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**JANUARY:** We're off on a New Year. For some time we'll be writing 1975 instead of 1976, yet probably less frequently this year than ever before. The Bicentennial has made its impact and '76 already has become a familiar sound and symbol. During this month — among other prominent Masons — we have the opportunity to salute the 1880 birth of Brother Douglas MacArthur, described in Grand Master Riegle's feature on page 9, and the 1843 birthday of Sir Knight William McKinley, 25th President of the United States. The picture of the former is included on the cover by permission of Historical Picture Service. In the picture, Judge Advocate Kreger swears in Brother MacArthur; Secretary of State Hurley looks on.

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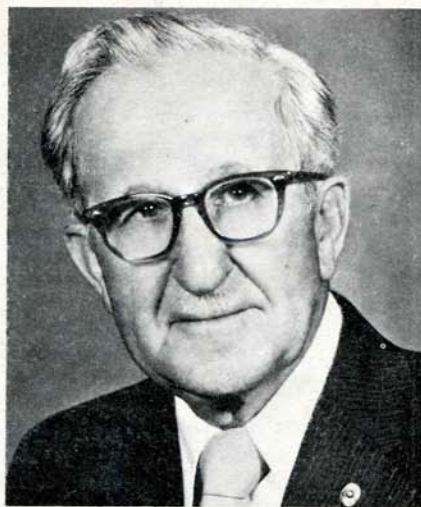
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## **BRINGING IN THE SHEAVES**

A few months ago I was casting about to find the right words to fit our need for concerted membership effort. During an address at a Department Conference, suddenly the appropriate words came to me: "We shall come rejoicing . . . bringing in the sheaves."

Like the fruit-burdened grains of wheat which wave across the Kansas prairie, so the vistas of uninitiated Masons stretch before us, literally beckoning us to recruit them under the banner of our New Testament Order. Thousands of Masonic brethren await our invitation to join us; thousands are waiting to help us shoulder the cross Christ was compelled to bear toward Golgotha.



We are a Christian Order, the summit of the York Rite of Freemasonry. Our symbols, our titles, our ritual are based on the ancient Order when, as Crusaders, we breached the walls of Jerusalem and became the Poor Soldiers of Jesus Christ. It was in 1118 A.D. when our Order was established on the site of the former Temple of King Solomon and from that comes our designation as Knights of the Temple, or "Knights Templar."

Today there is no greater honor or ritualistic experience than that of receiving the Order of Knighthood. There is nothing to compare with its impact upon a worthy Mason. It can be described but the unforgettable experience is yours and yours alone when you become a Knight of the Temple.

During this New Year offering golden moments of opportunity, let's you and I, working together, be sure that we miss none of those moments of opportunity to give every worthy Mason, possessing the prerequisite degrees, an invitation to become a Knight Templar.

We're recruiting because our cause is worth it! Keep in mind that phrase: "We shall come rejoicing . . . bringing in the sheaves." And let those sheaves be true and worthy Masons who will reflect credit and honor upon our beloved Order.

Happy New Year!

*Roy Welford Riegle*





## The KNIGHT VOICES

COMMENTS FROM READERS



□ I am on the Americanism Committee for Madison Lodge No. 11 and each month I look forward to receiving my *Knight Templar Magazine*, not only for my own enjoyment but for preparing lessons for our Lodge. Each new edition of the magazine provides me with a fresh new supply of current events and a wide variety of Masonic history. *Nick Simone, Route 1, Box 8B, Pinnetta, Florida 32350*

□ I heard a recitation relative to the many symbols on the dollar bill including explanations relating to the seal such as the square, scales, key, etc. Also, the all seeing eye above the pyramid.

I would sincerely like to have a copy of this if any Sir Knight would be kind enough to supply same. *Hal B. Maynard, Morristown Commandery No. 22, 808 Shadow Lane, Prattville, Alabama 36067*

□ Having collected over 6,000 Masonic postal cards, which I believe to be the largest collection in this country, I would appreciate it if any Sir Knight would send me a trestle board or calendar from any Masonic body of which he may be a member. They would highlight my postal cards. *Charles Pattison, 9335 Raymond Avenue, Oak Lawn, Illinois 60453*

□ I like my Commandery uniform exactly as it is. I would not change a single button or alter a single buttonhole. I think it looks nice; it is distinctive and it is impressive. It costs money, of course, but what doesn't these days? But I did not buy my Masonic Degrees and Orders in a bargain basement. I will gladly testify that more than value was received for my money. *Carl L. Berndt, 2040 West 87 Street, Cleveland, Ohio 44102*

□ I desire to acquire Volume 1 of *10,000 Famous Freemasons* by William Denslow, soft or hard bound, and a copy of *History of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America* by Sir Knight Francis J. Scully. *Donald D. Thomas, 208 Sypherd Drive, Newark, Delaware 19711*

□ I have kept all my *Knight Templar Magazines* since 1965 and in checking back, I am missing the January, February, March and July 1965 issues. I would appreciate it if anyone could send me copies of these issues so I can complete my set. *Roydon F. Fritsch, Cuyahoga Falls Commandery No. 83, 6505 Greenwiche Road, Seville, Ohio 44273*

□ I am a P.C. of Georgia Commandery No. 1, Augusta, Georgia and am now in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia with the U.S. Army. There are some dozen Master Masons here without any Masonic activity. We would like to form a Square and Compass Club but don't know how to start it.

If any Sir Knight can furnish the needed information I would thank him very much. *Anthon E. Peterson, Area Engineer, Office Tabuk, U.S. Army Engineer District, Saudi Arabia, APO New York 90697*

□ I note where M.E. Knight R. V. Weir was elected to Supreme Grand Master in Canada, and as I recall from living there some years ago, he was the Minister of Agriculture for Saskatchewan. I took my Blue Lodge in Saskatchewan. *Granville Shannon, 6639 North Commercial Avenue, Portland, Oregon 97217*



□ I have a Knights Templar belt, about size 38 or 40, that some good brother can have if he wants it. *W. D. Sloan, 206 West 51st Terrace, Kansas City, Missouri 64112*

□ Masonic plates for sale. Polished armetale with compass and square in center of plate and outline of Temple and 1975, lodge name and number, town and state on outer edge; 9¼ inches in diameter. Cost is \$7.00 per plate. Made by Wilton of Columbia, Pennsylvania. *Luther A. Freed, Bethel Commandery No. 98, R.D. 2, Spring Grove, Pennsylvania*

□ I would like to locate and obtain the Commandery Sword of my uncle, Don L. Mateer, who died many years ago in Joliet, Illinois.

Any information will be gratefully received. *Bruce D. Mateer, Box 9308, Colorado Springs, Colorado 80932*

□ I have a set of Almos Shrine convention tags for 1935 in very good shape, almost new. I paid \$25.00 and will sell them for \$20.00. They are a very good collection item.

I also have a Shriner's ash tray with a Shriner standing in the center. Will sell for \$5.00 (new). *Harry G. Bauer, 2411 Glenallen Avenue, Apt. 102, Silver Springs, Maryland 20906*

□ I must say that I am very much pleased with this latest edition of *Masonic Americana*. . . It is bigger and better than I ever imagined it would be.

The response to my request that Sir Knights send me any books on Masonic subjects which they no longer want has been quite good. Don't stop, Sir Knights; remember, if I get any duplicates, I'll find them a good Masonic home. *H. C. Arbuckle III, Corpus Christi Commandery No. 57, P.O. Box 3026, Corpus Christi, Texas 78404*

□ In response to inquiries, I have found that one cubit equals approximately 45.7 centimeters.

It should be of interest to all Masons that Benjamin Franklin, Grand Master of the Provincial Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania and one of our Nation's founding fathers, was one of the key participants in establishing the metric system at the French Academy in the late eighteenth century. *Steve Scaife, Elwood Commandery No. 6, 730 Hackberry, Chatham, Illinois 62629*

□ I would like to see our uniform left as is. I do not believe it has a great deal to do with membership. We seem to have just as much trouble getting Brothers to join Chapter and Council where they don't even have to buy an apron as we do getting Companions to join Commandery. *Carl L. Carlstrom, P.C. Manistee Commandery No. 32, 4729 Guenthardt Road, Manistee, Michigan 49660*

□ I have worn a pocket watch for years and have always wished I could obtain a Knights Templar fob, but have never seen one. If some Sir Knight has such a fob for which he has no use, I would be willing to purchase it. As I am retired, I have a limited income and could not pay a high price for it. *The Rev. Floyd A. Buehler, 1861 Evergreen Drive, Trenton, Michigan 48183*

□ My wife has a Commandery charm which she purchased at an antique store in New Orleans several years ago. She has recently been given another charm, and she would be very happy to sell the one she purchased. *Paul W. Wineman, 1212 21st Street West, Bradenton, Florida 33505*

□ I am indeed tremendously pleased with the *Masonic Americana* which arrived today. It certainly is interesting and the subject matter changes so frequently that time and again one wishes the articles were longer. All in all, it could prove to be adrenalin to the Craft. *Dr. John M. Leekala, 10701 Lorain Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio 44111*





## EDITOR'S COMMENTS

**Fraternal Bond:** Sir Knight W. A. Nimohay, member of Northhampton Commandery No. 30, Massachusetts, currently working for NACVAC, Charleston, South Carolina, visited South Carolina No. 1 to see Companion Ben Fraser, his associate, Knighted. He says: "I was very reluctant to participate; I have not practiced ritual for many years, never in any southern Lodges, and thought the thing to do for the first time was to watch.

"The Past Grand Commander of South Carolina, Andy Gramling, had different ideas and said that men from other Commanderies should participate, particularly from out of state. These kind of activities make a good bond among all Commanderies and are good for the Country."

Sir Knight Nimohay Knighted his associate "with power vested in me by the Northhampton Commandery No. 30 and the Grand Commandery of Massachusetts and the Appendant Orders of Massachusetts and Rhode Island."

As we wrote to Sir Knight Nimohay, that was no surprise to us. Fraternal hospitality comes naturally to South Carolinians.

**Pennsylvania Dutch:** The basis of a cultural group known today, somewhat erroneously, as the Pennsylvania Dutch, has a "good luck" bird to express a greeting for the New Year (or for any other time of the year). It's the "Distelfink," shown below left. Your "lucky stars" symbol is on the right.



**Special Visit:** The staff was happy to greet a group of seven Grand Recorders who visited the Grand Encampment office at 14 East Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, December 1-2 to observe a full range of operational procedures — from mailing methods to magazine production, from data processing to handling Annual Returns, from Educational Foundation processing to correspondence and filing, from publications to microfilming.

Those who made the visit were Grand Recorders Morrison, Florida; Moseley, Georgia; Miller, Iowa, Bahn, New York; Magee, Minnesota; Riemen, New Mexico; Hunt, Missouri.

Future events may make it possible to invite Grand Recorders from all jurisdictions to study the range of activities in progress at the central office. Letters already received from the seven indicate the visit was "indoctrinationaly successful."

**James R. Case:** The Centennial History of New Haven Commandery No. 2, 1825-1975, as rewritten by Sir Knight James R. Case, has been completed. It was compiled and edited for distribution by Sir Knight Kenneth B. Gray, P.C., New Haven Commandery. As usual, it is well worth the reading. Sir Knight Case lives at 39 Highland Avenue, Bethel, Connecticut 06801.

**Sentiment for a New Year:** "God Bless thee, thy goings out, thy comings in; Thy home, thy friends, thy kith and kin; Thy hopes and plans, thy work or rest, God Bless them as he seeth best; In grief and pain, in joy and cheer, in all he sends, God bless thy year."

**C.A.:** Recently we identified "Central America" as Canal Zone. Obviously not so.



## THE OLD GUARD

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



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

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

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

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

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

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

This article on Templar members and memories first made its appearance in the April 1969 issue of the KNIGHT TEMPLAR MAGAZINE. Sir Knight Wendt, a Templar for nearly 69 years, lives at 5012 East Manslick Road, Louisville, Kentucky 40219.

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### Gospel Concert

Lewistown Commandery No. 26, Lewistown, Pennsylvania, has scheduled a Gospel Concert in a local high school March 20 as one of its special activities for the Knights Templar Eye Foundation. Commandery members are cooperating to make it a major fund-raising "shared project" for the Foundation.



## DeMolay Program A Success

A standing-room-only crowd attended Chester Chapter, Order of DeMolay's "Rededication to American Principles" program November 5 at 1724 Colonial Courthouse, Chester, Pennsylvania. The Courthouse is the oldest public building in the country and was in continuous use from 1724 to 1970.



Section of parade from Masonic Temple to Courthouse.

Preceding the meeting, the Chapter and its guests gathered at the Masonic Temple to parade to the Courthouse. Chester's costumed Officer Corps, other DeMolay and guests marched through the town behind a police escort with flashing lights.

Upon entering the courthouse, a short business meeting was held, at which time Master Councilor Clarence J. Gillespie, Jr. presented the "Hats Off Award" to Dad Harold MacNeilly for his services in making the Courthouse available and arranging the police escort.



Participants in Dedication Ceremony.

Following the meeting, the Chapter was declared open, overhead lights were dimmed and candles were used for lighting. The dedication ceremony began with recitations from the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution. Shown in the picture at left are members of Chester Chapter who took part in the ceremony: Standing, left to right, Robert P. Kinney, Jr., Senior Councilor; T. Scott Powell, 4th Preceptor; James E. Duck, Junior Councilor. Rear, standing, Clarence J. Gillespie, Jr., Master Councilor.

Dad Robert F. Stark addressed the assembly next with remarks of a historical, inspirational and challenging nature. Near the end of the remarks, Brother Powell called the roll of the 13 colonies which started the nation, as the Chester Liberty Bell, in the Courthouse Tower, tolled.

Among the guests present were Dad John B. Cottrell, Jr., Grand Generalissimo and Active Member of the International Supreme Council; Dad William A. Carpenter, Right Worshipful Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania; Honorable Harold A. MacNeilly, Treasurer of the City of Chester; and DeMolay Deputies Robert W. Freet, Earl Edwards and Ward Kerr.



Mr. & Mrs. Cottrell greet Dad Carpenter.



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## FROM THE DAYS OF KING ARTHUR

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by  
Roy Wilford Riegle

*Grand Master Roy Wilford Riegle, Grand Encampment of Knights Templar, is the author of this contribution to the pages of the Knight Templar Magazine. The Grand Master, as Colonel Riegle, had more than a superficial knowledge of the General. As one who served on the General's Civil Affairs Staff, Grand Master Riegle says that "the story of General Douglas MacArthur, his eloquent words and valiant deeds, will ring throughout the ages."*

The MacArthurs spring from a long line of distinguished forebears and warriors who can trace their ancestry back to Robert Bruce of Scottish history. The traditions of the family are linked with the heroic lore of King Arthur and the Knights of the Round Table.

Arthur MacArthur, the father of Douglas, became a career soldier and was called the "boy hero" of the Civil War for his daring and courage during various battles. He was considered beyond doubt the most distinguished Captain of the Army of the United States for gallantry and good conduct, master of his profession and temperate and modest at all times. He was instrumental in the capture of General Aguinaldo, leader of the guerilla forces, during the Philippine Insurrection following the Spanish-American War.

The mother of Douglas MacArthur was born Mary Pinkney Hardy. Her father was a wealthy cotton merchant in Norfolk, Virginia. Her ancestors fought under George Washington and her brothers served under Robert E. Lee during the Civil War. She was one of the most dominant influences in the life of her son, Douglas, until the day of her death.

The Arthur MacArthurs had three sons during the 37 years of their marriage: Arthur, Malcolm and Douglas. The son, Arthur, was graduated from the Naval Academy in 1892, and was awarded the highest medals for his distinguished career

in the U.S. Navy. He died in 1923. The son, Malcolm, died at an early age. This left only the son, Douglas, to continue the famous history of the MacArthur family. He was born January 26, 1880.

The fabled story of Douglas MacArthur can best be told in what he said and did. In his youth he acquired an intense patriotism for and loyalty to his country. He was educated to the demands of personal sacrifice, of duty and honor. He was outspokenly religious, a career soldier with a large popular following. He appeared pompous at times, and aristocratic, yet he always had his feet on the ground. He stood high in any group. He earned a spectacularly impressive array of medals in his 48 years of service to his nation, from the Pistol Expert to the top and most coveted Congressional Medal of Honor. Many nations honored him with their medals and other awards of excellence and distinction. He was honored as few men have ever been. He served under seven Presidents. He developed into one of the greatest orators America has ever had. He was involved in some of the most important controversies of our age, a central figure perhaps, for he aroused controversy on occasions, but he always stood above the awe and the conflicts he inspired.

Douglas MacArthur entered West Point on June 13, 1899, and was graduated therefrom on June 11, 1903, with the highest rating ever achieved → → →



by a cadet. Here, in the atmosphere of culture and learning, he acquired the rigid discipline that was to continue throughout his army career. Here, he learned that preparedness was the key to success and victory. Upon graduation from West Point he was commissioned a second lieutenant in the Engineers. His first assignment was to the Philippines, and then he served in Vera Cruz during the Mexican uprisings in 1914. He served four years as an instructor at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas.

When called before the Secretary of the Army, Newton D. Baker, at the beginning of World War I, MacArthur suggested that units be taken from various states to form an infantry division that would stretch over the whole country like a rainbow. Such a division, numbered the 42nd, was formed with units from 26 states, but it was familiarly known as the Rainbow Division. MacArthur was its first Chief of Staff and later became its Commanding General. He won his spurs on the battlefields of World War I in France with this famous and greatly decorated Division. A non-commissioned officer in an Ohio regiment said of MacArthur: "He's a hell-to-breakfast baby, long and lean, kind to us and tough on the enemy. He can chase Germans as well as any doughboy in the Rainbow."

Sir Knight General Pershing said of MacArthur: "The record represents the unremitting endeavor of a very brilliant and gifted officer, who has, after more than a year's service in France without a day apart from his division or his command, and although twice wounded in action, filled each day with a loyal and intelligent application to duty such as is, among officers in the field and in actual contact with battle, without parallel in our Army." Upon the citation of General Pershing, the Silver Star was awarded seven times to General MacArthur for bravery on the battlefields of France.

On June 12, 1919, fresh from his brilliant record and service in France, General MacArthur assumed the command of West Point as its youngest Superintendent ever. During the four years he

was head of his Military Alma Mater he revitalized the spirit and conditions at West Point. He was a reform minded Commandant. He re-established the four year course on a permanent basis, broadened the curriculum to include the best modern thought on education, instituted and approved an intensive athletic program and demanded the highest standards of honor as the only solid foundation for a military career.

From West Point he was sent to the Philippines again where he served as Commander of the Military District of Manila and later the Philippine Scout Brigade. He was returned to the United States in 1925, as Commander of the Second Corps Area, with headquarters in Atlanta; later to Baltimore as the Third Corps Area Commander. While there he was a member of the court martial which tried General William Mitchell, who strongly endorsed a strong air power and a unified control over it. Mitchell was before the court martial because he accused the Army and Navy Departments of incompetency and neglect after the loss of the Navy dirigible *Shenandoah* during an electrical storm. MacArthur's vote saved Mitchell from dismissal from the Army. In 1927, during his stint of duty at Baltimore, MacArthur was elected President of the American Olympic Committee and charged with the active directorship of the American Olympic Team. He was given a leave of absence so that he could perform this duty. He developed a splendid team effort and the American team finished in first place in Amsterdam, Holland.

General MacArthur was appointed Chief of Staff of the U.S. Army on August 5, 1930. In such position he continuously advocated a strong National Defense policy and unflinchingly spoke and fought against Communism. He performed many exacting duties with signal and conspicuous success. The famous Bonus March of World War I Veterans to Washington, D.C., occurred while MacArthur was Chief of Staff and he was charged with feeding and taking care of the veterans and sending them back home.

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In 1935 General MacArthur sailed from San Francisco for the Philippines, again for the purpose of building a strong defense in those islands.

MacArthur was made a Mason "At Sight" by Samuel Hawthorne, Grand Master of the Philippines, on January 17, 1936, and he affiliated with Manila Lodge No. 1, Manila. He received the 32° A.A.S.R., S.J., at Manila the same year; was made a K.C.C.H. and Honorary 33° on December 8, 1947, at the American Embassy, Tokyo, Japan. He was a Life Member of the Nile Shrine Temple, Seattle, Washington. MacArthur praised Freemasonry on many occasions and once said:

"It embraces the highest moral laws and will bear the test of any system of ethics or philosophy ever promulgated for the uplift of man... its requirements are the things that are right, and its restraints are from the things that are wrong... inculcating doctrines of patriotism and brotherly love, enjoying sentiments of exalted benevolence, encouraging all that is good, kind and charitable, reprobating all that is cruel and oppressive, its observance will uplift everyone under its influence... to do good to others, to forgive enemies, to love neighbors, to restrain passions, to honor parents, to respect authority, to return good for evil, not to cause anger, not to bear false witness, not to lie, not to steal — these are the essential elements of the moral law."

On April 30, 1937, General MacArthur married Jean Marie Faircloth who bore him one son, Arthur. She was with him during the rest of his Army career, during his many years of Army service, until his death.

General MacArthur had previously married Mrs. Louise Cromwell Brooks in 1922. They were not compatible. What was exciting to the General was extremely dull to Louise MacArthur. She found Army life unbearable. MacArthur disliked parties but his wife adored them. They

were divorced and went their separate ways.

By 1939 war clouds were gathering in the United States and hanging heavy over the Philippines. The United States needed to rapidly build a strong national defense to cope with any eventuality anywhere in the world. On May 20, 1944, MacArthur was appointed Commanding General, United States Army Forces in the Far East (USAFFE), with headquarters in Manila.

The world knows about the attack of the Japanese upon Pearl Harbor in Hawaii on Sunday, December 7, 1941, the Japanese siege upon Bataan and Corregidor in the Philippines and their bottling up of General MacArthur and his courageous Army. History is replete with MacArthur's withdrawal, with his wife and son, Arthur, and with a selected and trusted staff, from Corregidor to Australia, at the suggestion of the Australian Government and with the approval of the President of the United States. Upon arrival in Australia, after a hazardous journey, MacArthur said, "I came through and I shall return!" His legendary promise "I shall return" became the fervent hope of the Philippines and the battle cry of the aroused Allied Nations in the Pacific that no Japanese bayonet could still.

At his headquarters in Australia, and as the Supreme Commander of the Allied Forces in the Pacific, MacArthur planned and put into action the campaign to drive the Japanese from New Guinea, the Philippines and Okinawa, and eventually to defeat them at home. He neutralized their strongholds by cutting their lines of supply, isolating their armies and starving them on the battlefields. He and his Armed Forces recaptured, leap-frogged or by-passed the heavily fortified islands of the enemy on their way to Japan.

On August 10, 1945, after an atom bomb had been dropped each on Hiroshima and Nagasaki, within the space of three days, upon orders of the President of the United States, the Japanese sued for peace through the Swiss Government. On August 15th Japan finally

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surrendered and, on the same day, General MacArthur was made Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers. The formal surrender of the Japanese occurred aboard the U.S. Battleship *Missouri* about 18 miles off the shores of Tokyo. General MacArthur with his picked staff was in charge of the surrender.



As Supreme Commander, General MacArthur was in Control of the military occupation of Japan for approximately six years. During that time he gradually demobilized and disarmed the Japanese military power and modernized the Japanese Constitution. He established representative government and instituted major religious, social, economic and political reforms for the benefit of the people, including the liberalization of the educational and health systems, the elimination of child labor practices, the unionization of labor and the prompt housing, feeding and clothing of the Japanese population in order to prevent pestilence, disease and starvation or other major social catastrophies. He gave Japan a balanced budget and required the government to live within that budget. He rebuilt a nation almost completely devastated by war, set up a model democracy and led the Japanese people back into the family of nations. Also during his tour of duty in Japan he commanded the Allied Forces of the Pacific in the Korean Conflict where he won battles and tried to end the conflict with a decisive victory.

In April 1951 General MacArthur was relieved as Supreme Commander of the Allied Powers. When he left Japan for the United States the people on the streets of Tokyo bade him goodbye with tearful eyes, for he had performed one of the

miracles of the 20th century by lifting up a defeated people and setting them on the solid basis of constitutional government. When MacArthur left Japan he was perhaps the most respected American to serve in the Far East. He was the hero of the Pacific theater and the architect of modern Japan. He was a folk hero who called forth more emotional support among average Americans than almost any fighting man of our history. When Douglas MacArthur, Mrs. MacArthur and their son, Arthur, returned home they were received tumultuously wherever they went, in San Francisco, New York City, San Antonio and 23 other cities. Thousands of tearful people, cheering, waving, turned out to see the General pass by. The United States took him to its heart.

The General was invited by Congress to address its joint session on April 19, 1951, in Washington, D.C. What he said there is now legendary. Hardened politicians wept openly during his Old Soldier address. In closing his speech, he gave these stirring words which were heard by millions of people all over the world: "I am closing my fifty-two years of military service. When I joined the Army even before the turn of the century, it was the fulfillment of all my boyish hopes and dreams. The world has turned over many times since I took the oath on the Plain at West Point, and the hopes and dreams have long since vanished. But I still remember the refrain of one of the most popular barrack ballads of that day which proclaimed most proudly that 'old soldiers never die, they just fade away,' and like the old soldier of that ballad, I now close my military career and just fade away — an old soldier who tried to do his duty as God gave him the light to see that duty. Goodbye."

After his retirement from the Army in 1951, the General first served as Chairman of the Board of Remington Rand, Inc., and then of the Sperry-Rand Corporation.

On May 12, 1962, General MacArthur was awarded the Sylvanus Thayer Medal, the highest honor of the United States Military Academy. That day the then

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gaunt, unbent 82 year old veteran delivered his Duty-Honor-Country speech entirely extemporaneously to a deeply moved, awed and silent West Point Class. This speech, which added greatly to his stature as a loyal and devoted American, and as an orator, was ended as follows:

"The shadows are lengthening for me. The twilight is here. My days of old have vanished tone and tint; they have gone glimmering through the dreams that were. Their memory is one of wondrous beauty, watered by tears, and coaxed and caressed by the smiles of yesterday. I listen vainly, but with thirsty ear, for the witching melody of faint bugles blowing reveille, of far drums beating the long roll. In my dreams I hear again the crash of guns, the rattle of musketry, the strange mournful mutter of the battle-field. But in the evening of my memory, always I come back to West Point. Always there echoes and reechoes in my ears - Duty - Honor - Country.

"Today marks my final roll call with you. But I want you to know that when I cross the river my last conscious thoughts will be of the Corps - and the Corps - and the Corps.

"I bid you farewell."

In 1951, General MacArthur "adopted" the City of Norfolk, Virginia, the birth-place of his mother and two brothers, as his "home by choice" and said he wished to be buried there. The General died April 5, 1964, after a lingering illness, in the Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D.C., where crowds, on occasion, gathered to listen for news of his condition.

The nation stood in sorrowful salute and respect. The leaders of the United States and the world praised him with glowing tributes. Before burial his body lay in state in the Seventh Street Armory, Washington, D.C., then in New York City and finally in the rotunda of our Nation's Capitol where thousands passed to bid farewell to our senior five-star general, an intrepid spirit and a gallant gentleman, and the soldier without peer. He was laid to rest and entombed in the rotunda of the Memorial built for him by the City of Norfolk, Virginia.

## Dr. Steinhoff 60 Years a Mason



Dr. Carl F. Steinhoff, a Knight Templar since 1924 and a Mason since 1915, celebrated his 60th Masonic anniversary December 15, 1975. Sir Knight Steinhoff is a

33<sup>o</sup> Honorary Scottish Rite Sovereign Grand Inspector General, a member of the Valley of Chicago. He is associated with the Illinois Masonic Medical Center of that city and is an active practitioner.

Dr. Steinhoff was Raised in Humboldt Park Lodge No. 113 in 1915. His Masonic career includes membership in North West Chapter No. 224, Illinois Commandery No. 79, St. John's Conclave, Red Cross of Constantine and in Medinah Shrine Temple. He is a Past President of Chicago Chapter, National Sojourners and served as a Brigadier General, U.S. Army Medical Corps Reserve.

## Bicentennial Medallion Issued

The Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia is issuing a Bicentennial Commemorative Medallion in honor of the 200th Anniversary of the United States and the part played by Masons in its founding.

The medallions are one and a half inches in diameter and one-eighth of an inch thick. The front side is imprinted with the words "The United States of America, 1776-1976," the faces of Brothers Washington and Ford and the Blue Lodge Symbol. The reverse side has the words "The Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia, A.L. 5811" and a Masonic symbolic scene.

The medallions are available, postpaid, at \$5.00 each for bronze and \$25 each for silver. They will be embedded in lucite for an additional \$5.00. Send check or money order, payable to the Committee on '76, Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia, 801-13th Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20005.



## GRAND RECORDERS VISIT GRAND ENCAMPMENT

A group of seven Grand Recorders of Grand Commanderies from diverse areas paid a visit to the office of the Grand Encampment December 1 and 2, 1975, to become acquainted with the available materials and facilities offered by the Grand Encampment and to study operational procedures ranging from Annual Returns through the Knights Templar Eye Foundation to Zip Code requirements.

Those touring the office included Grand Recorders Marion L. Miller, Iowa; Garrett W. McGee, Minnesota; Elmer H. Riemen, New Mexico; James E. Moseley, Georgia; Bruce H. Hunt, Missouri; Thomas N. Morrison, Florida; John J. Bahn, New York.

Scenes below tell the tour story which was conducted by staff members.



Magazine production operations are center of attraction for Grand Recorders. *Knights Templar Magazine* contains 32 general pages each month and an average of 45 two-page Supplements.



Below a Grand Recorder checks Annual Returns with Sir Knight Bigley and Bernice Powell.



THE GRAND ENCAMPMENT CONTINUES IN 1976 TO OFFER COPIES OF *MASONIC AMERICANA* AT \$1.50 EACH, AS WELL AS MARBLE BICENTENNIAL PAPERWEIGHTS AT \$3.00 EACH AS LONG AS PRESENT SUPPLY EXISTS. WRITE: GRAND RECORDER, 14 EAST JACKSON BOULEVARD, SUITE 1700, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60604.



Kansas City, site of the 1976 Grand Encampment Triennial Conclave, is a blend of history, culture, sports and entertainment. Often called the "gateway to the West," it offers a combination of old and new: from the new international airport and dual stadium sports complex to the Wornall Home, a famous Civil War hospital used by Union and Confederate troops during the battle of Westport.

Visitors to Kansas City may take an elevator ride to the top of the 217 foot Liberty Memorial, dedicated to the war dead of World War I. The memorial, located in the heart of the city, is flanked by two stately museums housing relics from the war.

Just minutes from town, the Harry S. Truman Library brings to life this former Sir Knight's Presidential years. Sir Knight Truman's home is within walking distance from the library-museum.

Families will enjoy the Kansas City Zoo, its Children's Zoo, the Nelson Gallery of Art with its collection of Oriental Art, and the Kansas City Museum of History and Science.

Visitors might also want to stop at Country Club Plaza, the oldest shopping center in the country and the center of Kansas City's business and cultural activity. With a blend of old Spanish, Mexican and South Californian architecture, sidewalk cafes and elegant restaurants, small antique shops and giant department stores await shoppers.

Art and music also play a role in Kansas City. The Kansas City Philharmonic, honored five times for its series of "Connoisseur Concerts," is one of the favorites of visitors. The Missouri Repertory Theater, the Resident Theatre, the Lyric Opera, America's only company presenting opera in English, and the Starlight Theatre, featuring Broadway musicals, also offer a variety of entertainment.

Not far from the city are other historic areas: Weston, a pre-Civil War river town that has been restored; St. Joseph, home



The William Rockhill Nelson Gallery of Art, on Oak Street, in Kansas City.

of the Pony Express, and Leavenworth, site of the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College.

Those attending the Grand Encampment Triennial August 28-September 2 will not be the only visitors in Kansas City this year. The Shriners will be in town for their convention July 4, followed by the Republican Convention in August. The American Royal, the largest combination livestock and horse show in the world, will be the attraction in November.

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### Newest R.A.M. Chapter

Herbert Berg was Installed as the First Excellent High Priest of Mount Sinai Chapter No. 161, Royal Arch Masons of California, November 25, 1975 at Ionic Temple, Los Angeles.

The Installing Officers were Kenneth L. Morris, M.E. Grand High Priest, and Charles M. Berg, Chapter High Priest. Installing Marshall was John R. Nocas, R.E. Deputy Grand High Priest, and the Installing Chaplain was Norman W. Thompson.

Members of every Order of Masonry were represented, including the Scottish Rite, York Rite and Symbolic Masonry.

Mount Sinai Chapter, chartered April 29, 1975, is the newest California Chapter.

To date there are 148 members.



# HIGHLIGHTS AND SIDELIGHTS

## Masons Donate *Masonic Americana*

Sir Knight Fred Shepherd, Jr., Cincinnati, Ohio, writes that the following "is a news release from one of the local newspapers.

"Knights Templar Lonnie Jackson and Fred Shepherd, Jr. recently gave 40 copies of the book *Masonic Americana* to the Public Library of Cincinnati and Hamilton County in the name of Hanselmann Commandery No. 16, K.T.

"The gift comprises a book for each of the 36 branch libraries — including those in Reading, Sharonville, Glendale, Forest Park, Greenhills and Wyoming, bookmobiles and the Main Library.



*Masonic Americana* recounts the 200-year history of the American Masonic movement and includes biographies of 14 of our Presidents who were Master Masons. "Thirteen signers of the Declaration of Independence were Masons also," said Sir Knight Jackson.

Hanselmann Commandery also reports successful results from the decal illustrated in the December issue and says that many Commanderies "would benefit by using the decals as a device to encourage their membership to participate in the Voluntary Campaign. We have prepared a quantity price-break schedule" for those interested in writing Fred Shepherd, Jr., 6025 Dunlap Road, Cincinnati, Ohio 45247.

## Flag Pole Dedication

A 30 foot flag pole, erected by members of Bonneville Lodge No. 31, F. & A.M., Salt Lake City, Utah, was dedicated September 26 at the Salt Lake City Masonic Temple, Utah.

Following the dedication by Patrick H. Fenton, Grand Master of Free and Accepted Masons of Utah, the Bountiful Chapter, Order of DeMolay, raised a flag donated by Brother Rulon E. Jones, Past Grand Master. Brother James Wims, Lt. Col. U.S.A.F, Ret., bugled "To The Colors."

Bethel No. 1, International Order of Job's Daughters, sang "America The Beautiful," after which Grand Master Fenton and Merton C. Arpke, Worshipful Master of Bonneville Lodge, addressed the assembly.

Also participating were: Blaine M. Simons, Grand Treasurer; Clarence M. Groshell, Grand Secretary, and Richard W. Lottridge, Junior Grand Warden. H. Scott Hammill, Past Grand Master, is chairman of the Bicentennial Committee.

## Anniversary Medallion

Kingsway Chapter, R.A.M., Springfield, Massachusetts, is issuing a bronze medallion commemorating its 50th Anniversary February 26. The medallion shows George Washington, standing, and the lettering, "Masonry Salutes American Freedom." The reverse side includes the Chapter name, city, state, dates and keystone.

The medallions are available for \$2.50 each from Richard E. Young, H.P., 157 Croyden Terrace, Springfield, Massachusetts 01104.

## Thought for the Month

Poor Richard said: A man wrapped up in himself makes a very small bundle.



## Two Who Were Missed

In the November issue of the *Knight Templar Magazine* we learned belatedly of two discrepancies in the listing of Grand Commanders.



On the left above is Sir Knight Robert P. Frailey, Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Connecticut. On the right is a corrected picture of Sir Knight Wayne Kirk, Grand Commander of Arizona, which the printer inadvertently confused with Sir Knight R. Glen White, Immediate Past Grand Commander.

On behalf of the magazine apologies for their omissions are offered to Sir Knights Frailey and Kirk.

## Johnston Receives Award

The members of Ransomville Lodge No. 551, F. & A.M., honored Sir Knight George Johnston, Past Master of Ransomville Lodge and Past High Priest of Niagara Chapter No. 200, Niagara Falls, New York, with the Dedicated Service Award of the Grand Lodge of the State of New York.

District Deputy Grand Master Frank W. Clow of Kendall, New York, made the presentation, assisted by Acting Master George Bell (Senior Warden) of Ransomville, New York. The award consists of a Certificate and Special Masonic apron.

Brother Johnston was one of five to receive the Award in Masonic District of Niagara and Orleans, and one of 211 to be so honored in New York State in 1975.

## Temple Honors Magee

El Zagal Temple, Fargo, North Dakota dedicated its Fall 1975 Ceremonial to Sir Knight Barney Magee of Detroit Lakes, Minnesota, Grand Recorder of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Minnesota.

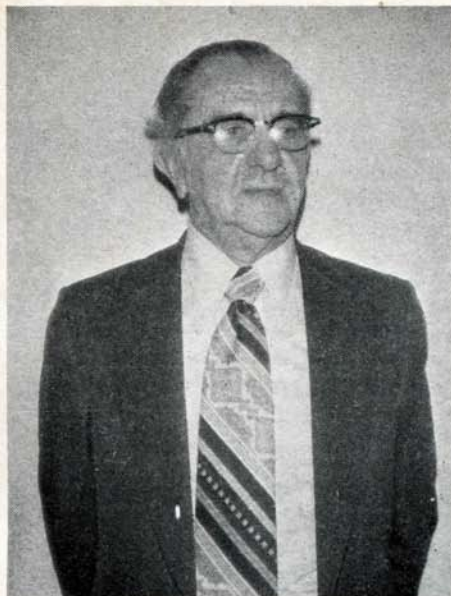
The honor was bestowed, according to El Zagal Potentate Judson D. Tracy, in recognition of Sir Knight Magee's "many years of faithful service to El Zagal, the Detroit Lakes Color Guard and the unselfish effort . . . put forth to further the cause of Masonry and Shrinedom."



Sir Knight Magee, left, Knights his son Gary into the Masonic Fraternity at festivities held recently at Detroit Lakes.

Sir Knight Magee's many Masonic recognitions include: Past Grand Senior Warden, Grand Commandery of Minnesota; Past Commander, Park Region Commandery No. 37, Detroit Lakes; Past High Priest, Detroit Chapter No. 62, R.A.M.; Present Secretary and Past Master of Mount Tabor Lodge No. 106, A.F. & A.M., Detroit Lakes; Past Worthy Patron, O.E.S.; Past President, Detroit Lakes Shrine Club. He also served as Ambassador of El Zagal Temple for eight years.





Elmer H. Riemen, Grand Recorder of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of New Mexico, completed 50 years as a Secretary-Recorder in December.

Sir Knight Riemen devoted 50 years to Roswell Lodge No. 18, A.F. & A.M.; 50 to Columbia Chapter No. 7, R.A.M., and 50 to Rio Hondo Commandery No. 6. He also has served as Recorder of Valley Council No. 4, R. & S.M., from the date of charter in 1947.

## HAPPY NEW YEAR

### January Department Conferences

Southeastern — January 16-17, 1976, The Jefferson Hotel, Main and Jefferson Streets, Richmond, Virginia (Charles Leo Harrison, Department Commander)

East Central — January 31-February 1, 1976, Biltmore Towers Hotel, 210 North Main Street, Dayton, Ohio (William J. J. Fleming, Department Commander)

On January 10, 1776, a remarkable pamphlet by English Quakers newly arrived in the colonies was published in Philadelphia. *Common Sense* spoke out for declaring independence. The arguments were logical and compelling, convincing the doubters and strengthening those already convinced. King George was pictured as a brutal tyrant. Complete independence was advanced as the only guarantee for colonial liberties.

Brother Washington, who previously had been toasting the King nightly, was won over and wrote as much to Joseph Reed. Washington was still besieging Boston and had received the news of the defeat at Quebec.

News of the act restraining trade had also reached the colonies. At Falmouth, Maine, minutemen had attacked a royal vessel at anchor. The Captain took revenge by destroying Falmouth by bombardment.

The news of these and other incidents spread throughout the colonies, arousing ire and indignation. The time was right when *Common Sense* appeared to fan the flames.

### 8th Voluntary Campaign

The *Spirit of '76* Knights Templar Voluntary Campaign is in full swing. Horse shows, vocal and orchestral concerts, pancake breakfasts, fruitcake sales and similar shared program activities are in progress with more to come. There's a three-fold purpose to the Voluntary Campaign: Raise helpful funds; Enjoy Commandery sponsored projects; Let the public know what the Knights Templar Eye Foundation does in casework for those in need.

For VOLUNTARY CAMPAIGN materials, write the Grand Recorder, 14 East Jackson Boulevard, Suite 1700, Chicago, Illinois 60604.



## FUTURE MASONIC MEETING DATES

*As a service to national organizations in arranging future meeting dates, the Knight Templar Magazine again offers a projected schedule of events for Masonic and Masonically-affiliated bodies as they have been reported to the magazine by officers of the various bodies.*

<b>CONFERENCE OF GRAND MASTERS OF MASONS IN NORTH AMERICA</b>			
February 17-18, 1976	Philadelphia	annually	William B. Stansbury, Jr. Executive Secretary-Treasurer
<b>CONFERENCE OF GRAND SECRETARIES IN NORTH AMERICA</b>			
February 17-18, 1976	Philadelphia	annually	Dwight L. Smith Secretary-Treasurer
<b>GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER, R.A.M., INTERNATIONAL</b>			
September 10-14, 1978	Denver	triennially	Charles K. A. McGaughey General Grand Secretary
<b>GENERAL GRAND COUNCIL, R. &amp; S.M., INTERNATIONAL</b>			
September 10-14, 1978	Denver	triennially	Bruce H. Hunt General Grand Recorder
<b>GRAND ENCAMPMENT, KNIGHTS TEMPLAR, U.S.A.</b>			
August 28-September 2, 1976	Kansas City, Mo.	triennially	Paul C. Rodenhauer Grand Recorder
<b>SUPREME COUNCIL, 33<sup>o</sup>, A.A.S.R., N.M.J.</b>			
September 26-30, 1976	Milwaukee	annually	Stanley F. Maxwell Executive Secretary
<b>SUPREME COUNCIL, 33<sup>o</sup>, A. &amp; S.R., S.J.</b>			
October 17-20, 1977	Washington, D.C.	biennially	C. Fred Kleinknecht Grand Secretary General
<b>IMPERIAL COUNCIL, A.A.O.N.M.S.</b>			
July 6-9, 1976	Kansas City, Mo.	annually	George M. Saunders Imperial Recorder
<b>U.G.I.C., RED CROSS OF CONSTANTINE</b>			
June 4-5, 1976	Birmingham	annually	Paul C. Rodenhauer Grand Recorder
<b>CONVENT GENERAL, KNIGHTS YORK CROSS OF HONOUR</b>			
September 10-11, 1976	Halifax, Nova Scotia	annually	Stanley W. Wakefield Grand Registrar-General
<b>ROYAL ORDER OF SCOTLAND, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA</b>			
September 30, 1976	Milwaukee	annually	Marvin E. Fowler Provincial Grand Master
<b>SUPREME COUNCIL, M.O.V.P.E.R., GROTTOS OF NORTH AMERICA</b>			
June 23-26, 1976	Fort Worth	annually	Alfred A. Arnold Executive Secretary
<b>TALL CEDARS OF LEBANON OF NORTH AMERICA</b>			
May 20-22, 1976	Atlantic City	annually	John C. Sarver Supreme Tall Cedar, N.A.
<b>THE PHILALETES SOCIETY</b>			
February 20, 1976	Washington, D.C.	annually	Franklin J. Anderson Executive Secretary
<b>NATIONAL SOJOURNERS, INC.</b>			
June 22-26, 1976	San Diego	annually	Melvin W. Byers National Secretary-Treasurer
<b>NATIONAL COURT, ROYAL ORDER OF JESTERS</b>			
July 5, 1976	Kansas City, Mo.	annually	Ray Nyemaster Royal Impresario

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<b>GRAND COLLEGE OF AMERICA, H.R.A.K.T.P.</b>				
February 22, 1976	Washington, D.C.	annually	George C. Moreland	Grand Registrar
<b>GRAND COUNCIL, ALLIED MASONIC DEGREES</b>				
February 21, 1976	Washington, D.C.	annually	Robert L. Grubb	Grand Secretary
<b>SOCIETAS ROSICRUCIANA IN CIVITATIBUS FOEDERATIS</b>				
February 21, 1976	Washington, D.C.	annually	Harold V. B. Voorhis	Supreme Magus
<b>KNIGHT MASONS OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA</b>				
February 21, 1976	Washington D.C.	annually	C. Ray Scarbrough	Grand Scribe
<b>SUPREME COUNCIL, ORDER OF THE AMARANTH, INC.</b>				
June 20-23, 1976	Louisville	annually	Gerald Laurens	Supreme Secretary
<b>SUPREME TEMPLE, DAUGHTERS OF THE NILE</b>				
June 20-24, 1976	Omaha	annually	Helen V. Drake	Supreme Princess Recorder
<b>GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER, ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR</b>				
September 26-29, 1976	Cleveland	triennially	Virginia M. Jones	Grand Secretary
<b>SUPREME ASSEMBLY, SOCIAL ORDER OF THE BEAUCEANT</b>				
September 27-October 1, 1976	Columbus	annually	Harriett B. Sidles	Chairman, K.T. Mag.
<b>SUPREME SHRINE, ORDER OF THE WHITE SHRINE OF JERUSALEM</b>				
May 4-6, 1976	Detroit	annually	Dorothea E. Shaffer	Supreme Worthy Scribe
<b>GRAND COUNCIL, LADIES ORIENTAL SHRINE OF NORTH AMERICA</b>				
May 1976	Honolulu	annually	Dorothy L. Coates	Grand Recorder
<b>SUPREME ASSEMBLY, INTERNATIONAL ORDER OF RAINBOW FOR GIRLS</b>				
July 20-22, 1976	Anaheim	biennially	H. D. Grout, Jr.	Supreme Recorder
<b>SUPREME GUARDIAN COUNCIL, INTERNATIONAL ORDER, JOB'S DAUGHTERS</b>				
August 4-8, 1976	St. Louis	annually	Doris E. Finley	Supreme Secretary
<b>INTERNATIONAL SUPREME COUNCIL, ORDER OF DEMOLAY</b>				
March 14-17, 1976	Indianapolis	annually	Richard E. Harkins	Executive Director

*As of this date, Regional Conferences of the Grand Encampment and the General Grand Chapter and General Grand Council in 1976 are scheduled as follows: Southeastern, Richmond, Virginia - January 16-17 of this month; East Central, Dayton, Ohio - January 31-February 1; South Central, Waco, Texas - September 18-19; Northeastern, Burlington, Vermont - October 8-9; North-western, Boise, Idaho - October 30-31; Southwestern, Reno, Nevada - November 13; North Central, St. Paul, Minnesota - November 20-21.*

Now available, prepared by the late Sir Knight Emereth W. Boyden shortly before his death in November, a listing of suggested tunes for the three Orders of Commandery. There is no charge. Available in limited quantity from the Grand Recorder, Grand Encampment, 14 East Jackson Boulevard, Suite 1700, Chicago, Illinois 60604.



**KNIGHTS TEMPLAR**  
**MISSOURI-KANSAS FIFTY-THIRD TRIENNIAL CONCLAVE**

**PRELIMINARY SCHEDULE OF PROGRAM**

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 28.** Drill Team Competition (Morning and Afternoon) Exhibition Drill, Detroit Commandery No. 1 (Evening) Arena, Municipal Auditorium.

Bicentennial song-fest entertainment by the Apollo Club of Minneapolis (Evening). Military Ball following entertainment.

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 29.** Parade, 9:30 a.m., Downtown Kansas City. Divine Service, 10:30 a.m. – Arena, Municipal Auditorium.

Scheduled sightseeing tours beginning at 2 p.m. Reception for Grand Master, 8-10 p.m. Imperial Ballroom, Muehlebach Hotel.

**MONDAY, AUGUST 30.** Reception of Grand Officers and Distinguished Guests, 9:00 a.m., followed by reconvening of Grand Encampment, through Thursday Morning, September 2. Grand Ballroom, Muehlebach Hotel. Ladies Luncheon – Entertainment (Noon) Imperial Ballroom, Muehlebach Hotel.

(Monday evening open for state dinners, hospitality arrangements, special functions.)

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 31.** Scheduled sightseeing tours beginning 9:00 a.m. Celebrity Night – Entertainment, Evening.

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1.** Scheduled sightseeing tours beginning 9:00 a.m. Grand Master's Banquet – Imperial and Colonial Ballrooms, Muehlebach Hotel, 7:00 p.m.

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 2.** Open Installation, 11:00 a.m.

All Tours arranged by Guides n' Gals, Inc. (Program Brochures and Pre-registration Order Forms to be distributed during March of 1976 by Executive Committee.)

**TRIENNIAL CONCLAVE SESSIONS:**

Monday, August 30 through Thursday, September 2. Sessions open to voting members and all Sir Knights. Opening ceremonies Monday and Installation Thursday open to all Sir Knights, families and friends.

**FOR HOUSING INFORMATION WRITE: CONVENTION AND VISITORS BUREAU OF GREATER KANSAS CITY, 1221 BALTIMORE, KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI 64105.**

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The Triennial Conclave Committee shortly will distribute thru the Grand Encampment office in Chicago order forms and advanced program information. For present reservations, write the Convention and Visitor's Bureau, Kansas City, Missouri.



## BIRTH MONTH OF MCKINLEY

Sir Knight William McKinley, born January 29, 1843, was the 25th President of the United States. While managing an Army hospital in Winchester, Virginia, he was struck by the fellowship and ties existing between Union surgeons and Confederate prisoners who were members of the Craft, and asked to be admitted.

Sir Knight McKinley's petition was presented to Hiram Lodge No. 21 of Winchester and he was Initiated May 1, 1865, Passed May 2 and Raised May 3. He affiliated with Canton Lodge No. 90, Canton, Ohio, and later became a charter member of Eagle Lodge No. 431, Canton. The name of the latter was changed to William McKinley Lodge in his honor.

He received the Mark, Past and Most Excellent Masters Degrees December 27, 1883 and the Royal Arch on December 28. McKinley received the Commandery Orders on December 18 and 23, 1884 in Canton Commandery No. 38. He was elected a life member of Washington Commandery No. 1, Washington, D.C., and was a frequent visitor to the Lodges of the District during the early part of his Congressional career.

A delegation headed by J. T. Taylor, Master of Columbia Lodge No. 2397, London, England, visited the White House February 7, 1900 and presented McKinley with a certificate of membership to their Lodge.



Sir Knight McKinley was mortally wounded by terrorist Leon Czolgosz September 14, 1901, not very long after his reelection to the Presidency. Five Commanderies of Knights Templar escorted his remains from the White House to the Capitol and 2,000 Knights Templar in uniform formed the fourth division of his funeral escort.

The picture of Sir Knight McKinley was provided by Sir Knight Orville R. Kress, Canton Commandery No. 38, Ohio.

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### Appreciation from Wylie B. Wendt, K.T.C.H.

I wish to take this opportunity to thank my many Templar friends who sent cards and used long distance phone calls to wish me well on the 90th anniversary of my birth last November. They were all greatly appreciated.

I regret to state that an operation on one eye to remove a cataract has made it practically impossible for me to read or write since August 13, 1975. At this writing I do not have permanent eyeglasses and writing is a difficult activity. I hope that at some early date in the future I may be able to resume my writing articles for the *Knight Templar Magazine*, which I enjoyed very much.

WYLIE B. WENDT  
5012 East Manslick Road  
Louisville, Kentucky 40219



## SALT LAKE CITY BICENTENNIAL OBSERVANCE



The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Utah officially inaugurated its Bicentennial celebration by displaying flags of the United States in sequence of origin October 18, 1975 at the front steps of the Masonic Temple, Salt Lake City, Utah. The Grand Lodge, representatives of the York and Scottish Rites, Shrine, Youth Groups and National Sojourners took part.

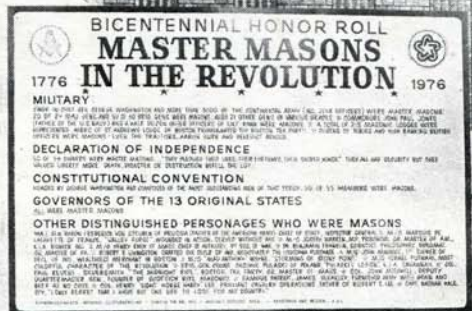
The picture at left shows several of the Sir Knights who took part in

the observance, seated at the Temple steps. First row, left to right, are Paul O.

Pickering, P.G.C.; Verne K. Howe, Commander; Lyle J. Rohde, P.C.; Andrew T. Hereim; Joseph A. Hasalone; Richard H. Simons, Jr. Warden. Second Row, Percy G. Clark; Aaron Hey, P.G.C.; William E. Cushing, P.C.; Harold R. Waldo, P.C.

The event coincided with a visit from the Freedom Train to Salt Lake City. A sign, at right, listing Masons prominent in the American Revolution, was unveiled and will stand in front of the Temple until the end of 1976.

Music was by the Shrine Band under the direction of William Hogenson. Past Grand Master Gerald Irvine was in charge of the ceremonies.



### Scottish, York Rite Reunion

A history-making combination Scottish Rite - York Rite Reunion and Fall Round-Up Dinner was to be held December 20 and 27 in the Scottish Rite Cathedral, 3633 Lindell Boulevard, St. Louis, Missouri. The Shrine also planned its Ceremonial on those dates.

Both Rites were to confer the Degrees and Orders, allowing Scottish Rite to become York Rite and York to become Scottish. Master Masons could receive either or both. Brother William H. Chapman, 33°, was announced as Master of Ceremonies for the event.



## DeMolays Gather in Sidney

Executive Officer Chester Hodges, Past Grand Master of Ohio Masons, Past Grand Master of DeMolay, presided for a weekend assembly of DeMolays in Sidney, Ohio, November 29 and 30.

Some 700 DeMolays engaged in workshops, competitions and study groups for the sessions. The Grand Master of Masons was represented by Past Grand Master and Sir Knight Royal Schofield. Grand Commander George Stein headed a group of nine officers and Past Grand Commanders of the Grand Commandery of Ohio.

Speaker at the Banquet session was Grand Recorder and Editor Paul C. Rodenhauer.



**P.G.M. Hodges presides**



**Interested DeMolay participation**



**Grand Commander Stein, 2nd from left**



**Questions and Answers**



**Ohio State Master Councilor and friends**

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It's the *Spirit of '76* for the 8th Voluntary Campaign on behalf of your Knights Templar Eye Foundation. Participate for the benefit of your Commandery – and yourself!



## NORTH CENTRAL CONFERENCE AT LA CROSSE, WISCONSIN

Seven Regional Areas were represented at the North Central Regional York Rite Conference November 15 and 16 at the Holiday Inn, La Crosse, Wisconsin. Department Commander Charles A. Howard, Jr., presided for the combined sessions; coordinator was Franklin H. Neumann, Past Grand Commander of Wisconsin.

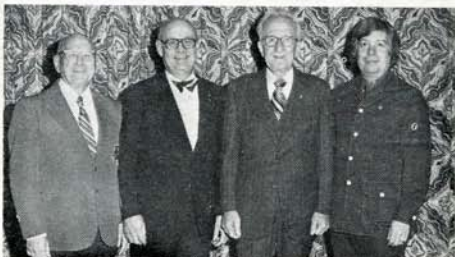
Final tally showed there were 59 officers present from Grand Commanderies, 36 were present from Chapters, 27 from Councils. The dinner meeting, also attended by ladies present, totaled 155.

The Grand Encampment contingent was headed by Grand Master Roy Wilford Riegle, who was assisted by Executive Director of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, G. Wilbur Bell, P.G.M., Grand Recorder Paul C. Rodenhauer and the Assistant to the Grand Recorder, Sir Knight Robert Bigley of the Chicago office.

Henry R. Van Geest presided for the Chapter session; Louis V. Sylvester for the Grand Council. Present to represent the two General Grand Bodies were General Grand High Priest Gordon R. Merrick and John Harris Watts.

M.W. Grand Master Robert E. Billings, Wisconsin Past Grand Commander, was present for the opening ceremonies and addressed the York Rite members.

Among other speakers, the Grand Encampment heard from Chairman Merlin Grundy, 53rd Triennial Conclave Committee. He noted that 1976 Triennial Conclave mailings were in the process of being mailed.





**George O. Linkletter**  
 New York  
 Grand Commander — 1927  
 Born June 25, 1880  
 Died November 2, 1975

**Charles A. Painter**  
 Wyoming  
 Grand Commander — 1970  
 Born June 26, 1913  
 Died November 14, 1975

**Dr. Elvie B. Jolley**  
 Arizona  
 Grand Commander — 1968  
 Born July 30, 1902  
 Died November 21, 1975

**Leslie H. Swan**  
 Oklahoma  
 Grand Commander — 1929  
 Born July 11, 1887  
 Died November 29, 1975

**James H. Penick**  
 Arkansas  
 Grand Commander — 1938  
 Born July 14, 1897  
 Died December 4, 1975

## Grand Organist Dies Suddenly

Sir Knight Emereth W. Boyden, of Gary Commandery No. 57, Grand Organist of the Grand Commandery of Indiana, died suddenly Tuesday, November 18. He was in the Masonic Temple at Crawfordsville, Indiana, preparing to rehearse prior to the evening's inspection of Crawfordsville Commandery No. 25 when he was fatally stricken.

He served as Grand Organist for the Grand Commandery in 1972, for the Grand Council of Indiana in 1966, also organist for the Indiana Council of Anointed High Priests 1963-1968 and the Indiana Council of Thrice Illustrious Masters 1964-1968.

Sir Knight Boyden, born October 20, 1896 at Elwood, Indiana, had compiled, a few months before his death, a listing of suggested music for Templar use. The booklet will be released during January.

This world is full of wonders,  
 Both beautiful and great,  
 But these wonderful achievements  
 Are not the hand of fate.  
 The minds of man devised them  
 And he cultivates the sod,  
 But all these earthly wonders  
 Are through the will of God.

He makes the rain and sunshine  
 That makes the gardens grow.  
 He made the seas and ocean  
 And mighty rivers flow.  
 He made the iron and metals  
 The forest and the stone;  
 Performed the greatest miracles  
 That man has ever known.

With His great gift of nature;  
 The elements of earth;  
 The brain He gave to humans  
 To recognize their worth;  
 We've built all earthly wonders;  
 The outcome of His love,  
 But forgot to give the credit  
 To the power from above.

Without God's love and kindness  
 This world would cease to be.  
 Our souls would dwell in darkness  
 Throughout eternity,  
 But through His wondrous mercy;  
 If we try to do His will,  
 He'll brighten up our pathway;  
 His promises fulfill.

Sir Knight Samuel H. Laskey  
 St. John's Commandery No. 3  
 Bangor, Maine





## Spokane Piobaireachd Society

John McEwing, Lt. Col. USAF (Ret.), President and Founder of the Spokane Piob Society, Dean of Piping, North Idaho College, is shown below presenting Shriner Bill Welt, Tucson, Arizona, his graduation certificate from the "Home of the Summer School of Piping," North Idaho College, Coeur d' Alene, Idaho.



## Pittsburgh S.O.O.B. Anniversary



(Photo courtesy of Guttendorf Press)

Pittsburgh Assembly No. 47, Social Order of the Beauceant, celebrated its Golden Anniversary with a Banquet and entertainment October 29, 1975 in the Ballroom of the Masonic Temple, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Distinguished guests, pictured above, were: Sir Knight John B. Cottrell, Jr., Grand Generalissimo of the Grand Encampment; Mrs. Glenn W. Foster, Supreme Worthy President of the Social Order of the Beauceant; Mrs. Thomas Timmins, Worthy President, Pittsburgh Assembly No. 47, and Sir Knight Francis R. Black, Grand Commander, Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Pennsylvania.

Co-chairladies of the Committees which arranged the event were Past Presidents, Mrs. Perry L. LaBarr and Mrs. Emil F. Nelson. Past President, Mrs. Roland R. Guttendorf, acted as Toastmistress.

## Malta Team Established 39 Years Ago



was chartered April 14, 1882. The Malta team has surrounding Commanderies.

Stephen Clay Olmsted, P.C., Recorder, Mt. Olivet Commandery No. 20, Petaluma, California, notes that the Commandery's full form Malta Team - established in April 1937 - still has two members taking active roles. Sir Knight Duncan H. Olmsted, P.C., is Marshal; Sir Knight Leonard Heyward is fourth Banner. The Recorder reports that Sir Knight Edward J. Picray, P.C., the fourth Prior, is director and participates in the ritualistic work. Olivet Commandery conferred the Order in many





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## GRAND COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

### Sir Knights:

The year that lies ahead for our Grand Commandery could be a year that we can remember forever. Besides being this great Nation's Birthday, as a Grand Commandery we are faced with many great things that should be done. Our Bicentennial gives us a great opportunity to show our spirit as Templars in many ways.



We want to make this the year that we have a large gain in membership. Let's go after 16,000 as our goal, it can be done.

Let's wipe out the indebtedness we have acquired with the building of the new Home for the Aged and Infirm at Paxton. It's not that much, and if everybody, that's everybody, gave we could complete this year with one of the greatest accomplishments that any Grand Commandery under the jurisdiction of the Grand Encampment has every undertaken.

Let's also see that the goal of \$500,000 set by our Grand Master for the *Spirit of '76* Voluntary Campaign for the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, is reached and that Illinois does its part.

Sir Knights I'm not reaching for the sky, we all know these goals can be met. It just takes hard work, and we have some of the hardest working Templars in any Grand Commandery.

Let's start now, not tomorrow nor the next day, NOW.

Courteously,  
Charles Richard Neumann  
Grand Commander

## THE TIME IS NOW LET'S TALK BICENTENNIAL

(Yes, the time is now) — to finalize the thoughts and plans we have all been talking and hearing about for the past year pertaining to the celebration of the 200th Anniversary of Our Beloved Country.

The Grand Lodge of Illinois has taken the lead and has given each individual Lodge suggested plans for a full year of monthly programs, with emphasis on the part Freemasonry and Freemasons played in the formation of our country.

The opportunities for the Sir Knights of this state to come up with a series of interesting and outstanding programs of their own are endless. We have within our individual Commanderies some of the finest talent and leadership in Masonry. Each Commandery already has a Patriotic and Civic Chairman to carry the ball. Here are a number of suggestions that have considerable merit.

Sometime during the year of 1976 each individual Commandery should have a Re-Dedication Meeting, to which family and friends should be invited. All Sir Knights should dress in full Templar uniform to rededicate themselves to the principals that made this country the great nation that it is. The Assembly should be opened with the presentation of the Colors, and the formation of the Triangle for devotions. An outstanding speaker could head the program, as well as a number of appropriate songs, either by an individual, a quartette, or the audience.

Sometime during the year, to commemorate the Bicentennial each individual Commandery or a number of Commanderies working together within a certain area should sponsor a York Rite Festival. The first stars and stripes raised in this country could be displayed in the east alongside our present 50 star flag.

The class of candidates could be named the Bicentennial or the Patriots class and a special certificate could be given attesting the fact.



A Special Tree Planting Pilgrimage of Sir Knights and Families of individual Commanderies could be made to our Home for the Aged at Paxton, Illinois. The Tree could be known as the "Liberty Tree." Vision a row of these trees somewhere on the grounds to commemorate this Bicentennial not only for 1976 but for years to come; and what a fine opportunity to visit and become acquainted with our wonderful home. (Of course advance arrangements would have to be made.)

The Grand Encampment at 14 East Jackson Blvd., Chicago, Illinois has available for showing a number of the finest films ever made pertaining to the Colonial Period. These are free to all Commanderies in the U.S.A. (with the exception of return postage.) Because they are outstanding and many Commanderies in the U.S.A. are using them, reservations must be made 20 to 24 weeks in advance. But I repeat, they will be worth your effort.

Set certain evenings aside for a qualified Sir Knight to speak on a Historical Subject. The regular business meeting could be taken care of first; then the ladies and friends could be invited in to take part. Suggested subjects for speakers: The American Flag; Colonial Freemasonry; Early Masonic Customs; The History of the Knights Templar; George Washington, Freemason; Presidents who have been Masons; The Declaration of Independence; Benjamin Franklin, Freemason; The History of Freemasonry in Illinois.

These are only a few suggestions. How about coming up with a number of your own and when you do please let your R.E. Grand Commander or the members of your Patriotic and Civic Activities Committee know about them so we can pass the information on to other Commanderies.

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### 53RD TRIENNIAL CONCLAVE AUGUST 28-SEPTEMBER 2

The Grand Commandery of Illinois is encouraging all Sir Knights to take advantage of the excellent arrangements that have been prepared for the Grand Encampment 53rd Triennial Conclave being held in Kansas City, Missouri.

Transportation via train or bus at \$125.00 per person, price includes: Shuttle Bus between

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Marriott and points of interest, lunch going and returning on buses, lodging at the beautiful Marriott Hotel, snacks and refreshments on the train/buses and in the Illinois Suite at the Marriott.

#### Via Train

With sufficient reservations cars will be assigned to us for our exclusive use with refreshment counter, etc. Will be full dome cars. Will depart on train 31, The National Limited, from Effingham on Saturday, August 28, 8:30 a.m., St. Louis 11:20 a.m., arriving Kansas City 5:05 p.m. Will return on Thursday, September 2, departing Kansas City 11:00 a.m. Arriving St. Louis 4:45 p.m., Effingham 6:55 p.m.

Will Depart The Lone Star, Friday evening, August 27, from Chicago at 5:00 p.m., Joliet 5:53 p.m., Streator 6:38 p.m., Chillicothe 7:14 p.m., Galesburg 8:00 p.m. and Ft. Madison 9:00 p.m., arriving Kansas City 12:45 a.m. Will return on Thursday, September 2, departing Kansas City at 4:50 a.m., arriving Ft. Madison 8:20 a.m., Galesburg 9:15 a.m., Chillicothe 10:05 a.m., Streator 10:45 a.m., Joliet 11:35 a.m. and Chicago 12:45 p.m.

#### Via Bus

Buses will depart on Saturday morning, August 28, at 7:00 a.m., with late afternoon arrival at the Marriott Hotel. Lunch will be provided enroute going and returning. Buses will return on September 2, leaving Kansas City in the morning with early afternoon arrival home. Temporarily, buses are being scheduled from Lincoln, Mt. Vernon, Chicago and Dixon. They are being routed via FAI Routes 55, 57, 70 and 80; and in most cases they will pass nearby for boarding at intermediate points. However, originating points will be changed if reservations so dictate. For example - Chicago could become Waukegan or Dixon could become Freeport, etc.

Other optional trips are available:

\$10.00 per person - Silver Dollar City, Mo.

\$20.00 per person - Abilene & Topeka, Kans.

\$25.00 per person - points of interest in Kansas City

Information available from P.G.C. Forest Calvin McDaniel, 3110 Belwood Lane, Glenview, Illinois 60025. \$25.00 per person deposit is required with reservation.

#### INSPECTION DATE CHANGES

Clinton No. 66 now March 13

Champaign No. 68 now March 27



by  
Carl F. Jensen

It seems some of us fall into a trap when viewing the metric system and other new or more exact systems of standards. It must be remembered that many of our "time honored" sayings were based on very inadequate and inaccurate standards. The foot, the yard and the handsbreadth, the pound, the stone and the cubit were based on human equivalents and not exact standards that are available to us today.

The big advantage of the metric system is its base of conversion to larger or smaller units and the fact that a prefix used in one type of unit has the same value in another unit. A kilo always means times 1,000, whether it is a kilometer or a kilogram.

The old adage of the worth or prevention versus cure is actually heightened if one used the metric system. "One *gram* of prevention is worth a *kilogram* of cure" (1-1,000 rather than 1-16). Or, converting to modern language, "It is 1,000 times better to prevent an accident than to try and cure it."

As to a grave dug east and west, since the diggers were three individuals, whose foot did they use to determine the six feet? Most people who use the metric system are satisfied to say "two meters," particularly when in this case a dramatic, not accurate statement is being made.

As to the cubit, everyone who has done any Bible studying knows that it is the length of the forearm (when bent) from the elbow to the end of the extended longest finger, or some authorities say over the end of the fist. Today the cubit is taken to be 18 inches or about one-half of a meter. Many archeologists believe that 21 inches was the measurement about the time of the building of the temple. So, for those metrically minded, one-half of a meter does very well to explain the length of a cubit.

Sure there will be confusion for a while during the conversion to metrics, but we

will have a more accurate, easily convertible, single system for our weights and measures. Speaking of confusion, think of Hiram designing around a system that was based on the variances of the various parts of the human body. (There are four inches in a handsbreadth and four fingers in a hand, but a fingersbreadth is three-quarters of an inch.)

Well, this started out as a few lines on the metric system which I believe will ultimately reduce confusion and lead to a more viable universal system with decimal conversions (not the variety of numbers we use today - 12, 16, 3, 9, 27, 144, etc.). Oh well, it's fun to write about.

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## Johnson Marks 96th Birthday



John H. Fotos, left, Commander of Haverhill Commandery No. 14, Haverhill, Massachusetts, congratulates Sir Knight Louis H. Johnson, oldest member of the Commandery, on his 96th birthday. The Commandery marked the occasion with a celebration prepared by Sir Knight Walter Huston, head of the Service Committee. Photo is by Sir Knight Bruce Morse.



# GRAND MASTER'S REPRESENTATIVES AND ANNUAL CONCLAVES FOR 1976

<i>Grand Commandery</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Conclave Location</i>	<i>Representative</i>
Alabama	February 22-24	Birmingham	Roy Wilford Riegler
Arizona	October 26	Tucson	Willard M. Avery
Arkansas	April 19-20	Hot Springs	Clell C. Warriner
California	April 26	Oakland	John B. Cottrell, Jr.
Colorado	September 10	Colorado Springs	John B. Cottrell, Jr.
Connecticut	April 25-26	North Windham	Louis A. Beaudoin
District of Columbia	May 8	Washington, D.C.	Louis A. Beaudoin
Florida	May 16-17	Sarasota	Willard M. Avery
Georgia	May 12-13	Decatur	Charles Leo Harrison
Idaho	May 25-26	Lewiston	Harold S. Gorman
Illinois	August 5-7	Springfield	Willard M. Avery
Indiana	April 29-May 1	Fort Wayne	Roy Wilford Riegler
Iowa	June 17-19	Des Moines	John B. Cottrell, Jr.
Kansas	May 7-8	Salina	Clell C. Warriner
Kentucky	September 19-20	Louisville	John Lawton Crofts, Sr.
Louisiana	April 4-6	Bossier City	Roy Wilford Riegler
Maine	May 3	Augusta	John B. Cottrell, Jr.
Maryland	May 12	Baltimore	Kenneth C. Johnson
Mass. and R.I.	September 24-26	Falmouth	Kenneth C. Johnson
Michigan	June 4-5	Howell	John B. Cottrell, Jr.
Minnesota	June 11-12	Minneapolis	Charles A. Howard, Jr.
Mississippi	March 19-20	Meridian	Kenneth C. Johnson
Missouri	May 14-15	St. Louis	Roy Wilford Riegler
Montana	June 11	Billings	G. Wilbur Bell
Nebraska	April 8-9	Fremont	Kenneth C. Johnson
Nevada	June 7	Carson City	Roy Wilford Riegler
New Hampshire	October 1-2	Lebanon	Grand Captain General
New Jersey	March 5-7	Atlantic City	Willard M. Avery
New Mexico	April 15-17	Roswell	Harold S. Gorman
New York	September 17-19	Syracuse	Grand Captain General
North Carolina	March 7-9	Washington	G. Wilbur Bell
North Dakota	April 25-26	Fargo	Paul C. Rodenhauer
Ohio	October 8-9	Akron	Willard M. Avery
Oklahoma	April 26	Stillwater	Kenneth C. Johnson
Oregon	April 12	Portland	Roy Wilford Riegler
Pennsylvania	May 23-26	York	Roy Wilford Riegler
Philippines	April 19	Manila	Wallace H. Morris
South Carolina	March 14-16	Charleston	Charles Leo Harrison
South Dakota	September 12-14	Spearfish	John B. Cottrell, Jr.
Tennessee	April 24	Nashville	Paul C. Rodenhauer
Texas	April 24-27	Midland	Roy Wilford Riegler
Utah	May 2-4	Ogden	John B. Nye
Vermont	May 23-24	Barre	Willard M. Avery
Virginia	May 13-15	Charlottesville	Kenneth C. Johnson
Washington	May 23-24	Seattle	John W. Givens
West Virginia	May 21-22	Charleston	Paul C. Rodenhauer
Wisconsin	June 17-19	Milwaukee	Charles A. Howard, Jr.
Wyoming	September 18	Dubois	John B. Cottrell, Jr.





*TO 1976 . . .*

## **AND THE NEW YEAR**

As the old year sinks down in Time's ocean,  
Stand ready to launch with the new,  
And waste no regrets, no emotion,  
As the spars and the masts pass from view.  
Weep not if some treasures go under,  
And sink in the other ship's hold –  
That New Year that's sailing just yonder  
May bring you more good than the old.

Throw overboard useless regretting,  
Or deeds which you cannot undo,  
And learn the great art of forgetting  
Old things which embitter the new.  
Sing who will of dead years departed,  
I shroud them and bid them adieu;  
And the song that I sing, happy-hearted,  
Is a song of the glorious new.

**Ella Wheeler Wilcox**