The unanimous Declaration of the thirteen united States of America.
To Templars and All Masons... 

A NEED AND AN OPPORTUNITY

The month of July, with its historic significance, is an excellent time for all of us to be reminded that today’s greatest need is personal involvement. In this connection, I have a special request – a request for Templars to help influence qualified young persons to meet a Need and gain an Opportunity. I am speaking of the need for nurses and the opportunity to serve in a challenging, worthwhile and rewarding career.

Although I use the Illinois Masonic Medical Center’s School of Nursing as a specific example because of its large size and Masonic connection, the need and the opportunity are everywhere. We can all help, through our families, and the families of neighbors and friends, and among young high schoolers of our communities, to encourage qualified young men and women to enter the Illinois Masonic’s excellent School of Nursing – or a similar school elsewhere. As I write this, there are still eleven openings for fall enrollment at the Illinois Masonic Medical Center in Chicago. While this year’s high school graduates are scrambling for worthwhile, financially rewarding careers in the tightest job market in decades, the nursing profession is crying for qualified personnel.

The appeal is not confined to young ladies. The Illinois Masonic Medical Center has a co-educational school. Last year’s Valedictorian was a young man. There is a constant need for male nurses. In fact, there is a constant need for nurses, period.

Too often, too many Templars forget the need for direct, daily involvement in life and think of our Order only in terms of ritual and symbolism. Let us not make that mistake. Let us involve ourselves, become participants – not merely spectators.

One very practical way in which we can help is to encourage the right kind of young person to enter a field that is both challenging and rewarding, with an opportunity for constructive community involvement and personal fulfillment. Let’s make nursing school recruitment our project for the month. It’s one phase of service for others.
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The Cover:
The July 1971 cover illustration is a symbolic creation by Richard F. Gaal, Allen Commandery No. 20, Allentown, Pennsylvania. It was submitted by Fred M. Pirl, the 1967 Commander of Beauceant Commandery No. 94, also of Allentown, who writes: “This photo won a Freedoms Foundation Award last year.” The photographer, Sir Knight Gaal, is also a member of the Valley of Lehigh Consistory, A.A.S.R. He was the first member Raised in Emmaus Lodge No. 792 just 10 years ago and holds memberships in Allen Chapter No. 203, R.A.M., and Allen Council No. 23, R.&S.M. His photography is emblematic of the Freedoms Foundation purpose — to foster greater appreciation of the American way of life.
Your June issue is another outstanding one. Just the right balance of information, personalities and events.

Naturally, being a “flag waver” of the old school, I appreciated the article by C.L.R entitlel“The Flag.” More and more tidbits of this nature need to be spread upon the pages of all publications.

One thing about the flag which we need to emphasize is that it is RED, WHITE and BLUE. Never has there been an authorization for the YELLOW fringe we so frequently see surrounding “Old Glory.” The Flag Code adopted by Congress does not authorize it. (Of course, it doesn’t prohibit it either!) For those of us who have fought under the flag, we consider the addition of the YELLOW fringe not only a desecration of the flag but an insult to our comrades in arms.

We strongly urge Knight Templars to hold the RED, WHITE and BLUE banner of our Nation, unsullied, un tarnished and unadorned.

I have the late Mr. Moorman’s Knight Templar uniform, with hat and all. Is there anyone I can contact to put this to good use? I could use a bit of payment for it, but, if not, I hate to see it go to waste in my closet. If you could assist me in any way it would be appreciated.

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Dr. Eric A. Walker’s “A Refreshing Look” should be broadcast to every editor of magazines and newspapers, to every college president, professor, teacher, to every preacher of all denominations.

It is a mystery to me that his thoughts were not evident to everyone in such a position. Why has none thought to promulgate such views before Kent, Newark, Harlem, Los Angeles and similar unworthy demonstrations? Why did not I think of them?

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It is a great pleasure to send you this check for $100 for the Eye Foundation.

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I am interested in a Masonic, Templar or Shrine wristwatch but have no idea where to secure one. Please contact me with a picture of the watch so I can decide if suitable.

I am also interested in securing any type of Masonic medals, coins, badges, etc., for a collection I am assembling.

I have been a Mason 22 years, a Templar 22 years and a Shriner 20 years.

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Please find enclosed a check in the amount of $60 for the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, presented by Wyoming Chapter No. 7, O.E.S., Rawlins, Wyoming.

Mrs. Nelle M. Smith is the Worthy Matron.

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I read about the father-son installations on page 6 of the May 1971 Knight Templar Magazine.

I would like to inform you that my father George E. Ringer, Past Commander of Queens Commandery No. 29, installed me as Master of Ark Lodge No. 33, Geneva, New York, in 1941 and again in 1945. Ark Lodge was chartered in 1807. My father served as Master of Ark Lodge and Commander of Geneva Commandery No. 29 in 1929.

It was a great honor to have been installed as Master on two occasions by my father. This could be a real one-time occurrence.

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With reference to the son-father installation on page 16 of the February issue, my son Joe installed me as Worshipful Master of Bay Lodge No. 337, Panama City, Florida, on September 21, 1968. My son Hunter served as Marshal.

My youngest son, Lt. Commander Wallace, was aboard the USS Saratoga in the east. He is a Master Mason. We gave him all three degrees in one night. Hunter conferred the E.A., Joe conferred F.C. and I conferred the Masters. We believe this is a first.

My son Hunter has led all his local bodies and is presently Grand Warder of the Grand Commandery of Florida. Joseph is a P.M., P.I.M., P.H.P. and is the present Commander of St. Johns. He is presently Grand Sentinel of the Grand Chapter of Florida. I have led all my local bodies and am a Past District Director of them.

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To Walter O. Faulkner (September issue) and Allen T. Spencer (November issue) I would like to add this information regarding Brother Wolfgang A. Mozart. One of his best known compositions is “The Magic Flute,” an opera written under Masonic influences. The libretto was written by Emanuel J. Schikaneder, a friend of Mozart and a member of the same Masonic Lodge. Mozart became an E.A. in the fall of 1784 in the Lodge “Charity.” Later (January 7, 1785) he became a fellowcraft in the Lodge “Concord,” a month before Hayden was made a Mason in this same Lodge.

Other compositions with Masonic background are “Fellowcrafts Journey” and the song “Brothers, Clasp The Hand In Union.” As Eugen Lennhoff reports in his book, “Die Freimaurer,” (1929, Amalthea Verlag, Wien) in all his works Mozart reveals his love of Freemasonry and his seriousness with which he received their teachings. “The Magic Flute,” whose text and music are interwoven with Masonic symbolism, with allusions “to hew the stone,” “travels” and “examinations,” shows in its closing scenes the erected pillars of the temple of humanity: “Strength is victorious and rewards Beauty and Wisdom with an eternal crown.”

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It was interesting to read in the February 1971 issue of the Knight Templar Magazine that Sir Knight James Lee Kirk had the distinction of installing his father Master of Adobe Lodge No. 41, Tucson, Arizona. That is, of course, the opposite of the usual situation and is unique, if not the first such event.

Some years ago I was installed as Master of Lanett Lodge No. 656, Lanett, Alabama, by my father, William T. Dailey. Several years later, I had the honor of installing him as Illustrious Master of Chattahoochee Council No. 83, Lanett. A further distinction in our father-son relationship was that I had the privilege of receiving the unanimous vote of our Grand Chapter of Alabama to elect me Grand High Priest. This vote was cast by my father.

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In the article "The Flag" in the June issue, the writer states Vermont and Kentucky were admitted to the Union in 1795. My history book tells me Vermont was admitted March 4, 1791, and Kentucky on June 1, 1792.

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Editor's Note: Right. Should be "by 1795."

The Knight Templar Magazine continues steady on course. Last cargo a beauti!
What a relief to see pictured Templars solid, with character, integrity, Masonic rigour, writ large, sans decoration. Pianissimo treatment of the cocked hat syndrome good, good. May be a swell chance the Knight Templar Magazine will one day become the premier publication of the American Rite, generally known as the York.

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Solutions
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Etheridge and Fitch

After receiving his June Knight Templar Magazine, O. Etheridge, Conroe, Texas, P.C., No. 29, wrote to the Editor in part: "On back page is statement: 'June 8, 1809, Phoenix, first American-built steamboat...' What about John Fitch?????"

Sir Knight Etheridge has a point—but it's a point against an old World Almanac not, fortunately, against the Knight Templar Magazine. John Fitch, as Sir Knight Etheridge, a 50-year Mason, notes, built and had a steamboat running on the Delaware River in 1788. (There's an interesting story in the material forwarded by Sir Knight Etheridge. It will be arranged for later Knight Templar Magazine use.)


We appreciated the letter. Sir Knight Etheridge, former editor of a daily newspaper and official proofreader, is no stranger to "misstatements." He once printed a report on a fire and says, "I let it get by that the firemen arrived quickly and 'distinguished' the blaze. I never did live that down."

P.C.R.

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The principal officers of the Commandery are the Dais officers, pronounced day-us rather than die-us as is frequently heard.
You Can Overcome Any Problem

by

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R.E. Grand Prelate

As we contemplate Independence Day 1971 we consider some of the great qualities of Americans that made this country. Americans have always been dreamers, idealists and positive thinkers. Thus they created a nation unique in the annals of history. And they had pride in their country and its institutions.

But of late it seems a change has come, at least within the super-articulate. They apparently think that everything is wrong with the country and that its institutions should be broken up and changed to suit the politico-sociological whim of the moment. And the number of negative thinkers seems to have greatly increased.

This does not, I believe, represent the masses of the people but only a fringe of so-called intellectuals and militant students. But these people seem to monopolize the headlines and news stories. They are played up by the media until their importance is made to be out of all true proportion.

The great bulk of people believe in and love their country. They believe in our institutions and they still are positive thinkers about its future and about life generally. It is to them that I wish to address a few thought about how to overcome problems. The far-outs do not care for such information. Indeed they thrive on keeping the country aboil and stirred up by problems. Get the problems solved and they would be out of business. If the Vietnam war were completely stopped this very day they would quickly find something else to hate their country for.

Most people want to tackle problems and overcome them and here follows a technique or two for doing so.

Think and believe that you can master your problems and that indeed you are now proceeding to do so. Do this and the action has begun.

In my office is a sign someone made for me. It reads “Attitudes are more important than facts.” That legend has proved helpful in handling my own problems because it teaches how to look at a fact. The negativist may say, “Here is a hard, tough fact. You just can’t get around a fact. A fact is a fact and that is that.”

But the positivist on the other hand says, “Yes, it is a fact. That must be recognized. But there is a way to deal with this or any fact: go around it or under it or over it or hit it straight on. A fact is for solving and I’ve got what it takes to do just that.”

The negativist is likely to be defeated by the fact while the positivist will probably handle it creatively. It is not so much the fact as your attitude toward the fact that determines the outcome.

How you think about a problem is the issue of paramount importance. You can think yourself to success or you can think yourself to failure. You can think yourself to victory over your problems or you can think yourself to defeat by them. The kind and manner of your thoughts determine the eventual results you will experience.

There is a law called the law of attraction. Like attracts like. “Birds of a feather flock together.” Thoughts of a kind have a natural affinity. So, therefore, the negative thinker sending forth negative thoughts, stimulating the world around him negatively, draws back to
himself, in the very nature of the case, negative results. That which you yourself send out in the way of thought is bound to come back to you.

The positive thinker on the other hand sends out of his brain positive, optimistic, faith-filled thoughts. He activates the world around him positively. On the basis of the same law of attraction he tends thereby to draw back to himself positive results.

You can think your way through and finally out of any difficulty or problem. But you must think, not react emotionally. When a difficulty strikes, the tendency is to panic or to be upset, even to be resentful. Such reactions are emotionally conditioned and, if one's acts are determined in such a state of mind, they are likely to be lacking full rationality.

One must discipline himself to be calm in his thinking. He must cool it. For the mind cannot think when it is hot; only when the mind is cool will it produce those rational factual concepts which lead to solutions. So do not allow yourself to emote. Think!

Actually, your head is your greatest asset. Keep it always under disciplinary control. Remember the statement credited to Thomas A. Edison, “The chief purpose of the body is to carry the brain around.” The great inventor knew that it is in the mind, working in non-overheated fashion, that we get ideas, not impulses. And with these sound ideas we solve problems.

**ACTION FORMULA**

1. Take a positive mental attitude toward any problem.
2. Stop all negative thoughts, all negative talk.
3. Affirm that your attitude toward a fact is more important than the fact.
4. Emphasize the law of attraction. Attract by your positive thinking only positive results.
5. Discipline yourself to keep your mind always calm. Cool it.

J. C. Penney, the famous merchant, a longtime friend of mine, lived to be a vigorous 95 years old. We were seated together at the speaker's table in the Grand Ballroom of the Hotel Waldorf-Astoria in New York and fell to discussing problems and what to do about them. "You have had plenty of difficulty in your long lifetime, J.C.,” I said. "What is your philosophy of a problem?"

His answer was characteristic of this great and good man. "Well, Norman," he replied, "actually, I'm grateful for all my problems. As each of them was overcome I became stronger and more able to meet those yet to come. I grew on my difficulties."

Believe you can and you can – this dynamic principle has been demonstrated in the lives of too many believers to leave any doubt concerning its validity. It is very important to believe that you can, with God's help, meet and overcome all problems. And the more profoundly you believe, the more surely you will gain victory. The words believe and can are linked together in a creative action unity. If you believe you can, you can.

The Bible is packed full of faith-producing thoughts that can revamp your mental attitude. Take them into your conscious mind by reading. Then commit them to memory, thus holding them firmly in mind. Finally, by a process of spiritual and mental osmosis they will pass deeply into the subconscious – and when that happens you will become a believer who can believe your way through your problems. And remember this, "If ye have faith as a grain of mustard seed, ye shall say unto this mountain, Remove hence to yonder place; and it shall remove: and nothing shall be impossible unto you." (Matthew 17:30)

The next time trouble strikes you, avoid the word if. Focus on the dynamic word how. Then ask God's help to put
Garry Moore Speaks

Television personality Garry Moore spoke to the guests at the Annual Civic Dinner of the Salvation Army of Milwaukee. Sir Knight Irving L. Heller is serving his second year as Chairman of the Board.

Heller, a member of the Advisory Board for the Milwaukee Salvation Army since 1941, is a Past Grand Commander of Wisconsin. He served the Grand Encampment as Chairman of the Committee on Patriotic and Civic Activities from 1952 to 1961. He is a Past Sovereign of St. Wilfred Conclave and is presently Intendant General, Division of Wisconsin, Red Cross of Constantine.

"From the Minutes" — Feb. 27, '96

The minutes of February 27, 1896, of St. John's Commandery No. 1, Wilmington, Delaware, include the following notation: "Brother Charles H. Sneath of Philadelphia presented this Commandery a Baton and Gavel made from an old Walnut Tree in Old Swedes Church Yard and handles from U.S. Steam Ship Constitution. The Knobs on Baton dated back as far as 1698 and handles from the wood of Frigate Constitution built in 1797."

... DR. PEALE

the know-how into the how. You will be amazed at how quickly your problems will be resolved.

One reason the believer successfully believes his way through problems is that he never runs away. He is not so superficial and foolish as to think that if he can just run out on his present difficulties things will be easier elsewhere. He knows that the same or similar difficulties will follow him wherever he goes and that the only sure way to stop running is to stand up to those problems right where he is and fight the battle. And this applies to all of us. If you do not defeat problems right here and right now they will chase and hound you the rest of your life. Don't run; fight it out, believe it through — now, and right where you are. That is the formula that works with that phenomenon called a problem.

The foregoing by Dr. Peale is based on an article from his booklet, "You Can Overcome Any Problem." If you would like a free copy of the full booklet write Foundation for Christian Living, Pawling, New York 12564.

Grand Master G. Wilbur Bell, an official visitor to St. John's Commandery No. 1 on May 13 is shown with Past Commander William H. Cantwell (Active for Delaware, Supreme Council, 33°, N.M.J.), Past Commander Paul Hurter and Eminent Commander James Pio as they admire the historic mace of the Subordinate Commandery in Wilmington.

Knight Templar Life Sponsors

One of the Commanderies in the forefront of Knights Templar Eye Foundation Life Sponsorships is Bethel Commandery No. 98, Hanover, Pennsylvania. Membership, says the junior Past Commander Burnell C. Stambaugh, is 190. Of these, 129 have purchased Life Sponsorships.

The officers' aim is that Bethel in the near future may be numbered among the Commanderies which have 100 percent Life Sponsorships.
99th Annual Assembly, Red Cross of Constantine


The Red Cross of Constantine, a Christian Masonic Order, invitational in nature, has approximately 5600 members under the jurisdiction of the United Grand Imperial Council in the United States, Mexico and the Philippines. The 100th Annual Assembly will be held in Kansas City, Missouri, June 9-10, 1972, with Mary Conclave, home Conclave of the new Grand Sovereign, as the host body.

Executive Chairman for the 99th Annual Assembly was John G. Eshleman, who is Intendant General for the Order in Pennsylvania Central, a Past Sovereign and present Recorder of Trinity Conclave, Harrisburg. Trinity combined with Orient Conclave, Bloomsburg, where the immediate Past Grand Sovereign holds membership, to serve as host for the more than 400 members and ladies who attended the sessions and attendant events.

Other officers elected or re-elected at the Assembly are: Robert C. Cauldwell, New York; William J. Netherton, Kentucky; William G. Mateer, Illinois; Paul C. Rodenhauser, Chicago; C. Leander Prisk, Utah; Hoyt McClendon, Alabama; Dallas F. Bullock, Pennsylvania; Harold W. Kent, Hawaii; Andrew R. Sims, Montana; Stanley F. Maxwell, Massachusetts; Kenneth C. Johnson, Arkansas; Charles F. Adams, Nebraska.

Re-elected to a three-year term as Trustee was Walter B. Wilson, Carlisle, Pennsylvania. He serves with Dr. Oliver S. Willham, Oklahoma, and Robert Ingalls, Indiana.

The new line officer in the Council is Sir Knight G. Wilbur Bell, Grand Master of Knights Templar, U.S.A., who was elected and installed Illustrious Grand Sentinel.

William E. Yeager, Jr., also a member of Orient, was toastmaster for the formal Saturday night banquet. The speaker was the Grand High Prelate of the United Grand Imperial Council and former R.E. Grand Prelate of the Grand Encampment, Dr. G. Mason Cochran.

DeMolay Chevalier Degree

Hugh de Payens No. 1, Little Rock, Arkansas, furnished the Drill Team for the conferring in May of the Chevalier Degree on David French, winner of the International DeMolay Contest on the Flower Talk. Also receiving the Chevalier Degree was Bill Branch. Both DeMolays reside in North Little Rock.

A special DeMolay Degree Team from Hot Springs conferred the Degree. Sir Knight J. W. Nutt, Deputy Grand Master of the International Supreme Council, Order of DeMolay, was on hand for the ceremonies.
Around the World in Twenty Days-or Less

Letters, articles, poems, pictures and other contributions for the *Knight Templar Magazine* arrive in the Grand Recorder's mail each morning from all over the world. As the tenth of the month deadline draws near the Supplements arrive from the 47 Jurisdictional Editors.

Each item for the general magazine is considered on the basis of interest to the membership. It would take a magazine three times the size of the present one to print all the contributions received each month. Each month several pages of news and articles have to be cut out due to space limitations.

News and human interest items selected for the magazine are written or rewritten from information forwarded and are not printed as received. The two purposes are to condense and thus broaden overall representation and to give the material individualized attention to establish and preserve the magazine's own style and identity.

Magazine copy is then marked with special coding for recording on magnetic tape. The typist types the coding along with the material as it is recorded on the MT/ST recording unit. These codes are essential in instructing the composer system for playing out the printed material for the magazine.

The taped material is read and corrections are made. The tapes are then inserted into the IBM Selectric Composer. Further instructions are keyed into this machine which then prints out the copy as it appears in the magazine.

As this preparation of the 32 pages of the general magazine is going on the two-page Supplements come into the office. This copy does not have to be edited as each editor is responsible for his own copy but it must be coded, taped and played out on the copy print out on the composer. The pictures must be marked for reduction and sent to the printer.

The tenth of the month is always the busiest day for copy. Last minute news items as well as the Supplements must be prepared for taping. The printer's arrival in the Chicago office may be only 3 days off or as many as 5 — and all copy must be ready for him then in its final form.

The rush begins in earnest with only 3-5 days remaining to prepare 92 pages of Supplement copy and finish the magazine pages. Two days before the printer arrives all general magazine copy must be completed and corrected.

Grand Recorder Rodenhauser then takes the magazine material — between 40 and 45 pages of it — and lays it out. Some items must be deleted due to lack of space. Additions or changes may be needed due to last minute information. A certain amount of rewriting is done to make items fit available space.

Magazine copy is then pasted-up in
page form which requires a day’s work.

Cheryl pastes-up a page while Editor Rodenhauser looks on.

On the day the printer arrives the finished copy is marked for color type and tint blocks. This must be done with care as certain colors do not work well in type and others are poor as tint blocks. Also, there must be a certain balance to the use of color on a page.

In the meantime, “down” in Data Processing (located one floor below the offices), Robert Bigley and his staff are preparing approximately 380,000 labels for mailing the magazine. The labels are run in zip code sequence from the membership lists. These lists are updated and corrected each month from the reports sent in by the Constituent Recorders through their Grand Recorders.

The printer brings the “silvers” of the reduced pictures. These pictures are identified and marked for their location in the magazine. Their size must be checked to make sure they fit the space allowed.

Finally, the magazine is finished and given to the printer. He takes it to Greenfield, Indiana, where the printing process begins. In the Grand Recorder’s office the magazine staff stops long enough to take a deep breath, then begins planning the next month’s issue.

From a modest white brick building in Greenfield, Indiana, almost 380,000 Knight Templar Magazines are printed and mailed to Knight Templars each month. The process takes 16 employees, 8 days, 42,000 pounds of paper, 150 pounds of ink and 1200 mailbags.

The camera-ready magazine pages are prepared for printing by Sir Knight Roger Fleming. They are arranged in proper sequence for printing and are photographed twice — once for color — to make the plates. Below, Sandy Holmes prepares “flats” prior to platemaking.

Robert Bigley and Svedlana Baba prepare labels for the magazine in time for the printer’s mailing deadline.

The two plates are then placed on the two-unit web offset press. Both sides of the page print at once. Color prints first, then black, which is usually the second color.
This machine prints 14,000 copies of the magazine per hour. The machine at right dries the printed pages.

The next machine folds the printed pages into two 16 page signatures. The signatures are then broken apart and collated (put together in magazine form.) Another machine stitches the pages together. Then it is trimmed to size.

The finished magazine is then run through a machine which applies the mailing labels to the back cover. The labeled magazines are sorted and tied for mailing, then bagged by zip code sequence. They are sent to 800 sectional zip code centers for distribution to Sir Knights around the world.

Rodney, left, and Roger Fleming look over signatures of the magazine.

“A Fine Example”

The May 9 editorial page of The Sunday News of Lancaster, Pennsylvania, carried this tribute to the Masons who are establishing a new Masonic Center in the city:

“The Masonic organizations that have banded together to establish a Masonic Center deserve the gratitude of all citizens of the community for their decision to keep it in the mid-city area of Lancaster.

“Their selection of the former Odd Fellows Hall in the 200 block of W. Chestnut Street is another big boost for the fortunes of Lancaster’s core area. 

“No only are the Masons going to renovate and refurbish the old hall, they have also made plans for an extensive renewal project that will dramatically enhance this area of Lancaster.

“Extending as it does the revitalization of the central city area, the Masonic project demonstrates the dramatic possibilities for other nearby areas.

“The project has even greater meaning in this respect since it is being carried out without calling for the outlay of any public funds or governmental involvement of any kind whatsoever.

“In this respect, the Masons are giving Lancaster a fine example of what private enterprise can yet do when so much thinking is tied to the public purse strings.”

Officers of the Masonic Center of Lancaster County are York and Scottish Rite Masons, active in both bodies. President is Wayne G. McFarland; Vice President, Emery H. Keiffer; Treasurer, John G. Wall; Secretary, William E. Logan. The Finance Campaign is headed by the Rev. Charles E. Wonderley.

Total need, exclusive of expected rentals, is approximately $1,400,000.
July 1776 – July 1971

Many of the founders of our nation were Masons. Masonic leadership continues to play a role in the government of the United States of America. The following are the lists of current Masonic cabinet members, justices, senators, representatives and governors.

Members of the Cabinet
Secretary of Defense Melvin R. Laird
Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare Elliot L. Richardson

Supreme Court Justices
Hugo Black
Potter Stewart
William O. Douglas

Senators
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John L. McClellan, Arkansas
Gordon L. Allott, Colorado
J. Caleb Boggs, Delaware
Herman E. Talmadge, Georgia
Leonard B. Jordan, Idaho
Birch E. Bayh, Jr., Indiana
Harold E. Hughes, Iowa
Robert J. Dole and James B. Pearson, Kansas
J. Glenn Beall, Jr., and Charles Mathias, Jr., Maryland
Hubert H. Humphrey, Minnesota
Stuart Symington, Missouri
Lee W. Metcalf, Montana
Carl T. Curtis and Roman L. Hruska, Nebraska
Alan Bible, Nevada
Norris H. Cotton, New Hampshire
Clinton P. Anderson, New Mexico
Sam J. Ervin, Jr., and Benjamin E. Jordan, North Carolina
Quentin W. Burdick and Milton R. Young, North Dakota
William B. Saxbe, Ohio
Fred A. Harris, Oklahoma
Mark O. Hatfield, Oregon
Richard S. Schweiker and Hugh Scott, Pennsylvania
Ernest F. Hollings and J. Strom Thurmond, South Carolina
George S. McGovern and Karl E. Mundt, South Dakota
Albert A. Gore, Tennessee
Lloyd M. Bentsen, Jr., and John G. Tower, Texas
Winston L. Prouty, Vermont
Harry F. Byrd, Jr., Virginia
Henry M. Jackson, Washington
Robert C. Byrd, West Virginia
Clifford P. Hansen, Wyoming

Representatives
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John P. Hammerschmidt and Wilbur D. Mills, Arkansas
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James C. McClure, Idaho
Leslie C. Arends, George E. Shipley and William L. Springer, Illinois
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Keith G. Sebelius, Garnar Shriver and Joseph Skubitz, Kansas
Tim Lee Carter, Carl D. Perkins and M. Gene Snyder, Kentucky
Speedy O. Long, Otto E. Passman, John R. Rarick and Joe D.
Waggoner, Jr., Louisiana
Peter N. Kyros, Maine
Hastings Keith, Massachusetts
Ancher Nelsen, Minnesota
Thomas C. Abernathy, William M. Colmer, Charles H. Griffin, Gillespie V. Montgomery and Jamie L. Whitten, Mississippi
Bill D. Burlison, W. R. Hull, Jr., W. L. Hungate, Richard H. Ichord, William J. Randall and James W. Symington, Missouri
Richard G. Shoup, Montana
John Y. McAllister, David T. Martin and Charles Thone, Nebraska
Walter S. Baring, Nevada
James C. Cleveland and Louis C. Wyman, New Hampshire
John E. Hunt, New Jersey
Herman Badillo, Barber B. Conable, Jr., Hamilton Fish, Jr., James F. Hastings, Frank J. Horton, Robert C. McEwen, Otis G. Pike, Alexander Pirnie, Howard W. Robinson, Samuel S. Stratton and John W. Wydler, New York
James T. Broyhill, David N. Henderson and Walter B. Jones, North Carolina
Mark Andrews, North Dakota
Carl Albert, J. N. Camp, Ed Edmondson and Tom Steed, Oklahoma
John Dellenback and Wendell W. Wyatt, Oregon
Frank M. Clark, Josiah Eilberg, Edwin H. Eshleman, George A. Goodling, John P. Saylor and J. Irving Whalley, Pennsylvania
W. J. Bryan Dorn, James R. Mann and John L. McMillan, South Carolina
James G. Abourezk, South Dakota
Leonard R. Blanton, Joe L. Evins, Richard H. Fulton and Ed Jones, Tennessee
Robert T. Stafford, Vermont
Joel T. Brovhill, W. C. Daniels, Richard H. Poff, David E. Satterfield, Jr., and William L. Scott, Virginia
John M. Slack, Jr., West Virginia
Glenn R. Davis and Vernon W. Thompson, Wisconsin

Governors
George C. Wallace, Alabama
John A. Love, Colorado
Russell Peterson, Delaware
Reuben Askew, Florida
Cecil D. Andrus, Idaho
Richard B. Ogilvie, Illinois
Robert B. Docking, Kansas
Louie B. Nunn, Kentucky
John J. McKeithen, Louisiana
John Bell Williams, Mississippi
Warren Hearns, Missouri
Forrest H. Anderson, Montana
James J. Exon, Nebraska
James A. Rhodes, Ohio
David Hall, Oklahoma
Frank Licht, Rhode Island
Frank L. Farrar, South Dakota
Preston E. Smith, Texas
Deane C. Davis, Vermont
Stanley K. Hathaway, Wyoming

Based on Masonic Service Association compilation

Honorary Citizen of Maryland

Grand Master G. Wilbur Bell, Chandlerville, Illinois, was presented with a Certificate of Honorary Citizenship in the State of Maryland from Governor Mandel as well as a Key to the City of Baltimore in behalf of Mayor D'Alesandro. Grand Commander Charles H. Cover made the presentations during Maryland's Annual Conclave in May.
Among the Wedding Guests

A number of Masons and Templars attended the June 12 White House wedding of Tricia Nixon and Edward Finch Cox. These included Sir Knights J. Edgar Hoover and Dr. Norman Vincent Peale, R.E. Grand Prelate, among others, as well as Brother Red Skelton, who said the last time he was in the White House was during the Benjamin Harrison administration—"Just listen to my jokes."

Present also was Mrs. Alice Roosevelt Longworth, a 1906 White House bride, whose father was Masonic President Theodore Roosevelt.

Cornerstone Laying

East St. Louis Commandery No. 81, Illinois, under the direct command of Grand Commander Thomas W. Richards, furnished the escort and assisted at the laying of the cornerstone for the new Masonic Temple of East St. Louis Lodge No. 504 on May 16.

Grand Master Clinton H. Lang was host for the Grand Master’s rededication and prayer breakfast prior to the ceremonies and attended by more than 1500 Masons, according to Grand Commander Richards. Brother Henry Jackson, Senior Senator from Washington, was the principal speaker at the breakfast.

Virginia Shortens Elective Line

The Grand Commandery of Virginia, during its May Conclave, voted to start its elective Grand Commandery line with the office of Grand Captain General, thus requiring just four years of elective service instead of the extended period, up to 11 years, required in a number of other Grand Commanderies.

With the exception of the Grand Recorder and Grand Treasurer, who are elected, and the Grand Prelate, who is appointed, the other officers are appointed by the Grand Commander to hold office only during the Annual Conclave of his term.

In commenting on the change, Virginia’s Grand Recorder William T. Buckner, P.G.C., P.D.C., says it acknowledges "today’s facts of life." More leaders may be able and willing to serve a Grand Commandery with the shorter time requirement.

Beil, Thomas Honored

Two members of Mt. Calvery Commandery No. 67, Greenville, Pennsylvania, were honored at a fellowship dinner meeting May 13 with 50-year recognitions.

Harry W. Beil, 90 years of age on May 24, received his 50-year lapel pin from J. R. Flanigan, Aliquippa, Commander of Division No. 8. Sir Knight Clyde Thomas, 79, Past Commander (1934), received his 50-year button from Division Commander Flanigan and Commander Lawrence J. Bubeck at Greenville Hospital where he is a patient.
A 99-Year First in South Carolina

Past Grand Commander James H. Mathis, South Carolina, reports that for the first time in the 99-year history of the Aiken York Rite Bodies, the Super Excellent Masters degree was conferred in the Aiken Masonic Temple by Aiken Council No. 23, R.& S.M. The date was May 8.

Among those members and candidates pictured are such Masonic leaders as M. Carl Watt, M.I. Grand Master of the Grand Council; Herbert L. Middleton, 33°, Grand Master of Masons in South Carolina; John I. Smith, 33°, Past Grand Master of Masons and Sovereign Grand Inspector General of the Supreme Council, Southern Jurisdiction; H. Wallace Reid, Senior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge of South Carolina, and other present and past officers of Grand Bodies.

Present Flags to 1st Graders

Hamilton Commandery No. 1, Ohio, presented flags to all first graders in Hamilton and Fairfield in observance of Memorial Day. A printed Pledge of Allegiance was attached to each flag staff.

The Commandery members secured the flags and Sir Knight Marvin Pettit supplied the Pledge. The flags were assembled and packaged by members of Hamilton DeMolay Chapter, according to P.G.C. Cecil J. Pierce.

Paul Schultheiss is the Commander of Hamilton No. 1.

Eye Foundation Trustees

The Annual Meeting of the Trustees of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation has been called by the President, Grand Master G. Wilbur Bell, for July 24-25 (Saturday and Sunday) at the Conrad Hilton Hotel, Chicago.

On the preceding day, July 23, Sir Knight Bell will preside over the quarterly meeting of the Grand Encampment Officers in the Grand Recorder’s Office, with Deputy Grand Master Riegel, Grand Generalissimo Avery, Grand Captain General Cottrell and Grand Recorder Rodenhauser participating.
$5,000 Eye Foundation Contribution

Charles G. Plummer, P.C., Siloam Commandery No. 15, Siloam Springs, Arkansas, recently made a $5,000 contribution to the Knights Templar Eye Foundation. "The way he was prompted to do this could teach us all a lesson," writes Arkansas Supplement Editor M. C. Lewis, Jr.

Sir Knight Al Stout, P.C., Recorder of Siloam, was visiting with Sir Knight Plummer, whose wife passed away about two years ago. During the visit Sir Knight Stout talked about "the wonderful work of the Eye Foundation" and what it has meant and how a Sir Knight can become a Life Sponsor. After hearing the story Sir Knight Plummer said he would like to be a Life Sponsor and wrote a check for $5,000, $30 for his Life Sponsorship and the balance as a voluntary contribution.

Sir Knight Lewis asks, "What would the results in contributions be if all of us, as Sir Knights, spread the word and told the story about the Knights Templar Eye Foundation?"

"Sir Knight Plummer, 88, served as Commander in 1949. He has also provided for the Shrine Crippled Children's Hospital in his will. He did not expect any publicity for his contribution but, upon hearing what had happened, he was asked to present the check again. The picture shows Sir Knight Frank Trudell, P.G.C., Arkansas, left, receiving the contribution from Sir Knight Plummer."

Living Sermon of Service

Sir Knight Charles Anthony Nowak is "an outstanding Knight Templar," writes P.C. W. Duane Kessler, Treasurer of Reed Commandery No. 6, Dayton, Ohio. The 83 year old Honorary Past Commander lives his "dedication to the Christian way of life."

Nowak travels to the Dayton Masonic Temple from his home in nearby Knollwood daily. He takes care of the robes and properties for the degree work of the Dayton York Rite bodies. In addition, he is active in conferrals. When he is not busy at the Temple he visits fellow Masons at Miami Valley Hospital. In 1960 he was awarded the "Mariner's Award" of the York Rite for "service beyond the call of duty."

Each afternoon Sir Knight Nowak goes to the Montgomery County Courthouse where he is the "eyes" of Gene Erwin, a blind man running a concession stand. He is also active in his church.

New Life Sponsor at 95

Captain General Lee A. Hoyt, Hugh de Payens Commandery No. 30, Buffalo, New York, reports that the newest application for Life Sponsorship in his Commandery came from a member who is 95 years old. Writes Sir Knight Hoyt, "He is a true and living example of the great worthiness of our Order."
The Brotherhood of Masonry

It was 112 years ago in Chicago that Brig. General Ely Samuel Parker, an Indian, spoke at a banquet of Knights Templar on the spirit of brotherhood he had found in the Masonic fraternity. Sir Knight Parker went on to become General U. S. Grant’s aide during the Civil War. At Lee’s surrender at Appomat- tox, General Parker engrossed the articles of capitulation. “Parker was a dedicated Freemason,” wrote P.C. Raymond W. Houghton, St. George’s No. 37, New York, when he sent the speech to the Knight Templar Magazine. An excerpt of that speech follows.

Where shall I go when the last of my race shall have gone forever? Where shall I find home and sympathy when our last council-fire is extinguished?

I knocked at the door of the Blue Lodge and found brotherhood around its altar. I knelt before the Great Light in the Chapter and found companionship beneath the Royal Arch. I entered the Commandery and found valiant Sir Knights willing to shield me there without regard to race or nation.

I went further. I knelt at the cross of my Savior and found Christian brotherhood, the crowning charity of the Masonic tie. I am most happy to meet you in the Grand Councils of this gathering, to sit with you at this festive board and to share these hospitalities and greetings.

I feel assured that when my glass is run out and I follow in the footsteps of my departed race, Masonic sympathies will cluster around my coffin and drop in my lonely grave the evergreen Acacia, sweet emblem of a better meeting.

If my race shall disappear from this continent, I have the consoling hope that our memory will not perish. If the deeds of my ancestors shall not live in story, their memories shall remain in the names of your Great Lakes and rivers, your towns and cities, and will call up memories otherwise forgotten.

Parker was a member of Batavia Lodge No. 88, New York; Valley Lodge No. 109, New York; founder and first Master of Miners’ Lodge No. 273, Illinois; first Master of Akron Lodge No. 527, New York; Grand Orator of the Grand Lodge of Illinois and Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of Iowa near Illinois in 1861. He was Exalted in Hamilton Chapter No. 62, New York, and later became the first High Priest of Jo Daviess Chapter No. 51, Illinois. Sir Knight Parker was Knighted in Monroe Commandery No. 12, New York. He later received the Cryptic Degrees in New York.

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Grand Sentinel – NOT Grand Captain of the Guard

Page 18 of the June Knight Templar Magazine contained “Precedence” listings for Grand Encampment and for Grand Commandery elected and appointed officers. As a result of the amendment adopted at Denver, the title of Grand Captain of the Guard in Grand Commandery usage has been eliminated. The title for the officer formerly known as Grand Captain of the Guard is now Grand Sentinel.
4 Corners R.A.M. Festival

The Four Corners Royal Arch Festival will be held in Page, Arizona, Saturday, October 2. Headquarters for the annual event will be the Empire House where registration will take place on October 1 from 2 to 5 p.m.

New Mexico will confer the Mark Master Degree at 9:30 a.m. Saturday followed by the Past Master Degree by Colorado at 10:45. After lunch Utah will confer the Most Excellent Master Degree and Arizona will confer the Royal Arch Degree at 3 p.m.

Ladies’ activities for the day are being planned. The ladies will have dinner with the Companions and the Royal Arch Widow’s Degree will be conferred at 8.

Waukegan No. 12 Conferral

Waukegan Commandery No. 12, Illinois, met June 5 to confer the Order of the Temple on a class of candidates consisting of three generations – father, son and grandson – with Grand Commander Thomas W. Richards conferring the Order.

The class was composed of Austin W. Hens, Sr., P.M. of Waukegan Lodge No. 78; Austin W. Hens, Jr., P.M., Treasurer of Waukegan Lodge; and Donald L. Hens, Marshal of the Waukegan Lodge.

Grand Commander George R. Hughey, P.G.C. Karl A. Crane, and seven Sir Knights from Kenosha Commandery No. 30, Wisconsin, were present to witness the three-generation Knightings.

Old Dominion Commandery No. 11, Alexandria, Virginia
Officers Installed for 1971

Left to right, front row: Walter H. Stanford, P.G.C., Treasurer; B. Frederick Lehman, P.C., Installing Officer; Jason W. Snyder, Eminent Commander; Adalbert W. Weisbrod, P.C., Installing Marshal. Second row: Russell A. Hawes, P.C., Prelate; Leonard C. Whitsitt, Generalissimo; *Robert D. McMarlin, P.C., Captain General (protem); Charles A. Cornnell, P.C., Sentinel; Clarence A. Dains, Junior Warden; Ray J. Whitney, First Guard; Richard C. Hopkins, Warder; Harry A. Ayers, Sword Bearer; William O. Stephens, Second Guard. *George H. Wagner is recovering from a liver transplant. Richard L. Parker, Standard Bearer; Ryon E. Pugh, Third Guard; and Roys C. Jones, P.C., Installing Prelate, are not pictured.
CONQUEST OF THE MOON

If Apollo 15 blasts off from Cape Kennedy July 26 as scheduled, the world will be watching. But they will not sit fixed before their television sets. Nor will the networks afford minute by minute coverage. Normal programs may be interrupted for news but television will not preempt their shows for the length of the flight.

Yet it was only 10 years ago that the world sat captivated, listening or watching the second by second broadcast of the first American in space. All programs were preempted as the Freedom 7 carrying America’s first astronaut lifted off from then Cape Canaveral on May 5, 1961. Twenty days later President Kennedy told Americans we would go to the moon “before this decade is out.”

The historic flight of Alan Shepard was a suborbital flight of 116.5 miles. Two months later Templar Virgil (Gus) Grissom repeated the flight in the Liberty Bell 7. On February 20, 1962, John Glenn became the first American to orbit the earth. He was followed by Scott Carpenter and Templars Walter Schirra and Gordon Cooper for the final flights of Project Mercury.

In July of 1964 the Ranger 7 relayed pictures of the moon back to earth before crashing on the lunar surface. In 1965 Edward White became the first American to walk in space. Later that year Sir Knight Schirra and Brother Thomas P. Stafford in the Gemini 7 participated in the first manned space rendezvous when they met Gemini 6 in space on December 15.

This first rendezvous was a real space “first” for the Americans who had watched the Soviets launch the first satellite, send the first man into space and into orbit, orbit the first woman and take the first walk in space. But it was the turning point. NASA swung into the Apollo mission to the moon and stayed “first” from then on.

Americans watched in horror on January 27, 1967, as tragedy struck the Apollo I spacecraft, killing Sir Knight Gus Grissom, one of the original seven astronauts; Edward H. White, first American to walk in space; and Roger B. Chaffee. The fire caused a delay in the Apollo program as NASA sought out the cause and worked to insure greater safety for future astronauts.

Christmas Day 1968 found astronauts Borman, Lovell and Anders writing history as they made 10 orbits of the moon and became the first men to see the back of the moon.

At 10:56 p.m. EDT on July 20, 1969, Neil Armstrong became the first man to set foot on the moon. Eighteen minutes later he was joined by Sir Knight Edwin Aldrin. On November 19 of that year two more astronauts walked on the moon.

It was April 11, 1970, that Apollo 13 was launched from Cape Kennedy commanded by astronaut James Lovell, America’s most experienced space traveler. Sir Knight Fred Haise, Jr., on his first space flight, was to pilot the lunar module. Thomas Mattingly, command module pilot, was replaced at the last minute by John Swigert when it was discovered Mattingly was not immune to the rubella to which the crew had been exposed.

There was talk of the name — Apollo 13 — and some wondered if our “luck” would hold, especially in a ship numbered 13. 205,000 miles from the earth, on April 14, a mysterious explosion in the service module destroyed the oxygen and power supplies of the command module Odyssey. The moon landing was abandoned and the crew lived off the power of the lunar landing module Aquarius; its engine provided the power to push the
John B. Cottrell at Scranton

Grand Captain General John B. Cottrell, Jr., Grand Encampment, spoke to the 600 Sir Knights and ladies at the Grand Commander's annual banquet May 26 at Scranton, Pennsylvania, and emphasized the difference between the past and present and the need to change our thinking.

In the past, "patriotism was unquestioned. Charity was everywhere. People were concerned for the welfare of their neighbors and friends. Food, clothing and shelter were shared; the sick were nursed, loved and cared for.

"Freedom and individual independence were much prized and guarded rights. Freedom to go and come as you chose, to leave your door unlocked if you chose, to receive strangers in your home ... Freedom to walk the streets at any hour, to pick your own companions."

National Sojourners History

An anonymous Mason has paid for the publication of "Fifty Years of National Sojourners," a comprehensive history which has been distributed as a gift to the 10,000 Sojourners who were on the rolls as of June 27, 1970.

"Fifty Years of National Sojourners" is a 284-page volume written by Brother LaVon P. Linn, (Colonel, U.S. Army-retired), National Historian of National Sojourners and Masonic speaker.

National Sojourners, Inc., is an organization of officers and warrant officers, past and present, of the uniformed forces of the United States who are also members of the Masonic fraternity. Chapters of the organization are located in the majority of jurisdictions in the United States as well as in seven countries overseas. National Sojourners support patriotic aims and activities in Masonry.


California Award

Glendale Commandery No. 53 was honored at the 113th Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery of California April 23-24 in Sacramento when the Knights Templar Cross of Honor was awarded to Sir Knight Clarence I. Hammet, P.C., former Secretary-Treasurer, Glendale York Rite Bodies.

The presentation was made by G. Wilbur Bell, Grand Master of the Grand Encampment, for outstanding service in all Masonic bodies and in the Knights Templar Eye Foundation.

C.L.E. R.
The Cross and the Flag

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

The Cross and the Flag are the two greatest symbols in the lives of all who live in these United States. They are especially significant to Knights Templar because they appear in conferring the Order of the Temple, the third and last grade in a Commandery of Knights Templar.

While the first three Degrees conferred in a Lodge of Freemasons are referred to as Symbolic Masonry, all Degrees and Orders of Masonry are symbolic. Our lessons are taught by allegory and illustrated by symbols.

One of the many books written by Arthur Edward Waite, the great English Masonic scholar and mystic, is titled, "Emblematic Masonry," and he is continually using this term in many of his other books. He defines the term briefly as follows: "Emblematic Masonry is the Craft of Building moralized." The result is that our Symbolic Masonry is speculative, in distinction to being operative. And the symbolism does not stop with the Blue Lodge or Craft Lodge but permeates the entire structure of Masonry, through all Degrees, grades and Orders.

And here in our beloved Order of the Temple we have the two greatest of them all — the Cross and the Flag. If either of these two symbols is eliminated in this country life will not be worth living.

The Cross is the symbol of Christianity, of the Church; it is the emblem of the reward which the great Captain of our Salvation promised to those who conquer in His Name, even the emblem of Himself Who, having ascended into heaven, is now the Mediator and Intercessor for those who have faith in Him. The Cross is an emblem of that faith and the Cross is also the badge of our Order of Knights Templar.

The Flag is the symbol of our country and of all for which it stands; it is the majestic symbol of Freedom under Constitutional government. The Flag expresses the sovereignty of the people in a government of the people, by the people and for the people. He who is loyal to the Flag is loyal to the Republic for which it stands. He is loyal to Truth, Justice and Liberty, grand characteristics of another Illustrious Order among the three in a Commandery. The Flag is a constant inspiration to every true Knight of the Cross.

The Cross and the Flag — the two most important symbols in your life and mine. These two symbols come to us as a part of our heritage as members of the Valiant and Magnanimous Order of Knights Templar, the military and religious Order founded during the Crusades.

The grade of Knight Templar is where both these symbols play a prominent part: the Cross and the Flag — Christ and Country — Church and State — Chivalry and Patriotism.

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George Howard Carter
Connecticut
Grand Commander — 1962
Born July 14, 1909
Died June 20, 1970

Rocco J. Gorman
West Virginia
Grand Commander — 1949
Department Commander — 1952-55
Born September 15, 1888
Died April 29, 1971

Charles E. Jensen
Wyoming
Grand Commander — 1956
Born April 11, 1895
Died May 1, 1971

Harry Arthur White
Minnesota
Grand Commander — 1959
Born April 7, 1890
Died May 9, 1971

Andrew James Copp, Jr.
California
Grand Commander — 1928
Born October 15, 1880
Died May 11, 1971

Fitzhugh Lee Grimstead
Virginia
Grand Commander — 1936
Born February 14, 1886
Died May 11, 1971

Lowell H. Bryce
New York
Grand Commander — 1962
Born April 23, 1895
Died May 12, 1971

Clarence Grant Strom
Idaho
Grand Commander — 1956
Born October 22, 1893
Died May 20, 1971

Thomas Quitman Ellis
Mississippi
Grand Commander — 1935
General Grand High Priest — 1954-57
Born December 1, 1890
Died May 24, 1971

Robert E. Kimberlin
Utah
Grand Commander — 1953
Department Commander — 1958-61
Born April 2, 1897
Died May 29, 1971

H. B. Bryan
Texas
Grand Commander — 1951
Born February 18, 1907
Died June 4, 1971

Mrs. Harriett Agnew, widow of Andrew D. Agnew, Past Grand Master of the Grand Encampment (1934-37) and Past Grand Sovereign of the United Grand Imperial Council, Red Cross of Constantine (1942-43), died May 5 in Milwaukee after a long illness. Mrs. Agnew left $5,000 to the Knights Templar Eye Foundation.

To a beautiful garden this friend has gone
To the land of perfect rest;
His work is done, and the setting sun
Has sealed his life’s long quest.
Points of the Compasses

In the February Mail Bin, a question was raised about “one point of the Compass (on a Maine commemorative stamp) elevated above the square, while the other point was below.”

In the March Mail Bin came a reply from Harvey H. Goodwin, Leominster, Massachusetts, who, thru his own and others’ research, found that a number of Grand Lodges, including Canada, England, Scotland, Chile and Australia, placed the compasses in the same position as the ones on the Maine stamps.

Further information on this subject comes to the Knight Templar Magazine from F. Walter Mueller, a member of DeMolay Commandery, Washington, New Jersey; Honorary 33° Supreme Council, A.A.S.R., N.M.J.; Past Master of the Century Lodge of South Orange; Past Grand Historian of the Grand Lodge of New Jersey and presently a resident of Sun City, Arizona.

Sir Knight Mueller, who had intended to write immediately after reading the Mail Bin references on the subject, says: “At my age, procrastination set in.”

He notes in part that in the 1930’s “a good Brother and Sir Knight... took me to... an old grandfather’s clock... the face of which was beautifully decorated with Masonic symbols.

“There was one point of the Compasses below the Square. He asked me what I made of that. I said I did not know but I would find out. This led me on a wonderful journey, seeking the answer.

“In Rhode Island, we traced by the records the warranting of St. John’s Lodge, Newport, December 27, 1749... The Newport Brethren were only authorized to confer the first two Degrees of Freemasonry. (Italics are the Editor’s.)

“...As you have undoubtedly concluded, the Lodges formed and worked only in the Entered Apprentice and the Fellowcraft Degrees. The custom of combining all three Degrees seems to have gradually evolved.”

Sir Knight Mueller comments authoritatively and interestingly upon other phases of the fraternity. The present partial information is relayed in the current issue as a further comment on a subject introduced by a reader in the February issue, discussed further in the March issue and which, undoubtedly, was a “point” of interest to many readers.

P.C.R.

Sign of Service

The wording on the motel sign tells the story. John W. Laird, who was associated with the office of the Grand Recorder of the Grand Commandery of Pennsylvania for 50 years, was presented with Emeritus shoulder straps and citation at the 118th Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery at Scranton May 25, with outgoing Grand Commander William D. Geesey presiding.
Sir Knight Heads Tournament

Wisconsin Day-Lite Lodge

The Wisconsin Masonic Journal for May carries an item reflecting a Masonic “topic of discussion” in isolated instances throughout the country. The information is quoted in part.

The Milwaukee, Wisconsin, Day-Lite Lodge operating under dispensation and “having fulfilled its obligations has petitioned the Grand Lodge for a Charter. This Lodge is to be known as Day-Lite Lodge No. 358, and to hold its stated meetings on the first and third Mondays of each month at 10:00 o’clock in the morning at Excelsior Masonic Temple, 2422 West National Avenue, Milwaukee...”

Anniversary Month

Sir Knight and Mrs. Ralph Mitchell, Mechanicville, New York, had a double anniversary celebration in June. Sir Knight Mitchell received his 50-year pin from Montgomery Lodge and he and Mrs. Mitchell observed their 50th wedding anniversary with an open-house for friends and relatives.

Life Sponsors Now 21 in Frankfurt

Hermann Von Salza Commandery No. 1, Frankfurt Am/Main, Germany, now has 21 Life Sponsors for the Knights Templar Eye Foundation says Recorder Dan Harry Benney. The newest Life Sponsor is Sir Knight Heinz Schmidtchen. The Commandery’s current membership is 135.

New Beauceant Assembly

Lewiston Assembly No. 238, Lewiston, Idaho, became the newest Assembly in the Pacific Northwest on May 22. On hand for the constituting were Mrs. John L. Johnson, Idaho, and Mrs. Albert E. Johnson, Washington, both past Supreme Worthy Presidents.

Also attending the ceremonies were Department Commander Dr. Paul W. Sweet of Washington, Grand Generalissimo Richard G. Meyers of Oregon and P.G.C. Ray Allen, Grand Recorder of Oregon.

The first Worthy President of the new Assembly is Mrs. James E. Ruckman, wife of Idaho’s junior Past Grand Commander, according to Mrs. J. P. Mehlig, Corvallis Assembly No. 201.

Other officers include Mrs. A. T. Kauffman, Mrs. Orville Sheneman, Mrs. Dan Asaph, Mrs. David Volkmann, Mrs. Lewis G. Lundere, Mrs. Walter Mundt, Mrs. Edward Sanman, Mrs. Arthur E. Peters and Mrs. Harry Fry.
Harry A. Kendall Festival

A York Rite Festival named in memory of Harry A. Kendall, Masonic leader in Arkansas, was held in May. For years Sir Knight Kendall had been active in the York and Scottish Rites as well as the Shrine. Fifteen received the Orders in the class.

Heads Commandery in 50th Lodge Year

Reuben Allen Hearn, pictured above, created a “first” in Masonry thinks Sir Knight Donald L. Peters, of the Commandery’s publicity committee, when he was awarded his 50-Year Masonic Pin the same year he was elected to serve as Commander of Bloomington Commandery No. 63, Bloomington, Illinois. Sir Knight Hearn, says Sir Knight Peters, will be 75 on July 12.

Sorry for the Inconvenience to 69,500 Readers

Editors and Grand Recorders are not, nor are expected to be, geniuses, but it is commonly felt that they should be able to count and do simple sums in arithmetic. However, a “wrong” count in the June issue placed the Templar Crossword diagram on one page and the definitions on the reverse side of the same page in the first 69,500 copies printed.

It was not planned this way. For the convenience of readers, the diagram and the definitions were to be arranged on “facing” pages. A slip on the Editor’s part was the cause. With the cooperation of the printer, the pages were then interchanged and correctly positioned for the other readers — some 300,000 plus — to eliminate the need to swing to-and-fro from the front to the back of the same page to complete the puzzle.

We hope all enjoyed Sir Knight Risten’s puzzle, in spite of the placement problem in some of the copies. Solutions are in the current issue on page 6.
GRAND COMMANDER’S MESSAGE

The tumult and the shouting dies;
The Captains and the Kings depart;
Still stands Thine ancient sacrifice,
An humble and a contrite heart.

Kipling

The 118th Annual Grand Conclave is ended. While there was no shouting and very little tumult, there is an humble and a contrite heart. Quoting Past Grand Commander Stokley, who in 1967 wrote, “The journey from Third Guard to Grand Commander is quite an experience. In the beginning – uneasy pride. On the way – hard work and wonderful experiences. But when, finally, someone addresses you as “Grand Commander,” it is very hard to believe.”

I now know what he meant when he wrote these words. I feel very humble, but very proud and appreciative of the honor you have conferred upon me. I am thankful to God for the blessings of health which I have enjoyed to date and pray that He will continue to protect and guide me through the coming year.

AWAKE, THOU THAT SLEEPHEST, this appears at first as a most peculiar slogan to use for Knights Templar. As I recall the slogan used by Past Grand Commander Sponeybarger in 1965, “Will ye not watch with me, one hour” and the reason for these words by Christ to his disciples, I am convinced that many of us as Knights Templar have also been asleep and need a little prodding. Therefore, I choose as a slogan, “AWAKE, THOU THAT SLEEPHEST.”

As summer comes and our Commandery Conclaves are omitted for the next two months, let us take advantage of this “lead time” by planning and projecting for our activities in the Fall. Your Membership Committee should meet at least once in each month and contacts with prospective members should be made.

At the Grand Commandery level, your Grand Officers plan to have regular meet- ins, the first scheduled in June. At these conferences we will discuss our progress, our problems and plans for the future. We expect the officers at the local level to do the same.
Sir Knight William D. Geesey had a most successful year as Grand Commander, in spite of our loss in membership. We again congratulate Sir Knight “Bill” and his Lady “Betty” for a most enjoyable and inspirational Grand Conclave.

Our new addition to the line of Grand Officers is no stranger to Grand Commandery. Sir Knight Warren R. Williams, newly elected Eminent Grand Junior Warden, has been most active in many capacities in the Grand Commandery for many years. He is worthy, well qualified and most welcome.

We also wish to congratulate our newly elected Eminent Grand Recorder. His performance at the Grand Conclave was conclusive evidence of his capabilities and his willingness to work.

Sir Knight, you have one of the most formidable and accomplished rosters of elected and appointed Grand Officers and Division Commanders possible. We pledge you the support of each and every one of them and invite your cooperation and enthusiasm to so improve our Templar image that none would dare say “no.”

AWAKE, THOU THAT SLEEPEST

EWART ROBERTS
GRAND COMMANDER

Ascension Day & Memorial Services

The annual Ascension Day and Memorial Service by the Line Officers and Past Commanders’ Association, Division No. 1, was held Sunday, May 2, 1971. The service at Christ Church, Philadelphia, was well attended. There were 175 Sir Knights, their ladies and guests attending with many of the Sir Knights in uniform. The address, “Outdated Religious Experience,” was given by Rev. W. Richard Foster, Jr., Pastor, Rhawnhurst Presbyterian Church, Philadelphia. Participating in the services were: Sir Knights Harry M. Symons, P.C.; Earl Edwards, P.C.; Samuel B. Black, P.C.; Robert K. Dorner. Dignitaries attending were Sir Knights Dallas F. Bullock and J. Calvin Dyson, P.G. Commanders; Howard T. Scull, Jr., G.S. Warden; S. Harry Mauldin, G. Recorder; John W. Laird, G. Recorder Emeritus; Virgil L. Wynn, G. Stand. Bearer; and George F. Held, Div. Commander. Officers of the Association are: Sir Knights Harry M. Symons, President; Virgil L. Wynn, 1st Vice President; Robert A. Williams, Jr., 2nd Vice President; Samuel B. Black, Treasurer; and John B. Patterson, Secretary. Following the Church service, refreshments were served in the Parish House by the Ladies’ Auxiliary of Mary Commandery No. 36.

A Commandery that Does Nothing
Gives Nothing
Costs Nothing
Suffers Nothing
Is Worth Nothing
Be a Commandery Worth Something.
MONUMENTS AND LANDMARKS

by
Robert K. McDivitt

We are all familiar with the great monuments in our history. There is the great Lady of Liberty which welcomes one as he enters New York harbor. She proclaims to the world that America is the "Land of the Free." She stands for the great freedom that we as Americans enjoy and the principles on which this country was founded.

The Golden Gate Bridge in San Francisco Bay is another famous landmark which welcomes visitors and immigrants to our shores. It tells of the golden opportunities this country has to offer.

The Statue of Liberty stands for our fight for freedom. We are reminded that it may become necessary to fight for these freedoms in order to keep them.

The great amount of labor which went into the construction of the Golden Gate Bridge reminds us we must work to realize the wealth of opportunities afforded us in this great country.

The Iwo Jima Memorial in Arlington, Virginia, tells of the dedication this country must have in order to preserve the nation. We are reminded of the great number of men who gave their lives that the flag could be raised at Iwo Jima. This was a mark of extreme dedication and devotion.

We are aware we all cannot fight in a great battle to prove our devotion and dedication to our country. We can, however, become a shining example, like the torch of Liberty, by supporting legislation to insure the continuation of the great freedoms we now enjoy.

Whether we like it or not we are setting examples every day that we live. Somewhere there are other people who are watching every move we make and every deed we do. They are constantly imitating us. May we always lead such a life and set such a good example that we are never ashamed of the example we set for others. These examples will one day stand as a monument to what we were and what we hoped to attain.

Yes, we must let our light so shine that it will glorify our Father which art in heaven.

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Lord, Give Us Men

“Our country in these perilous times demands — strong minds, great hearts, true faith and ready hands. Men whom the lust of office does not kill; men whom the spoils of office cannot buy — Men who possess an opinion and a will; men who have honor, men who will not lie. Men who can stand before a demo- gogue and damn his treacherous flatteries without winking. Tall men, sun crowned, who live above the fog in public duty and in private thinking. While the rabble with their thumb-worn creeds, their large professions and their little deeds, mingle in selfish strife — so freedom weeps. Wrong rules the earth and waiting justice sleeps. Lord, give us men.”

These poetic words are from a speech by Wilbur M. Masters, M.W. Grand Master of Masons in Florida, at the 77th Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery of Florida May 17. Masters is also Intendant General, Division of Florida, Red Cross of Constantine.
“THIS WONDERFUL THING CALLED LIFE”

A June 7 letter from Winter Haven, Florida, tells the significance and value of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation and also expresses rare appreciation and love of life. It was written to Executive Director Walter A. DeLamater, P.G.M.

Happiness is a new pair of eyes that see! I’m so thrilled with my “new” world that I just want to share it with you and everyone who helped me obtain it.

My eye operation was performed February 17. Altho there were complications during surgery, I can now tell you that I have 20-20 vision in both eyes. I got my glasses Saturday, May 29, and I can see so well I’ve already resumed driving and I am enrolled in nurses training. I start my training June 10 and it takes 11 weeks to complete. After that I will be able to support myself and at the same time help to ease the pain and suffering of someone else. Isn’t this a wonderful world after all?

My special thanks to all members of the Eye Foundation and also to Mr. Harry Guy who processed my papers and visited me in the hospital and once at home during my recuperation.

Again, let me say “thank you.” After two years of being alone and dependent on someone else, it’s a wonderful feeling to be able to go out into the world and take part again in this wonderful thing called “Life” and be a part of society that is productive instead of being a burden. And I owe this opportunity to you all and to Dr. Richard Coppenhaver, who is a wonderful eye surgeon. And, most of all, to a wonderful Lord who has watched over me.

If I can ever be of service to the Eye Foundation please call on me. I can never repay all I owe to this Great Humanitarian Charity.

God bless you and yours.

Gratefully,
Faye E. Brown

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THE AMERICAN'S CREED

by William Tyler Page

Adopted by an Act of Congress, April 6, 1918

"Breathes there the man, with soul so dead,
Who never to himself hath said,
This is my own, my native land!
Whose heart hath ne'er within him burn'd,
As home his footsteps he hath turn'd
From wandering on a foreign strand!"

Scott

I believe in the United States of America, as a government of the people, by the people, for the people; whose just powers are derived from the consent of the governed; a democracy in a republic; a sovereign nation of many sovereign states; a perfect union, one and inseparable; established upon those principles of freedom, equality, justice and humanity for which American patriots sacrificed their lives and fortunes.

I therefore believe it is my duty to my country to love it, to support its constitution, to obey its laws, to respect its flag, and to defend it against all enemies.