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My Fellow Sir Knights:

You have conferred a great honor and an equally great responsibility upon me.

I pledge you my wholehearted, sincere, single-purposed effort to fulfill the duties of the office and to measure up to the confidence you expressed by electing me Grand Master of Knights Templar, U.S.A.

My one and only aim is to build on the progress instigated and developed during the past administrations – to expand the purpose, power and prestige of our Christian Order. I hope you have the same aim.



The position to which you have elected me calls for the exercise of careful judgment and of my best ability – also of yours – for the benefit of the Order. I ask you to join with me in a unified and mighty effort to keep the goal in mind and to work for it unceasingly. As devoted Templars – honestly and diligently striving together we cannot fail!

What I will do as your Grand Master may not always please you individually. This I will regret, if it occurs, because I have a deep affection for each of my fellow Knights Templar and have no desire to cause disappointment or discomfort of any kind. In all matters, I will be guided by the principles of our Order, prayerfully evaluating what is best for Templary – not one person alone.

To John Lawton Crofts, Sr., my predecessor, I express my great admiration and my sincere appreciation for the decisive, progressive, intelligent and dedicated service he has given us as Grand Master. If we roll up our sleeves and hew to the line he has established, the Grand Encampment and the entire York Rite will benefit immeasurably.

Succeeding a man of his calibre is a tremendous distinction – yet, at the same time, a challenge that is almost frightening. He has given us fulltime, executive



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The Cover:

G. Wilbur Bell is the 43rd Templar in American history to become the Grand Master of Knights Templar, U.S.A. The first was the Honorable DeWitt Clinton, New York, who served from 1816 until his death in 1828.

Grand Master Bell was installed August 27 by his immediate predecessor, Sir Knight John L. Crofts, Sr., in open ceremonies in the ballroom of the Brown Palace Hotel, Denver, Colorado.

The new Grand Master's first message to all Templars begins on the opposite page.



From the MAIL BIN

Kilgore, Texas

□ This is an unusual note about three brothers in this small town in the middle of the world's largest oil field, owned by the Crims, who have several oil fields on their farms.

On June 30 John T. Crim, Sr., received his 50-year Commandery Certificate and, at the same time, accepted a Certificate for his brother, John Malcom Crim, who is hospitalized.

A third brother, killed in the war, received all his degrees before going into the Army. The fourth Crim brother, Ligett N., was Knighted in 1922.

Mayor Foster T. Bean, a Templar, presented the Certificates to John T., while his son stood at the altar with him. Afterward, Sir Knight John purchased a Life Sponsorship in the Eye Foundation.

L. J. NELSON, RECORDER
Kilgore Commandery No. 104

Cadillac, Michigan

□ I wish to thank the Grand Encampment for the *Knight Templar Magazine* and compliment you on its high caliber and the fine selection of Masonic material presented.

I became a Master Mason in 1913, was Worshipful Master in 1918 and received the Order of the Temple in 1924. Keep up the good work.

RAE E. JOHNSTON

Briggsville, Wisconsin

□ Some time ago I was saddened, naturally, to see the name of my husband in the "In Memory" section of the magazine. It had often been in our minds to write expressing our enjoyment of this magazine, but the sad final illness, which comes to all, intervened.

I have his uniform if any Sir Knight is interested. It is size 42, summer weight, in perfect condition. My husband wore his uniform with such pride!

I also have sword, suitcase and chapeau, tho' the latter is not as well preserved as the uniform. Another item I hope someone will want is a beautiful, heavy Templar cape - purple lined. It is too valuable to languish in my closet.

Truly, the Order of Knights Templar was Erwin's chief interest and joy. . . And I am proud I could help in whatever he was able to accomplish for the Order.

MRS. ERWIN C. LAWRENZ
Box 12
Briggsville, Wisconsin 58920

Sidney, Ohio

□ Page 28 of *Time* of July 27 refers to Brother Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart. I'm sure we're all proud to claim him. There must be a very interesting story. Does somebody know the details?

WALTER O. FAULKNER
Sidney Commandery No. 46
531 S. Main Avenue
Sidney, Ohio 45365

Sanremo, Italy

□ I have the desire to acquire all Masonic Coins – Chapter and Commandery type, or anything of Masonic theme. I am prepared to buy or exchange with other Masonic items.

As Master of Giuseppe Mazzini Lodge, my request to acquire Masonic coins, medals and other items is according to the fact that I am also the caretaker of our little museum and this year is the first centenary of the capture of Rome from the Pope and I have to organize a Masonic Exhibition.

BRUNO S. GUGLIELMI,
Via San Martino 20/12
I 18038 Sanremo, Italy

Frankfurt/Main, Germany

□ Any Sir Knight who visits Europe, Frankfurt/Main, Germany, please stop in and visit Hermann Von Salza Commandery No. 1. Our stated Conclaves are the third Friday night of each month.

Anyone here and wanting to contact us please call Kit Carson Price, PP, Recorder; Fkt. Div. Area Code (0611) 527144, address: Huegelstr 2271-B-5, 6000 Frankfurt/Main 50, West Germany; or E.C. Harold B. Fisher, Wiesbaden Civ. Area Code (06121) 89783, 3 Weinfeld Str., 6208 Wiesbaden/Biebr, West Germany.

KIT CARSON PRICE, PP
Recorder

St. Petersburg, Florida

□ Enclosed find a small contribution toward the cost of publication of your fine *Templar Magazine*.

I enjoy it very much.

EUGENE A. FREY

Cleveland, Ohio

□ On Page 17 of the July issue of *Knight Templar Magazine* we note that your Florida correspondent believes that there is no honor similar to Order of High Priesthood and Order of the Silver Trowel conferred upon Commanders.

The Order of Knight Commander of the Temple is conferred each year in our Past Commanders Association after the June Installations of Commanders. Our records show that initiation was in the order of business in minutes of our April 30, 1926 meeting but our earliest dated copy of the ritual is dated Feb. 6, 1941.

At present we have 162 members in our Association who have received the Order of Knight Commander of the Temple.

W. M. ELLIOTT, Secy.-Treas.
Past Commanders Association

A "Namesake" Letter of Thanks

1333 Washington St. East
Charleston, West Virginia

Mr. George Woo,
Kanawha Commandery No. 4
Charleston, West Virginia

Dear Mr. Woo:

I appreciate the help of both you and the Knights Templar in providing funds for me so that I may see again.

Before my surgery I was confined to my room since I was unable to see. Now I can see to go everywhere.

Thank you so much for the opportunity to see again.

Sincerely,
George Washington

GRAND ENCAMPMENT OFFICERS FOR 1970-73 TRIENNIUM

Officers to serve the sovereign Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America were elected or re-elected Wednesday morning, August 26, during the third day's session of the 51st Triennial Conclave at Denver.

They were officially installed Thursday morning, August 27, in "open" ceremonies at the Brown Palace Hotel with outgoing Grand Master, John L. Crofts, Sr., as installing officer.

Most Eminent Grand Master:

G. WILBUR BELL, R.R. No. 2, Chandlerville, Illinois 62627

Right Eminent Deputy Grand Master:

ROY W. RIEGLE, Suite One, Palace Building, Emporia, Kansas 66801

Right Eminent Grand Generalissimo:

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Right Eminent Grand Recorder:

PAUL C. RODENHAUSER, 14 E. Jackson Blvd., Suite 1733, Chicago, Illinois 60604

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DR. NORMAN VINCENT PEALE, 1025 Fifth Avenue, New York, New York 10028

Right Eminent Associate Grand Prelate

DR. BERYL FALES KINSER, 5 Fairview Dr., Rte. 4, Springfield, Illinois 62707

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 Southwestern John R. Mendius, 124 Rover Blvd. White Rock, Los Alamos,
 New Mexico 87544
 Northwestern Paul W. Sweet, 718 N. Washington, Centralia, Washington 98531

Most Eminent Past Grand Masters of Grand Encampment:

John Temple Rice, 1946-49; Walter A. DeLamater, 1955-58; John L. Crofts, Sr., 1967-70.

Right Eminent Past Grand Generalissimo: C. Byron Lear

G. WILBUR BELL, CHANDLERVILLE, ILLINOIS IS 43RD TEMPLAR TO BECOME GRAND MASTER

Voting members of the Grand Encampment, Knights Templar, U.S.A., unanimously selected Sir Knight G. Wilbur Bell as Grand Master at the 51st Triennial Conclave of the 154-year-old sovereign body at Denver, Colorado, August 26. He succeeds John L. Crofts, Sr., Nokomis, Florida, who was Grand Master during the Triennial period just concluded.



The Grand Master was born September 2, 1912, in Mason County, Illinois, near Chandlerville. A farmer and grain dealer, he is also Vice President and a Director of the Havana National Bank, Havana, Illinois. His business career includes W. S. Smith & Company, St. Louis, Missouri (construction), and the Simmons Construction Company, Quincy, Illinois.

Sir Knight Bell is a member of the Fairview Methodist Church, a Director of the Illinois Knights Templar Home for the Aged and Infirm in Paxton, a member of the University of Illinois Citizens Committee, the Union League Club of Chicago, the Sangamo Club in Springfield, National Alumni Association of Bradley University, the Farm Bureau of Mason County, the Flying Farmers of Prairie Farmer Land, Airplane Owners and Pilots Association of the United

States of America and the Chicago Air Club.

An active leader in all branches of Freemasonry the Grand Master's past and present offices include:

Worshipful Master of Chandlerville Lodge No. 724, 1943-45; Past Grand High Priest, Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Illinois, and present Grand Treasurer; Thrice Illustrious Past Master, Beardstown Council No. 88, Honorary Member of the Grand Council of Arkansas; Past Grand Commander, Grand Commandery of Illinois, and present Grand Treasurer; Past Preceptor, Simon Peter Tabernacle No. XXII, Holy Royal Arch Knight Templar Priests; Past Prior, Illinois Priory No. 11, K.Y.C.H., Chicago; Past Sovereign, Saxa Rubra Conclave, Red Cross of Constantine; Dual member, St. John's Conclave, Chicago; Past Patron, Chandlerville Chapter No. 544, O.E.S.; member of Grand Cross of Color, Supreme Assembly, Order of Rainbow for Girls, International Rainbow Temple; Past Potentate, Ansar Temple, A.A.O.N.M.S.; member of Cabiri, International Past Potentate Association and President of Springfield Chapter; Director of Springfield Court No. 20, Royal Order of Jesters; Past President, Illinois Shrine Association; Fellow, Philaethes Society; Fellow, Grand College of Rites of U.S.A.; member of Quatuor Coronati Lodge No. 2076, London, England.

Sir Knight Bell holds Life Membership in the Royal Order of Scotland. He was

Uniforms and Equipment Offered

Thomas W. Storer, Recorder, Oakland Commandery No. 11, Oakland, California, announces that his Commandery has a surplus of Templar uniform and fatigue coats — "high neck, in small sizes" — as well as chapeaux and fatigue caps in small sizes, also a few swords, scabbards and belts, "all used equipment." Available to any chartered or U.D. Commandery upon payment of packaging and shipping. Information can be secured by writing Sir Knight Storer at 3903 Broadway, Oakland, California 94611.

Triennial Banquet Speaker



General Bruce C. Clarke, member of Columbia Commandery No. 2, Washington, D.C., and an Honorary 33° Scottish Rite Mason, was the featured speaker Wednesday, August 26, at the Grand Master's Traditional Banquet in Currigan Hall, Denver, Colorado.

...G. WILBUR BELL

created a "Prophet at Sight" in Danville, Illinois, and is a member of Zingabado Grotto M.O.V.P.E.R., Jacksonville, Illinois. A Past Thrice Potent Master of Sangamo Lodge of Perfection, he was the recipient of the Honorary 33° at Detroit in 1964, N.M.J.

He has long been active in DeMolay. His record includes: Creve Coeur Chapter, Peoria; DeMolay Legion of Honor, Supreme Council; Active Member, Supreme Council; Executive Officer for Illinois.

Sir Knight Bell has served as Grand Captain General of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the U.S.A., 1961-64, Grand Generalissimo, 1964-67 and Deputy Grand Master, 1967-70. He is Prefect of N.E. Great Priory of America (*Chevaliers Bienfaisants de la Cite Sainte*). His biography appears in *Who's Who in the Midwest, Dictionary of International Biography* (London) and *National Register of Prominent Americans*.

Excerpts of his address at the closing social function in the term of Grand Master Crofts will be featured in a later edition of the *Knight Templar Magazine*.

Dr. Kinser, Associate Prelate

Grand Master Bell has appointed Dr. Beryl Fales Kinser, Springfield, Illinois, Associate Grand Prelate of the Grand Encampment for the 1970-73 Triennium.

Dr. Kinser, First Christian Church, Springfield, will serve with Dr. Norman Vincent Peale, R.E. Grand Prelate, in official Prelate duties and services.

Dr. Kinser, member of Elwood Commandery No. 6, is a 33° Scottish Rite Mason, active in the Grand Lodge of Illinois, in Ansar Temple, A.A.O.N.M.S., and is a member of St. Edward Conclave, Red Cross of Constantine.

ROY W. RIEGLE ADVANCED TO DEPUTY GRAND MASTER 1970-73

WILLARD M. AVERY BECOMES GRAND GENERALISSIMO

Roy W. Rieggle, Emporia, Kansas, and Willard M. Avery, Knightstown, Indiana, were advanced by the voters at Denver to serve the Grand Encampment respectively as R.E. Deputy Grand Master and R.E. Grand Generalissimo. Sir Knight Rieggle was elected Grand Captain General in 1964 at Philadelphia and Grand Generalissimo at Detroit in 1967. Sir Knight Avery was elected to line office as Grand Captain General at the 50th Triennial Conclave in Detroit. Both have long been active in Grand Encampment affairs.



Sir Knight Rieggle was born April 27, 1896, near Lyons, Kansas. A school-teacher, soldier, lawyer, judge, and legislator, he was a Private in World War I, joined Company D (later Company B), 137th Infantry, 35th Division in 1920, served continuously until 1954, progressing from 1st Sergeant to Colonel. Active service 1940-1946. Practiced law in Kansas since 1925; served as Probate and Juvenile Judge; member of Kansas House of Representatives and Kansas State Senate; member of Kansas Legislative Council, 1939-41, and Kansas Judiciary Council, 1953-61. Majority Floor Leader in House, 1937-39.



Sir Knight Avery was born on February 2, 1907, at Palmyra, Indiana. He was a Rector Scholar at DePauw University from which he graduated with highest honors in 1929. After graduation he taught social studies and speech for two years at Portland, Indiana. He then attended the University of Michigan Law School where he was the winner of the Henry M. Campell case club award and served as senior judge in case club competition. While attending law school, he was elected Student President of the Lawyers Club and received his Doctor of Jurisprudence Degree in 1934.



..SIR KNIGHT RIEGLE

President of the Kansas Day Club, Kansas State Historical Society; Lyon County Bar Association; Lyon County Council of Churches; Pi Kappa Delta, (National Forensic Fraternity); Pi Gamma Mu (National Social Science Fraternity); member, Phi Alpha Delta (National Legal Fraternity); Tau Kappa Epsilon (National Social Fraternity); Lions Club; Lutheran Church Council; Officers Association; American Legion (Past State Commander); Veterans of Foreign Wars; Veterans of World War I (State Judge Advocate); now Judge Advocate General of the Kansas Military Department and a member of Kansas Military and Armory Boards.

Married Keith M. Roberts in 1923. One son, deceased, and three daughters.

He is listed in *Who's Who in the Midwest* and in *Who's Who in World's Commerce and Industry*. Sir Knight Riegle is a graduate of Washburn University, Washburn University Law School and Kansas State Teachers College, as well as a number of U.S. Army schools, and has five college degrees: B.S.; A.B.; A.M.; L.L.B.; J.D. While at Washburn he was elected to the Sagamore Society, highest honor Washburn can bestow upon a student. Holder of more than fifteen Army medals and awards.

Masonically, his record includes: Past Sovereign, Red Cross of Constantine; Past Preceptor Holy Royal Arch Knight Templar Priests; Past Grand Master of Grand Council; member, Governor General's College; York Rite Sovereign College (Order of Purple Cross, 1964); Order of the Eastern Star; Past Grand Commander; Past Department Commander; member, Scottish Rite Bodies; Chairman, Committee on Drill Regulations. Elected Grand Captain General of the Grand Encampment in Philadelphia, 1964; Grand Generalissimo in Detroit, 1967; Deputy Grand Master in Denver, 1970.

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..SIR KNIGHT AVERY

Since his graduation, he has been successfully engaged in the general practice of law at Knightstown, Indiana. He and his wife, Margaret, have two sons, Max and Jack.

He has been continuously active in the civic affairs of his community. A Methodist, he has served in numerous lay capacities in the church and served with distinction as local President and Lieutenant Governor of Kiwanis International. Has been actively engaged in Grand Encampment projects for many years, was elected Grand Captain General at Detroit in 1967 and Grand Generalissimo in Denver in 1970.

He is a member of Knightstown Commandery, having approximately 75 members in a town of 3,000, with three Commanderies within a radius of 15 miles. His Commandery has sent a Drill Team to the last six Triennials. He served as Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Indiana in 1956-57. During his Grand Commander tenure, an invitation was issued for the holding of the 47th Triennial Conclave at Indianapolis, Indiana. Sir Knight Avery acted as legal advisor to the Triennial Conclave Corporation, and served as Vice President of the local Triennial Committee. He was the first President of the Indiana Foundation of DeMolay, Inc., a model for other DeMolay Foundations throughout the United States, and he holds the DeMolay Honorary Legion of Honor. He is Past Grand Patron of the Indiana Grand Chapter O.E.S., Past Sovereign of the Red Cross of Constantine, member of K.Y.C.H., member of the Scottish Rite Valley of Indianapolis. He served as Department Commander of the East Central Department of the Grand Encampment and was Editor of the *Knight Templar Magazine* for a number of years until 1967. Made an Honorary 33°, Supreme Council, A.A.S.R., N.M.J., in 1967.

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JOHN B. COTTRELL, JR. – R.E. GRAND CAPTAIN GENERAL

The new Grand Captain General of Knights Templar, U.S.A., is John B. Cottrell, Jr., Media, Pennsylvania. A Past Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Pennsylvania, he is a Past Department Commander and has served on a number of Grand Encampment Committees. During the administration of Past Grand Master Crofts, he was chairman of the Committee on Patriotic and Civic Activities.

John B. Cottrell, Jr., born August 7, 1910, was educated in the Public Schools of Maryland and Pennsylvania. His higher education included courses in engineering, accounting and finance prior to his association with the Philadelphia Electric Company where he is now a Financial Analyst.

His community activities include the Red Cross, the United Fund and the Salvation Army. A photography "buff" and a coin collector, he has been president of several such clubs and is a member of a number of trade associations.

He and his wife, Charlotte, are members of the Media, Pennsylvania, Presbyterian Church. He has been active in various church offices and is presently the Ruling Elder.

A Past Master, Past High Priest, Past Illustrious Master and Past Commander, he is also a Past Prior, Knights of the York Cross of Honour. He was Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Pennsylvania 1962-63, has served a number of times as committee chairman and as an appointed officer of Grand Encampment. He was Department Commander for the 10 northeast Grand Commanderies 1964-67.

Among other Masonic memberships and offices, he is a Past Sovereign, Red Cross of Constantine; Life Member of the Masonic Homes Corporation of Pennsylvania; Senior Member, Order of DeMolay – Active Legion of Honor – DeMolay Advisory Committeeman; mem-



ber Benjamin Franklin Consistory, Lulu Temple A.A.O.N.M.S., Royal Order of Scotland, Holy Royal Arch Knight Templar Priests, Societas Rosicruciana in Civitatibus Foederatis, Philaethes Society, the Grand College of Rites of the Allied Masonic Degrees and Knight Masons of Ireland.

The Keystone Masonic Club, Chester, Pennsylvania, has recognized him with its Mason-of-the-Year Award for the "Master Mason contributing outstanding service to Freemasonry."



GRAND TREASURER AND GRAND RECORDER RE-ELECTED

Edmund F. Ball, Muncie, Indiana, was elected to his sixth three-year term as R.E. Grand Treasurer, and Paul C. Rodenhauer, Chicago, to his second elected term as R.E. Grand Recorder at Denver. Sir Knight Ball, nationally known in diversified industry and in public affairs, was first elected in 1955 at New York City. Sir Knight Rodenhauer, Editor of the Knight Templar Magazine, was appointed Grand Recorder by the late Wilber M. Brucker December 10, 1966, and elected at Detroit in 1967.



The Grand Treasurer, born in Muncie, Indiana, January 8, 1905, is a member of Muncie Lodge, Chapter, Council and Commandery; Scottish Rite bodies of Indianapolis, Murat Shrine Temple; St. James Conclave, Red Cross of Constantine; Honorary Legion of Honor, DeMolay, and H.R.A.K.T.P. Created Honorary 33^o, Supreme Council, N.M.J., 1961.

Advanced through the lines to serve as Grand Commander of Indiana in 1946-47. Elected Trustee of Grand Encampment 1949 and Grand Treasurer in 1955.

Associated with Ball Corporation (formerly Ball Brothers Company Incorporated) since Yale graduation in 1938, he became President in 1948, Chairman

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The Grand Recorder is Public Relations chairman, editor of the *Knight Templar Magazine*, secretary Grand Encampment Educational Foundation Committee, secretary Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc.

A graduate of Millersville State College (B.S. in Education), his formal education includes studies in journalism at Temple University, Philadelphia.

Professionally, in addition to syndication writing, he was a continuity-writer, promotion and production director in radio from 1935, and TV-program-production-manager from 1949 thru 1966, when he resigned to become Grand Recorder. Served in the U.S. Navy, 1943-45.

He and Mrs. Rodenhauer (Hazel P.

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...GRAND TREASURER

of the Board in 1962, President and Chairman of the Board in 1968. He is President, Muncie Airport, Inc., Chairman of Board, Muncie Aviation Corporation; Director of Ball Corporation, Borg-Warner Corporation, American National Bank and Trust Company and Merchants National Bank, Muncie; American Fletcher Corporation, Tomlinson Fleet Corporation, Indiana Bell Telephone Company. Sir Knight Ball is also a commercial pilot.

He serves as President of the Board of Directors of Ball Memorial Hospital, and as a trustee of Wabash College, Asheville Preparatory School for Boys, and of Muncie Y.M.C.A. He was appointed a member of the National Council on the Humanities by the President of the United States January 27, 1966; appointed a director of National Association of Educational Broadcasters in June, 1969. Sir Knight Ball also holds honorary degrees from Ball State University (LL.D.) and DePauw University (LL.D.) with honorary Doctor of Humanities degree from Wabash College.

He holds membership in the American Legion, Amvets, Columbia Club, Indianapolis, Yale Club of New York, The Explorers Club, and Phi Gamma Delta Fraternity.

His military record includes 45 months of active duty with the U.S. Army, from June, 1941 to April, 1945. He held rating of Service Pilot and served 22 months overseas in European, North African, and Mediterranean Theatres in World War II. He was on the staff of General Eisenhower for planning the invasion of North Africa. In North Africa he served on the staff of General M. W. Clark in Headquarters Fifth Army. He was Ground Air Support Officer with 45th Division for invasion of Sicily, later with VI Corps for invasion of Italy at Salerno and at Anzio Beachhead.

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Palmer) are the parents of a son, a Medical Doctor. Three grandchildren.

Activities have included: Councilman, St. John's Lutheran Church, Columbia; for six years a member of the national Lutheran Church in America Commission on Press, Radio and Television; Past Chairman, Lancaster County Chapter, American National Red Cross; Past President, Lancaster Exchange Club, Columbia Historical Association, Columbia Little Theatre; Trustee, Fulton Foundation, Lancaster; Board member, Columbia Hospital; Lancaster County United Fund; participant in TB Society, Mental Health, Y.M.C.A. campaigns; member Pennsylvania Society; recipient Elizabethtown College Citizen's Award Citation and Pennsylvania Department of Public Instruction "Advancement of Education" citation. Listed in *Marquis Who's Who in the East* from 1966.

Masonically: Past Presiding Officer of his Symbolic Lodge, Chapter, Council and Commandery; Grand Commander of Knights Templar of Pennsylvania, 1963-64; memberships in Knights York Cross of Honour; Red Cross of Constantine (Past Sovereign - Grand Recorder, United Grand Imperial Council); H.R.A.K.T.P., (Past Preceptor); Knight Masons of Ireland; Allied Masonic Degrees; Royal Order of Scotland; Societas Rosicruciana in Civitatibus Foederatis; C.B.C.S., Great Priory of America; Zembo Temple A.A.O.N.M.S. (Past President, Lancaster County Shrine Club); Scottish Rite Bodies of Lancaster and Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, former member Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania Committee on Masonic Culture. Presently member, Committee on Fraternal Relations, Imperial Council, A.A.O.N.M.S.; Honorary Legion of Honor and Active on Supreme Council, Order of DeMolay; Honorary Member Grand Commanderies of Illinois, Indiana, Georgia, Wyoming, Colorado. Honorary 33°, N.M.J., 1964.

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DR. NORMAN VINCENT PEALE BECOMES GRAND PRELATE, KNIGHTS TEMPLAR, U.S.A.

G. Wilbur Bell, newly-installed M.E. Grand Master of the Grand Encampment, has announced the appointment of Dr. and Sir Knight Norman Vincent Peale as the Grand Prelate for the 1970-73 Triennium. Seasonal messages from the R.E. Grand Prelate will be featured in the Knight Templar Magazine.

Probably no other minister of our time has a more far-flung pulpit than Dr. Norman Vincent Peale. Through his books, radio and television programs, speeches and published sermons he has reached and is reaching millions of people throughout the world, in their homes, in hospitals, aboard naval vessels, including a nuclear submarine, and in prisons. He is a former president of The Reformed Church in America (1969-70).

From his pulpit at Marble Collegiate Church on Fifth Avenue, New York, he preaches to some 4,000 people every Sunday. Dr. Peale served until recently as president of the Council of Churches of the City of New York, an organization comprising 1,700 churches in the metropolitan area.



Dr. Peale's sixteenth book, *Enthusiasm Makes the Difference*, was published recently.

He has reached the largest "congregation" through his books, one of which, *The Power of Positive Thinking*, is among the most successful ever published, having sold nearly 2,500,000 copies. It has been translated into 30 languages and over a million copies in paperback have been sold. Other books by Dr. Peale include *A Guide to Confident Living*, *The Tough-Minded Optimist*, *Stay Alive All Your Life*, *The Amazing Results of Positive Thinking*. "Confident Living," his weekly column, appears in over 200 newspapers and 2,000,000 subscribers receive *Guideposts*, the inspirational magazine of which he is the editor-in-chief.

The life story of Norman Vincent Peale is known to many through his own writings, as well as a motion picture biography, "One Man's Way," based on Arthur Gordon's full-length biography entitled *Norman Vincent Peale: Minister to Millions* (Prentice-Hall) and other books and articles. He was born in Bowersville, Ohio, the son of a clergyman, and was reared in the state of Ohio. Upon graduation from Ohio Wesleyan University, Dr. Peale worked for a time as a newspaperman and then enrolled

in Boston University where he received both his Master of Arts and theological degrees.

Dr. Peale served as minister to churches in Brooklyn and Syracuse, New York, before being called in 1932 to Marble Collegiate Church, oldest Protestant church in the United States. On busy Fifth Avenue he has maintained a continuous ministry, preaching twice every Sunday morning to overflow congregations. The sermons are broadcast over Radio Station WOR. He has a five day a week radio program, "Confident Living."

Among academic honors that have come to Dr. Peale are Doctor of Divinity degrees conferred by Syracuse, Ohio Wesleyan, and Duke Universities; Doctor of Humane Letters by Lafayette College; Doctor of Laws by William Jewell, Hope College and Brigham Young University; Doctor of Literature by Jefferson Medical School; Doctor of Sacred Theology by Millikin University; Doctor of Letters by Iowa Wesleyan College and Eastern Kentucky State College.

Dr. Peale has received the Horation Alger Award of The American Schools and Colleges Association, the American Education Award, the Ohio Governor's Award and the Tau Kappa Epsilon Award. He was named Churchman of the Year by Religious Heritage of America in 1964. In addition to his association in Templary he is a 33^o Scottish Rite Mason.

Throughout his career Dr. Peale has maintained a close working partnership with his wife, Ruth Stafford Peale. She serves with him on the boards of The American Foundation of Religion and Psychiatry and is co-editor of *Guidepost* magazine. They maintain an apartment in New York and a farm home on Quaker Hill in Pawling, New York. The Peales have two daughters, one son and six grandchildren.

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Four Generation Masons

The initiation of John William Wheeler, III, into Chesterfield Lodge No. 445, Chesterfield, Illinois, July 27 was of more than usual interest. Brother Wheeler the Third is the son of John William Wheeler, Jr., 1969-70 Grand Commander of Illinois, who is the son of John William Wheeler, Sr., a fifty year member, whose father, J. Warren Wheeler, had been a member for seventy years.

The new Mason, "Jack," received his degrees while home on leave before going to Viet Nam August 2. His father conferred the first degree.



Left to right, John William Wheeler, Jr., John William Wheeler, III, and John William Wheeler, Sr. Wheeler Jr. and Wheeler Sr. are Past Masters of Chesterfield Lodge No. 445.

Bethel No. 36 Centennial

Bethel Commandery No. 36, Elgin, Illinois, has installed its officers for the 100th time and will formally observe its 100th Anniversary with a Commandery Banquet October 26.



Eminent Commander Arthur E. Marquardt is seated at far left, front row; fourth from left is Forest C. McDaniel, Grand Junior Warden, Grand Commandery of Illinois.

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Scottish Rite Annual Meeting

Wisconsin and the City of Milwaukee will host 1,200 Thirty-third Degree Scottish Rite Masons and their ladies who will participate in the 158th Annual Meeting of the Supreme Council between September 24 and October 1.

This year's session at Milwaukee marks the first time since 1937 that the Supreme Council has met in Wisconsin and will feature the conferral of the Thirty-third Degree upon 206 Scottish Rite Masons who were nominated and elected to receive this honor at the 1969 meeting of the Supreme Council in Boston. The Thirty-third Degree is awarded for achievement in the Fraternity or for contributions to others reflecting credit on Freemasonry. The ceremony will take place in Uihlein Hall at Milwaukee's Performing Arts Center on Wednesday evening, September 30.

Executive business conferences attended by the Active Members of the Supreme Council will occupy the days of September 24, 25, and 26, and this governing body will hold its yearly dinner at the Milwaukee Athletic Club on Saturday evening, September 26.

The Traditional Supreme Council Vesper Service will open large-scale activities on Sunday afternoon, September 27. The Rev. Paul E. Jones, D.D., Minister of the Hillsboro, Ohio Christian Church, will preach the Vesper Sermon, assisted by Sovereign Grand Commander George A. Newbury; the Rev. John G. Fleck, D.D., Grand Prior of the Supreme Council; and the Rev. David J. Griffith, D.D., Minister of Milwaukee's Trinity Presbyterian Church.

Supreme Council General Sessions will be held on Tuesday, September 29, and Wednesday, September 30, at Uihlein Hall where leaders of other Masonic organizations in the United States, Canada, Europe and Latin America will join Northern Jurisdiction members for report and discussion periods.

A varied series of entertainment and social events has been planned for the visiting members and their ladies.

The Crofts Class in Germany

The John L. Crofts, Sr. Class at Hermann Von Salza Commandery No. 4, Frankfurt/Main, West Germany, in June included Captain John L. Crofts, Jr., U.S. Army Medical Corps, who is now stationed in West Germany.



Pictured, left to right: Commander Harold Brooks Fisher and class members Bert Wilson Hudson, Pandeleon E. Frangedakis, Ford Grant May, John Lawton Crofts, Jr., Thomas Rupert Lowe, William Raymond Budworth III, Gary Kollo.

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Half Century R.A.M. and K.T. Pins

Awards of 50-year pins for Oakland Chapter No. 36 and Oakland Commandery No. 11 were presented at the Masonic Memorial Temple, Oakland, California, June 30 to: Abner B. Kennady, Arthur R. Anderson, Preston E. Snook, Robert A. Tennant, Walter M. Wood and Arthur A. Forrester.

Sir Knights Kennady, Snook and Wood received both Chapter and Commandery pins. Companions Anderson and Tennant were the recipients of Chapter pins; Sir Knight Forrester, a Commandery pin. Presentations were made by G.H.P. Frederick W. Jones and Grand Generalissimo Findlay G. Francis.

Sir Knight Wood's Chapter and Commandery memberships are in Portsmouth, Ohio. Companion Tennant is a member of Fidelity Chapter No. 49, Ridgewood, New Jersey.

Supreme Assembly, Beauceant

The Supreme Assembly of the Social Order of the Beauceant will convene at the Hilton Hotel, St. Paul, Minnesota, September 28 and adjourn October 2.

Damascus Commandery No. 1, as host for the Sir Knights who will be present while their ladies conduct the affairs of the Supreme Assembly, have announced a six-day schedule of events.

Monday, September 28 — Order of Malta, Masonic Temple, 7:30 P.M.; Tuesday, September 29 — Reception for Supreme Assembly officers, 8 P.M.; Wednesday, September 30 — Afternoon "Hamms" tours; Thursday, October 1 — lunch and American League Baseball, Kansas City vs. Minnesota Twins (combined charge — \$7.00); Friday, October 2 — Walking Tour, U.S. Post Office, optional lunch; Saturday, October 3 — Hospitality Room, Pioneer Suite, Hotel Hilton.

Grand Recorder James Joyce notes that reservations for Wednesday, Thursday and Friday events are required and are to be made with: Wednesday — Richard Falk, 1036 Hall Avenue, St. Paul 55118; Thursday — Clarence Fagerstrom, 390 West Cottage, St. Paul 55117; Friday — Grant Putnam, 1492 Portland Avenue, St. Paul 55104.

Initial Salute to Richards

First on the schedule of receptions for Illinois Grand Commandery Officer Thomas W. Richards, is a Hospitaller Commandery No. 31 dinner-reception at Jacksonville's Dunlap Motor Inn, Saturday, September 19.

The dinner, listed to start at 7 P.M., will be preceded by a 5:30 fellowship hour. Trusler R. Howe, Jr., Eminent Commander, is chairman.

Pending Department Conferences, in cooperation with General Grand Chapter and General Grand Council area meetings, include: South Central Conference, Tulsa, Oklahoma — October 16-17, Southwestern, Phoenix, Arizona — November 6-7; North Central, Sioux Falls, South Dakota — November 13-14.

From Tyler, Texas, Social Order of the Beauceant



Mrs. D. L. Kee, Worthy President, Tyler Assembly No. 127, Social Order of the Beauceant, is surrounded by four members of Tyler Assembly who were awarded life membership certificates during the July dinner meeting of the Assembly at the Masonic Temple, Tyler, Texas. On the left are Mrs. E. Hays and H. D. Lorange; on the right of Mrs. Key are Mrs. Cecil Ramsey and Mrs. James Acker.

Susan Reasor Plans Check Presentation

Susan Reasor, 19, was installed Grand Worthy Advisor of Florida at the Grand Assembly of the Order of Rainbow for Girls at Jacksonville in June. At the time she announced that her major project was the raising of \$1,000 for the Knight Templar Eye Foundation.

At each of her 23 district meetings, she promoted the project and accepted contributions. At the 16th meeting in Lakeland July 22, her total had reached \$1,021.24. She immediately increased her goal to \$1,500.

Her district meetings concluded August 12 at Pensacola, and at this

writing Stephen B. Dimond, Grand Commander, Florida, says "Susan's greatest ambition is to personally deliver her check at the Triennial Conclave to Sir Knight Walter A. DeLamater, Eye Foundation Executive Director. She has an unshakable faith in the majority of Youth today, knowing they are good, religious and intelligent, tho' lacking experience," and quotes Susan as saying: "We have a big heart and are charitable, too; we want to help those less fortunate than we are."

Florida's Grand Commander says "We of Florida love our Susans - and all the other Susans who have their feet on the ground and have faith and conviction. It behooves us to take time to understand their ways. Our reward will be peace of mind and faith in the future."

1969 VOLUNTARY CAMPAIGN ADDITIONS

*Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc.*Additional Constituent Commanderies
Reporting \$2.00 or more per Member

Arizona	Calvary No. 8	Winslow	\$2.14	\$231.81
Indiana	Jeffersonville No. 27	Jeffersonville	2.94	575.00

Beauceant President and Mother

Pictured are Mrs. Richard Johnston, President of Los Alamos Assembly No. 219, Social Order of the Beauceant, Los Alamos, New Mexico, and her mother, Mrs. Horace Phillips, to whom she dedicated her year. Mrs. Phillips, president of the assembly in 1966, now resides in Albuquerque, New Mexico. Los Alamos Assembly No. 219 was constituted in 1962 with 31 members on the charter and although a small assembly, and isolated, "is a very busy one," according to P.G.C. John R. Mendius.

Benevolent work for this year includes the Knights Templar Eye Foundation and Los Alamos Association for Retarded Children. Money making ideas to support these projects consisted of a bake sale, plant and bulb sale, selling of All Occasion cards, Tote bags, religious objects, household items and ribbon corsages made by one of the members.

Mrs. Johnston's parents are still active in Lodge and her husband, Richard, is Eminent Commander of Sangre de Cristo Commandery for the second time.





George Albert Lambe
 Florida
 Grand Commander—1946
 Born May 9, 1892
 Died July 25, 1970

Walker Floyd Miles
 Vermont
 Grand Commander—1952
 Born September 14, 1897
 Died July 26, 1970

Stuart W. Stone
 Illinois
 Grand Commander—1969
 Born July 11, 1916
 Died July 29, 1970

Pilgrim Memorial Service

Pilgrim Commandery No. 11, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, held a memorial service for the late Sir Knight Earl B. Zimmerman, Harrisburg, July 26. His widow writes, "Templary was a big part of his life."

Sir Knight Zimmerman, who died July 23, was president of Zimmerman Advertising Company. He is survived by his widow, two daughters, two sons, a sister and five grandchildren. His associations in Red Cross of Constantine and Templary brought him and family members on regular visits to Chicago, where he was well known in the Grand Recorder's office.

William J. Bundy, 1900-1970

The North Carolina Mason announced the sudden death of Most Worshipful William J. Bundy, Past Grand Master of the Masons in North Carolina, in Stavanger, Norway, June 27, while on a tour with a group of Shriners.

Funeral services were held in Jarvis Memorial United Methodist Church, Greenville, North Carolina, Sunday, July 5. Interment was at the Greenwood Cemetery with Masonic Honors. M.W. Robert L. Pugh, P.G.M., conducted the ceremony, assisted by Sir Knight A. D. Leon Gray, Assistant Grand Chaplain, P.G.C., Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of North Carolina.

C. Fred Kleinknecht, long officially associated with the Supreme Council 33^o, Southern Jurisdiction, died Tuesday, August 11, 1970. His son, C. Fred Kleinknecht, Jr., is Grand Secretary General of the Supreme Council, Washington, D.C.

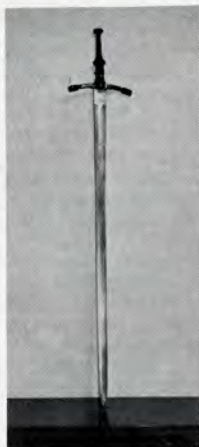
And not until the loom is silent,
 And the shuttles cease to fly,
 Shall God unroll the pattern
 And explain the reason why.

The dark threads were so needful
 In the weaver's skillful hand
 As the threads of gold and silver
 For the pattern which He planned.

CRUSADER'S SWORD

Symbol of Templar Devotion

A Templar sword, carried by a Crusader when the knights recaptured the Holy City of Jerusalem from the Infidels, is the proud possession of the Grand Commandery of West Virginia.



The sword was presented to the Grand Commandery by then Deputy Grand Commander W. Bernard Roche at the 80th Annual Conclave "that it may be preserved as a historical relic for the benefit of the Sir Knights of the Grand Jurisdiction and as a constant reminder to them to emulate the virtues of those valiant Templars in forwarding the objectives of Templarism throughout the world."

In the Spring of 1945 the German Army was retreating before the advancing American Forces. The Seventh Army, headquartered at Darmstadt, Germany, was enforcing the Marshall Law laid down by the Allied Powers. One of the provisions of the Marshall Law required the German citizens to surrender all weapons - guns, knives, swords - to the American Forces, regardless of age, use or sentiment.

Colonel Shirley Donnelly, the army staff Chaplain, and his close friend Colonel Snyder were attached to the headquarters on the staff of Lieutenant General A. M. Patch, Jr.

Colonel Snyder was approached by a cultured looking German woman bearing a long sword. Recognizing the high rank of the Colonel by the silver eagles on his

shoulders she gave him the sword explaining she wished to give it to a high ranking officer, feeling he would appreciate it more.

The sword, the Frau explained, was an aged heirloom, having been in the family over 800 years. The original owner, one of her ancestors, was a Crusader and carried the sword when the knights recaptured Jerusalem from the Infidels. The family name, Traunitz, is engraved on a brass plate attached to the scabbard of the sword.

Colonel Snyder accepted the sword. Knowing Colonel Donnelly's interest in historical matters he gave the sword to him.

Sir Knight W. Bernard Roche was visiting Colonel Donnelly at Upson Downs, his home in Oak Hill, West Virginia. He was shown the sword and told its history. Sir Knight Roche felt the valued and unique symbol would be an appropriate possession for the Grand Commandery. He asked Colonel Donnelly to make him a present of the sword, with the understanding that it would be presented to the Grand Commandery. Colonel Donnelly agreed and gave the sword to Sir Knight Roche who, in turn, presented it to the Grand Commandery of West Virginia.

Today the sword is kept in a specially prepared case and displayed at each Grand Conclave as a symbol of devotion to Templary. It is symbolically presented to the constituent Commandery having the largest percentage of its membership present at the Annual Conclave; Host Commandery excluded.

The Knight Line



Gordon C. Schrubbe is the New Commander of Apollo Commandery No. 1, Wheaton, Illinois. His family consists of wife Margery, an eight year old son, Gordon, Jr., and daughter Doris Annette, five years old. Sir Knight Gordon was installed on a hot June night of record-breaking temperatures. Mrs. Schrubbe and the two Schrubbe children had a special plan for the installation and, in his first Newsletter of the year, Commander Schrubbe notes the event briefly and descriptively: "Our new Commander temporarily lost his cool (no pun intended) when his youngsters, Charlie and Doris, suitably outfitted in unique K.T. costume (creations by Margy, Inc.) unrolled a red carpet to the East!"

**"I was angry with my friend;
I told my wrath, my wrath did end.
I was angry with my foe;
I told it not, my wrath did grow."**

Six members of the Strong family recently attended Chetek Lodge No. 277, Chetek, Wisconsin. Four Strong brothers and two Strong grandsons were one hand – one of the grandsons as the candidate for the Third Degree. This has prompted Chetek Lodge to boast that "when Strong brothers are Raised, Chetek will Raise them!"

**"If thou thinkest twice before thou speakest
once, thou wilt speak twice the better for it."**

Taking precautions against fire is a year-round need. However, as a reminder, special emphasis on the subject will be in effect the week of October 4-10. It's national Fire Prevention Week, a week to review your preparations and your knowledge of what to do in a fire emergency.

"The important difference between stumbling blocks and stepping stones is the way you use them."

Ashel O. Hawkins, Martinsville, Indiana, whose letter to the *Knight Templar Magazine* some months ago brought forth a vast number of interesting comment on "The Marks of the Craft," has received another letter on the subject – this one from Sir Knight David J. Stevenson, Mt. Lawley, Western Australia. Sir Knight Hawkins wrote to the Editor: "Thought you'd be interested to know that your magazine is read half way around the world!"

**"We do not count a man's years until he has
nothing else to count."**

Ralph Waldo Emerson

John Robert Burchfield, Montgomery, Pennsylvania, is the 1970-71 Commander of Baldwin II Commandery No. 22, Williamsport. His father, William R. Burchfield, was Commander in 1950. An interesting note about this father-son Templar association is that it is only the second time in the 105 year history of Baldwin II Commandery that a son has occupied the office after his father had served earlier. The other instance was in the 19th century. John Walker Hays was Commander in 1870; his son, John King Hays, was Commander in 1892.

**A child's prayer: "Lord, please make all bad
people good, and all good people nice."**

C. Kritt,
Reporter

SPOTLIGHT ON "LUM"

by C. L. Rothwell
Editorial Assistant

Chester H. Lauck was better known to millions as "Lum" of "Lum and Abner" in the golden days of radio. A DeMolay as a young man, he became a Mason, a Knight Templar and a Shriner when he turned 21. He later became a member of the Royal Order of Scotland and the Red Cross of Constantine. He has been awarded the DeMolay Legion of Honor. "I feel hopelessly indebted to Masonry for the strength and teachings it has provided," he says of his long Masonic career.

Chet was born in Allene, Arkansas, in 1902. He describes it as "a metropolis of 180 inhabitants . . . the only town in the state with both city limits on the same signboard."



The family was so poor, Chet claims, "we used to get 'Care' packages from Europe." The family was large and never had enough beds, his story goes. "I never slept by myself in my whole life until after I was married." (The reader is reminded Chet has long been noted for his "Homespun Humor.")

In 1911 the family moved to Mena, Arkansas. Chet attended grade and high schools there, then went to the University of Arkansas where he was a member of Sigma Chi Fraternity.

Norris Goff, a boyhood friend, and Chet teamed up to form "Lum and Abner" in 1931. They made their first appearance over Radio Station KTHS in Hot Springs, Arkansas. Five broadcasts later, encouraged by "a generous amount of fan mail," they went to Chicago for an audition with the National Broadcast Company.

Company agreed to sponsor. Thus began a 24 year career.

As millions of Americans listened, "Lum and Abner" broadcast 15 minute segments of their own brand of humor five nights a week.

The Ford Motor Company, Horlicks Malted Milk Company, General Foods, Alka-Seltzer and Frigidaire sponsored the show over the years as the series was broadcast from Chicago, Cleveland, New York and Hollywood.

The program became the favorite of millions and RKO Studios in Hollywood signed them for the movies. Eventually they made ten.

Then came television. Not wishing to make the transition — "We didn't want to do to television what we had done to radio," Chet says — they retired in 1955.

Norris, "Abner," retired to California and started in real estate. Chet became Executive Assistant to the Chairman of the Board of the Continental Oil Company in Houston, Texas.



In 1967 he

NBC liked them and The Quaker Oats

BIRTHDAY ONE-HUNDRED-PLUS-ONE FOR INDIANA TEMPLAR

Dr. Thomas A. White, member of Raper Commandery No. 1, Indianapolis, inaugurated the second year of his second century July 27 at his home in Pendleton, Indiana.

The Anderson Herald gave feature attention to Sir Knight White in its Saturday, July 25, edition, noting that the "minister and traveler" would celebrate his 101st birthday the following Monday.

Dr. White, born in Athy, County Kildare, Ireland, returned to Ireland on his 100th birthday last year to preach in the church where his grandfather had served as minister. While there, he received a letter from President Nixon congratulating him on his 100 years.

... "LUM"

retired and returned to Hot Springs, Arkansas, site of the first radio broadcast. "A murderer always returns to the scene of the crime," he comments. He is presently President of Lauck and Hobbs, Inc., an advertising and public relations firm.

Chet has received many honors including a Doctor of Laws from Atlanta Law School, the distinguished Alumnus Award from the University of Arkansas, served as Grand Trustee of Sigma Chi Fraternity and, in 1962, received the Freedoms Foundation Award.

Though a famous radio personality, idolized by millions of radio listeners, a movie star and holder of many honors, Chet is proudest of his Masonic achievements. "The honors which I cherish most are the recognitions I have been given by Masonry."

The Anderson newspaper of July 25 said: "He is not through traveling yet. Next month he plans to go to Arizona to perform the wedding ceremony for a great-grandson.

"Last winter took him to California, Florida, Texas and Arizona. Two years ago he flew from his daughter's home in Florida to California to spend a couple of months."

The newspaper, in reviewing Dr. White's background, noted that he left Ireland at the age of 20, attended Knox College, Toronto University, Canada, became ill, left college and went to Chicago, where he worked in the stockyards and attended McCormack Theological Seminary, graduating in 1896.

"Dr. White served as a captain in the Indiana National Guard on the Mexican border in 1916 under General John J. Pershing and during World War I, he served in France as an Army chaplain.

"After the war... he took the leadership of the Meridian Heights Presbyterian Church in Indianapolis... also served the First Presbyterian Church in Bloomington, where he ministered to students at Indiana University.

"Three daughters and a son were born to him.

"One daughter, Mrs. Preston McBean of Florida, is spending the summer with her father in Pendleton... His late wife was a great-granddaughter of Indiana's fifth governor.

"He came to Pendleton in 1934 when he was appointed by the governor to serve as chaplain at the Indiana Reformatory."

THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE ILLUSTRIOUS ORDER OF THE RED CROSS

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

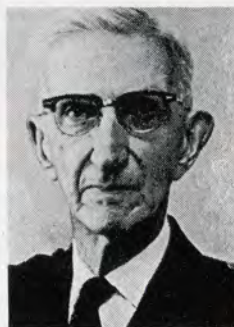
There are three Orders conferred in a Commandery of Knights Templar, two of which are chivalric Orders of Knighthood and one is an historical Order, which takes its theme from the *Old Testament*. The Orders of Chivalry are the Order of the Temple and the Order of St. John of Jerusalem, later known as the Order of Malta.

The Order of the Red Cross is neither an Order of Chivalry nor an Order of Knighthood. Why it is incorporated in a Commandery of Knights Templar is a paradox and how it ever got there is not understood. It was not a part of Freemasonry as practiced in England in the early part of the 19th century, where the degrees consisted of Entered Apprentice, Fellowcraft, Master Mason, Royal Arch and Knight Templar. This was in accordance with Article II of the Agreement uniting the two Grand Lodges (that of the Antients and that of the Moderns) in 1813, which states:

“That Ancient Craft Masonry consists of three degrees and no more: those of the Entered Apprentice, the Fellowcraft, and the Master Mason, including the Supreme Order of the Holy Royal Arch.

“But this Article is not intended to prevent any Lodge or Chapter from holding a meeting in any of the degrees of the Orders of Chivalry, according to the Constitution of said Orders.”

The scripture reading of the Order of the Red Cross is taken from Ezra 3: 8-11 and Ezra 4. The drama of the Order is based upon the First Book of Esdras, Chapters 2, 3 and 4 of the Apocrypha.



The Apocrypha are those Books of the sacred literature of the Alexandrian Jews are found interspersed with the Hebrew Scriptures in the ancient copies of the *Septuagint* or Greek Version of the *Old Testament*.

Thomas Smith Webb is usually given the credit for the fabrication of the ritual of the Order of the Red Cross and for its introduction into the structure of Templary. However, Robert Freke Gould, in Volume IV, page 562, of his four volume *History of Freemasonry*, writes that St. Andrew's Royal Arch Chapter of Boston conferred the degree of Red Cross at least five years before Webb became a Knight Templar.

In the early years, members were called Knights of the Red Cross and this practice was continued to 1895, when the Grand Encampment changed the designation to Companion of the Illustrious Order of the Red Cross.

At the formation of the Grand Encampment in New York City on June 20 and 21, 1816, Darius Council of

Portland, Maine, was one of the Templar bodies represented, the other seven bodies being Encampment. It is therefore apparent that the Order of the Red Cross was one of the Appendant Orders at this early date.

Despite the fact that the Order of the Red Cross has created much confusion and controversy in the early years of our Order of Knights Templar, and is not now and never has been a part of the Templar system in foreign jurisdictions (except the Sovereign Great Priory of Canada), it is believed that this Order has a rightful place in American Freemasonry because its lessons, principles and attributes have a distinctive American flavor. The information conveyed by its ritual is especially important in our national life and, until a more logical place is found for it in the Masonic structure, it will probably remain as the first of the three Orders conferred in a commandery.

What is it in this Order that is so important? Perhaps the fabricator of its ritual builded more wisely than he knew, or perhaps he was divinely inspired.

The use of certain words may be called to the attention of the Companions of the Order. Judah and Benjamin are two such words.

We are all familiar with the Lion of the Tribe of Judah. Likewise, Zerubbabel, a principal in the Red Cross drama, is a Prince of the House of Judah. And it was from the Tribe of Judah that the Messiah was to come, from the House of David.

Benjamin was the tribe that furnished eleven of the apostles, all eleven of whom were Galileans, the twelfth apostle being Judas Iscariot, a Jew of the Tribe of Judah. When the nation of Israel was divided into two kingdoms, the Tribe of Benjamin (along with the Tribe of Levi, the Priestly Tribe) was left with the Tribe of Judah to constitute the House of Judah, the remaining ten tribes

constituting the House of Israel. Saint Paul himself said in Romans 11:1, "For I also an Israelite, of the seed of Abraham, of the Tribe of Benjamin." The Tribe of Benjamin was to be a light unto the Tribe of Judah. (I Kings, 11:36). Matthias, the successor of Judas among the apostles, was of the Tribe of Benjamin.

It is remarkable how the beautiful lessons of the Order of the Red Cross tie in with our national principles and the American way of life.

The banner of the Order includes a star of seven points, within which is a red cross of equal arms and angles. This cross is usually called the Greek Cross but long before this designation it was named the Hebrew Cross, the oldest cross known to mankind. The four arms of the cross commemorate our faith in God (Deity) and in the grand characteristics of the Order: Truth, Justice and Liberty. The Mayflower pact, signed November 11, 1620, begins: "In the Name of God, Amen," and includes such phrases as "For the glory of God." Our national pledge of allegiance ends: "One nation, indivisible under God, with Liberty and Justice for all."

The Declaration of Independence opens with these words: "We hold these TRUTHS to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their CREATOR with certain inalienable rights, and among these are life, LIBERTY, and the pursuit of happiness. The preamble of the Constitution says: "We, the people of the United States, in order to form a more perfect union, establish JUSTICE, insure domestic tranquility, provide for the common defense, promote the general welfare, and secure the blessings of LIBERTY to ourselves and our posterity, do ordain and establish this constitution for the United States of America."

In these two paragraphs, so important in the lives of all Americans, are found

the principles that are taught in the Order of the Red Cross. By a strange coincidence, the search for TRUTH and the pursuit of LIBERTY have followed parallel courses through the pages of history. TRUTH has been the most sought after and least understood of all the elements which have contributed to the good of mankind. At the same time, many have sensed the fact that there exists a strange relationship between this subject called TRUTH and another thing which has been and still is the most desirable thing on this earth: LIBERTY.

What is TRUTH? The greatest teacher of them all said: "I am the TRUTH." This same Teacher said: "Ye shall know the TRUTH and the TRUTH shall make you Free."

What is TRUTH? Truth is that spark of divine inspiration within the breast of all sincere and honest men that urges them to press onward, to search for the golden thread of events that have a bearing on the success and happiness of peoples and programs, following that thread no matter where it may lead, and no matter who may be hurt in the onward march. Such zeal was displayed by our crusading companions of old

Throughout Freemasonry there is stressed the Mystical Quest, the search for something that is lost. Freemasonry has been defined as the Search for Divine Truth. There is no religion higher than Truth.

A belief in God and the attributes of Truth, Justice and Liberty are interwoven in the fabric of our national life. These are the same characteristics and the same faith taught in the Illustrious Order of the Red Cross. This is the significance of the Order of the Red Cross. Perhaps it was no accident that the Order was incorporated in the work of a Commandery of Knights Templar.

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\$75,000 from Grottoes

The generosity of the 193 chapters of the Grottoes of North America has helped create a unique dental care facility for the mentally and physically handicapped at the Illinois Masonic Medical Center in Chicago Illinois.

One of the few of its kind in the nation, the new facility — called Dentistry for the Handicapped — was made possible by a \$75,000 grant by the Humanitarian Foundation of the black-fuzzed Master Masons of the Enchanted Realm (M.O.V.P.E.R.).

In the picture below, Dr. Lyle Gray, Associate Professor of Operative Dentistry, University of Illinois College of Dentistry, gets a hand from dental assistant Laura Allen as he examines Miss Rose Ann Priori of Chicago as the first official patient in the Dentistry for the Handicapped facility at the Illinois Masonic Medical Center.



Looking on are (left to right): Prophet Milton I. Deutsch, Past Monarch of Chicago's El Jaala Grotto; Deputy Grand Monarch Ralph L. Shephard, El Bey Grotto, Muscatine, Iowa; Dr. Irwin Wallis, also of the University faculty; Grand Monarch D. L. Hartman of Warren, Ohio; and Proctor Gilbert, secretary of the Board of Trustees of the Illinois Masonic Medical Center.

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GRAND COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

"THE YOUNG MAY DIE — THE OLD MUST DIE." Yes, Death is a solemn thought. We are more conscious of it as the years pass. The stalwart Sir Knights who were among the "faithful few" are gradually leaving our circles of friendship.

We are going thru a cycle where deaths will continue to outnumber knightings unless we are willing to "thump the lumber" and sign up candidates for the York Rite bodies. The potential is high. Round figures show that approximately 1 of every 10 Master Masons in Pennsylvania is a Knight Templar. If we could increase this ratio to 2 in every 10, we would add 23,000 men to our rolls. This is not an impossibility. However, a 10% increase in EVERY Commandery would give us an increase of 2300 men, and this is the "shot in the arm" that Pennsylvania needs RIGHT NOW. Can you imagine the officer material you would gain by working for it?

If we were to believe that candidates are not necessary, and we could count only on our present membership to fill the sidelines at every Stated Conclave, we will cease to exist in a matter of years. If churches were to refuse new members, there would be numerous mergers of denominations in a short time. If women stopped bearing children for 1 generation, the human race would vanish from this earth. From these few facts and figures, you can readily understand why I cannot support any theory or any solution to the membership problem that does not



involve new knightings.

Every Sir Knight in Pennsylvania is a member of his Commandery's Membership Committee, whether his name is listed or not. Carry a petition with you at all times, and when you have signed a candidate, get another petition.

YORK RITE OF FREEMASONRY SUNDAY PICNIC

Three units sponsoring 11th annual affair at Irem Country Club. The 11th annual picnic and family party of the York Rite of Freemasonry of Wilkes-Barre was held at Irem Country Club Picnic Grounds on Sunday afternoon and evening, July 19.

THE KNIGHTS TEMPLAR EYE FOUNDATION

What YOU can do
That OTHERS may see

(1) BECOME A LIFE SPONSOR

Only a Knight Templar can become a Life Sponsor. \$30.00 exempts you from further annual assessments.

(2) SECURE A PATRON OR ASSOCIATE PATRON

Any person or organization will be given a Certificate as a Patron (contribution: \$100.00) or Associate Patron (contribution: \$50.00).

(3) ESTABLISH A MEMORIAL

Contributions in the name of a departed friend, relative or loved one form a wonderful tribute to their memory.

(4) URGE CONTRIBUTION BY OTHERS

Donations for this great work are constantly being received from other Masonic or Masonic-Allied Organizations and individuals.

(5) PROVIDE FOR A BEQUEST

In your will and urge others to do so.

(6) ASSIST THE NEEDY

Should you know of some one in need of eye care, please contact the Knights Templar Eye Foundation committee of your Commandery.

That others may SEE

Join with THOUSANDS

HELPING others to a world of sight.

MASONIC HOMES

“And now abideth faith, hope, charity, these three: but the greatest of these is CHARITY.”

I Corinthians 13:13.

The significance of this passage was exhibited during Grand Master's Days July 18th, 25th and August 1st, 9th when more than 4,000 Masonic Leaders from 610 Symbolic Lodges visited the Masonic Homes at Elizabethtown, Pa. The 1,500 acres of the Homes are a photographer's dream. Wherever you turn the camera, you'll find a picture post-card setting. The buildings include 14 guest cottages for adults and children, the Philadelphia Freemason's Memorial Hospital and approximately 175 farm buildings. A staff of nearly 400 is necessary to serve its 700 guests. The first structure to be built was Grand Lodge Hall, the administration building. Its facilities include a huge dining room, post office, library, television equipped lounges, barber and beauty shop, service store and many other important facilities to make life of the adult guest as comfortable as possible. The Masonic Homes at Elizabethtown are tremendous and rewarding responsibilities for Masons of Pennsylvania and it should be gratifying for us to realize how vital and direct a part each has in providing the finest kind of human service for senior citizens. Grand Lodges proposed budget for 1970 totals \$4,860,500. The Largest expenditure, \$3,714,000 is for the Masonic Homes at Elizabethtown, Pennsylvania.

23RD BIENNIAL SUPREME ASSEMBLY SESSION – INTERNATIONAL ORDER OF RAINBOW FOR GIRLS

Registration figures show that almost 4,500 girls and sponsors attended the 23rd Biennial Session of the Supreme Assembly, International Order of Rainbow for Girls, July 28-30, at Cleveland, Ohio.

Representatives were present from all chartered Assemblies in the United States, also Canada, Australia, Germany, Japan, the Philippines, Canal Zone and Puerto Rico. Sessions were held in Cleveland's Public Auditorium. The ballroom of the Sheraton-Cleveland Hotel was the setting for the General Supreme Banquet July 28, with Mrs. Betty J. Hastings as mistress of ceremonies.

General chairman of the arrangements committee was Mrs. Sally Williams; co-chairman, Mrs. Marjory Lowery. The "United for Youth" emblem for the Assembly was designed by Mr. Robert Smoot, Toledo, Ohio.

Mrs. Agnes D. McLeod, Wichita, Kansas, Supreme Worthy Advisor of the Supreme Assembly, says that "we were delighted to have with us many presiding officers of the Masonic fraternity and the Order of Eastern Star – especially the Most Worthy Grand Matron of the General Grand Chapter, Order of Eastern Star, Mrs. Sayda Petterson, and her

husband Leon. Mrs. Petterson's address to the Assembly left a very special message for all Rainbow Girls."



A bronze plaque in memory of the late Supreme Recorder, Mrs. W. Mark Sexson, was unveiled during the sessions and presented to the Supreme Assembly. Mrs. Sexson was the widow of the founder of Rainbow, the Rev. W. Mark Sexson, who died in 1953. The plaque

will be placed in the library of the Rainbow Temple, McAlester, Oklahoma, where the 24th Biennial Supreme Assembly session will convene in July 1972 to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Rainbow founding.

Those who were heard during the Cleveland sessions in addresses included: The Honorable Donald E. Lukens, Congressman, 24th District; Donald M. Thomson, 33rd., Supreme Council, A.A.S.R., N.M.J.; Beatrice U. Owen, Supreme Deputy in Ohio; Chester Hodges, DeMolay Executive Officer; Louis C. Holzapfel, M.W. Grand Master of Masons in Ohio.

(The Rainbow Story, a brief description of the Rainbow founding and development, will be a feature of the November issue of the KNIGHT TEMPLAR MAGAZINE.)

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A good disposition is more valuable than gold; for the latter is the gift of fortune, but the former is the dower of nature.

—Addison

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leadership. I salute him officially in the name of all Knights Templar; I thank him personally for his friendship and assistance in the past – and in the future.

To Paul C. Rodenhauser, our Grand Recorder, my sincere appreciation for his dedication to Templary. He has a great ability to administer the many duties of his office and at the same time, anticipate the needs and to have a watchful eye on the progress of our Order.

Our Order has come of age. Let us move forward together – step after step – with confidence and determination, with justifiable pride in our history and unshakable faith in our future.

Together we can do it!

G. Wilbur Bell

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Grand Master



REPRESENTATIVES – GRAND COMMANDERY ANNUAL CONCLAVES

Remainder of 1970

Announced by Grand Master G. Wilbur Bell

Grand Commandery	Conclave Location	Dates	Representative
Illinois	Springfield	Sept. 4-5	Grand Master G. Wilbur Bell
Colorado	Pueblo	Sept. 11	Grand Generalissimo Willard M. Avery
Wyoming	Dubois	Sept. 12	Department Commander Paul W. Sweet
South Dakota	Spearfish	Sept. 13-15	Department Commander Arthur J. Peterson
Mass. & R.I.	Boston	Sept. 18-19	Grand Generalissimo Willard M. Avery
New York	Garden City	Sept. 18-20	Deputy Grand Master Roy W. Riegler
Kentucky	Louisville	Sept. 20-21	Department Commander Ned E. Dull
Ohio	Akron	Oct. 2-3	Grand Captain General John B. Cottrell, Jr.
New Hampshire	Nashua	Oct. 5	Grand Recorder Paul C. Rodenhauer
Arizona	Prescott	Oct. 25-26	Grand Master G. Wilbur Bell

(1971 Annual Conclave Dates, Locations and the Grand Master's Representatives will be listed in the January *Knight Templar Magazine*)

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