for ourselves alone but for God and the human race.

God did not give us a heart that we might love ourselves alone . . .

Or brains that we might think only of our own welfare . . .

Or hands and skills and talents that we might serve only ourselves. God blessed us with heart and brains and skills that we might be part of the commonwealth of man. If we choose to live for ourselves, we are actually choosing to cut ourselves off from the heritage that is rightfully our own. Yes . . .

Practice self-denial that our brains may rule our bodies . . .

Practice self-denial that our spirit may rule our flesh . . .

Practice self-denial that we may live not only for ourselves but that we may live for those we love . . .

For the nation of which we are a part . . .

For the world to which we belong . . .

For all mankind who are our brothers . . .

For the God who has created us.

Let us remind ourselves that we *did* not achieve our status by ourselves. We are deeply indebted to the Masons of the past. We are indebted to the community which built and maintained our schools. We are indebted to our nation of which your community is a part. We are indebted to the civilization which has amassed the learning and the wisdom in which we have shared. We are indebted to God for the gift of life and for the faculty of thought.

The practice of self-denial is a discipline necessary for the fulfillment of our true destiny as Masons and human beings. . . .

In many ways we live in the era of the slipshod, second rate, jerry-built and chintzy. If only more people would show in their work the same determination to get ahead that they show when they are driving in traffic.

Yes . . . fine workmanship.

Make excellence your aim in whatever we undertake. Take a motto from the Book of Ecclesiastes: “Whatsoever Thy Hand Findeth To Do, Do It with Thy Might.”

Remember the words of the Apostle Paul, “And yet I show unto you a more excellent way.” And be always alert to discover the more excellent way. Make excellence our aim in everything, but especially in our Masonry, our religion, our citizenship. If we make excellence our aim in these areas, we will pass along a better heritage to our youth. If we pursue excellence, we will surpass the first sixty years of this century in religion, in politics, in economics and in social relations for we have *not* achieved excellence in any of these fields. And remember, we do not build a good reputation on what we *intend to do* . . . but on *what we do*.

Have you ever heard of the “good old days?” . . .

Yesterday’s goodness won’t be good enough for tomorrow’s need . . .

Yesterday’s wisdom won’t be wise enough to solve tomorrow’s problems . . .

Yesterday’s love won’t be great enough to heal tomorrow’s wounds.

We must be more brotherly and godly than we have been or we will fail God

in our day. The dollar-worshipping religion of the 19th century proved inadequate for the first half of the twentieth century. And don't think that our religion is the final form and that it will meet the needs of the last half of the twentieth century without change or alteration . . . *it will not do so.*

Some think the activity of our order is adequate . . . *it is not.*

Where our faith and our lodge is narrow, we must permit it to grow broad . . .

Where it is shallow, we must make it profound . . .

We cannot afford to be satisfied with a mediocre fraternity or with a mediocre service to Almighty God.

We must love excellence, for only excellence is going to suffice.

In this sometimes frightening world, "If your lodge closed tonight, would the community or the majority of the brethren even know that it had closed?"

Do you realize that the five countries boasting the highest standard of living in the world, Denmark, Switzerland, Finland, The United States and Sweden, lead the world in murder and suicide?

Yes . . . we will have to hold on to the virtue of a broad and liberal mind in order to meet the challenges of our day. This does not mean that we should tear down a *single basic principle* and rush into some panacea or new way of life. No, I am not referring to generosity but to the capacity for liberal thinking in religion, politics, economics and in the area of social relations.

One thing that will help you most in cultivating such an attitude is to read history . . . history . . . history as long as you live. Santayna has warned us that those who do not learn from the past are doomed to repeat its mistakes. A study of history will accustom your mind to the acceptance of the concept of change. It is a snare and a delusion to imagine that we can turn the clock of history back to the 19th century, or back to the first quarter of the 20th century or that we can stop its hands at the present hour.

As Daniel said, "Blessed be the name of God . . . He changeth the time and

the seasons." If God changes the times and the seasons, if He changes the very heavens above us which seem to us to be symbols of the eternal and unchanging, if He changes the animal life and the vegetation upon the surface of the world, if at the end He changes our very natures, what grounds do we have for supposing that human institutions, created by the brains of men, made by the hands of men, will continue unchanged? It is idolatrous to think such a thought. Even before the writing of these words, man has begun to explore the moon. Can we now think that there will be no change?

We are born, we live, we die . . . All governed by the immutable law of change. The world and its institutions have changed before our very eyes. Our world and its institutions are going to change even more swiftly and even more drastically. Bertrand Russell has said that in his lifetime he has seen every concept in the field of mathematics that was fixed and unchangeable when he was a boy . . . questioned and discarded. We will see the same take place in many other areas of life.

Yes . . . Unless we learn to change . . . to think new thoughts, we will find ourselves an anachronism in our own generation . . . change is indispensable to survival in a fast changing world.

At one time this earth was populated by gigantic reptiles. Today, all that is left of those reptiles is their bones. The world changed but they did not change and they perished.

Nations that once lead the world have become third, fourth, fifth rate powers because the world changed while they stood still.

Civilizations rise and fall. The English historian Toynbee counts twenty-one civilizations that have been destroyed . . . not from conquest from without but from deterioration from within.

To remain unchanged in a changing world is to perish. . . .

Unless we can meet change creatively and adapt to it, we are not going to be of very much use to our lodges, to our fraternity, to our church, to our nation

"It's a Beautiful Day In Chicago"

Remember the days when radio was king of the air and television was in the same conversational category as a flight in space?

Contrary to the views of the young folks, it seems like just yesterday that one of the most popular coast-to-coast programs was the National Farm and Home Hour. The spokesman for this daytime Monday - thru - Friday feature opened each program with the oft-quoted statement, "It's a beautiful day in Chicago."

Everett T. Mitchell, known to millions of listeners, was that spokesman. On April 19, Mitchell—a prominent Lutheran layman, owner of Beautiful Day Farm in Illinois—will become a Knight Templar. The Order will be conferred by the Grand Commander of Illinois, Stuart W. Stone, and his son, Stuart S., Commander of Apollo Commandery No. 1, at Wheaton Masonic Temple, 120 W. Wesley St., Wheaton.

"To Remain . . .

or to the world. If we try to turn back the clock, we will be working for the destruction of the society of which we are a part. In order to meet the challenges of tomorrow, we are going to need the ancient Masonic virtues of Faith, and Hope and Love and Charity. We are going to need the traditional virtues of Courage, Honesty, Truthfulness, Honor and Persistence. We are going to need the unorthodox virtues of Self-Denial, Love of Excellence, and Liberal-ity of Heart and Mind.

But above all else, we are going to need God in us, the hope of glory. And if we do not have Him in our hearts, we will not have Him to offer to the world.

Let us remember in whom we put our trust.

"If your lodge closed tonight, would the community or the majority of the brethren even know that it had closed?"

GRAND SOVEREIGN LANDGREN APPOINTS GRAND RECORDER OF RED CROSS OF CONSTANTINE

Lloyd A. Landgren, Grand Sovereign, Knights of the Red Cross of Constantine and Appendant Orders, has announced the appointment of Paul C. Rodenhauer to the post of Grand Recorder of the United Imperial Council to fill the vacancy caused by the March 12 death of Edward A. Glad, Chicago. Rodenhauer, Grand Recorder of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar, U.S.A., P.G.C. of Pennsylvania, a 33° Scottish Rite Mason, N.M.J., is a dual member of St. John's Conclave, Red Cross of Constantine, Chicago, and a Past Sovereign of Trinity Conclave, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. He was created an Active Member of the International Supreme Council of the Order of DeMolay at Kansas City March 19.

INSTALLATION IN GERMANY

Kit C. Price, Recorder of Hermann Von Salza Commandery No. 1, Frankfurt, Germany, reports the installation of officers of the Samuel S. Summer Assembly No. 9, International Order of the Rainbow for Girls, January 26 at the Oregon Military Lodge. New officers were also installed for the Land Hesse Chapter of DeMolay in Frankfurt on February 2.

California Grand York Rite Bodies will hold their 1969 sessions at Oakland. California Sessions Headquarters, Scottish Rite Cathedral, 1547 Lakeside Drive, Oakland, California. Grand Chapter will convene Monday and Tuesday, April 28 and 29 Grand Council Wednesday, April 30 and Grand Commandery, Thursday and Friday, May 1 and 2.

THE BIRTHDAY PAGE

The "Knight Templar Magazine" salutes these distinguished Templars who will observe birthday anniversaries during May:

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| WILSON SWEANEY GRAND GENERALISSIMO OF SOUTH DAKOTA | MAY 3 |
| C. M. CAMERON GRAND CAPTAIN GENERAL OF GEORGIA | MAY 6 |
| LAWRENCE DEHAY DEPUTY GRAND COMMANDER OF TEXAS | MAY 6 |
| HAROLD S. GORMAN SOUTH PACIFIC DEPARTMENT COMMANDER | MAY 9 |
| EARLE D. WEBSTER GRAND RECORDER OF MAINE | MAY 9 |
| CARL J. BAESEMANN NORTH PACIFIC DEPARTMENT COMMANDER | MAY 11 |
| ALBERT WILSON BAINES GRAND CAPTAIN GENERAL OF NEW HAMPSHIRE | MAY 11 |
| ANDREW H. BULKLEY GRAND CAPTAIN GENERAL OF THE PHILIPPINES | MAY 13 |
| PETER C. BURT GRAND GENERALISSIMO OF NEBRASKA | MAY 14 |
| JAMES C. SIRIOS GRAND CAPTAIN GENERAL OF MASSACHUSETTS & RHODE ISLAND .. | MAY 15 |
| JOHN I. WILLIAMS GRAND CAPTAIN GENERAL OF COLORADO | MAY 15 |
| PAUL B. PICKERING GRAND RECORDER OF UTAH | MAY 16 |
| G. CALVIN DYSON GRAND COMMANDER OF PENNSYLVANIA | MAY 17 |
| D. BURLEIGH SMALLEY JR. GRAND RECORDER OF VERMONT | MAY 19 |
| VIRGIL V. VIERS GRAND COMMANDER OF COLORADO | MAY 19 |
| EWART ROBERTS GRAND CAPTAIN GENERAL OF PENNSYLVANIA | MAY 20 |
| MARCUS R. NICHOLS GRAND RECORDER OF WYOMING | MAY 21 |
| CHARLES K. A. MCGAUGHEY GRAND RECORDER OF KENTUCKY | MAY 22 |
| CHARLES R. EURICH DEPUTY GRAND COMMANDER OF PENNSYLVANIA | MAY 27 |
| LESTER P. FITTING GRAND CAPTAIN GENERAL OF MINNESOTA | MAY 28 |
| WILLIAM R. ROBBINS SOUTH CENTRAL DEPARTMENT COMMANDER | MAY 30 |
| JOHN C. TREBILCOCK GRAND CAPTAIN GENERAL OF IDAHO | MAY 31 |

Above dates are from information on hand for officers of Grand Commanderies and for Grand Encampment appointed and elected officers and Committee Chairmen.

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Him. He is as close to you as any person who needs you, as close as the bread and wine regularly shared at Holy Table, as close as toast and milk at family table, as close as He was to Miriam in the Garden.

Set your hearts on Him, reach out to Him, for it is He only who gives life joy and meaning, He who reaches down to us.

THE WAY OF PERSONAL OBLATION AND CORPORATE LIBATION

St. Paul tells us that if Easter is truly a part of us we shall know that we are raised to life with Christ and can keep our minds fixed on things there. First of all there is the aspiration, the thankful amazement in the face of God's mighty act, an amazement that evokes response, a reaching up. Then there comes the "giving-over."

It is one thing—and a good thing—to aspire, to be stimulated by God's creative and recreative life so that we yearn to lead fruitful, useful lives ourselves. It is another step, a still more personal involvement to offer our minds and hearts, soul and strength, to really *give ourselves*.

Exactly what it means is hard to put into words. It will mean something special to each person for each of us is a special person. But one thing is clear. The relationship between the believer and Christ is always a personal relationship and yet it always involves other people. News of the Resurrection was so joyful that it filled the hearts of the disciples like cups to the brim and overflowed into the lives of hundreds and thousands and millions of others. Living victoriously means living for Him, giving ourselves to Him, but also living for one another, giving our hearts and minds to one another. Perhaps it doesn't matter exactly what you do with your life, exactly how you try to give yourself, so long as that is your intent and motivation, so long as it is your passion to give yourself as He gave Himself.

The truth is clear; it is better for you to apply that truth to yourself than for another to do so. But this suggestion we

presume to make: Think of yourself as a cup into which God has poured an abundance of rich wine, at great cost to Himself. What are you going to do with it all? It will dry up if you don't share it. But if you are risen with Christ you will share it, and there will be an unending flow, creative, redeeming, sanctifying.

THE WAY OF CONTEMPORARY PROMISE, ULTIMATE VICTORY

Finally, Paul tells us "Your real life is Christ and when He appears then you too will appear with Him and share His glory."

"It is accomplished; it is finished"—the joy of the mystery, and delight of the paradox, is that the eternal, crucial, complete Victory has been won—and yet the creative and recreative process goes on.

It is part of the Christian experience, a reality of the Christian life, that the great day, the final accomplishment, is both a future event, when all of God's loving promises and purposes finally will be realized, and at the same time a present reality, the eternal brought into the here and now through Christ's Victory, which was both divine and perfectly human.

"How old was he? Were there any warnings?" is often asked as we contemplate the physical death of a body, of a loved one, an associate or companion. A little fear of death is natural yet Easter can help us let go that fear. Christ is there and death can be an exciting adventure for that reason alone. "I am the resurrection and life."; "I know that my redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth: and though this body be destroyed, yet shall I see God: whom I shall see for myself, and mine eyes shall behold and not as a stranger."

Those familiar words at a funeral took on meaning when a school girl cancer victim so inspired her fellow students that the burial office and triumphant hymns by faculty, classmates and loved ones became an Easter witness to a whole community. The Paschal candle rightfully stood next to the coffin. The military escorts with flag draped caskets are

HANDS ACROSS THE SEA



CASTLE HOWARD FROM THE SOUTHEAST

Easter Meditation . . .

blessed when the bereaved have been led to say, in Christian hope; "It is finished: our true life is begun."

"Some there be which have no sepulchre—comrades in arms whose earthly resting place is known only to God." Those were the words we saw at the American cemetery in Manila along with the inscribed names of multitudes who sleep in unmarked waters and graves. "Let us here resolve that the cause for which they died shall *live*."

Unless this earth becomes a heaven there may not be heaven. God made that clear. It is here and now that Jesus was interested in—God's here and now. Sharing in His glory means living and loving in *this* life as Jesus did. As did the Four Chaplains who gave up life-jackets for others, pray not just for personal safety but for humane adequacy:—"be instruments of God's peace, so that one more stream may flow into the river of hate. It is hard to see God's power working in these dangerous times unless it works through us."

So—let us live, as it were, on the brink of doom, and on the brink of paradise. Celebrate the life God has given so abundantly—its joys, its sorrows, above all, its Victory, which is there for us to reach for, to give our hearts to, and, one day, to be sharing in its glory. *If, and since you have been raised to life with Christ* all things are possible: True Love, True Light, Triumphant Life!

Last fall Charles S. McGinness, Grand Recorder, Kansas, visited Malita Priory on the Island of Malta during the Kansas Grand Commandery Centennial Tour to the Holy Lands. Also visiting at the same time were a number of Brother Knights from Yorkshire, England.

Sir Knight McGinness in February, as a result of the Templar friendships established at Malta, received a personal invitation from George Anthony Geoffrey Howard, Preceptor, Castle Howard, York, to attend the Centenary Meeting and Dinner of Ancient Ebor Preceptory No. 101 March 22 "in the Chapel at Castle Howard."

"You will note," writes Grand Recorder McGinness in relaying information, "that I find it impossible to accept their very courteous and kind invitation. I certainly wish it was otherwise for I can anticipate that it would be a most pleasant exchange and that I would be royally entertained."

Ancient Ebor Preceptory—"the United Religious and Military Orders of the Temple and of St. John of Jerusalem, Palestine, Rhodes and Malta"—was consecrated February 25, 1869.

G. WILBUR BELL SPEAKER AT CONNECTICUT CONCLAVE BANQUET

G. Wilbur Bell, Deputy Grand Master of Grand Encampment, will be the speaker for the Grand Commander's banquet at the 142nd Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery of Connecticut Sunday, April 27, at the Holiday Inn "off the Parkways" in East Meriden. The banquet will be preceded by a 3:30 p.m. service at the First Methodist Church, East Main Street, Meriden. Business sessions convene Monday at 9:00 a.m. in the Asylum of St. Elmo Commandery.

Other news from Connecticut's Correspondent includes notice of the death of Raymond E. Pease, P.C., Hamilton Commandery No. 5, long a prominent and active worker in Masonry. Sir Knight Pease died February 19.

PENNSYLVANIA SUPPLEMENT

THE CRUSADER



Serving Templary in Pennsylvania

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"LET'S FINISH YEAR IN A WHIRLWIND"

By the time this issue of the magazine is received you will have entered the last month of this Templar year for the Constituent Commanderies. Through the medium of this page we have tried to encourage the support of individual phases of our Templar program each month. Now as we near the end it is incumbent that we take inventory and appraise the results.

While we have made progress in many areas, I am sure there are some where we could have done better. It is not too late to rectify this but we must act fast. Have we supported the Templar Schools and thus improved the work? Have we spoken to that prospect that we may strengthen our membership? Have we tried to support this publication, the Eye Foundation, our Churches, including our Grand Commandery-sponsored services, the Easter Sunrise Service at Arlington and the Ascension Service at Gettysburg?

What about the Educational Foundation? These are most important phases of our program to strengthen the spiritual, moral and physical fiber of Templary in this jurisdiction.

Especially would I remind you, it is not too late to give real impetus to the promotion of our service at Gettysburg. This program is being well planned and gives to us a thrilling opportunity to let the public know that we are Christian in character, believe in freedom for the individual within the confines of personal



responsibility, and are willing to stand up and be counted for the right.

I do hope we shall have a most enthusiastic support of this service and that all who possibly can will be in Gettysburg on May 3rd and 4th.

As I said in a recent letter to all our Eminent Commanders, "Sir Knights, let's finish this year in a whirl-wind for this Christian Order."

G. Calvin Dyson
Grand Commander

DIVISION NO. 1 HOLDS RECEPTION FOR G. CALVIN DYSON

On Saturday, February 8, Division No. 1 officially received G. Calvin Dyson, Grand Commander, at the Masonic Temple, One North Broad Street, Philadelphia.

There were 350 Sir Knights, their ladies and guests present at the Reception banquet, including the elected and appointed officers of the Grand Commandery. Howard T. Scull Jr., Division Commander, Division No. 1, was Master of Ceremonies and officiated at the Reception. Guests included Raymond C. DuVall, P.G.C., New York; Dallas F. Bullock, P.G.C., Pennsylvania, and nine Division Commanders: Horace D. Standbridge, No. 2; Leidy K. Gaugler, No. 3; Willard Heiney, No. 5; J. Harold Johnston, No. 7; J. Arthur Snyder, No. 8; Earle H. Baer, No. 9; Paul F. Lloyd, No. 13; Harry L. Parson, No. 15; and Russell G. Beckstrom, No. 16. Commanders of the six Division No. 1 Commanderies were received, as were visiting Commanders Robert F. Stark, Chester No. 66; John G. Maurer, Damascus No. 95; and George Wollroth, Ascension No. 97.

Sir Knight Dyson talked on the Constitution of the United States, "the greatest document ever produced by the mind of man." The Grand Commander made such points as: "For the first time in the history of the world the people had established a government and assigned to it certain powers. Previously, governments had granted privileges to the people, but this time the process was reversed. . . . They further agreed to confer only limited powers and functions to

Annual Ascension and Memorial Service
Gettysburg, May 3-4

Saturday: Banquet at 7 p.m.

Sunday: Parade at 1:30 p.m. to Soldiers' National Cemetery, Gettysburg. Shuttle bus service from the motels to the parade assembly area at 12:30 p.m. Complete uniforms are preferred for the parade, also Malta Corps uniform. Service in the National Cemetery at 2:15 p.m.

the government which was established by the Constitution . . .

"It would be permitted to do only those things which they believed could be better done by a collective agency than individually. It was under this limited government that our country grew in strength and material success. Each citizen was entirely free to order his own life and control his own affairs as he pleased, so long as he did not interfere with the rights of others. . . . All of this is by way of saying our founding Fathers realized the necessity of the individual accepting his fair share of the responsibility to support and perpetuate the common good."

Sir Knight Dyson ended with this challenge: "There is a real joy in service and accomplishment. I would, therefore, this night challenge every Mason, every Templar, to give of his talents to the end that Masonry and Templary may grow and be preserved to posterity as those who have gone before preserved it for us."

Sir Knight Scull presented to Mrs. Dyson the First Division's gift of two beautiful Wedgewood vases. Sir Knight Dyson was presented with an aluminum plate appropriately engraved to commemorate this occasion of his reception by his "home" Division.

Condensed from
Report of Frank W. Bobb

Candidacies

Two Sir Knights have announced their candidacies for the office of Eminent Grand Junior Warden of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Pennsylvania. David J. Godschall, 1957 Commander of Damascus No. 95, presently is a Trustee of the Grand Commandery. Howard T. Scull Jr. was Commander of Kadosh No. 29 in 1964 and is now Division Commander of Division No. 1. Election takes place during the 116th Annual Conclave in Philadelphia which runs from May 25 through May 28.

Oregon to Celebrate 83rd Annual Conclave



Julius J. Gimbel

Approximately 300 delegates and special guests are expected for the Annual Grand Session of York Rite Masons of Oregon, convening in the Astoria Masonic Temple, 1572 Franklin Avenue, April 13-16.

Registration is scheduled from 11 to 2, Sunday, April 13, with the Divine Services at 3 p.m. in the First Methodist Church, 11th and Franklin. Weather permitting, the Sir Knights will march from the Masonic Temple to the Church for the service.

The public is invited to attend the service, officiated by the Rev. Orval M. Whitman, Minister of the Church. The church choir will sing.

Monday morning E. Commander Ed Ridderbusch will open his home Commandery, St. Aldemar No. 11. At 9 a.m. he will release his Commandery to the Grand Commander, Sir Knight John Robert Williams, Salem, for the commencement of the 83rd Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery of Oregon.

Sir Knight John Lawton Crofts, Sr., Most Eminent Grand Master of the Grand Encampment, will be represented by Sir Knight Carl J. Baesemann, Denver, Department Commander, North Pacific Department. He will be accompanied by Mrs. Baesemann.



**John R. Williams,
R.E. Grand
Commander**

Other events scheduled April 14, 15 and 16:

Monday, April 14, 4 p.m. Oregon Priory No. 37, K.Y.C.H.
—Archie Earle Horning, E. Prior.

Tuesday, April 15, 9 a.m. Grand Council, R. & S.M., 83rd Annual Assembly—Julius J. Gimbel, M.I., Grand Master.

Wednesday, April 16, 9 a.m. Grand Chapter, R.A.M., 108th Annual Convocation—Charles G. Goold, M.E. Grand High Priest. The General Grand Chapter will be represented by General Grand High Priest, Sprague H. Carter.

Ladies events and special luncheons will be featured, as well as official banquet. A variety of activities will be available to all attending.



Charles G. Goold

Be it ever so humble, there's no place like home—especially if your Constituent Recorder knows where it's located! Please don't assume that one of your friends has relayed your changed address—or that your Recorder has picked it up by osmosis. Keep your home Commandery advised of any address change without delay—thru your Recorder. Guard against becoming a Templar "without (mail) affiliation."

ANNUAL CONCLAVES OF GRAND COMMANDERIES CONVENING IN MAY

| Jurisdiction | Location | Date | Representative |
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| California | Oakland | May 1-2 | Sir Knight Bell |
| Maine | Portland | May 5 | Sir Knight Rodenhauer |
| Kansas | Salina | May 5-6 | Sir Knight Robbins |
| Virginia | Cape Charles | May 8-10 | Sir Knight Avery |
| Dist. of Col. | Washington, D.C. | May 10 | Sir Knight Bourke |
| Utah | Salt Lake City | May 12-13 | Sir Knight Riegle |
| Maryland | Baltimore | May 14 | Sir Knight Bell |
| Georgia | Savannah | May 14-15 | Sir Knight Jackson |
| Missouri | Springfield | May 16-17 | Sir Knight Riegle |
| West Virginia | Parkersburg | May 16-17 | Sir Knight Crofts |
| Florida | Tampa | May 19 | Sir Knight Crofts |
| Washington | Chelan | May 19-20 | Sir Knight Baesemann |
| New Mexico | Albuquerque | May 21 | Sir Knight Gorman |
| Indiana | Lafayette | May 22-24 | Sir Knight Sager |
| Pennsylvania | Philadelphia | May 25-28 | Sir Knight Bourke |
| Vermont | Brandon | May 25-26 | Sir Knight Avery |
| Idaho | Boise | May 26-27 | Sir Knight Bell |

TRAVELING TEMPLARS

Among the varied activities of Grand Encampment elected and appointed officers in recent months:

Frank L. Bourke, North Atlantic Department Commander: Addressed the group attending Annual Ladies Night, St. Alban Commandery No. 8, Steer House, South Portland, Maine, February 1.

Addressed large attendance of members and dignitaries on official visitation of the Annual Inspection of Portland Council No. 4, R. & S.M., Masonic Temple, Portland, February 4. All Cryptic Degrees were exemplified.

Attended 109th Annual Conclave of New Jersey, Hotel St. Dennis, Atlantic City, February 28.

Carl J. Baesemann, North Pacific Department Commander: Spoke to Eastern Star Unit No. 97 on the K.T. Eye Foundation, Denver, Colorado, February 5.

Spoke to Douglas Lodge No. 153, Castlerock, on "Via Dolorosa," February 26.

Spoke on "The Magic of Masonry" to an Eastern Star group, the "Fins," Lakeside, March 13.

PRINCIPALS FOR 39TH EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE ARLINGTON NATIONAL CEMETERY

The plans and efforts of Knight Templar officers and Committee members culminate in the April 6 Easter Morning worship in America's Shrine of Faith and Devotion—Arlington National Cemetery.



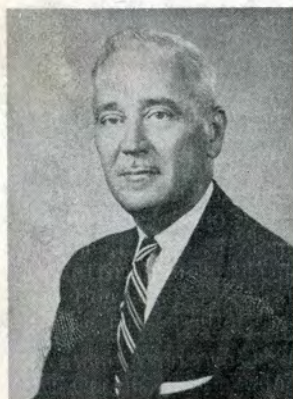
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