

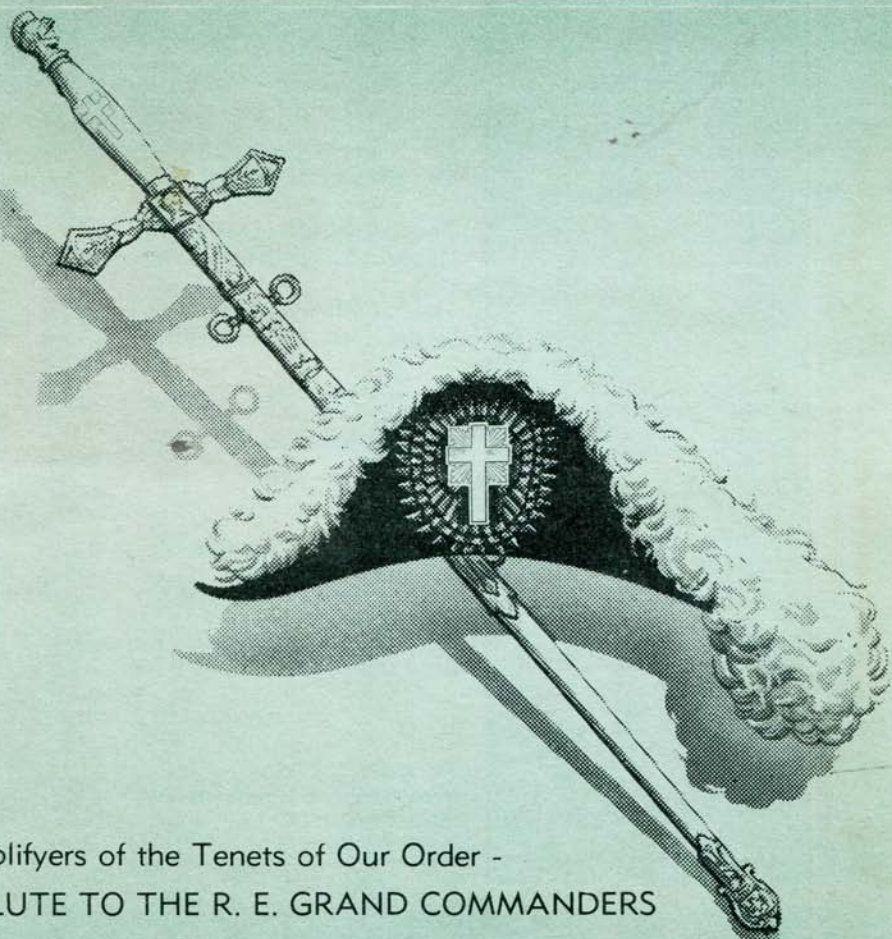


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**NOVEMBER:** In addition to the theme of Thanksgiving, expressively highlighted in a feature by Dr. Norman Vincent Peale, Grand Prelate, and an essay by Gilbert H. Hill, this issue salutes the Grand Commanders and their leadership. The sword on the cover, emblematic of the Crusades and Chivalry, reminds Templars to be "strong in the Lord and in the power of His might." The Passion Cross on the chapeau and the rays it surmounts are noted in the ceremony of installation: "The rays of light are symbols that suggest to you the humility, love and pure benevolence that emanate like rays from the religion of the blessed Emmanuel, and which should ever characterize the members of this Christian Order."

Paul C. Rodenhauer, Editor

**“SIR KNIGHTS, BEHOLD YOUR GRAND COMMANDERS!”**

Some of us will vividly recall – especially those in certain northeastern states and in Ontario, Canada – that there was a huge and alarming power failure in November of 1965, blacking out New York City, stalling elevators, stopping subways, railroads and other operations affecting the public throughout a large and populous area.

A corresponding type of blackout could occur in Templary if it were not for the consistent, forceful energy fed to the Order by those who have become, after years of loyal service, the Grand Commanders of jurisdictions administered by the Grand Encampment and whose influence and leadership will continue long after their terms of office expire.

We are not stretching a point when we refer to these elected Grand Commandery executives as the dynamos of Templary. They are the leaders upon whom accolades fall when they generate progress; they are also the ones who accept responsibility if the Templar light flickers and grows dim in their respective areas of authority.

Although this responsibility is theirs, they cannot carry out the Grand Commandery projects alone; they can provide the spark, the drive, the beacon that attracts and encourages membership activity and constructive programming; they can inspire and motivate, they can superintend, but they cannot do both the guiding and following at the same time.

This month I join in expressing a special salute to the 48 leaders now serving as Grand Commanders. I congratulate them individually and collectively, and I look to each one for new gains, in spirit and numbers, in Christian Masonry.

And I take this opportunity to emphasize to all Knights Templar that their Grand Commanders need dedicated assistance. The best reminder can be borrowed from the ceremony of installation:

*Bear ever in mind that the prosperity of your Commandery – whether Subordinate, Constituent or Grand – will as much depend on your support and obedience as on the assiduity, fidelity and wisdom of your Commander. Be ye, therefore, diligent and faithful in the performance of your respective duties!*

*G. Wilbur Bell*



## From the MAIL BIN

I am keen to correspond with any Freemasons living in the U.S. I was over in America visiting friends last year and visited a number of Lodges. I am Organist for 16 Craft Lodges and am also a member of 18°, Rose Croix. I was given a wonderful reception at Lodges that I visited overseas. I am a bachelor, retired and living with a sister. I would welcome letters from any interested Brother. All letters answered.

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I have been a member of Malta Commandery No. 18 in Bremerton, Washington, for the past twenty two years. Since I have been receiving the *Knight Templar*, I have found it to be a publication of great interest and merit to those who are fortunate to receive and read it as I do.

I should like to pass on to all Sir Knights everywhere my very best wishes. The magazine not only has been a source of rich informative reading but a link with those with whom we may have lost contact over the years and have some wonder as to their whereabouts and welfare. Who knows — this communication may serve to let someone know where I am and who has probably wondered "where in the world can that guy be now?"

And so, Sir Knight Editor, my best to you and yours for all time to come. Keep the magazine going; it's a good thing to read.

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*Aleppo Temple News* is published at least three or four times yearly by Aleppo Temple, Boston. They have been kind enough to give us space in their publication on page fifteen under the title "Knight Line," written by James Sirios, P.G.C. and Grand Recorder.

I think this is good publicity in the right spot, and it keeps the Sir Knights in the Shrine up on what is happening in their own Grand Commandery. The cost is nothing; this is donated to us by the Shrine.

I believe the Grand Commanders in each Jurisdiction should be made aware of this possibility of getting this kind of free advertising for their own Grand Commandery.

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In the March 1972 issue of the *Knight Templar* I read with great interest on page 30 of the deposit for 2022 A.D. in North Carolina. How nice to know there are yet some who care. I like the idea of placing items and articles of great interest and value in such places for safe-keeping for 50 years. At the end of 50 years I only wish I could be present to see and to touch some Masonic memorabilia as is mentioned but since I cannot I will be most satisfied to place some few small items in the deposit for others to see and enjoy.

I would also like to mention the picture of the Chicago Scottish Rite Cathedral on page 5 of the October issue. How nice to see and know of a fine building that has served so well in the past.

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The cover picture of the Tomb of Hiram interested me. I had the pleasure of visiting this tomb in person a few years ago, making pictures and also entering the vault where he had been buried. The picture on the cover was the south and west view, while the eastern side was where it had been torn open, the grave robbed, his body removed and never found.

I have just returned from Newfoundland, St. Pierre/Miquelon and many of Canadian Provinces, and while visiting the historical places and museums, you would often read about "So-and-So," A MASON, and then the data about the man or officer would continue on — but in many cases the term, A MASON, was emphasized. This shows that a person who was a Mason was so distinguished as one on his record.

However, we read in one historical record of one Mason who betrayed his obligations: "His scouts came as far as Geneseo, for it was there that Lieutenant Thomas Boyd and Sergeant Michael Parker fell into the hands of an Indian scouting party headed by JOSEPH BRANT. Tied to an oak which is still standing and is called "Torture Tree," Brant left these two to taste the slow death that only a red man knew how to measure out. BRANT, A MASON sponsored by no less a person than His Majesty King George, paid no heed to the distress signal given by his brother Mason, BOYD, then covered with blood and blistered flesh."

This Masonic Brant seems to have been traitor, scoundrel and a murderer of men and women by his Indian scouts and unworthy of being even considered a true Mason. More about the history of JOSEPH BRANT and his infamies against humanity and his Brother Mason would be appreciated.

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"The Cavalcade of Templary" film we witnessed this evening was very enlightening and all enjoyed the history as shown by this film of Templary. I am proud I am a Knight Templar.

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I haven't been a Mason for 61 years but I do have a record of 56 1/2 years in all bodies. I did something which no other Mason did — at least I haven't found one — I took all 42 Degrees and Orders in the York and Scottish Rites in exactly ten months and four days.

I entered on March 6, 1916 — had to take the York Rite first — then the Scottish Rite — and received the 32° on January 10, 1917.

It was my pleasure to sign 90 petitions of Ft. Wayne Chapter No. 19, 42 petitions for Ft. Wayne Council No. 4 and I saw 13 or 15 take the Templar Orders. I am now an honorary member of both. I got the petitions in 18 months.

Returned to Toledo in 1921 and worked up a class of 30 for my Chapter, which was named the W. F. Rohr Chapter Class. I was given a Chapter apron similar to those worn by the officers and I was also given a solid silver and gold penny.

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My library has a collection of hundreds of old newspapers dating prior to 1900 and some even going back before 1800, which contain Masonic articles and notices of Lodges and Grand Lodge meetings, the oldest dated 1785. Paul Revere, George Washington, Andrew Johnson, Albert Pike, Masonic cornerstone ceremonies, anti-Masonic attacks are a few of the items these publications contain. I have Templar medal dating 1880 and made for the Chicago Triennial Conclave which read: "Most Eminent Sir Vincent Lombard Hurlbut, Grand Master of the Grand Encampment, Knights Templar, U.S." It shows a profile of a bearded man wearing a Knight Templar uniform which also shows a cross jewel and collar: the back shows a banner which reads "In Hoc" etc. The coin also reads "Triennial Conclave, Chicago, Aug. 1880." If any Brother wishes a photostat free which shows thirty-seven or more impressions of coins that are Masonic, I will mail two sheets to them if they send me a self-addressed stamped envelope. Maybe I can receive a Lodge newspaper for my trouble?

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In all branches of Masonry, at least all that can be bought, my Commandery is tops. I say "my" because of my interest and work. In fact, I have served as Commander four times, three by election and once to help out an ill Sir Knight. I call this my "can you top this" letter. I am proud to say the four top officers plus three appointed officers are my candidates. We have about 30% of our members as Life Sponsors of the Eye Foundation. They are also all my candidates. I also have some promises. The sooner we get on the time payments plan the sooner we will get strong again.

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I recently found a metal box and chapeau which, thru investigation in our records, was owned by Sir Knight James A. Metlin who was elected to membership in Lansing Commandery No. 25 on May 14th, 1869, and received all three Orders July 23, 1869. Sir Knight Metlin passed away on July 4th, 1884. If any of his descendants are now living and will write me, if interested, I will send this Chapeau and unusual carrying case to them.

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Anyone knowing the names and addresses of living relatives of Sir Knight Thomas Jefferson Flournoy and Sir Knight Edward Beach Jones, please contact me. I would also like to know the gravesite location of Sir Knight Jones.

Flournoy was the Grand Commander of Kentucky in 1893. Jones was the Grand Master of Kentucky in 1871 and Grand High Priest in 1869.

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The October issue of the *Knight Templar Magazine* contained a letter from Reginald E. Anderson, P.C., Cuyahoga Falls Commandery No. 83, Ohio, stating one of its members, Russel O. Wise, was the proud possessor of 15 Eye Sponsor Certificates and requested information about any Sir Knight who could equal or exceed this record.

We in Virginia also have Sir Knights who are dedicated to this Great Humanitarian project, namely J. Berkley Green, P.C., Piedmont No. 26, who possesses 30; William C. Vaughan, P.C., DeMolay No. 4, has 22; Constantinos B. Bachas, Portsmouth No. 5, has 21; Douglas W. Appleton, Arlington No. 29, has 18; Ernest M. Moore, Jr., P.G.C., Appomattox No. 6, is the possessor of 16.

All Sir Knights possessing 4 or more Life Sponsorships become a member of the Virginia Knights Templar Eye Foundation Appreciation Club. The current membership of this exclusive Club is 68 who possess a total of 449 Life Sponsorships.

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I have visited in Florida and Golden Glades Lodge No. 334, F. & A.M., always called up the 50 year members to be recognized. I believe this should be done in all Masonic Bodies.

Many thanks for a type of magazine that has the same feeling as a small town paper, very friendly.

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As we travel our paths along the way  
We leave an impression of work or play.

As plain as can be  
And easy to see  
We carve our initials every day.

Haldane Wesley Bean  
P.G.C., Illinois

## "VALIANT KNIGHTS OF THE TEMPLE"

Annually in its November issue, the Knight Templar Magazine salutes the Christian Masonic leaders serving as Grand Commanders. Each state or commonwealth has a Grand Commandery with the exception of Alaska, Delaware and Hawaii, where the Templar numbers are insufficient to form a Grand Body. Those states have Subordinate Commanderies and report directly to the Grand Encampment.

Massachusetts and Rhode Island form, traditionally, one Grand Commandery. The District of Columbia since 1896 has had its Grand Commandery. The Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the Philippines was the latest to be organized under the jurisdiction of the Grand Encampment. The date - December 31, 1963. The total number of Grand Commanderies is 48.

The salute to the 48 Templars of executive distinction and fraternal merit who lead these Grand Commanderies takes the form of pictures which have been requested from all. The following is the Knight Templar Magazine 1972 pictorial tribute to the Grand Commanders of 1972-73.



**Thomas W. Mann**  
ALABAMA



**W. Lynn Dixon**  
ARIZONA



**M. Shields Edwards**  
ARKANSAS



**Findlay G. Francis**  
CALIFORNIA



**Robert E. Newnam**  
COLORADO



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Al Hartwig  
MONTANA



Raymond R. Klingner  
NEBRASKA



Clarence K. Jones  
NEVADA



Charles H. Cheney  
NEW HAMPSHIRE



W. Percy Edwards  
NEW JERSEY





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**NEW MEXICO**



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**OREGON**



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**PENNSYLVANIA**



**Jose M. Estacion**  
**PHILIPPINES**



**John V. Walters**  
**SOUTH CAROLINA**



**George E. Bruntlett**  
**SOUTH DAKOTA**



**James L. R. Fuller**  
**TENNESSEE**



**Wintford H. Owen**  
**TEXAS**



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**WASHINGTON**



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**WEST VIRGINIA**



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**WISCONSIN**



**Ralph C. Drury**  
**WYOMING**

## PRE-PEARL HARBOR MEMORIAL PRESENTATION IN 1941

The Proceedings of the 42nd Triennial Conclave in Chicago, 1943, note that: "A very impressive service was held in the Memorial Room of Arlington National Cemetery on November 29, 1941, the occasion being the presentation by Most Eminent Grand Master Pollard of a permanent memorial in the form of an appropriate bronze plaque to the Unknown Soldier, upon which is inscribed:

**In grateful acknowledgement of our debt to those who sacrificed their all that civilization might live."**

The ceremony was held just nine days before the Pearl Harbor attack.

A printed program of this event of historical significance shows that the ceremony took place Saturday afternoon, November 29, 1941, at 2:45 o'clock. The program included the singing of "America," "Nearer, My God to Thee" and "The Star-Spangled Banner."

Prayers were offered by Sir Knight ZeBarney T. Phillips, D.D., LL.D., Grand Prelate of the Grand Commandery of the District of Columbia and Chaplain of the United States Senate. A solo, "Abide with Me," was sung by Sir Knight Richard E. Titlow, Grand Junior Warden of the Grand Commandery of the District of Columbia. The Grand Warden of the Grand Commandery of Maryland, Sir Knight J. Edward Collins, played "Taps."

The memorial presentation was made by Grand Master Harry G. Pollard. Music for the ceremony was furnished by the Knights Templar Band of Monumental Commandery No. 3, Baltimore, Maryland, directed by Sir Knight Paul W. U. Schoenfelder.

The committee on the 1941 arrangements consisted of Sir Knights J. Fred Huber, Otto B. Roepke and Eugene E. Thompson, all from the District of Columbia.

Grand Encampment officers of the era, in addition to Sir Knight Pollard, were: Charles N. Orr, John Temple Rice, Robert B. Gaylord, C. Byron Lear, William C. Gordon, Frank M. Weinhold, Adrian Hamersly, Very Rev. Chester B. Emerson, Walter Stover, Walter A. DeLamater, William Moseley Brown and Louis H. Wieber — all listed in the present official order of precedence.

### Knight of the Month

November 22 will mark the birthday of Anson L. Stratton, Urbana, Ohio. W. Duane Kessler, Dayton, secretary of the Second Division Council of Ohio for Templar Advancement, writes that Sir Knight Stratton was born November 22, 1883, has been a school teacher, salesman, and cashier; served the Champaign County Draft Board as clerk for 17 years and, in Masonry, has headed his Lodge, Chapter, Council and Commandery between 1921 and 1936. He continues as Secretary-Recorder of the four bodies.



A 50 year member of all, a 25 year member of Ohio Priory No. 18, K.Y.C.H., he will complete 50 years in the Valley of Columbus, A.A.S.R., this month.

*Take time to be truly thankful . . .*

## IMPORTANCE OF THANKSGIVING

by  
**Dr. Norman Vincent Peale**  
**R. E. Grand Prelate**

Thanksgiving Day is perhaps the most typical of all our great national days. It is as American as the aroma of burning leaves in the autumn and the fragrance of lilacs in the springtime. All the romance of the American story finds expression in this historic day.

Thanksgiving brings to mind that picture which in my day used to hang on every schoolroom wall: the picture of a Puritan man, gun in hand, followed by his demure wife, Bible in hand, and their numerous children, making their way across a snowy landscape to their rustic house of worship, there to give thanks to Almighty God for the abundance of this land.

Thanksgiving is not primarily a feast day or a holiday; it is a day of religious devotion, a day of national dedication. One of the noblest portions of the Bible is the eighth chapter of the Book of Deuteronomy. I recommend you read that chapter on Thanksgiving. There mention is made of the richness of the land, of the mighty works done, of the prosperity attained. Then the writer says: "When thou hast eaten and art full, then thou shalt bless the Lord thy God for the good land which he hath given thee. Beware that thou forget not the Lord thy God." These are simple, direct, powerful words depicting a very vital truth.

It was God who brought about American freedom. Two of our great forefathers, Hancock and Adams, were great men of God. Where did they meet when they started the movement for freedom? In the Old South Church in Boston they told the people assembled a revolution

was about to begin. The plan for the Boston Tea Party was hatched in this same church and in the Masonic Lodge. The lanterns to signal Paul Revere were hung in the tower of the Old North Church. The philosophy of these people related all life to God.

Louis XIV pompously said of himself, "I am the state!" But Carl Sandburg tells us, "The earth is strewn with the burst bladders of the puffed-up." And Louis XIV was one of them. When his body was brought into Notre Dame for his funeral the casket was carried by the peers of the realm and on it lay the crown and scepter of royal power. Then a preacher of the Christian religion arose, a humble man in a simple black gown. Raising his hand he solemnly declared, "Only God is great."

Our Pilgrim Fathers were not rich or powerful; they were not highly educated. They were simple, real people. It took them 128 days to cross the Atlantic in their little ship of ninety tons in one of the wildest winters that ever swept the North Atlantic. The Mayflower landed in December. During that first terrible New England winter 90 were sick at one time and only seven well enough to care for them. One by one they died — wives, husbands, children — 51 out of 102. This nation was built by real people, strong, sturdy. And let us hope that we never get soft!

When our forefathers landed in America the first public building erected was a church. In the 92nd Psalm are these words: "It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord." And it is on the basis of a recognition that this is so — a recog-

dition of the rightness and value of being thankful to God — that we annually celebrate Thanksgiving Day.

Thoreau says that we ought to give thanks every day of our lives for the very fact we were born. Just consider, he says, what you would have missed had you never been born. You would never have felt fresh, cool rain upon your face. That was worth being born to feel! Nor would you ever, he says, have felt the crunch of snow under your feet on a starlit winter night. You would never have had your cold bones warmed by a roaring wood fire. You would never have seen the love-light in the eyes of your beloved. You would never have felt the curl of little fingers around your own. You would never have known the strength of struggle. You would never have known the ecstasy of victory over pain. You would never have known the triumph of the soul in God. Every day of your life give thanks that in God's providence you were born. "It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord."

Among the blessings for which to be thankful is the great American society of which we are a part. We need to remember to be thankful for our precious freedom. Where did we get it, this freedom?

The American heritage of freedom came down two streams. The first stream took its rise in the thinking of the philosophers of classical antiquity. These men maintained the human soul has a right to be free; the human soul should never be a slave of any man nor of any group of men called a state. The other stream took its rise when a man named Moses proclaimed to a nation of slaves that they were children of God. At the confluence of these two streams an ideological island was created which gave rise to a great nation dedicated to the development of free institutions. Lincoln, taking a look at it, called it "the last best hope of earth."

Now we have had it so long we have

gotten used to it. We take it for granted. We think we will surely have it forever. Perhaps we will and perhaps we won't. It depends upon how thankful we are for it and what we will do to save it.

The United States Chamber of Commerce at one time prepared a card with this question: "Which is the most important?" followed by a number of topics of major concern to Americans, one of which was to be named as the most important. The topics listed were: communism, education, labor power, political action, socialized medicine, taxes, government spending. Which of those would you think most important?

The friend who showed me this questionnaire said that one man read the list and then said that the most important thing wasn't there. My friend asked, "Then what is the most important thing?"

The man answered, "The possibility of moral deterioration of the American people."

The average person, especially among young people, has no real knowledge of the religious origins of the United States. Take a close look at a dollar bill. What do you find on this paper money? On one side is the picture of George Washington; on the reverse side is depicted the front and back surfaces of the Great Seal of the United States. In the center are the words, "In God We Trust." I understand certain liberals want to have these words taken off because they might offend somebody.

In one of the circles representing the Great Seal you will find a truncated pyramid, a pyramid that has not been completed at the top. Above and below it are Latin phrases: *Annuit Coeptis*, meaning *He has smiled on our undertaking*; and *Novus Ordo Seclorum*, meaning *A new order of the ages*. What this signifies is that under God, with His blessings, we

shall have a new order, a new way of life.

And the reason the pyramid is incomplete is that the new order is still being built. Above the pyramid is an eye. Whose eye? The eye of God. The fathers of this country were resolved that we would build a new order of the ages under God. It is a good thing to give thanks that this is the kind of nation we have.

I quote from a statement by Carlos P. Romulo, the Philippine statesman who served long at the United Nations and played an important part in its development — a great, solid thinker. General Romulo, before returning home to become President of the University of the Philippines, wrote this farewell to America:

"I am going home, America — farewell.

"For seventeen years, I have enjoyed your hospitality, visited every one of your 50 states. I can say I know you well. I admire and love America. It is my second home.

"What I have to say to you now in parting is both a tribute and a warning: *Never forget, Americans, that yours is a spiritual country.* Yes, I know that you are a practical people. Like others, I have marveled at your factories, your skyscrapers and your arsenals.

"But underlying everything else is the fact that America began as a God-loving, God-fearing, God-worshiping people, knowing that there is a spark of the Divine in each one of us. It is this respect for the dignity of the human spirit which makes America invincible. May it always endure.

"And so I say again in parting, thank you, America, and farewell. May God keep you always. And may you always keep God."

On Thanksgiving Day let us bless the Lord and be mindful of all that He has done for us as individuals and as a nation. Let us keep God at the center of our national life.

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#### RUMMAGING FOR RESULTS!

Charles S. McIntyre, General Chairman for the 5th Voluntary Activities Campaign on behalf of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, urges all Commanders to establish committees and plans without delay for January 1 — March 31 Voluntary Campaign "Benefit Events."

"Large Commanderies," he notes, "may be able to plan and execute any one of a variety of fund-raising projects, including such activities as musicales, theatre parties, tours of historical interest, sponsorship of lecturers, sports events and others."

One project Sir Knight McIntyre especially recommends for Commanderies in smaller communities is a Rummage or Garage Sale. "I know one group of summer residents comprising a club of some 60 families, who hold a Rummage Sale at the end of each season. Individuals dig out everything from shaving mugs to television sets, assemble them in one area, then stage an annual Rummage or Garage Sale. A committee gives each item a moderate price, yet the profit to the club each year averages more than \$1,000.00. This, to me, would seem to be an excellent neighborhood or community project for a smaller Commandery." But, emphasizes the Chairman, the choice of activities belongs to the respective Commanderies.

The main object is to hold a Masonically-acceptable event of a benefit nature which will bring in funds, involve the membership and publicize the Grand Encampment's humanitarian project, the Knights Templar Eye Foundation.

## Supreme Council Action at Boston

George A. Newbury, Buffalo, New York, was re-elected to another three year term as Sovereign Grand Commander of the Supreme Council, 33<sup>o</sup>, Northern Masonic Jurisdiction, as the Scottish Rite Body concluded its 1972 Annual Meeting in Boston. Sovereign Grand Commander Newbury is a former president of the Manufacturers and Traders Trust Company, Buffalo. The Annual Meeting concluded Thursday, September 28.



An unprecedented action of the Supreme Council was the conferral of the title of Honorary Sovereign Grand Commander upon Richard A. Kern, M.D., Wynnewood, who retired as Grand Lieutenant Commander and Deputy for Pennsylvania. Dr. Kern is a Past Grand Master of Pennsylvania Masons.



Pennsylvania's present Grand Master, W. Orville Kimmel, of Harrisburg, was named Supreme Council Grand Lieutenant Commander. In addition to their Scottish Rite offices, Sovereign Grand Commander Newbury, Dr. Kern and Grand Master Kimmel are active York Rite Masons. Wayne E. Stichter, Ohio attorney, Past Commander of Toledo Commandery No. 7, was re-elected to the third-ranking office, Grand Minister of State.



Willard M. Avery, Grand Generalissimo



Indiana, is an Honorary member, 33<sup>o</sup>, of the Scottish Rite Body. Included in the 193 elected to receive the Honorary Degree next year at the Annual Meeting in Detroit is Sir Knight John B. Cottrell, Jr., Media, Pennsylvania, Grand Captain General of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar.



of the Grand Encampment, was the official representative of Grand Master G. Wilbur Bell and the Knights Templar, U.S.A., at the Supreme Council meeting. Sir Knight Avery, Knightstown,

Among those chosen to receive the Thirty-third Degree in 1973, awarded for "dedicated service to Freemasonry or for outstanding contribution to humanity reflecting credit on the Fraternity," are Congressman Alexander Pirnie of Utica, N.Y.; Louis M. Greenblott of Binghamton, New York, Supreme Court Appellate Division Judge; John Harry Baum of Lemoyne, Pennsylvania, Harrisburg *Patriot and Evening News* publisher; John A. Logan of Terre Haute, Indiana, President of the Rose Himan Institute; Joseph H. Goldenhersh of Belleville, Illinois, State Supreme Court Justice; and Avery Brundage of Chicago, veteran Olympic Games official.

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## MAX EHRMANN AND "DESIDERATA"

*The popular thumbnail essay "Desiderata," though often credited as "Found in Old St. Paul's Church, Baltimore, Maryland, 1692," was written by Max Ehrmann in 1927. The Knight Templar Magazine has printed the essay several times with the correct information as to its origin.*

*Sir Knight Charles W. Davison, Marshall, Illinois, sent in clippings from the Terre Haute Star on "Max Ehrmann Centennial Week" held September 18-23 in Ehrmann's native Terre Haute, Indiana. Sir Knight Davison is a member of Palestine Commandery No. 27, Paris, Illinois.*

Max Ehrmann was born September 26, 1872, in Terre Haute, the youngest of five children of Maximilian and Margaret Ehrmann. The family was poor and lived in a tiny house, which apparently served to draw them closer according to his later writings. Ehrmann eventually graduated from DePauw University, Greencastle, now the repository of most of his letters and papers. He was a lawyer by profession.

The grandmothers of Terre Haute, who knew Ehrmann in their younger days, remember him as both a "gentleman" and a "gentle man." He loved children and plants - all living things. No one could recall hearing an unkind word from him or seeing him become angry except on the subject of war, which he hated.

The bachelor poet and philosopher generally ate breakfast at the YMCA and had lunch with a small group of professors in the Union Building of Indiana State University. From these men Ehrmann drew many of his ideas. He always checked his philosophic ideas with them to be sure they weren't contradicted by scientific fact.

About six months before his death Ehrmann married his long-time friend Bertha Pratt King, operator of the King Classical School. She later wrote his biography. He died September 9, 1945, and was buried in Terre Haute.

"Desiderata" done by a disc jockey on the west coast became popular throughout the country. It also enjoyed popularity in Great Britain and has been translated into French, Spanish and German. Several movie personalities gave readings of "Desiderata" on network television programs. Dr. William P. Allyn, professor emeritus at Indiana State and member of Ehrmann's lunch group there, described the essay as "Max's statement of his own philosophy."

The climax of the Centennial Celebration in Terre Haute was an "Ehrmann Concert" on Saturday, September 23, in the Scottish Rite Cathedral. Included in the program was a discussion by Robert Bell, president of Crescendo Publishing Company which owns the Ehrmann copyright, on "The Myth of 'Desiderata'"; presentation of one of Ehrmann's plays, "The Bank Robbers," by the Community Theater; dramatic readings of other works and a slide-tape presentation narrated by those who knew him. It was announced Indiana State University has tentatively designated the "Max Ehrmann Room" as one of several in the new Tirey Memorial Union buildings to be named for historically prominent area persons.

*... And though age and infirmity overtake me and I come not within sight of the castle of my dreams, teach me still to be thankful for life and for time's olden memories that are good and sweet; and may the evening's twilight find me gentle still.*

In September 1971 a recording of

from Ehrmann's "A Prayer"

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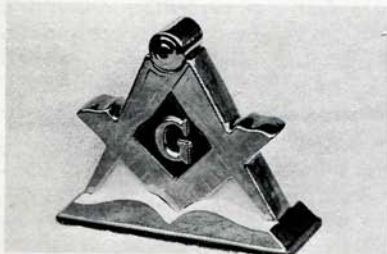
## Glasses to Help the Blind "See"

Chicago's Museum of Science and Industry is showing a radar type device on eyeglasses which warn blind wearers of objects up to 18 feet away.

Mrs. Clinton H. Lang, Hazel Crest, wife of the immediate Past Grand Master of Masons in Illinois, as a supporter of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation relayed the information to Grand Master G. Wilbur Bell. She points out that a buzzer, heard thru a plastic tube inserted in the ear, is the warning system. It was developed by Forrest M. Mims, science writer.

## "Unique" Lodge Fund Raiser

Several Masonic publications have commented about the fund-raising project of Du Quoin Lodge No. 234, A.F. & A.M., Du Quoin, Illinois. For the purpose of building a new Temple, the Lodge — following the bottle collector trend — has produced a Masonic Decanter as a fund-raiser.



Curtis E. Dixon and Eugene F. Gallmeister, both Templars, write that Decanter information can be secured by addressing Du Quoin Lodge No. 244, P.O. Box 174, Du Quoin, Illinois 62832.

## Masons Lay City Library Cornerstone

Richard D. Kelsey, Grand Master of Masons in Kansas, conducted cornerstone laying ceremonies September 16 for the Newton Free Library, Newton, Kansas.

Representative Garner E. Shriver, 4th district congressman, a Knight Templar of Mt. Olivet No. 12, delivered the principal address. W. C. Getz, Past Master of Newton Lodge, member of the library board, was master-of-ceremonies. Guests and participants included Representative Ernie Unruh, County Commissioner Preston Bacon, City Commissioners Holstine, Brunner, Smith and Moran, Mayor Brad Wells, other city officials, also James T. Blair, Worshipful Master of Newton Lodge and Secretary Grover C. Owen.

Knights Templar of Newton Commandery No. 9 provided a color guard for the ceremonies. All Masons participating were identified by name, and coverage with pictures was featured in *The Newton Kansan* of September 18. Jerry Butcher, Kansas Supplement Editor for the *Knight Templar Magazine*, relayed the newspaper account and printed program.

## Father-Son Knightings

Three father-son combinations were Knighted at the Northeast Mississippi York Rite Festival August 26 in Amory. They were part of a class of 55 at the Northeast Mississippi York Rite Association's semi-annual festival.

The new father-son Sir Knights are: R. C. and W. D. Spencer, Decaturville; Toy and Rex F. Franks, Pontotoc; William F. and William K. Sims, Columbia.



# MASONIC NEWS IN TEMPLAR REVIEW

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## Alaska Jottings

In a newsletter to members "wherever dispersed," George Rayburn, Recorder, Alaska Commandery No. 1, Fairbanks, writes that the Temple at Fairbanks has a new aluminum siding, that the York Rite Companions and Templars meet on the same night starting with a dinner at 6:30, and that Alaska Commandery is sending to each Commandery member, upon request, one of the Certificates of Membership recently made available to Recorders by the Grand Encampment.

Written September 19, the letter closes with: "We have had a wonderfully fine summer, but fall is here now. The leaves have turned color and the other night there was a sprinkle of snow. We would like to hear from you, especially you who have left Alaska."

## Wedding Bells for Ekas

Dr. Ward L. Ekas, Rochester, New York, Department Commander for the Northeast Department of the Grand Encampment, will marry Martha J. Davis November 22 in Columbus, Ohio.

Mrs. Davis, Columbus school teacher, is a member of the Eastern Star and the widow of a Mason who had been actively engaged in various bodies of Freemasonry.

Gladie, the late Mrs. Ekas, died April 9, 1971.

The November 22 ceremony will be performed in the presence of family members and will be followed by a reception at the Columbus Country Club.

## Masonic Reinstatement

Joseph T. Portman, hospitalized World War I veteran, who lost contact with his Masonic affiliations because of numerous VA hospital transfers, was the central figure of Masonic Reinstatement Ceremonies September 10 at the VA Hospital, Lebanon, Pennsylvania.

W. Orville Kimmel, R.W. Grand Master of Masons in Pennsylvania, officers of the York Rite and other Masonic Bodies of the Harrisburg, York, Lancaster, Lebanon area, with Grand Lodge officers, representatives of the Masonic Service Association and others presented Brother Portman with Life Membership cards. The highlight was televised over WGAL-TV, eastern Pennsylvania NBC outlet.



MSA Field Agent Edward L. Vice learned of Portman's problem and arranged for the restoration of membership "in tribute to a Mason who had given full service to his country in time of war." Among those participating or witnessing the ceremony were General Albert J. Youndt, National President, National Sojourners; George P. Leight, Jr., Supreme Tall Cedar of the United States; and Conrad Hahn, MSA Executive Secretary.

## Convent General Elections

Providence, Rhode Island, was the scene of the 37th Annual Conclave of the Convent General, Knights York Cross of Honour, October 7 with Grand Master General Arnold C. White presiding.

Hubert O. Auburn, Cincinnati, Ohio Priory No. 18, was elected to the office of Grand Master General for the ensuing year. Elected Deputy Grand Master General was Gordon R. Merrick, Ft. Collins, Colorado, Pikes Peak Priory No. 21. Robert P. Monroe, Richland, Washington, Evergreen State Priory No. 41, is the new Grand Warder of the Temple. Past Grand Masters General William J. Netherton, Kentucky, and Stanley Wakefield, New York, were re-elected Grand Treasurer General and Grand Registrar General respectively.

Newly elected to the Convent General line was John C. Kaufman, Brunswick, Past Prior of Georgia Priory No. 39, who was selected Grand Sentinel. Advanced to Grand Marshal and Grand Seneschal by election were Louis V. Sylvester, Omaha, Sir Galahad Priory No. 7, and Harold F. Sipprell, Halifax, Nova Scotia, Eastern Canada Priory No. 19.

## Two of a Kind

Two Illinois Masons and friends from the same Symbolic Lodge, the same Chapter and Council, are currently serving as Commanders of two different Commanderies.

Paul J. Herzberg was Master of Collinsville Lodge No. 712, is a Past High Priest of Unity Chapter No. 182, Collinsville, and P.T.I.M. of Collinsville Council No.

101. He is now Commander of East St. Louis Commander No. 81, Granite City.

Stephen E. Wright, a member of Collinsville Lodge, and also a past presiding officer of Unity Chapter and Collinsville Council, is the present Commander of Tancred Commandery No. 50, Belleville, Illinois. Commander Wright recently returned from a Wisconsin University biblical study tour of Israel and Greece.




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## "Dr." Beaudoin's Membership Capsule of the Month

Louis A. Beaudoin, Chairman of the Grand Encampment Committee on Membership, offers a November thought on Membership Recruitment. His current prescription:

Subconsciously we think we can sell Templary only to close friends. Very few products or services of any kind would be sold if sales were so restricted. If he isn't your buddy, you can MAKE him a friend through Christian Masonry.

Try it — even if you DON'T know him as a friend.

And a Happy Thanksgiving to you and to your Candidates.

## 52ND TRIENNIAL CONCLAVE, KNIGHTS TEMPLAR, U.S.A.

August 11-16, 1973

Chicago

General Committee Co-Chairmen: Sir Knights Clare B. Lang, Phillip S. Makin

Housing Chairman: Gerald G. Sanderson (Chicago Commandery No. 19)  
 K.T. Housing Chairman  
 Chicago Convention and Tourism Bureau  
 332 South Michigan Avenue  
 Chicago, Illinois 60604 (Telephone - 312 922-3530)

Headquarters Hotel: The Conrad Hilton

Headquarters Hotel Rates: Singles - \$21, \$25, \$29  
 Twins/Doubles - \$35, \$38, \$41  
 (also Conrad Hilton Towers rooms with  
 singles from \$30, Deluxe Twins to \$53)

All housing requests for reservations or information are to be addressed to the Housing Chairman.

**NO DEPOSIT REQUIRED**

### Partial Tentative Program:

Committee Meetings starting Thursday, August 9  
 Drill Team Competition, McCormick Place, Saturday, August 11, starting at 8 a.m.  
 Exhibition Drill and Theatre Entertainment, McCormick Place, Saturday, August 11,  
 approximately 7 p.m.  
 Divine Service and Luncheon, McCormick Place, Sunday, August 12, approximately  
 10:30 a.m.  
 Grand Master's Reception, Grand Ballroom, Conrad Hilton, Sunday, August 12, from  
 8 to 10 p.m.  
 52nd Triennial Sessions, Grand Ballroom, Conrad Hilton, starting 9 a.m., Monday,  
 August 13, concluding Thursday, August 16, with Installation of Triennium  
 Officers 11 a.m. to noon.

Special breakfasts, luncheons and state dinners will be scheduled. The presentation of the synoptic ritualistic drama, "The Word," is planned for Tuesday evening, August 14, at Arie Crown Theatre, McCormick Place.

The Grand Master's Banquet will be staged in the International Ballroom of the Conrad Hilton Wednesday evening, August 15.

The Trustees of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation will have a re-organizational meeting following the Thursday Installation and briefing sessions are also tentatively planned for new Department Commanders and the committee chairmen.

## ROYAL ARCH AND ROYAL & SELECT MASONS ELECT

Edward M. Selby, Martins Ferry, Ohio, was elected General Grand High Priest, General Grand Chapter, R.A.M., International, at the 55th Triennial Convocation of the York Rite Body, September 24-28, at Las Vegas. He succeeds Calvin A. Behle, Salt Lake City, Utah, who headed the General Grand Chapter for the 1969-72 triennium and who presided over the September sessions and activities.

Hoyt McClendon, Birmingham, Alabama, is the new General Grand Master of the General Grand Council, R. & S.M., International, succeeding in that office Verne W. Mokler, Casper, Wyoming.



General Grand High Priest Selby, left, and General Grand Master McClendon, right, with Grand Master G. Wilbur Bell, Knights Templar, U.S.A.

Other General Grand Chapter officers elected are: Halldor K. Halldorson, Regina, Saskatchewan, General Grand King; Gordon R. Merrick, Fort Collins, Colorado, General Grand Scribe; Wilbert B. Boggs, Bartlesville, Oklahoma, General Grand Treasurer. Charles K. A. McGaughey, Lexington, Kentucky, who is also Grand Secretary-Recorder of the Kentucky York Rite Bodies, was re-elected General Grand Secretary.

In addition to General Grand Master McClendon, General Grand Council's

elective officers are: Owen L. Shanteau, Logansport, Indiana, Deputy General Grand Master; John Harris Watts, Grand Junction, Iowa, General Grand Principal Conductor of Work; Charles F. Adams, Aurora, Nebraska, General Grand Secretary. Bruce H. Hunt, Kirksville, Missouri, who also serves as Grand Secretary-Recorder of his jurisdiction's York Rite Bodies, was re-elected General Grand Recorder.

The officers will serve for the General Grand Chapter and General Grand Council triennium from 1972 to 1975. The 56th and 32nd Triennial Meetings in 1975 will be held in Cleveland, Ohio, September 28-October 2, with Joseph Alexander as general chairman.

General chairman for the Triennial Sessions at Las Vegas was Alger R. Bourne, Boulder City, Nevada; Secretary to the committee was Walter R. Martini, Las Vegas. Ralph Steiner served as Treasurer. John Padgett and Robert L. Karnes were co-chairman, representing the Chapter and Council respectively. Local committees handled the registration, housing, publicity, tours, banquets, entertainment, ladies activities and other phases of the combined gathering.

The York Rite Triennial Sessions banquet in the Grand Ballroom of the Sahara Hotel September 26 featured the presentation of the Royal Arch Gold and Silver Medal awards for 1972. The Gold Medal is presented to a Royal Arch Mason who has distinguished himself "in the following fields of endeavor of national or international importance: Public Service, Business and the Professions, the Arts and Sciences."

The 1972 Gold Medal was presented by retiring General Grand Master Behle to

W. Clement Stone, Chicago, for his accomplishments in Business and the Professions.

The recipient was cited as an executive, philanthropist, civic leader and publisher. He is chairman of the board and chief executive officer of the Combined Insurance Company of America, with operations in Canada, Great Britain, Australia and parts of the Caribbean area in addition to the United States.



W. Clement Stone

His response at the banquet was brief and expressive of the appreciation for the honor conferred. Also present and responding was the 1970 recipient of the Gold Medal Award, Chester A. Lauck, better known to earlier radio audiences as the "Lum" of "Lum n' Abner."

Silver Medal Awards went to John C. Richmond, D.C.; T. Olin Gore, Jr., Tennessee; Carl R. Greisen, Nebraska; Walter J. Bublitz, Missouri; William A. Thaanum, Montana; Kenneth E. Mills, California; Alexander G. Wygard, Mexico; Thomas B. Ballard, Michigan; Gordon R. Merrick, Colorado; Alger R. Bourne, Nevada.

Grand Master of Knights Templar G.

Wilbur Bell headed the Grand Encampment officers in attendance — Deputy Grand Master Roy W. Riegle, Grand Captain General John B. Cottrell, Jr., and Grand Recorder Paul C. Rodenhauer

All participated Tuesday, September 26, with the dais officers and Grand Secretary-Recorders of the three Bodies in a luncheon meeting of the International York Rite Commission to establish closer cooperation, or unity, among the York Rite Bodies. Primary topic was the need for cooperative transition from 1969-72 regional appointees to new representatives for the present triennium, to maintain consistency of arrangements with presently operative Department Commanders for unified regional conferences.



Among those assembling for International York Rite Commission meeting — Sir Knights and Companions Cottrell, Riegle, Halldorson, Bell, Shanteau.

A decision was announced that regional conferences would continue, with the three bodies cooperating, and that guidelines established in 1970 to create uniformity would be re-issued to all Department Commanders of Grand Encampment, Deputy General Grand High Priests for the seven regions, and their counterparts, the Regional Deputy General Grand Masters.

G. Wilbur Bell, current president of the Council, presided for the meeting and set the next meeting during the Conference of Grand Masters week February 1973 in Washington, D.C., with specific

date and time to be relayed later by Council Secretary Paul C. Rodenhauer.



Grand Master Bell, left, congratulates General Grand Master of General Grand Council Mokler and General Grand High Priest Behle as the latter complete their three-year terms.

Special breakfasts during the week included those for the Red Cross of Constantine, with Grand Sovereign Robert W. Cauldwell presiding; K.Y.C.H., with General Grand Master Arnold White in attendance; and the Holy Royal Arch Knight Templar Priests, with Grand Officers Russell B. Tandy, Charles K. A. McGaughey, Alvin L. Crump and other present and past officers participating.

The official series of triennial events began Sunday, September 24, with a worship service conducted by the Rev. Olin E. Lehman, Grand Chaplain of the General Grand Council, with the message by the Rev. A. D. Leon Gray, Grand Chaplain of the General Grand Chapter. The sessions closed with installation of officers September 27.

#### Regional Representatives

Next month the *Knight Templar Magazine* will feature a listing of all District Deputy Grand High Priests and Regional Deputy General Grand Masters appointed at the Triennial Sessions in Las Vegas, together with their area counterparts in the Grand Encampment, the Department Commanders.

#### Chicago Red Cross of Constantine Fete



Present at the 99th birthday party of Edward J. Bullock, Past Grand Sovereign, September 23 were, left to right, Tom Roberts, Viceroy, St. John's Conclave; Alvin L. Crump, Recorder; Alvah T. Martin, Sentinel; Dr. Ralph Larson, Prefect; Siegel C. Oxford, Prelate; and George D. Rees, Sovereign, who presided.

#### D.C. Tribute to Connie Raider

Conrad J. Raider, P.G.C., Baltimore, Maryland — now 90 years of age — has received a new honor, this one from the Grand Commandery of the District of Columbia.

At the 1972 Annual Conclave a resolution was presented noting he had served as Grand Commander of Maryland, was Grand Representative of Maryland near the Grand Commandery of the District and an Honorary Member of Washington Commandery No. 1, and stating:

"Whereas Sir Knight Conrad J. Raider has endeared himself in the hearts of numerous members of this Grand Commandery by his many kind acts and deeds over a long period of time, thereby contributing so much to the fine fraternal relations that prevail between these two neighboring Grand Jurisdictions.

"Now Therefore, Be It Resolved, That Sir Knight Conrad J. Raider be and is hereby elected to Honorary Membership in the Grand Commandery of the District of Columbia."

## THE COLONEL'S LADY

*Claudia Sanders, wife of Sir Knight Harland Sanders, the Colonel Sanders of Kentucky Chicken fame, worked side-by-side with her husband in the early days of the fried chicken venture. Prior to her marriage, she had spent 20 years working for him in various enterprises. The following article is based on a feature from the Courier-Journal of Louisville, Kentucky, by staff writer Irene Nolan.*

Claudia Sanders was born Claudia Ledington 70 years ago in Laurel County, Kentucky. She was first married at 19. The marriage lasted eight years. In 1929 Claudia Price took her two small children and moved to Corbin where her parents were living.

Nell Ray, Claudia's twin sister, was working for Harland Sanders at the Sanders Cafe in Corbin. Sanders liked to hire widows with children because "they had to work and didn't have any foolishness about them." Claudia Price more or less fell into that category and shortly got a job waiting tables and minding the cash register.

Impressed by her business sense, Sanders sent her to Asheville, North Carolina, in 1939 to run a restaurant he had purchased there. When the war came business fell off and she returned to Corbin. In 1945 he sent her to Miami to run a slenderizing salon he had invested in. The next year Sanders sold his interest and Claudia returned to Kentucky to live in Lexington.

In 1947 Sanders divorced his first wife and, in 1949, he married Claudia Price. In the meantime, he was experimenting with a chicken recipe. It sold well in the Corbin restaurant and he thought of selling it elsewhere. In 1956, at age 66, he sold his restaurant and set out to sell his chicken.

Claudia Sanders traveled with the Colonel, drumming up franchises. The Colonel dressed up in his "Colonel suit" and fried the chicken. His wife dressed in an antebellum dress and served as hostess. "Then," recalls the Colonel, "I would



come out coloneling — hand out recipes to the ladies."

At first the herbs and spices were measured and blended by hand and stored in the garage. She packaged the herbs and spices and delivered them to the railway station to get them to a restaurant that needed them on time. "She worked like a Trojan," the Colonel says.

In a few years the business was prospering and Claudia Sanders did not have to work so much. They moved to Shelbyville, their present home, to be closer to Louisville shipping facilities.

In 1964 Sanders sold the business and went on salary to travel around in his "Colonel suit" promoting the chicken. Claudia went along, this time without her antebellum dress. Of course, no matter where they go, the Colonel is immediately recognized, "with having his picture pasted all over the world," but Mrs. Sanders can go anywhere alone and never be recognized.

Sanders doesn't believe in retirement, even at 82, so they are now embarking on another franchise chain of restaurants, fashioned on the one behind their home, to be known as The Colonel's Lady, which will specialize in country cooking served family style.

The Sanders live in a 10 room, 106 year old white brick home, its interior professionally designed. It is filled with souvenirs of trips and all the trappings that wealth has brought. But, as Mrs. Sanders, notes, they really aren't home much anymore. She has been to every state in the union and 25 foreign countries.

When they are home, they lead a quiet life. They have a large, well appointed kitchen. The Colonel cooks the meats and Mrs. Sanders cooks the vegetables. They watch TV. "We watch 'Hee Haw,' that crazy stuff out of Nashville. You get more out of life if you know what everyone is doing. I like to watch young people's shows, too," she explains. "Young people go through a stage. They like to have a good time. I know. We did it, too."

Between them, the Sanders have four children, five grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren who visit. Whenever people connected with the fried chicken business come to town, the Colonel insists they stay with them.

Times have changed. The farm girl is now a lady of considerable wealth. She has traveled far and wide and met many famous personalities. But, basically, Claudia Sanders is still the same woman who came from the farm, waited tables in the Sanders Cafe and worked "like a Trojan" beside her husband to set up the fried chicken business - older, considerably wealthier, but basically the same. Success has not spoiled the Colonel's lady.

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## Wisconsin Decree

Wisconsin's M.W. Grand Master, Sir Knight George J. Schreiber, issued a decree on "preservation of freedom," quoted in part:

I, therefore, decree and summons every Mason in the State of Wisconsin to bring into the folds of DeMolay a young man between the ages of thirteen and twenty-one, and to sponsor him even to the degree of advancing his fees, if necessary, so that we might strengthen the ranks of the Order of DeMolay in our state and preserve the principles for which we stand.

## A Pair of Philanthropists

Sir Knight W. Clement Stone, noted philanthropist, has given \$4,000,000 for the W. Clement Stone Pavilion of the Illinois Masonic Medical Center, Chicago, and has pledged \$500,000 to equip it if the hospital raises \$750,000 for the same purpose.

Another Chicago philanthropist is assisting. John David Pembor recently contacted Stone and presented him with \$1.25 for the project. John is the 10-year old son of a volunteer worker at the Illinois Masonic Medical Center. The ceremony was pictorially reported in the *Chicago Tribune* and *Chicago Daily News*.

## Thanksgiving

Give me the end of the year an' its fun  
 When most of the plannin' an' toilin'  
 is done;  
 Bring all the wanderers home to  
 the nest,  
 Let me sit down with the ones  
 I love best,  
 Hear the old voices still ringin'  
 with song,  
 See the old faces unblemished by wrong,  
 See the old table with all of its chairs  
 An' I'll put soul in my  
 Thanksgivin' prayers.

From a poem by the late  
 Sir Knight Edgar A. Guest



*A look at the meaning of . . .*

## THE SACRED MONOGRAM—I H S

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

The history of the I H S, its origin and meaning are little known, although it is a sight familiar to churchgoers. It appears as a monogram or in connection with the Latin or passion cross, with or without the three steps and may be seen in stained glass windows or churches, or on the silken marker hanging from the Bible on the Minister's lectern, or on church banners.



The usual reading of the monogram or three letters, I H S, is one of the following two interpretations: "Jesus Hominum Salvator," "Jesus, the Savior of Men," or "Jesus, the Savior of Mankind." The other interpretation is: "In Hoc Slus," "In Him is Salvation," or "In This (meaning the cross which accompanies the letters) is Salvation."

There is, however, a third interpretation as follows: The ancient manuscripts of the New Testament were written in Greek, using capital letters throughout the book. Whenever the name JESOUS (Jesus) appeared, the scribes wrote only the first three letters, JES, with a dash over the middle letter, indicating an abbreviation. The Greek capital, ETA, is the English H, and therefore the I H S is simply an abbreviation of the Greek JESOUS, as JES would be of the English Jesus.

Subsequently, when the Latin scribes in making copies of Latin versions of the Testament had occasion to write the

name of Jesus, they used the old abbreviation I H S and not knowing the Greek characters and not understanding that the H was the Greek E, but supposing that it was really a Latin H, they acquired the habit of writing the letters I H S.

Further, the scribes declared that the dash over the middle letter of I H S in the old manuscripts was intended for the sign of the cross, and it is said that this was the beginning of the custom of having the letters I H S and the Latin cross appear together.

It has been suggested further that the letters I H S could stand for "In Hoc Signo," words which surrounded the cross seen in the heavens by Constantine. But that inscription was in Greek: "En touto nika," "In this, conquer," and besides, even in the Latin translation, the letter V for vinces would be required to complete the inscription or motto.

When I H S is used, it should be without periods after each letter, as is sometimes incorrectly shown.

In connection with the vision by Constantine of the cross in the heavens and the motto, "In Hoc Signo Vinces," the Emperor had a royal standard made, and on the top end of the pike supporting the banner, he had the sacred monogram, Chi Rho, two Greek letters signifying the first two letters in the name of Christ. This monogram is referred to as a Christogram or Chrismon. There is no reason why the I H S cannot be referred to by the same names.

Suffice to say in conclusion, the I H S

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## Sir Knight Belli Honored

Attorney Melvin M. Belli, California Commandery No. 1, San Francisco, received the following tribute from the Bar Association of San Francisco in their 100 year history recently:

The San Francisco lawyer best known outside of California is Melvin M. Belli, again a master trial lawyer, who has really altered the style and technique of trial. His five volume work, *Modern Trials*, is a classic in its field. Belli has been an exponent of "the adequate award" in asking for judgments in hundreds of thousands in situations where in the past attorneys thought in terms of thousands — much to the chagrin of insurance companies. He combines a natural flair for publicity with high competence as a courtroom lawyer. If one is in New York or Chicago and the local bar is discussed, the name of Belli will always be mentioned. More than any other lawyer in the United States, he is responsible for the change from negligence to breach of warranty in product liability cases. Belli has expanded and developed what has become known as demonstrative evidence; in a sense he has made law, and the law has made Belli. His office, in a restored 1850 building on Montgomery Street, is furnished in the style of the Victorian period, and is almost a tourist attraction. Belli has participated in many spectacular trials and combines all of the factors for special prominence outlined at the beginning of this chapter.

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## ... WYLIE B. WENDT

with the passion cross above the letters, all enclosed in a delta or triangle, appears on the seal of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of New York. The I H S also appears on the seal of the United Grand Imperial Council of the Knights of the Red Cross of Constantine. The sacred monogram may also appear on other Orders of Christian Knighthood.

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## Help for Hacienda Heights

I often read *Knight Templar* and find interesting the many projects that are accomplished across the nation. Ours was one of those DeMolay — Job's Daughters romances that worked out. Jim is a member of Pasadena Commandery No. 31.

Our community has a "grass-roots" Blind Center which operates on a minimal budget. Almost all of the staff are volunteers. Finances are provided by local Lions Clubs and the Whittier Exchange Club.

As you know most people who lose their vision do so later in life. Though legally blind, many have some residual vision. With the availability of closed circuit television, a device has been developed which reverses contrast and will increase the size of telephone book print to two inches with a zoom lens. This device would enable these older legally blind people to read print with their remaining vision.

General Mills has agreed to assist in the purchase of such a unit if the Intercommunity Blind Center can gather about 360,000 Betty Crocker coupons in a year.

Perhaps some of your readers have saved Betty Crocker coupons and wonder what to do with them! For a few nickles they could mail them to the Center. We have just 10% of our needed number of coupons and we need all the help we can get!

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## A Thought on Thinking Caps

Some centuries ago, around the era of Grand Master Jacques DeMolay, teachers and philosophers wore a distinctive costume to identify them as learned men. One identifying item was a square-cut, tightly-fitted cap. It became known as the symbol of the professional scholar. When one puts on his "thinking cap," perhaps to figure how to increase his Commandery's membership, he is referring to that odd little cap — which, even today, is reflected in academic headgear.

## THANKSGIVING, IN THE STRETCH OF HISTORY

by  
Gilbert H. Hill

Maybe there always was a Thanksgiving, as there always should be.

Back in the Bible Ages, Exodus 23:14-16, the Old Testament reveals: "Three times thou shalt keep a feast unto me in the year. Thou shalt keep a feast of unleavened bread . . . And the feast of harvest, the first fruits of thy labors . . . And the feast of ingathering, which is the end of the year, when thou hast gathered in thy labors out of the field."

According to the ancient Jewish calendar, the Feast of Ingathering lasted seven days, and began on the 15th day of the seventh month, called "Ethanim" or "Tishri," which would be equivalent to our month, October. This feast was also called the Feast of the Tabernacles. (Leviticus: 23-34)

In ancient Greece, an agrarian festival in honor of Demeter, the goddess of agriculture, related particularly to the "Haioa," (threshing floor). Thus, the harvest festival of joy and thanksgiving was manifested in a pagan era for bountiful provisions.

The Roman goddess Ceres was also the goddess of agriculture and the spirit of growth in grain and all other vegetation. Roman harvest festivals rendered devotion to Ceres for the bounty of this member of the Pantheon.

Saxon England, back in the mists of tradition, brought to Britain a feast of plenty, at the close of the harvest, called "Harvest Home."

The Gaelic "hameliness" of the Scotch Kearne reminds one of the same pre-winter spirit of a thankful humanity, that effort and needs have been rewarded.

So, when the Plymouth pilgrims, colonists, so long ago, in December 1621, knelt on the wild shore of the New World, they were not only thankful for the bounty of the harvest, but for their preservation in a new homeland, in free pursuit of a greater destiny. Thus the ancient and universal homage to the Spirit, or Source, of all things, was manifested: that Providence which had brought about the growth of the fruits and crops and sheltered the colony through the hazards of life in the wilderness.

So in today's world of that great "wilderness of discontent" must we be grateful for preservation and the rich bounty of harvest and handiwork granted to us, knowing well that what we get is always more than we deserve and appreciation must live in the hearts of men if ever they are to climb out of obscurity and into the light of truth and nobleness.

May the "Spirit of Plymouth 1621" abide in the hearts and minds of all Americans Thanksgiving Day 1972!

### Note to Recorders

Grand Encampment rituals — in English and in Spanish — are in printing process. The last edition of the coded English Ritual was out of supply in less than eight months. The 1972 edition has had typographical and format inconsistencies further adjusted by the Committee on Ritualistic Matters headed by G. Calvin Dyson, P.G.C., Pennsylvania.

The Spanish Ritual, a long term Templar project of a committee headed by Dr. J. George Lang, P.G.C., New York, is expected to become available to Spanish speaking Commanderies by the end of the year — supplies of the English Ritual, sometime this month.

# KANSAS SUPPLEMENT



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## Deputy Grand Commanders Message

The next several months will bring new peaks of attention to the matter of preserving or restoring the quality of our government, our environment, and our Commanderies. It is not unlikely that far more of the attention, views and conclusions will be based on emotion than on fact or knowledge, for in such situations as we find in presidential races, or as we observe in the pollution of the atmosphere or water, the most obvious reaction is AGAINST others whom we find or feel offensive and not against ourselves and our habits we have come to accept as normal. Emotional reactions of such character are politically stimulation but seldom basically constructive.

A politician according to the dictionary is someone who is versed or experienced in the science of government. In less elegant terms he is someone who understands and takes an interest in the affairs of his country, city, and Commandery. And when his interest becomes active, when he WORKS AT IT, he becomes the "most important Sir Knight in the world" because he is then in the center of the field exerting effort in the direction to attract attention and spread influence where it will help us to grow more. For most effectively focusing new results and relating them to the needs and problems in favorably changing our environment, or preventing its unfavorable change, the York Rite has helped this Valiant Sir Knight with a new publication in Kansas called the York Rite Light emphasizing activities, news and the work of the various divisions of the Rite. A brother Mason could be influenced with a pass-

along copy to join his friends for More Light in Masonry available in the York Rite. Your active support and personal participation in carrying out this program is needed. Why not become the "most important Sir Knight in the world"? EDITORS NOTE - My very busy dentist recently told me that he always finds time to read his *Knight Templar Magazine* as it is very informative.

## GRAND GENERALISSIMO'S MESSAGE

Someone in your Commandery owns and will loan a tape recorder to you. Get tapes made of music for background to the Order of the Temple, if you are not otherwise provided. Particularly use music for special scenes-ascension-departure on the year of penance-ode-triangle scene, and the presentation of the Flag of our Nation.

Definite music is not specified in the ritual, you have a free hand in the usage and selection. It is improper to have any floor movement during prayer, the Lord's Prayer specifically. If you permit movement during the triangle scene use permissive music. Music can be advantageously used in all degrees and orders; but it is the icing on the cake for the Order of the Temple.

## Sir Knight Zimmerman Reported Ill

Word was just received that Sir Knight James E. Zimmerman of 1329 Kellam, Topeka, Kansas has suffered a heart attack and is in the St. Francis Hospital in Topeka Ks. Let us all hope that by the time this is printed that James will be up and around. Why not send him a card?

I'm sure that he would appreciate it.

### Inspection Date Changes

Kansas City 21 From Nov. 21 to Nov. 2  
Pratt No. 56 . . . . From Nov. 7 to ?  
Larned Com. November 20, 1972

### Cornerstone Ceremony in Newton Kansas

On September 16, 1972 the Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Kansas with M.W. Richard D. Kelsy Grand Master presiding opened on the Entered Apprentice Degree in the hall of Newton Lodge No. 142 A.F. and A.M. in Newton, Kansas. The Grand Lodge then formed a Masonic procession with a Color Guard and Templar Escort from Newton Commandery No. 9 and proceeded to the Military Park for the purpose of conducting a Masonic Cornerstone Ceremony for the Newton Free Library which is nearing completion.

W. Bill Getz, the Master of Ceremonies is a Sir Knight of Newton No. 9, the Honorable Garner Shriver, a Sir Knight of Mt. Olivet Commandery in Wichita, Kansas delivered the principal address. Sir Knight Shriver is a United States Congressman from our district. Many of the government officials and Masons assembled were also Sir Knights — so the Masonic fraternity was well represented.

Music for the event was provided by the Newton High School band in a very fine manner. Approximately one hundred Master Masons assembled at the Lodge Hall for a complimentary luncheon upon completion of the cornerstone laying ceremonies. Space will not permit listing all of the participating dignitaries but the Masons of Newton are proud to have been a part of this ancient ceremony.

### 50 YEAR EMBLEMS SCHEDULED

On the dates below the Sir Knights named are scheduled to receive 50 year emblems from the Grand Commandery of Kansas.

Nov. 8 Daniel R. Anthony III Leavenworth No. 1.

Nov. 8 Frank C. Harris — Oriental No. 48 Manhattan

Samuel C. Charlsen

Nov. 9 Charles C. Cunningham — Herrington No. 53

Nov. 30, 1972 Mt. Olivet No. 12 Wichita, Ks.

Ethan E. Black — Henry B. Daniel

Wilbur C. Morehouse — Otto Plagens

### Surgery on Jimmy Monroe Age 5 Sept. 22, 1972

Through a phone call the afternoon of the surgery it was learned that the Doctors are hopeful as to the success of the cataract removal from the left eye of Jimmy Monroe of Pittsburg, Ks. This surgery was performed at the K. U. Medical Center in Kansas City, Ks. The phone call was made by L. W. "Bud" Payden, who is the Kansas Chairman or the Knight Templar Eye Foundation. Payden states that as soon as he learned of the condition of Jimmy Monroe he interviewed the family and started processing the papers necessary to help the family financially with the hospital and surgery bills. The phone call was to inform the K. U. Medical Center Eye Clinic he had just received the authorization of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc., of Rhinebeck, New York that the hospital and surgery would be paid as well as the glasses for the youngster. This did not include the expenses incurred by Jimmy's parents — Mr. and Mrs. Harold R. Monroe who accompanied him to the hospital, it is assumed that these will be paid through the funds collected locally for this young lad and his family.

## BEAUCEANT SUPREME ASSEMBLY MEETS

Mrs. Guy L. Page, Weymouth, Massachusetts, presided as Supreme Worthy President for the 52nd Annual Supreme Assembly of the Social Order of the Beauceant, October 2-6 in Dallas, Texas.

Mrs. Clarence W. Fagerstrom, St. Paul Assembly No. 53, St. Paul, Minnesota, wife of the present Recorder and Past Commander of Damascus No. 1, was elected Supreme Worthy President for 1973.



Grand Master Bell, who spoke at the Supreme Assembly Banquet, is shown with Mrs. Page, retiring Supreme Worthy President, left of picture, and on the right of picture, Mrs. Fagerstrom, new Supreme Worthy President.

Mrs. Jackson Shields, Worthy President of Dallas Assembly No. 63, was general chairman and toastmistress for the banquet, attended by more than 1,000. Greetings were given by the Honorable Preston Smith, 38th Governor of Texas; M.W. Grand Master of Masons, Sir Knight Jack Hightower; Texas Grand Commander Wintford Owen; Allen J. O'Brien, Grand Master of the Grand Council, R. & S.M., Texas; by a special representative

from the Grand Commandery of Massachusetts-Rhode Island (home area of Mrs. Page), Erwin Henrich.

Responses were by Past Supreme Presidents Mrs. Neil McCleod, Mrs. Chester G. Evans, Mrs. Andrew J. White and Mrs. Charles J. Meek.

A Templar color guard of Grand Encampment members was formed by

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## THE BALLOT

I am the great and silent voice,  
I am the written will of man,  
I am the witness of his choice,  
I am the power of his plan.

I am the just equality,  
I am the right men understand,  
I am the keeper of the free,  
I am the future of the plan.

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This poem was included in the September 26  
CONGRESSIONAL RECORD by Colorado  
Senator Gordon Allott, Malta Commandery No.  
32, Lamar.

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## ... BEAUCEANT

Department Commander Arthur G. Coots, Dale E. Miller, P.G.C., Texas Grand Recorder; and Hal F. Burnett, P.G.C. and Past Grand Master of Texas Masons.

Another Grand Encampment guest was the Chairman of the Committee on Finance, Arch M. Dullnig, P.G.C., Texas.

The Social Order of the Beauceant adopted the Knights Templar Eye Foundation as a permanent project in 1958 and has raised hundreds of thousands of dollars for the Foundation. In the past year, more than \$30,000 was contributed.

The organization, limited in membership to Templar wives and widows, was founded in 1890, as a ladies project to assist Knights Templar with the Triennial Conclave in Denver in 1892. The Beauceant theme, writes Mrs. Charles J. Meek, Past Supreme President and chairman of the *Knight Templar Magazine* Committee "is Faith, Loyalty and Love for God, the Order of Knights Templar and each other."



Charles W. Leonard  
Maine  
Grand Commander — 1951  
Born October 1, 1891  
Died September 9, 1972

Samuel L. Jewett  
Missouri  
Grand Commander — 1963  
Born December 29, 1899  
Died September 16, 1972

Milton G. Meline  
Maryland  
Deputy Grand Commander  
Born January 22, 1900  
Died September 25, 1972

George L. Tracy  
Washington  
Grand Commander — 1971  
Born August 14, 1897  
Died September 30, 1972

## THE TEMPLAR'S PRAYER

Ere the ancient Templar began  
His journey to the Holy Land,  
He humbly knelt in knightly submission  
To beseech Divine blessing upon his mission.

Doubtless he prayed for patience, too;  
For perseverance to see him through;  
For courage strong in valor's role;  
And constancy to achieve his goal.

That goal to visit the sacred place  
Where our Saviour left an enduring trace;  
To offer his devotion at the holy shrine  
With penitence, humility and virtue fine.

No less should we as modern Templars  
Be devoted, true and valiant exemplars,  
As faithful soldiers of Christ our Lord,  
Endeavoring to serve him in deed and word.

ERNEST C. RICE, P.C., Prelate  
Calvary Commandery No. 3, West Virginia

## HERITAGE OF TEMPLAR LEADERSHIP



Grand Commanders honored in this issue have a leadership heritage dating to Hugh de Payens, the first elected leader when the Order was formed in 1118 and the black and white Beauseant of Templars “carried dismay into the hearts of the Infidels.”

Hugh de Payens, “stalwart Knight, gallant Soldier of the Cross,” visited Rome in 1128 for confirmation of the Rules and Statutes of the Order, then France and England. Everywhere “he was received with much honor,” given much treasure; “and in Scotland also, and they sent in all a great sum in gold and silver by him to Jerusalem, and there went with him so great a number as never before.”

Historian C. G. Addison tells something of the system of leadership: He “placed a Knight Templar at the head of the Order in England, who was called the Prior of the Temple . . . He was delegated with the power of admitting members into the Order, subject to the control and direction of the Grand Master, and was to provide transport for newly-admitted brethren to the far East, to enable them to fulfill the duties of their profession.”

Although the selection process has been changed, this may have been the basis of delegated Templary authority today, elected or appointed. Grand Commanders are elected; they in turn delegate authority through appointive positions in their jurisdictions.