

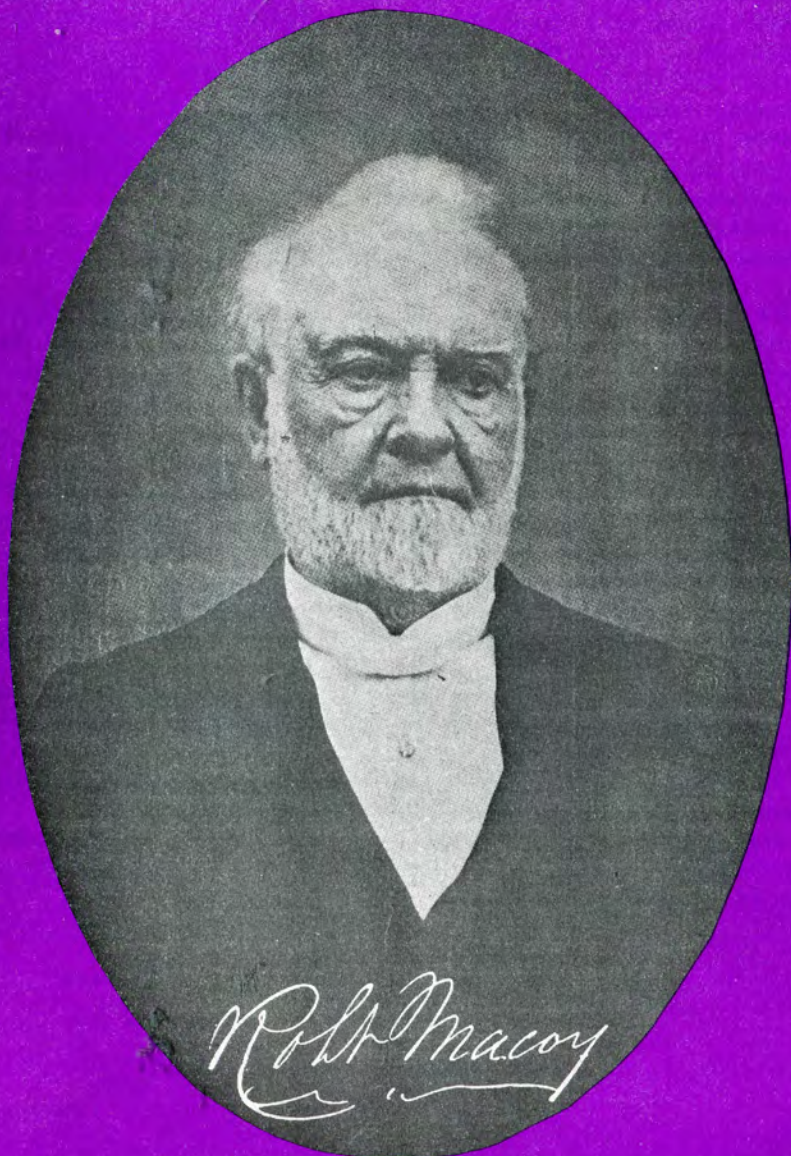


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*Robt Macoy*

## CREATING USEFUL MEMBERS OF SOCIETY

*Charting the Course* was a comprehensive and official release to all Templars holding allegiance to the Grand Encampment. It was first issued in 1965 by the late Wilber M. Brucker, then Grand Master, and his officers at that time – Deputy Grand Master Crofts, Grand Generalissimo Bell and Grand Captain General Riegle, who – together with Sir Knight Avery – are now M.E. Past Grand Masters. Reading *Charting the Course* is a rewarding experience, I assure you. It provides in clear and concise English the basics of our Order, its aims, its purposes, its committee structure, its special observances.



Among other points of helpful information, the booklet covers the Knights Templar Educational Foundation and its establishment in 1922.

*We feel that the Grand Encampment can build no greater monument nor inaugurate a more worthwhile movement than to put into effect a plan which will provide educational advantages for the youth of our beloved Country, thereby enabling them to become more useful members of society and better citizens of this Republic.*

There are times when doubts arise about our nation's educational system. I saw an editorial recently complimenting TV for its impact in the classroom, particularly the award-winning *Sesame Street*. A statement was made that "a six-year-old today knows as much as his grandfather did when he was 46." It's difficult to believe, especially when another newspaper's editorial says that half the high school graduates are unable "to read and write competently, or even speak properly."

However, we are convinced that those who receive loans from our Foundation for their final two years of a four-year course, for example, or two years or less of vocational training, are definite exceptions. These are serious applicants with an above-average desire to further their education; their repayment rate to the Educational Foundation Divisions, after graduation, proves the point.

Your local Recorder has on hand, or can secure, leaflets and other materials describing the Knights Templar Educational Foundation. Ask about them. It's *your* Foundation, too!

*Kenneth Johnson*



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The Magazine for York Rite Masons

**SEPTEMBER:** In this issue, we salute Robert Macoy, who served the Grand Commandery of New York for a period of more than four decades in the second half of the nineteenth century. Especially do we recommend J. R. Davenport's "train trip to Jackson"; the sketch of Colonel Thomas Procter by Connecticut Grand Historiographer James R. Case; Sir Knight Robert E. Mutz and his interpretation of "The Star Spangled Banner"; the September review by H. C. Arbuckle on the church-state situation; suggestions on how to build an asylum by Michigan's Ted Summers; the planned Masonic ceremonies for "Cleopatra's Needle," and much more timely information.

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## EDITOR'S JOURNAL

**K.Y.C.H.:** The 45th Annual Conclave of Convent General, Knights of the York Cross of Honour, has been scheduled in Indianapolis, Indiana, at the Downtown Hilton Hotel, Meridian and Ohio Streets, Saturday, September 6, 1980.

**Belatedly but Appreciatively:** G. Wilbur Bell, Past Grand Master and Executive Director of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, expresses his appreciation to the Order of Rainbow for Girls of Illinois, Dawn Smith, Worthy Advisor, for their presentation of \$5,000 to him at their April Assembly at the Conrad Hilton Hotel, Chicago. It was Dawn Smith's special project for her year. She is the daughter of Past Commander Raymond J. Smith, Mizpah Commandery No. 53, Blue Island, Illinois. The Rainbow Girls' interest in the Foundation serves as an advance inspiration for Templar fund-raising activities during the 13th Annual Voluntary Campaign starting December 1.

**Hawaiian Friends:** Sir Knight Raymond O. Rudie, Honolulu, expresses his thanks for a recent article on Hawaii's 'Iolani Palace and His Royal Majesty Brother and Sir Knight David Kalakaua, King of Hawaii from 1874 to 1891. Rudie writes, "Response from the *Friends of 'Iolani Palace* was a great deal more than I expected. I received compliments for the fine article you generously prepared from material sent to you. In fact, several other people wish to have copies."

**Available:** *Charting the Course*, the comprehensive Templar booklet mentioned by the Grand Master in his September message, is available from the Grand Encampment office, Chicago, at a cost of 25 cents each — postpaid.

**Reviewer:** H. C. Arbuckle, III, whose reviews appear periodically in the *Knight Templar Magazine*, wants to know why there are two separate and distinct sides to the Great Seal, described in the July issue. His contention is that those "who designed the Great Seal really did try to design a coat of arms for the U.S.A. and not a Great Seal at all." He suggests that an item in our Editor's Journal might "get some Ph.D. Sealologist to answer." Address P.O. Box 3026, Corpus Christi, Texas 78404.

**Reminder:** Items offered for sale in the *Knight Templar Magazine* are accepted and printed in good faith but without the opportunity to investigate and verify each one in advance. Readers are requested to write to the original sources regarding their individual orders.

**Author Still Unknown:** When we printed the poem "An August Rhapsody" on the back cover of *Knight Templar* last month (attributing the work to "an Author Unknown") we had no idea it would trigger such reader response. So far the vote runs 3-2 in favor of Britain's E. B. Browning over America's L. I. Guiney; however, former Grand Prelate Basil Johnson relayed the most recent research. His *Home Book of Quotations* carries this footnote about the author: "Unknown. Out in the Fields. . . . Erroneously attributed to Elizabeth Barrett Browning. E. M. Tenison . . . states that it was written by [Louise Imogen] Guiney 'not long before her [death].' Miss Guiney went to England in 1901 and died in 1920, having previously published two collections of poems in which this one was not included. . . . it is the compiler's opinion that it was written by an English author."



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## TRAIN TRIP TO JACKSON

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by

James R. Davenport, Past Commander  
Alexander C. Garrett Commandery No. 103  
Dallas, Texas

Some forty years ago on a blustery, fog-shrouded January morning, I boarded a train at Union Station, Dallas, bound for Jackson, Mississippi. I was wholly depressed and disenchanted with life, and my thoughts were as gloomy as the all-enveloping fog which hung as if in eerie foreboding of some impending disaster.

My farewell to my wife had not been as warm and cordial as it should have been — the evening before I had burdened her with my unhappiness over my low-paying job, and when I mentioned that I knew of no way I could pay her charge accounts for something like \$70.00 (covering overcoat and ties for me and toys for the baby) the past Christmas, her eyes filled with tears. After I had said it, I regretted it. As I told her goodbye the following morning I could see she was still misty-eyed and I said, "Don't worry — something surely can be worked out."

Shortly after saying goodbye to my wife, I was riding a train on a seemingly hopeless mission assigned me by my company. My task was to straighten out a large complicated project where everything had gone wrong and with a stalemate leaving the option of long, expensive, and fruitless litigation. Riding through the fog on that train, I thought the quicker I got my ultimatum over with on the morrow the better. Then I could go back to Dallas and resign, for I was sick and tired of wasting my life in trying to straighten out the messes that other people had created, for surely somewhere, somehow, there was an easier, more pleasant way of starving to death than the low-paying,

distasteful work I was then doing.

The conductor came down the aisle announcing that we were coming into Vicksburg. Looking out the window, I could see that the fog had lifted, the sun had broken through, and there were only a few scattered, scudding clouds as reminders of the long stretch of foggy weather through which we had journeyed.

At Vicksburg some passengers got off and some got on, including a buxom lady with a heavily-bundled crying baby, working her way laboriously down the aisle. Behind her walked a middle-aged man with reddish complexion and penetrating blue eyes. He wore a blue serge suit and a narrow-brim black hat, and he carried a nice but well-worn duffle bag. After placing the duffle bag in the overhead rack, he took the vacant seat by me. He introduced himself as Jeffry and spoke about being on his way to visit his only daughter in Jackson; and then his conversation drifted back to his life as a boy on a farm not far from Radford, Virginia. He remembered hog-killing time, the old smokehouse, and how his father prepared and cured the meats. Since then he had found no equal to the delicious taste of those hams and sausages. He spoke of his mother's cooking, her hot biscuits, and all the other fine food she prepared, not only at Christmas but all year 'round. He remembered the simple joys of long-ago snowy winter evenings. He said, "Now life has become so complicated and mixed up, with everybody trying 'to keep up with the Joneses' by charge accounts or whatever, → → →



there is very little happiness and joy left like in the yesteryears, and those joys seemed to come and pass so quickly. Just like (pointing out the window) there's a bridge and there's a river. Once a glimpse and gone forever." He added, "Think of all the poor unfortunate people desperately needing an eye operation, who never even get a glimpse of the beautiful world through which we are passing."

He said, "On this train we know the stations where we got on and where we are going, but we are also on another train called the 'Train of Life.' Now on that train the tickets bear the names of the stations where we got on, but the destination is unknown. All the passengers on that train wear masks. We never really know what hopes, what dreams, what memories, what pangs of failure and frustrations lurk behind those masks. At every station some passengers — pallid, breathless, dead — are taken off, and some with the light of morning in their eyes get on."

We were passing a field, and he pointed out the window once more — this time toward a man and two boys pulling, tugging, and jerking on the reins of a balky mule. He said, "That mule is not budging an inch. You know, life is a balky mule. Everybody wants their own way, and they want to get more than they want to give, and the more they want their own way, and the more they want to get, the balkier life gets — just like that balky mule!" His voice trailed off and the only sound was the clackety-clack of the wheels passing over the rails, and the mournful whistle of the locomotive.

When the conductor announced that we were coming into Jackson, Jeffry reached up and got his old duffle bag. As we pulled into the station, he leaned over and shook hands with me, telling me "Goodbye and good luck"; and the small cross-and-crown Commandery emblem in his lapel seemed to glow with added

meaning and glory. I said, "Goodbye and good luck to you, Brother Pilgrim and Sir Knight. It was wonderful being on this pilgrimage East with you!"

At the meeting next morning with the principals who were the object of my mission, I said, "Gentlemen, we have a balky mule that won't plow. It's going to take all the cooperation that we can give to get this mule going. This is a good mule, and we are going to be real happy when we get it plowing. So let's feed it some oats and water it and get it to plowing. Let's meet each other more than half way, for it is entirely up to us as to whether we have a balky or plowing mule." In less than an hour we had all differences resolved and a mutually acceptable agreement worked out.

When I returned to Dallas, my principals were elated to find that I had worked out such a satisfactory, harmonious agreement in an apparently hopeless situation. I was given a nice raise in salary, which made me wonder how I could have been so narrow-minded and upset over some trivial and inconsequential charge accounts my wife had made the past Christmas. My principals wanted to know how I worked this messy deal out. I said, "Well, there was a man named Jeffry who helped me. He was a passenger with me on the train trip to Jackson. He is also a very wise and pleasant passenger on another train — it's called the 'Train of Life.'"

Sir Knight Davenport, Past Grand High Priest of Texas, lives at 11135 Lawnhaven Road, Dallas, Texas 75230.

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## Knights of the Golden Eagle

Information has been received from several sources regarding the Order of the Golden Eagle, mentioned in the last issue of *Knight Templar Magazine*. Further details on the organization will be printed in a future edition.

## THE REAL MACOY

by  
Paul C. Rodenhauer, Grand Recorder  
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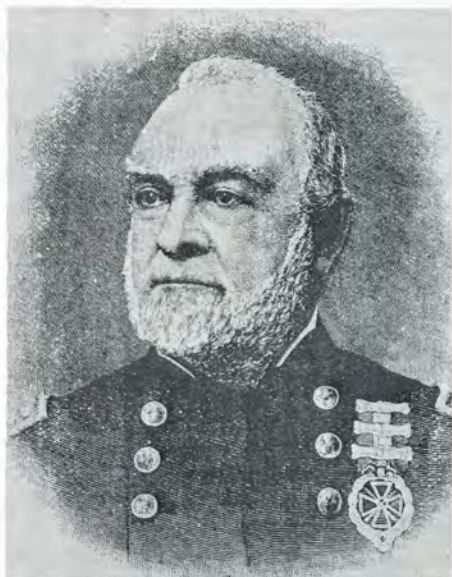
*The General Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America, formed in 1816, became the supreme governing body of the Orders of Knighthood. At the Thirteenth Conclave held at Hartford, Connecticut, September 9, 1856, with Grand Master Hubbard presiding, the adjective "general" was dropped. In that same year three Grand "Encampments" were authorized and became affiliated under the Grand Encampment — Texas, Pennsylvania and Indiana.*

*This whole period of development, beginning in 1816, closely parallels the life of Robert Macoy, the subject of the following sketch. Born in 1815, he served as Grand Recorder of New York through the transition from Encampment to Grand Commandery, a period of more than 40 years. Perhaps his greatest contribution was his service, both as a writer and his example as Grand Recorder, during the anti-Masonic period.*

We have heard so much about the name of Robert Macoy, as associated with Freemasonry, that we sometimes forget or overlook or take for granted the fact that he really existed. He died more than 85 years ago, but his name continues to be synonymous with the written Masonic word.

Macoy was not born in America, but in Armagh, Ulster County, Ireland, of Scots-Irish parents. His birthdate, according to the Grand Commandery of New York, is October 4, 1815, though admittedly there is some discrepancy among biographers. He was only four years old when he arrived in New York City. In the course of his early years he acquired a liberal education and became a printer, finally a writer and publisher.

In 1849, when Macoy was 34 years old, the Gold Rush to California was on — but, although doubtless tempted, Robert Macoy decided to remain in New York. We are fortunate, as Masons, that he did, for from his efforts has sprung the 131-year-old supplier of Masonic literature



and ritualistic materials. The fact that mention is made of a currently-operating publishing company is not an advertisement. It is a matter of special interest because Macoy and his → → →



associates provided a genuine service to all branches of Masonry – particularly during the anti-Masonic movement in the mid 19th century.

Macoy was Raised a Master Mason on February 13, 1848, in what was then Lebanon Lodge No. 313. Later he affiliated with Concord Lodge No. 90 and, even later, Adelpic Lodge No. 348. He was equally active in his Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, in his Council of Cryptic Masons, and in his Commandery of Knights Templar, and at one time served as Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of New York. He was also active in the Scottish Rite of the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction, where he attained the 33<sup>o</sup> on December 9, 1850.

Macoy worked as a printer for a number of years and in 1849, in partnership with Masonic author John W. Simons, began his Masonic publishing career. His first Masonic book, *The Master Workman*, was published about this time. It was well-received and was subsequently reprinted in several editions.

To fully identify the era and date, by 1859, just one year after the attempts to lay the first trans-Atlantic cable, Macoy and Simons extended their partnership to include Brother Daniel Sickels, another well-known Masonic writer. Their offices were at 728 Broadway. Then came the Civil War. Business fell off, and Simons left. In order to survive, more capital was needed, and in 1865, the war nearing its end, William T. Anderson and A. S. Archer joined Macoy and Sickels in the business.

Those men lived and operated their publishing house in an eventful era. Lincoln was assassinated; there was bitterness and discontent in the South, and if the country needed anything, it was an expression of brotherly love and affection from Masonic Brethren. A brief quote from a later Macoy history illustrates the point:

*Many books were published during this period (following the war).*

*Freemasonry played an important role in the country. Fortunate it was that such strong men as these four were doing their best to bring about a better feeling among all men everywhere.*

In 1867, they saw the purchase of Alaska. America was going through reconstruction – in both the North and the South. Also in that year Macoy's long-time friend, Rob Morris, founder of the Order of the Eastern Star (responsible for the system of "Constellations and Families of Adoptive Masonry"), announced that he would spend his remaining years investigating the Holy Land. Macoy subsequently took over Morris' work in Adoptive Masonry, reorganizing the system into chapters. His ritual of *The Adoptive Rite*, published in 1868, remains today the standard from which all Eastern Star rituals are taken.

In 1869, the name of the firm was officially changed to the Macoy Publishing and Manufacturing Company, and about this same time Macoy's impressive *General History, Cyclopedia and Dictionary of Freemasonry* was printed.

But only a few short years later, in 1873, the banks failed and the stock market closed. There were days of change, yet Robert Macoy continued to write and publish Masonic materials. And although there was much moving and re-locating during this period – due to a fluctuating financial condition – Macoy continued his service as Grand Recorder of the Grand Commandery of New York.

Electric lights appeared on Broadway in 1880 and history moved on. In 1885, Brother Macoy published his *Worshipful Master's Assistant*, which proved to be well-received.

Prior to his death on January 9, 1895, Macoy had also served as Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of New York and had authored a score of books and writings on Masonry. In addition to *The True Masonic Chart* and *The True Masonic*



*Guide*, he prepared for print *Christmas, Easter, Ascension and Burial Services for Knights Templar*. His *Amaranth Ritual* was published posthumously, the year of his death.

Clara Macoy Clark, one of Sir Knight Macoy's six children, became owner of Macoy's estate and, in 1897, presented the following Bill of Sale:

*All copyrights, books, etc., together with the good will and the right to continue such business under the name of Macoy Publishing Company, or such other name including the word Macoy, as they may select . . .*

The purchaser was S. B. Robertson.

Had Robert Macoy lived, it would seem inconceivable for him to imagine that man landed on the moon. He was born in the era of the stagecoach, but his publishing company lived on to see the age of space. Today it is in its 131st year of existence — serving Masonry in many capacities, thanks to the perseverance, through good times and bad, of one of Masonry's greatest authors.

Illustrious Robert Macoy, in all probability, is best remembered in New York for his service as Grand Recorder of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar. But his influence, through his publications, exerted, and continues to exert, a tremendous influence in all of Masonry.

John B. Mullan, Grand Recorder of New York Templars from 1929 to 1950, included a brief eulogy of his 19th century predecessor in office in his *History of the Grand Commandery, Knights Templar, State of New York — 1814-1914*. He wrote:

*At the Annual Conclave in 1851, Robert Macoy was elected Grand Recorder, and this election placed the records and proceedings in competent hands. No other officer*

*of the Grand Commandery since the date of organization, has stamped his individual personality so permanently upon the records as did Robert Macoy. He was a student of Masonry, and gave his particular attention to Templary. The result of his research work is shown in his reports as Grand Recorder covering a period of forty-three years, during which he has a record of perfect attendance at each Annual Conclave.*

Four months before his death, Robert Macoy was present at the Annual Conclave of New York in Saratoga Springs. He concluded his annual report with an address entitled, "The Supreme Ideal of Templarism." In that address he said, "As I look back over the road I have traveled, I regard the years — nearly half a century — that I have spent in the service of Templarism, as the most useful and the happiest of my life."

Robert Macoy was interested in everything Masonic — both York Rite and Scottish Rite, and in rituals for other bodies. We can be glad that he dispensed Masonic light through his lifetime and that his influence continues, even after 130 years. He had a devotion and a reverence for Masonry we can emulate. We can follow his dedication and his example. We can and should so live, each of us, in our daily life, that anyone can say — as we could say of him — HE IS THE REAL MACOY.

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The foregoing compilation incorporates informational materials and contributions from staff members of the Grand Encampment Office.

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*It is never a sign of weakness when a man in high position delegates authority; on the contrary, it is a sign of his strength and his capacity to deserve success.*

Walter Lippman



## Beauceant Welcome Home

Supreme Worthy President of the Social Order of the Beauceant, Mrs. Paul E. Case, received an official "welcome home" on June 29 from local and Supreme Beauceant officers and representatives of the Grand Commandery of Massachusetts and Rhode Island. Greeting Mrs. Case at the reception held at The Lantana in Randolph, Massachusetts, were Mrs. W. J. Williams, Supreme Worthy 1st Vice President, Houston Assembly No. 81; Mrs. Charles H. Lee, Supreme Worthy 2nd Vice President, Carnegie Assembly No. 80; Mrs. Charles D. Hobby, Supreme Worthy Preceptress, Tacoma No. 168; Mrs. Herbert S. Roth, Supreme Recorder, San Bernardino No. 200; and officers and members of the Massachusetts Assemblies. Grand Commandery officers present included Grand Commander Robert W. Menard; Deputy Grand Commander Richard S. Sleeper; and Grand Generalissimo Frank W. Curtis.

Mrs. Case's last official duty as Beauceant President will take place September 22-26 in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, when she presides at the Supreme Assembly sessions.

## Royal Arch Masons Tour the Orient

Junior W. Vandall, General Grand High Priest of the General Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons International, announces the details of a 15-day tour of the Far East, October 29 - November 12, 1980. The tour will include visits to six cities - Tokyo, Kyoto, Seoul, Taipei, Hong Kong, and Shumchun, China. One of the highlights of the trip will occur on November 5 when the General Grand High Priest will officiate at the consecration of a new Royal Arch Chapter in Seoul, Korea.

## Johnson Receives Grand Cross of Color

At the 28th Biennial Meeting of the Supreme Assembly, International Order of the Rainbow for Girls, held July 15-18 in Philadelphia, the Grand Cross of Color was awarded to Kenneth C. Johnson, Grand Master of the Grand Encampment, Knights Templar, and to Mrs. Thelma R. Bailey, Most Worthy Grand Matron, General Grand Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star.

The awards were presented at a special ceremony by Mrs. Agnes McLeod, Supreme Worthy Advisor. In her remarks, Mrs. McLeod cited the support that is given the Order of Rainbow for Girls by the Sir Knights, the Commanderies and continuing publicity of the Order's activities in the *Knight Templar Magazine*.

The Grand Cross of Color is the highest award given by the Rainbow Supreme Assembly.

## 30th Anniversary for Muskogee Assembly

Members of Muskogee Assembly No. 151, Social Order of the Beauceant, gathered for a special meeting and social on June 9, 1980, to celebrate the 30th Anniversary of the Oklahoma body. As part of that meeting, Mrs. Virgil Hogan, Standard Bearer and Chairman of Planning and Resources, announced the success of a special project to make lap robes for area nursing homes, including the Masonic Home in Guthrie, Oklahoma. She reported 17 lap robes turned in at the June 9 meeting with several more to come in. Following the meeting, members attended a "Book Review" in the Temple Library. *Dandelion Wine* by Ray Bradbury was reviewed by Mrs. Ed Edmonson, wife of the former Oklahoma Congressman.

Looking into the near future, Past Worthy President and Recorder Mrs. Jack Houston indicates that plans are in progress to begin a "Quilting Bee" at the Masonic Home in Guthrie.





“... display your iron thunders...”

## THOMAS PROCTER: 1739-1806

by  
James R. Case, K.T.C.H.

A “complete band of music” was included among the prisoners of war taken in the Battle of Trenton on Christmas night 1776, a most unusual event since the Hessians were presumably hearkening to “herald angels’ songs” and were quite taken by surprise at the roar of cannon. The musketeers were marched off to their detention area, but the musicians were kept as legitimate booty. It is said they composed the band which accompanied Procter’s Artillery on the Sullivan Expedition, providing lively music for the Independence Day frolic on the 4th of July, and playing a dirge at the graves of fallen Masonic brethren of the regimental lodge.



Colonel Thomas Procter, who commanded the artillery, was a native of Ireland, a Master Carpenter of Philadelphia, a Master Mason in Lodge No. 2, and became a master artillerist during the course of the Revolution. He earned the reputation of being “brave, devoted, zealous and determined, occasionally stubborn.” Perhaps this last quality was because he insisted upon dressing his gunners in blue, rather than in the specified black with red facings, which distinguished the Continental artillery. And he appears to have had pretty much his own way until 1781, when he resigned his commission. He received a letter of commendation from Washington as Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces. From the chief executive of Pennsylvania, with whom there had been

some differences, came the remark that he did not regard Procter’s separation “as a public misfortune.”

Procter organized and commanded Pennsylvania’s only artillery company in 1775 and was garrisoned on Fort Island in the Delaware River to protect the city. He was promoted Major in 1776 and the next year Colonel of the state regiment of artillery. This unit had only quasi-Continental status which cost Procter some seniority and caused much unhappiness as time went on. He had a horse shot from under him at the Brandywine, was at Germantown, and wintered at Valley Forge.

In 1780 he provided artillery to accompany a “grand foray” against Bergens Neck under Light Horse Harry Lee. This netted only a few head of livestock as prisoners of war and was the subject of a derisive poem which Andre wrote, and in which honorable tribute was paid to the

*“... sons of distant Delaware,  
And still remoter Shannon,  
And Major Lee with horses rare,  
And Procter with his cannon.”*

An American poet and Brother, Colonel John Parke, also dedicated a poem to him as “Colonel Thomas Procter, K.T.,” one of the few identifications of early Knights Templar in Philadelphia.

He may have gone back to his carpenter’s bench when he quit the army, but in 1785 he became Sheriff of the County of Philadelphia. He lived up to his old reputation by vigorous action in quelling a prison riot

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during his term. In 1790, as City Lieutenant, he supervised the ceremonies welcoming Washington to Philadelphia. In 1791 he was sent as an emissary to the Indians of the North West Territory, the journal of his two months' trip being still extant. In 1793 he commanded the militia brigade of the city of Philadelphia, marched out to help subdue the Whisky Rebellion in 1794, and was promoted Major General in 1796.

Lodge No. 19, A.Y.M., under the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, was constituted to Procter's Regiment, May 18, 1779, with himself as Master. The present-day successor is Montgomery Lodge No. 19. In 1783-4 Procter sat as Senior Grand Warden and as such assisted in the institution of Alexandria Lodge in Virginia. He was Grand Marshal from 1796 until his death ten years later, and he was the Master of Ceremonies at Philadelphia of the funeral observance in December 1799, commemorating Washington's death.

As happened to many of our free-spending leaders in the struggle for independence, Procter found himself without the vouchers needed to support the claims against the government, had trouble and delay in settling his accounts, and got into financial straits. In one of his law suits, he lost Hog Island, today an island no more, but most valuable acreage if the family could have kept it for a generation or two.

When he died in 1806, Procter was accorded both military and Masonic honors at his funeral, and was buried at St. Paul's near Third and Walnut Streets. Although only a speculative Mason, he must have kept an operative interest in wood, as the monument at his grave was erected by the "Carpenters Association."



Sir Knight James R. Case, Washington Commandery No. 1, Hartford, is Grand Historiographer of Connecticut. He resides at Wells Apt. No. 302, 55 Masonic Avenue, Wallingford, Connecticut 06492.

## Bethel No. 98 is Tops in Pennsylvania



From left to right: Mrs. Betty Cool, President of Bethel's Ladies Auxiliary; John A. Strevig, Constituent Chairman for the 12th Voluntary Campaign; Eminent Commander Edward D. Cool; and Burnell C. Stambaugh, Deputy Grand Commander and Pennsylvania K.T.E.F. Chairman.

The Knights of Bethel Commandery No. 98, Hanover, Pennsylvania, have good reason to smile — during the recent 12th Annual Voluntary Campaign of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Bethel Commandery achieved a record contribution of \$35.44 per member to make them No. 1 among the 89 Constituent Commanderies in Pennsylvania on a per capita basis.

Sharing the spotlight with the men are members of the Ladies Auxiliary of Bethel Commandery. In the picture above, Mrs. Betty Cool, Auxiliary President, presents a \$600 check to her husband, Eminent Commander Edward Cool, and Burnell C. Stambaugh, V.E.D.G.C., Eye Foundation State Chairman.

## Australasian Information Exchange

With the aid of the Masonic Service Association of the United States, the seven Grand Lodges in Australasia (Australia and New Zealand) have established the Australasian Masonic Information Exchange Center. Its purpose is to promote the exchange of information among the Grand Lodges "Down Under," as well as between Australasia and the United States.



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## THE STAR-SPANGLED BANNER

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by

Sir Knight Robert E. Mutz, Former Grand Prelate  
Grand Commandery of Florida

*On the morning of September 14, 1814, while being detained aboard a British "flag-of-truce" boat in Chesapeake Bay, Francis Scott Key looked toward Fort McHenry. Above the Fort was a huge American flag, still waving despite a concentrated British attack over the last 24 hours. As he watched the battered flag, Key was moved to write an emotional poem of faith and patriotism. That poem, set to music, is now the national anthem of the United States of America.*

Like many others I learned to sing the song and memorize the words of *The Star Spangled Banner* when I was in grade school, and I had never really given a thought as to the real meaning of the song. We sing it every so often at baseball games and other attractions without stopping to ask ourselves what we just said. It's *The Star Spangled Banner* and the national anthem of our great country; what else is there to know?

When I got home from a baseball game recently, I wrote out the words to the song and tried to really understand what the song is trying to convey.

The patriotic message the song has to tell us is truly wonderful, and I would like to take poetic license and re-create what must have transpired in Francis Scott Key's mind while he was aboard that British vessel trying to secure the release of a civilian held prisoner.

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Oh say, can you see, by the dawn's early light,

"The light of day is just about upon us after the terrible night of fighting at the Fort, and I am most anxious to see if our flag is still standing or if the British have taken it down and run up the Union Jack in its place. . . . I am fearful as to what I might see and yet I have the inner feeling that all will be in order. . . . So much is at stake."

What so proudly we hail'd at the twilight's last gleaming?

"It seems like a year has passed since the sun set last evening, and at that time we could still see our flag, our glorious American flag, in all of its beauty and we watched it fly until the last rays of light had ceased and utter darkness had fallen upon the Fort."

Whose broad stripes and bright stars,

"Seeing the flag flying there was enough to send shivers up my spine. In pride we saw those broad red stripes and the white stars on the field of blue . . . representing the land we are fighting for."

Thro' the perilous fight, O'er the ramparts we watch'd, were so gallantly streaming?

"Even though the fighting has been heavy and the smoke from the shells made it difficult to see, we could just catch a glimpse of the flag that was still waving over the ramparts of the fortress walls. What a beautiful sight indeed!"

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And the rockets' red glare, the bombs bursting in air, gave proof thro' the night that our flag was still there.

"But now that the sun has finally set and we are clothed in darkness, there is no chance to see if the flag is still there. . . . Oh what I wouldn't give for just a moment's daylight so that we might once again see the flag we love so much. But that is not possible. We will have to adjust ourselves to the long nightmare of darkness until daylight once again is upon us. . . . How I pray that all will be the same with our dear flag as it was when we last saw it. . . . Wait a minute . . . over there . . . do you see it? Watch the flash of light from the rockets as they explode . . . see it now? . . . watch as the bombs burst in mid air . . . there it is. . . . There is the beautiful flag we love so much and it is still there waving amidst all the shelling around it. It is still there . . . the symbol of our freedom . . ."

Oh say does that Star Spangled Banner yet wave, o'er the land of the free and the home of the brave.

"I want to speak to the many generations of Americans who will follow in our footsteps and carry on this beautiful America as we have come to love it and die for it. But that might not be possible, and yet I feel that somehow I will be able to tell them of what has transpired this day and impart the thrill we have seen this morning and all during the long night, while the heaviest of the battle raged. I wonder if I may ask the future generations if they, too, love the flag as much as we do and will perpetuate the desire we have in our own hearts and for which we have shed blood this day to defend. May this flag ever be known as the symbol of a land that is free from tyranny and where we each have the inalienable right to that liberty and freedom, and that those who do defend this wonderful country will be considered to be the bravest men who ever walked the face of this land that we call America."

Sir Knight Mutz, a member of Palm Beach Commandery No. 18, West Palm Beach, Florida, lives at 720 Tradewinds Drive, North Palm Beach, Florida 33408.

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### Red Cross of Constantine at Austin

Almost 200 persons attended the Traditional Banquet, Saturday, August 9, despite Hurricane Allen, to mark the Charter presentation to South Texas Conclave by the Most Illustrious Grand Sovereign, G. Wilbur Bell, Knight Grand Cross, at the Villa Capri Motor Hotel, Austin, Texas.

Each of the 14 Red Cross of Constantine Conclaves in Texas was represented. Arrangements for the gathering were handled by Intendant General Ed T. Bloomquist, who also served as Master of Ceremonies, assisted by Intendants General James D. Tomme, Jr., of Texas Northern, and James M. Willson, Jr., of Texas Western.

The Orders were conferred upon 18 designates Saturday afternoon; the banquet, with Grand Sovereign Bell as the speaker, was held Saturday evening. Presiding was Sovereign of St. Austin Conclave, J. T. (Buddy) Baccus. Accepting the Charter was Vestal F. McBride, newly-installed Sovereign of South Texas Conclave.

In addition to Grand Sovereign Bell and the Intendants General, the United Grand Imperial Officers included Grand Junior General Sam E. Hilburn, who is the current Grand Master of Masons in Texas; Hoyt McClendon, Knight Grand Cross, Past Grand Sovereign of the Order, and Paul C. Rodenhauer, Knight Grand Cross, Grand Recorder.



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## ABOUT THE FIRST AMENDMENT

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by  
Sir Knight H. C. Arbuckle, III



From time to time a legislator will work on passing a bill into law that somehow circumvents the separation of church and state provided

for in the first amendment to the Constitution of the United States. Since I am a public schoolteacher, this is a sore spot with me, for I believe in the free, tax-supported public schools in this great country of ours. Thus it was gratifying to receive a book from the Baylor University Press which tells the story of court cases concerning the separation of church and state.

Robert T. Miller and Ronald B. Florence, the first a professor at Baylor University and the second a professor at Texas Christian University, have recently compiled *Toward Benevolent Neutrality: Church, State, and the Supreme Court*, which lists cases from 1872 through 1977 that have been heard and decided upon by the Supreme Court concerning the church-state situation. It is very interesting to note that this book was written by two men who are on the faculties of two church-affiliated schools and was published by the press of a church-affiliated school.

An introductory essay sets out the purpose of the book, namely, that freedom of religion is mainly American in nature and must be preserved at all costs. The further contention is that the Supreme Court is the final bulwark against the encroachment on freedom of religion, which is protected by the first amendment through the separation of church and

state. The authors say that "the judges are expected to spell out and justify their decisions in understandable written opinions . . . for the enlightenment and guidance of other judges, lawyers, and laymen of this and subsequent generations." The authors feel that when the judges break down, freedom of religion will be a thing of the past. And they are quite right about that.

The balance of the book is divided into six sections, "Government Intervention in Church Controversies," "Free Exercise of Religion," "Conscientious Objection to War," "Other Controversies Concerning Religious Liberty," "The Establishment of Religion," and "Church, State, and Civil Religion." In addition to these chapters, there are two appendices, one of which contains Jefferson's "A Bill for Establishing Religious Freedom" and the other Madison's "Memorial and Remonstrance." There is a glossary of legal terms and phrases, a bibliography, and tables of Supreme Court Cases, Lower Court Cases, and Opinions.

The value of this book is that it captures for the first time most, if not all, of the Supreme Court cases concerning separation of church and state. All Masons should be interested in this, for we are dedicated to uphold the Constitution and the government of the United States. *Toward Benevolent Neutrality* will make an excellent addition to your library. It can be ordered from Baylor University Press, Waco, Texas 76703, for \$17.50, postpaid.

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# HIGHLIGHTS AND SIDELIGHTS

## Regional York Rite Conferences

Two Regional York Rite Conferences will take place this month, one in the South Central and one in the Northeastern Department of the Grand Encampment. Department Commander Merlin R. Grundy, Kansas, will lead the Grand Encampment portion of the South Central Conference, September 13-14, in Bossier City, Louisiana, along with M. C. Lewis, Jr., Deputy General Grand High Priest for General Grand Chapter, and Everette L. Gloyd, Regional Deputy General Grand Master for General Grand Council.

The Northeastern Conference will take place September 27-28 at the New Hampshire Highway Hotel in Concord, with Department Commander William D. Geesey heading the Templar representation, William F. Robinson, Regional Deputy Grand Master for General Grand Council, and Robert L. Dod, Deputy General Grand High Priest for General Grand Chapter.

## Royal Order of Scotland Gift to K.T.E.F.



A check for \$100 — a special gift from members of the Royal Order of Scotland who accompanied Provincial Grand Master Marvin E. Fowler on a recent European tour — is presented for deposit in the Knights Templar Eye Foundation fund. Foundation Executive Director G. Wilbur Bell (left) looks on with approval as Grand Master Johnson accepts the donation.

## Montana Grand Master at Job's Installation

Francis Hess, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Montana, A.F. & A.M., was special guest at the June 7 installation of Shelley Green as Honored Queen of Bethel No. 10, International Order of Job's Daughters in Billings. Shelley is the daughter of Sir Knight and Mrs. James Green, and her father is a 25-year member of Cascade Lodge No. 34 and a member of the York Rite Bodies of Great Falls, Montana.



Grand Master Hess poses with Honored Queen Shelley Green during reception.

Also attending the ceremony were members of two local DeMolay Chapters who performed as Honor Guard, and two Rainbow Assemblies, serving as hostesses.

The week following the installation, 18 Jobies and 10 adults from the Billings area attended the Annual Grand Session, where Bethel No. 10 won two first-place trophies in membership competition. Vicki Wendorff, Past Honored Queen of No. 10, was selected Miss Montana Job's Daughter and represented her state in the Miss International Job's Daughter competition in Pennsylvania.

Grand Master Hess, attending the York Rite Annual Conclave in Red Lodge, took time out to participate in the Job's Daughters ceremonies in Billings.

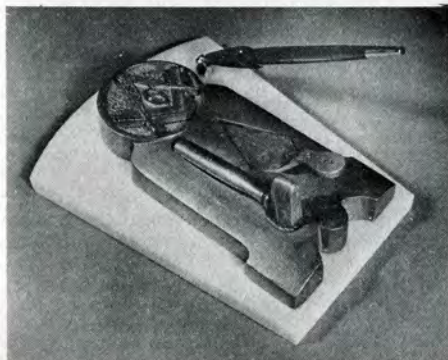


## Kentucky Reception for G.E. Officers

Sir Knights Donald H. Smith, R.E. Grand Generalissimo, and Morrison L. Cooke, R.E. Department Commander, East Central Department, will be honored guests at a reception sponsored by the Grand Commandery of Kentucky and scheduled for September 14 at the Florida Forum-Ramada Inn in Louisville. Kentucky Grand Commander Billy Joe Carroll has extended invitations to attend the reception for the two Kentucky Templars who are officers of the Grand Encampment.

Smith, a resident of Richmond and currently Registrar of Eastern Kentucky University, is a former Chairman of the Knights Templar Educational Foundation Committee. Department Commander Cooke, Louisville, is now retired after serving many years as Psychologist in the Kentucky Department for Human Resources.

## Masonic Door Knocker Salvaged



While examining the goods at a garage sale recently, Sir Knight William D. McGahan, Nashville Commandery No. 1, Tennessee, came across an old Masonic brass door knocker (the gavel is raised by pressing the trowel). He found the piece so fascinating that he had a keystone cut for it and mounted it as a desk set.

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## \$500,000 to Endowment Fund



Past Grand Master Willard M. Avery, General Counsel for the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc., presents a check to Grand Master Kenneth C. Johnson and Past Grand Master G. Wilbur Bell, the Foundation's Executive Director, at the meeting of Trustees, July 27-28, at Springfield, Illinois. The check represents a partial share of the estate of the late Clinton Hinshaw, Spiceland, Indiana, who died May 30, 1978. The check for the half-million dollars was earmarked for the Permanent Endowment Fund.

## Re-Elected Eminent Commander

For the second time in 33 years, Hillborn Darlington, Jr., was installed Eminent Commander of Mizpah Commandery No. 96, Doylestown, Pennsylvania. The April 26 installation was conducted by Sir Knight Walter B. Pearce, Grand Commander of Pennsylvania.



Eminent Commander Darlington is the oldest living Past Commander of Mizpah Commandery as well as the oldest member in length of service. He received the Orders of Red Cross and Malta on February 17, 1944, and the Order of the Temple on April 24, 1944. Darlington's first installation occurred in April 1947.



Grand Encampment  
Roll Call of Honored Dead  
**IN HALLOWED MEMORY**

**F. William Young**  
New York  
Grand Commander — 1973  
Born December 27, 1904  
Died July 24, 1980



**Illustrious Lee Lockwood, 1900-1980**

Lee Lockwood, 33°, former Sovereign Grand Inspector General in Texas, A. & A.S.R., S.J., died August 6 in Waco, Texas, after years of dedicated work in the quarries of Freemasonry. A 1922 graduate of the University of Texas, Sir Knight Lockwood entered the mortgage and loan investment field and went on to become the first president (later Chairman of the Board) of the Waco Savings and Loan Association. He was a prominent and active businessman, serving as a director of many banks and corporations. For 20 years he served on the Board of Deacons, Central Christian Church, Waco.

Sir Knight Lockwood was Charter Master Councilor of Waco Chapter, Order of DeMolay, in 1921. He later served the DeMolay International Supreme Council as Grand Master (1966-67), being the third Senior DeMolay to assume leadership of the Order. He was also a recipient of the DeMolay Active Legion of Honor and the Cross of Honor.



**Supreme Council, N.M.J.**

The one hundred and sixty-eighth Annual Meeting of the Supreme Council of Sovereign Grand Inspectors General of the Thirty-Third and Last Degree of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry for the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction of the United States of America will take place in Cleveland, Ohio, September 19-25. Stanley F. Maxwell, 33°, is Sovereign Grand Commander; Laurence E. Eaton, 33°, is Grand Secretary General, and the Executive Secretary is Winthrop L. Hall, 33°. The Northern Masonic Jurisdiction consists of 15 north-eastern states from Maine to Wisconsin.

In 1922 he was Raised in Fidelis Lodge No. 1127, and 16 years later he was installed Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Texas. He was a member of the York Rite Bodies of Waco, and in 1945 served as Commander, Waco Commandery No. 10, K.T. He was also a Past Grand Sovereign of the United Grand Imperial Council, Red Cross of Constantine, honored in 1969 with the degree of Knight Grand Cross. Lockwood was a Knight of the York Cross of Honour, a former Director of the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association, and member, H.R.A.K.T.P., Shrine, Royal Order of Scotland, M.O.V.P.E.R., Philathetes, and many more Masonic groups.

Sir Knight Lockwood was honored in 1969 by his brethren in Texas with the dedication of the Lee Lockwood Library and Museum in Waco. He was one of the few Masons to be honored in both the Southern and Northern Masonic Jurisdictions of the Scottish Rite.

Grand Lodge Funeral services were conducted August 8, Samuel E. Hilburn, Grand Master of Texas, presiding. Sir Knight Lockwood is survived by his widow, Marie, and two daughters.



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## WHERE, OH WHERE HAS MY BROTHER KNIGHT GONE?

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by

Sir Knight Theodore Summers  
Peninsular Commandery No. 8, Michigan

*"Where, Oh where, has my Brother  
Knight gone?  
Oh Where, oh where can he be?"*

It's really nothing to sing about — that empty chair at our Commandery meetings. The title might sound flippant, but the problem is serious.

Well, where is he? That Knight who seems to have fallen by the wayside. He hasn't been to a Conclave in some time. Why? Does anybody care?

Yes, we care! Every one of us. This Order was built on Brotherly Love and Friendship, and who among us wouldn't "walk the distance of forty miles, even barefoot and over frozen ground" if we heard the Frater was in distress? But too often, we don't know just why we haven't seen him — Is he sick? Overworked? Out of town? Or has he become addicted to the TV, bowling, involved in more duties in his Blue Lodge, or in his Church?

It might be the Brother Knight is handicapped by gasoline shortages. Maybe he has found night driving is a bit more difficult than it was 20 years ago.

There are many good, legitimate reasons why the Sir Knight has not been to our meetings, but at least he is entitled to friendly inquiry and solicitation. We need him just as much as he needs the Commandery, and we ought to get out of our easy chairs and look him up.

To identify the problem of, non-attendance at our Conclaves is the major part of overcoming the problem. And what are some of the problems we might consider?

There are three or four major categories

of reasons why the Knight has got out of the habit of taking part in our work, and why we find him falling by the wayside. There might be some physical reason, or an emotional reason, or there might even be too much pressure in his business.

If it is that last reason, the best therapy that might be prescribed would be for him to take a little time to participate in a Full Form Opening again, and get his mind off Accounts Receivable and the worry of meeting the payroll.

But before taking action on the major problem, we must identify the missing Knight by checking the attendance records against the roster of members. The names entered on the Sentinel's Book can be easily compared with a card file of the names, addresses, and phone numbers of all members, and when a man does happen to miss a certain number of meetings or activities, his name will come to the top for attention.

If the Recorder can't take on the extra job of counting who is present and who is absent, perhaps one of the Junior Officers could render the service, giving him, too, a familiarity with the names of all members. After each meeting, the "Attendance Officer" could make this quick check with the card file, and when warranted, hand the name to the contacting committee, to the man's best friend, or his sponsor to find out the reason for the absences and to take steps to bring the man back into the fold.

There is, of course, the member who joined the Commandery realizing he would not be able to spare the time to become a regular attendant, → → →



but who, nonetheless, wants to be counted among the Brethren. This man, although irregular in attendance, is still truly in favor of our aims and purposes. His business might require too much traveling to permit active participation. The same problem might be faced by a musician or a journeyman craftsman or a traveling salesman, a teacher in a night school or in a college program holding class on meeting nights and who are seldom free to attend.

Or the absent member, we would be pleased to note, might have found his special niche in some other Masonic Body, or is bringing credit on Masonry through his work on some Civic cause or City Commission.

We have also heard of the member who has recently "gone through the chairs" in one of the Bodies and now feels an obligation to devote a bit more time to his wife and kids to make up for the time they have sacrificed so he could pursue his ambition "to climb that mystic ladder." But all of these very busy Knights should be called and invited to all special activities of the Commandery, at least: Old Timers' Night, Past Commanders' Night, or to the Annual Inspection. Here's where the calling committee could start the revival program.

We might find in the Category of Physical Reasons several legitimate obstacles to attendance: *Is the Knight bothered about night driving?* If so, let's assign some younger member to call for him, drive him to the Temple and home again. Small task to do for a Brother. *Is the Knight recently crippled, by sickness or accident?* That problem, too, can be solved easily by assigning one or two companions to help him get out of his house, or nursing home, and provide transportation now and then. This would be the case if the man is currently using crutches or a wheel chair. *Difficulty in hearing?* Why not see that the Knight is given a seat close to the work? He could

even be invited to take the part of a hermit with no hesitancy, to his credit and to our pleasure.

*What about the member who is wintering in Florida, Arizona, or in California?* Easy to solve. Don't just wait for his return to our home town; let's drop a card to some nearby Commandery asking that our member be invited as a visitor during his stay in that area so he will keep up the habit of counting on the Commandery for that satisfaction which comes when good friends meet. How many of our members go south in the wintertime and miss our fraternization?

Commanderies in Tucson, St. Petersburg or San Diego would welcome the sojourner with open arms, if those Commanderies only knew about the "pilgrim among them." Just a ten-cent postcard mailed directly to the warm-climate Commandery would solve the problem and keep the Knight active.

But too often there might be some emotional or psychological reason that has been gnawing at the loyalty of the member, and these are the difficult cases to solve as the Knight might be either reluctant to "open up" and give the real reason for his lack of ardor, or else he himself has not thought out why there is a "sliver in his thumb."

Many large corporations now conduct an Exit Interview with quitting employees to ascertain just why the employee is no longer satisfied with his employment. Perhaps such a person-to-person conversation would stand us well.

The officer in charge of attendance must be a perceptive and outgoing, friendly person who sincerely wants to decipher the real honest-to-goodness reason for the continued absences, and seeks more background than the handy off-the-cuff excuse of "too busy," "out-of-town" or "too-tired-after-a-day's work."

Just such a little thing as a slight embarrassment about that uniform which no longer fits around the waist might get



in the way of attending even though the Knight is just as welcome wearing civies. Here, in this case, the "Attendance Officer" could point out that a few dollars spent with a nearby tailor could alter that waist measurement or the collar size and make the uniform comfortable again. Or, maybe, the Knight isn't aware of the new design of the uniform and its up-to-date comfort and its low cost.

*Did you ever hear the excuse of "tired of the same ritual?"* Often the cure for this problem is to involve the man in some part of the ritual, as he might really, subconsciously, have always wanted to take part in the work but feels he has been passed over.

We truly love our Past Commanders who are always ready to work — but sometimes those faithful P.C.'s are so good at ritual that the Commander forgets that every star should have at least one understudy; "the time comes, and we know not when we may be stricken from the rolls of the living," and there is no one ready to carry on.

*Or did the member feel that whenever he did make a suggestion for the benefit of the Commandery or its charities he was "slapped down" by a reactionary inner group, or by the presiding officer who was anxious to get the meeting closed?* Perhaps that member really did have an excellent suggestion, but simply was not a good public speaker, and found difficulty explaining his suggestion in a way which gained acceptance, or at least a consideration of his idea.

*Could it be that the non-attender is an introverted person who has a problem mixing in a group?* That man is often at the edge of the conversation circle. When we form little conversation groups, he should be pulled into the circle and encouraged to take part with us. Perhaps that non-attender was initiated at a York Rite Festival where he felt "like an IBM number" instead of like a sought-after candidate. A man of this personality

might have a problem empathizing and so cannot easily imagine himself in the stead of the active candidate. He cannot project himself into the drama and never gets the vicarious thrill of being dubbed and created. He has missed the grand experience largely as he was in the seat on the sidelines and was not, in his imagination, walking that "year of penance in the pure white robe."

Maybe in this case we should bring the new man back and re-initiate him alone so he actually has the experiences himself of carrying the skull and the taper. He should undergo the experience of the sudden change in emotions when he sees "the swords pointed at his naked unprotected breast" and the next moment looks up to see a "glittering arch of steel where thousands of swords seem to leap from their scabbards to shield and defend him." For some people these emotions are hard to grasp through a proxy.

In another case, it was later learned, the member had lost his wife, but found no flowers from the Commandery at her funeral. True, it might have been that the Commandery was in the habit of making a donation to a charity, voting on the donation at the next regular Conclave. Maybe in a case like this we should temper our policy and go along with the notice in the obituary as to whether flowers are acceptable, or whether a donation to charity in lieu of flowers is preferred. Here we should see that the bereaved frater is always promptly advised of the intent to donate the memorial, and not let him feel hurt for a month before action is taken. In the loss of a wife or other loved one, feelings are easily bruised, and nothing takes the place of a brother's arm around the shoulder and sincere sympathy.

*What about that member who once ran into financial trouble and was suspended in the Commandery or in one of the requisite bodies for non-payment, but is now back on his* → → →



*feet with his affairs again in good order?* Perhaps he is just waiting to be asked to come back. How many members have we lost because we never did invite the man back and let him know he was wanted?

*Did we have a member whose work required him to move to another city?* Did we drop a card to the Commandery there asking those Knights to get in touch with our member and discuss the possibility of a demit to his new home, or better, to consider a dual-membership? Let's do all possible to keep the man in the fraternity even if we can't have him active in our local group. Some Knights seem never to make the contact in the new city without some help from home.

*And what about the Knight whose work last year did require him to move to another city, but whose work now requires him to move back among us again – the so-called corporation man?* He shouldn't be allowed to tarry long before he is receiving our "welcome home" and an assignment in our degree cast.

*On a happier note, perhaps the member always enjoyed contributing his special talent to the work, but he now has fallen by the wayside because we are overlooking what specialty he can bring to us.* Did we once have a quartette for the initiatory work, for instance, but when one or two of the singers moved away, dropped out, or could no longer spend the time singing, the quartette fell apart? Why not ask that inactive Knight to come back and organize another quartette? Or at least come and contribute a vocal solo for some special program?

Is it possible that the inactive member has even found a new joy in learning to play an organ? Great! Just the man we need to furnish music for the work. True, he may not be an artist yet, but he can play some well-known hymn tunes and a simple march to help the work. *Why not make a practice of using such talents as we have in our group rather than going outside our membership to engage a non-*

*Mason or a woman?* Enthusiasm comes from feeling needed, and we need that Knight who "can best work and best agree." We need to keep all our men busy.

There probably is no limit to the number of "excuses" we will find when we start out to revive our attendance, but for every excuse there is a counter argument. A little fore-planning will show us the way to solve the problem. So let's get busy and identify the non-attender or the infrequent attender; find out his problem and get the man back into the fold of active, enthusiastic Knights of the Temple. (Or, if he has now left our jurisdiction, at least refer his name to some other Commandery where he will always be welcome and where he can continue making his contributions to the Order.) Let's never say our attendance is going down without doing something about the problem.

Nothing succeeds like success; and nothing makes a man more anxious to attend than that warm, personal invitation; nothing makes him more loyal than the feeling that he can and does make a real, special contribution to our circle of friends. Often he just needs the chance to "Let His Light Shine."

And when we do get the apathetic Knight back for "just a special event," call him by his first name, get an arm around his shoulder; see that he is befriended by every other man present; see his coffee cup is kept full; sit him next to the Eminent Commander at the table, or even let the Commander have the honor of filling the man's cup himself. And never, never let our missing Knight fear that he is overlooked or forgotten, or is considered of little account to us.

Our best inducement and advertisement for new members is a full asylum of happy, active and loyal Knights of the Temple, each one knowing he is needed and is wanted. There is no excuse for letting the man fall by the wayside.

Sir Knight Summers lives at 1514 West Lovell Street, Kalamazoo, Michigan 49007.



## “Helping Hand” from K.T.E.F. Clubs

When a small child with crossed eyes walks down the street, most people say “How sad,” and look away. But there are some who do not look away. Some, like those who support the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, help pay for eye surgery and advanced research. All types of individuals – babies, youngsters, adults, the elderly – from all parts of the country and comprising every race and religion, have received a “helping hand” from the Knights Templar Eye Foundation.

The “special benefactors” of the Grand Commander’s and Grand Master’s Clubs are a big part of that “helping hand.” In a little over four years some \$250,000 has been contributed by Club members – and hundreds of individuals have reaped the benefits of their generosity.

In September we salute new members in the Grand Commander’s Club:

- Delaware No. 2 – J. E. Walls, Jr.
- Indiana No. 4 – Ronald D. Simpson
- Illinois No. 8 – In Memory of F. W. Young  
by James B. Stoner
- Ohio No. 9 – Joseph M. Lusk
- New York No. 10 – Robert Leland

and the Grand Master’s Club:

- No. 216 – George D. Stein (OH)
- No. 217 – Homer Banks (OH)
- No. 218 – Herschel E. Zirger (KS)
- No. 219 – Reverend William T. Plews (NY)  
Presented by The Ebsary  
Charitable Foundation
- No. 220 – Walter B. Beebe (OR)
- No. 221 – George W. Sorrell (AL)
- No. 222 – In Memory of Alberta Mae Rourke  
by D. Lyvern Rourke (MI)
- No. 223 – Richard J. O’Keefe (GA)

Any individual may join the Eye Foundation Clubs; however, membership is not open to groups. A contribution of \$100 or more assures membership in the Grand Commander’s Club. These members pledge to make subsequent yearly contributions of at least \$100 until \$1,000

## Presenting a Unified Front

Chester W. Mitchell, current Eminent Commander of Rock Island Commandery No. 18, Illinois, writes, “We in Rock Island, during the Templar Year June 1980 to June 1981, are going to do everything we can to promote cooperation between Scottish Rite Masons and York Rite Masonry.” As a starting point, the Commandery is planning a special conferral of the Templar Orders on six worthy Scottish Rite Masons, including: Richard H. Sarginson, William D. Barkman, Myron R. Robinson and Lyle P. Hoogheem, each a member of M.S.A., each holding the 33° and each a Past Commander-in-Chief of Moline Consistory; Roland G. Mose, M.S.A., 33°, present Commander-in-Chief, Moline Consistory; and Alfred G. Waffle, 33°, Director of Work, Valley of Moline, Illinois.

Each of these men, says Knight Mitchell, is a “staunch member of the Scottish Rite,” and before his year as Commander is over, they will all be York Rite Masons as well.



is reached. Grand Commander’s Club members receive a metal wallet card showing state and contributor number.

Grand Master’s Club membership is immediate upon the donation of \$1,000 – either as a one-time contribution or upon completion of Grand Commander’s Club membership – and is acknowledged by a metallic wallet card and a bronzed desk plaque. For additional information, individuals may write to Executive Director G. Wilbur Bell, P.G.M., Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc., P.O. Box 579, Springfield, Illinois 62705 (Phone: 217-523-3838).

All contributions are tax-deductible and provide no Commandery credit.



## Knight Grand Cross Awarded

Clarence Phillips, Past Commander of Oregon Commandery No. 1, will be awarded the Knight Grand Cross of the United Grand Imperial Council, Red Cross of Constantine, at a banquet sponsored by St. Laurence Conclave at the Red Lion Motor Inn in Portland. Phillips was named to receive the award at the 108th Annual Assembly held June 5-8, in Little Rock, Arkansas. The personal presentation will be made September 19 by G. Wilbur Bell, P.G.M., current Grand Sovereign of the Grand Imperial Council. At the same time, Phillips, Grand Senior General in 1980, will be named an Honorary Past Grand Sovereign of the Order.



## 80th Birthday Celebration for Tasker

After a day working behind the scenes at the Annual Masonic Flea Market in Concord, New Hampshire, last June, Sir Knight Everett Tasker celebrated his 80th birthday with a cake baked by the Ladies Auxiliary and enjoyed with his many Masonic friends. Born June 7, 1900, at Strafford, Sir Knight Everett is a member of Eureka Lodge No. 70 in Concord and member and past presiding officer of the three York Rite Bodies in Concord, including Mt. Horeb Commandery No. 3.



For his many years of Fraternal work, Sir Knight Tasker received the General Grand Chapter Medal in 1972 and the General Grand Council Cryptic Medal in 1979. Currently he is Prelate of Mt. Horeb Commandery, a member of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Degree Team, and Worthy Patron of Epiphany Chapter No. 50, O.E.S.

He is described as "a very unusual man" — at age 80 he operates his own automotive repair shop and is "as efficient under the hood and down under on a creeper as a 30-year-old." Says State Supplement Editor Leonard D. Rowell, he is "a Master Mason in every sense and a friend of all who know him."

## International Order of Job's Daughters

The International Order of Job's Daughters is an organization for girls between the ages of 11 and 20 who are related to Master Masons. It was founded in 1920 by Ethel T. Wead Mick for the purpose of banding together young women for spiritual and moral upbringing, to inspire the desire of knowledge, to teach love of Country and Flag, love of home, respect for parents and elders, and reverence for the Holy Scriptures. The 42nd Chapter, 15th verse of the Book of Job tells us that:

*"In all the land were no women found so fair as the daughters of Job: and their father gave them inheritance among their brethren."*

Submitted by: Susan S. Rose, Past Honored Queen, Bethel No. 81, Dayton, Ohio



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## MASONS RETURN TO CLEOPATRA'S NEEDLE

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*On Sunday, October 5, 1980, Masons from New York and surrounding states, and Masonic representatives from across the U.S.A. will re-enact the Cornerstone Dedication Ceremony of "Cleopatra's Needle" – the Egyptian Obelisk in Central Park, New York City – which took place a century ago on October 9, 1880. The celebration, sponsored by the Grand Lodge, F. & A.M., New York, will include a Masonic Parade which will proceed from the Grand Army Plaza at 59th Street, up Fifth Avenue to 81st Street. Ernest Leonardi, Chairman of the Obelisk Centennial Committee, announces there will be a "special program of interest to Freemasons" and encourages all Masonic Lodges and concordant organizations to attend the Masonic celebration and to participate in the parade. Sir Knight Marvin E. Fowler, Grand Captain General, as official representative of Grand Master Johnson and the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar, will head the Templar contingent at the re-dedication ceremonies.*

### THE OBELISK – Its Origin and Link to Freemasonry

prepared by the Obelisk Centennial Committee  
Grand Lodge, F. & A.M., New York

Obelisks and pyramids are the characteristic monuments of ancient Egypt, among the most time resistant of all the works of man. Over four thousand years have passed since the obelisk building period, 2,500-2,000 B.C.

Obelisks are slender four-sided tapering monuments, usually hewn of a single piece of granite, terminating in the pointed or pyramid top. Obelisks were placed in pairs before temples, one on either side of the portal. Down each of the four faces of the obelisk ran lines of deeply inscribed hieroglyphs and representations setting forth the names and titles of the Pharaoh. The cap or pyramidon was sometimes sheathed with copper or other metal. Great numbers of obelisks were made but very few of colossal size.

Four of the giant obelisks have been carried from Egypt and are preserved in Rome, Paris, London and New York. The two obelisks known as Cleopatra's Needles and first erected before the temple of Heliopolis, the biblical city of On, where

Moses was born, now stand in London and New York.

In the Piazza di San Pietro in Rome stands the largest obelisk removed from Egypt, approximately 83 feet high and weighing over 720,000 pounds. Brought to Rome from Heliopolis during the reign of the Roman emperor Caligula, early in the first century A.D., it was erected in the Circle of Caligula where it stood for fifteen centuries. In 1585 Pope Sixtus engaged the architect Fontana to relocate this obelisk to St. Peter's Square where it now stands.

In 1830 the newly-established Egyptian Museum in Paris sought a specimen of Egyptian art. Napoleon had received an obelisk from Egypt as a monument to the campaign of 1799 but no efforts had been made to remove it to France. An obelisk at Luxor in Egypt nearly 75 feet in height and weighing over 490,000 pounds was transported to France and erected in the center of the Place de la Concorde in October 1836. → → →



In 1801, when the battle of Alexandria placed the obelisk now in London in the hands of British forces, first attempts were made to remove this obelisk as it lay on its side near the erect obelisk that is now in Central Park, New York. The London obelisk is 64 feet in height and weighs nearly 420,000 pounds. After many years of effort, the London obelisk was erected on the Victoria embankment of the Thames River, between Charing Cross and Waterloo bridges, in 1872.

The standing obelisk at Alexandria caught the interest of the New York *World* newspaper in 1869, at the time of the opening of the Suez Canal. The Khedive (ruler) of Egypt agreed to give an obelisk to the United States. William H. Vanderbilt agreed to provide the funds needed to secure the obelisk for New York City. Brother Henry H. Gorringe of Anglo Saxon Lodge No. 137 in New York City and a Lieutenant Commander in the United States Navy was employed by Vanderbilt to remove the obelisk from Egypt and erect it in New York.

Brother Gorringe arrived in Egypt in October 1879 to begin work and discovered that, although it was well known that the standing obelisk in Alexandria had been given to the United States, no one, not even the Khedive, believed that the obelisk would be removed. During the succeeding months, Brother Gorringe overcame all obstacles and, on June 1, 1880, the steamer *Dessoug* left Alexandria with the giant obelisk on board, arriving at the Fifty-first Street wharf in New York City on July 31, 1880.

The New York obelisk is 71 feet in height and weighs over 448,000 pounds. Unlike the obelisks in London and Paris, the New York obelisk was removed from an erect position, and thus the pedestal, steps, and foundation stones were intact, permitting a full examination.

During this examination, the similarity between the forms and actual relative positions of the pieces here described and

those of the emblems of Freemasonry led to the appointment of a committee of Freemasons then in Egypt to examine them, and, after discussion and deliberation, the following conclusions were announced:

The polished cube found in the east angle corresponds with the perfect ashlar; the polished square corresponds with the square; the rough block found in the west angle corresponds with the rough ashlar; the stone with figures representing snakes is emblematic of wisdom; the axis stone is the trestle board, and the marked stone adjacent to it bears the Master's Mark.

The two implements found, the lead plummet and iron trowel, are clearly emblematic of Freemasonry.

The piece of soft white limestone found under the polished cube has been regarded as a symbol of purity, and as having been placed in the center of the eighteen pieces forming the lower step to designate the word of the eighteenth degree.

Most Worshipful Jesse B. Anthony, Grand Master of Masons in the State of New York, presided as the cornerstone for the obelisk was laid in place with full Masonic ceremony on October 9, 1880. Over 9,000 Masons paraded up Fifth Avenue from 14th Street to 82nd Street, and it was estimated that more than 50,000 spectators lined the route.

To commemorate the historic event, the Grand Lodge of New York will re-stage the historic ceremony on October 5, 1980.

For further information on the Obelisk Centennial, contact Ernest Leonardi, Chairman, or Ray Alvarez, Dir. Comm., 71 West 23rd Street, New York, New York 10010 (212-741-4500). Details on the Masonic Parade are available from Ralph W. Lichty, 430 West 24th Street, New York, New York 10011 (212-255-7668).





## ANNUAL MEETING OF TRUSTEES

The Trustees of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation met in Springfield, Illinois, July 27-28, with Grand Master Kenneth C. Johnson presiding, assisted by Executive Director G. Wilbur Bell. Additionally present and participating were Ned E. Dull, Deputy Grand Master and 1st Vice President; E. Guy Frizzell, 2nd Vice President; Harold S. Gorman, R.E. Grand Treasurer, Treasurer; Paul C. Rodenhauser, Grand Recorder, Secretary; Donald H. Smith, R.E. Grand Generalissimo; Marvin E. Fowler, Grand Captain General; Past Presidents and Past Grand Masters John L. Crofts, Sr., G. Wilbur Bell, Roy Wilford Riegle, Willard M. Avery, General Counsel; and the following Trustees at Large: Charles S. McIntyre, Jr., George W. Sorrell, Alvin L. Crump. Excused were Edmund F. Ball, visiting out of the country, and The Reverend Howard T. Joslyn, Assistant Executive Director, ill.

Meeting discussion resulted in a 10% increase in the fee scheduled for hospitalization, physicians and anaesthesiologists. Eligibility requirements were further reviewed and altered for better individual coverage. Present income limits were in effect as follows for one to six persons: \$6,200.00 for one, \$7,400.00 for two, \$8,600.00 for three, \$9,800.00 for four, \$11,000.00 for five, \$12,250.00 for six. Each level was increased by the Trustees by \$1,000.00.

Total grants for eye research were authorized in the amount of \$105,420.00. Research grants by the Knights Templar Eye Foundation now exceed \$1 million.

### 13th Annual Voluntary Campaign On the Horizon

In the near future, the Grand Encampment will publish General Order No. 4 — Guidelines for Grand, Constituent and Subordinate Commandery involvement in the 13th Annual Knights Templar Eye Foundation Voluntary Campaign. It is requested that Grand Commanderies which have not already done so forward the name of the 1980-81 State Campaign Chairman to the Grand Recorder as soon as possible.



Johnson and Bell

Checks were presented during the meeting by E. Guy Frizzell, Tennessee; Grand Captain General Marvin E. Fowler, for the Royal Order of Scotland, and by General Counsel and Past Grand Master Willard M. Avery. The latter's presentation was in the amount of \$500,000.00, representing partial proceeds from the will of the late Clinton Hinshaw of Indiana.

Charles S. McIntyre, Jr., P.G.C., Michigan, at the request of the Grand Master, again accepted chairmanship for the 13th Annual Voluntary Campaign which, as in the past, will extend from December 1 through April of 1981. The 1979-80 results amounted to \$577,181.18.

The annual report of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation for the past year is to be distributed shortly to voting members of the Grand Encampment and to Constituent and Subordinate Recorders.



## The Potential of DeMolay

Speaking at the Frank S. Land Memorial Breakfast earlier this year, William K. Clark, Jr., 1979-80 International Master Councilor, made the following remarks on the future of the International Order of DeMolay.

"DeMolay is striving to provide a real service to young men by promoting a program of activities which will strengthen us all in body, mind and spirit. The years 13 to 21 have always been particularly important in laying that foundation of good character which serves each man all his life. This is perhaps more true today than ever before. Young people today are faced with a seemingly unending variety of choices for good and bad. Young people are constantly faced with new options and opportunities which require a decision — some of which can have lifelong ramifications.

"Some young people are not up to the task. Some have not been given the education necessary to understand the "why" of our traditional American values. When these values are challenged, they are ill-equipped to respond.

"A DeMolay Chapter can provide the background and understanding to meet such a challenge. Our ritual teaches respect for parents, loyalty to one's friends, a sense of responsibility to obligations assumed, reverence for God, and respect and admiration for our Country. . . .

"The potential for developing good character among the young men in every community through an active DeMolay Chapter is almost limitless. We urge your continued support and urge you to assist us in expanding the outreach of the DeMolay program to new communities where Chapters do not presently exist. . . .

"Every young man in every community needs the strength, the support, and the guidance that the Order of DeMolay brings to these stress-laden times.

"Help us . . . to help them . . . to help us all . . . to a New Tomorrow."



### SILENT PRAYER FOR THE CLASSROOM

Now I sit me down in school  
Where praying is against the rule.  
For this great nation, under God  
Finds public mention of Him odd.

Any prayer a class recites  
Now violates the Bill of Rights.  
Any time my head I bow  
Becomes a Federal matter now.

Teach us of stars or pole and equator  
But make no mention of their Creator.  
Tell of exports in Denmark and Sweden  
But not one word on what Eve did in  
Eden.

The law is specific, the law is precise  
Praying out loud is no longer nice.  
Praying aloud in a public hall  
Upsets believers in nothing at all.

In silence alone can we meditate  
And if God should get the credit, great.  
This rule, however, has a gimmick in it:  
You've got to be finished in less than a  
minute.

So all I ask is a minute of quiet  
If I feel like praying, then maybe I'll try it.  
If not, O Lord, this plea I make:  
Should I die in school, my soul you'll take.

(with credit to Paul Benzaquin)



## A WORD ON WEDDINGS

by

William H. Sattler  
Grand Commander of Missouri

The *Knight Templar Magazine* seems to be full of news of Commanderies in some jurisdictions acting as Honor Guards at weddings.

While I am in favor of and will grant dispensations for Commanderies to appear in public on proper occasions to promote our Order within the jurisdiction of the Grand Commandery of Missouri, it is my opinion that on occasions such as weddings, the Order is not being promoted, but instead, is being used to promote "Pomp and Ceremony" for certain individuals. Therefore, no dispensations will be granted to Missouri Commanderies for this purpose.

After weddings, what would come next? Honor Guards for christenings, anniversaries? The list is unlimited.

As a Knight Templar, your uniform belongs to you, and the Grand Commandery cannot tell you where or when to wear it, either individually or in a group of several Sir Knights, but it can be hoped it means more to you than to wear it on any occasion where your Commandery cannot legally participate. All Knights Templar are Master Masons. Would you, as a Master Mason, wear your apron on occasions not sanctioned by the Lodge?

You bet you would not — neither would I.

One picture I noted shows the Commandery, or individual Sir Knights, if you will, giving the Arch of Steel. Some will say it is not an Arch of Steel because it is not being performed in the Asylum. Who is kidding who?

In the military, it is ceremonial, but in our Order it has a higher significance. It is used as a mark of honor and respect for the Templar officers who have attained a certain rank, and is used in the same capacity as Grand Honors for the Lodge, Chapter or Council, and should have similar respect from Knights Templar. Any Templar worthy of the title will respect it for what it represents and not endeavor to find "flimsy excuses" for using it. This is especially true for Grand Officers.

It seems, Sir Knights, we are our own worst enemies. We complain, and I have heard it often, about Masonry losing some of its prestige, but some of our members keep trying to tear it down. It is my opinion we should be proud of what we have and endeavor to improve it.

Let us stop and think about it for awhile and maybe we will see the Light, even More Light.

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### At the Last Count . . .

There are presently 29 Subordinate Commanderies under the jurisdiction of the Grand Encampment. Seven are located in the United States — two each in Delaware and Alaska, three in Hawaii. "South of the Border" there are four in Mexico, one in Puerto Rico, one in the Republic of Panama, and one in Guatemala. There are 13 Subordinate Commanderies in Europe, including eight in Germany, three in Greece and two in Italy. Two Commanderies can be found in the Far East, one in Japan, the other (and the newest — C. Wallace Jackson Commandery) in Seoul, Korea. Of these 29, eight are "Under Dispensation."





## KNIGHT VOICES

COMMENTS FROM READERS



□ I am a Knight in Bay City Commandery No. 74, Bay City, Texas, and need to buy the following: Chapeau size 7½, belt size 40, sword and carrying case. Please send price and telephone number or call. *W. M. Simmons, Jr., 2704 Parrotte, Rosenberg, Texas 77471 (713-342-6367)*

□ I have an interest in the science of Hypnosis and have recently completed work for certification as a clinical hypnotechnician. I am hoping that some of the members of the Craft may be able to assist me in collecting books on the subject in any condition or age. I would be willing to buy, trade, or whatever to get them. I have books on Freemasonry, Masonic items, rare coins and the like. Any brother interested, please write regarding same. Perhaps I can help you with whatever you are collecting. *Kenneth S. Patti, 2591 Main Street, Newfane, New York 14108*

□ I am trying to find out what ever became of the sword, uniform, etc., which belonged to my grandfather, Norton Pine. He was a Knight Templar in Eureka, California in the 1800's. I am a Knight Templar in Petaluma, California. I don't wish to ask anyone to return it to me unless they wish to, but since I became a Knight Templar, I have often thought it would be interesting to learn what has become of it after all these years.

Norton Pine established the Eureka Foundry in Eureka, California, and possibly someone who reads this will remember him or what became of his Knight Templar sword. *Norton Crossman, 515 Galland St., Petaluma, California 94952*

□ For Sale: Perseverance Lodge No. 21 of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, still has a few commemorative medals left from its 200th Anniversary celebration last year. They were specially designed by the Lodge Artist S.K. Paul M. Dennehy, and were minted in antiqued bronze with high relief and serrated rim.

The medals are available to collectors at \$3.30 each. Checks should be made payable, and orders sent to: *Donald B. Morgan, P.M., 4310 Long Drive, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17112*

□ We are truly grateful for the response shown in our 50-year commemorative key fob shown in the December issue of *Knight Templar Magazine*. We still have a number of these key fobs left at \$3.00 each postpaid. Checks may be mailed to *Walter L. Counts, Recorder, P.O. Box 5217, Chattanooga, Tennessee 37406*

□ I am a Knight of Hope Commandery No. 26, Bridgeport, Ohio, trying to complete a Masonic Library for myself, and for others interested in borrowing. Need copies of the Transactions of the Quatuor Coronati Lodge 2076 prior to copy number 68 issued for 1958. Will purchase. *Robert W. Glasgow, P.O. Box 284, Rayland, Ohio 43943. (614-859-4324)*

□ I would like to buy a copy of *Freemasonry in Virginia* and *George Washington, Freemason*. Both of these books were written by William Moseley Brown, P.G.M. I am willing to pay a reasonable price. *William B. Gates, III, 160 Carroll Avenue, Colonial Heights, Virginia 23834*



□ Have a Twentieth Century Edition De Luxe of *A Library of Freemasonry, Comprising its History, Antiquities, Symbols, Constitutions, Customs, etc.*, 5 vols., J. C. Yorston Pub., London, 1911. Very good used condition, heavy embossed buckram; this De Luxe Edition contains 2500 total pages (8"x11") with engravings of Masonic figures, marks, medals, architecture, etc. This classic official history was written by an international committee of Masonic Historians. Five volume De Luxe Edition \$110., sent postpaid and insured. *Dr. Robert A. Hatch, 1621 N.W. 40th Terrace, Gainesville, Florida 32605*

□ Anyone interested in buying antique Master's emblematic carpet, please write. Pattern is three feet by five feet. Purchased in November 1879. Few in existence. *Verl Beuschel, 4546 12 Mile Road, N.W., Sparta, Michigan 49345*

□ I enjoy reading the *Knight Templar Magazine* very much, and I hope some of the readers can help me with Masonic information about two Brothers. The first is James Monroe Williams. His Masonic membership would be in or around Fayetteville, Arkansas. I believe he belongs to both York and Scottish Rite Bodies.

The other is H. G. Colbert of Youngstown or Liberty Township, Ohio. He was a member of the York Rite Bodies of one of those towns.

I am an active member of Blue Lodge, York Rite, Scottish Rite, and Shrine. I would appreciate any help that can be given — these men are relatives of some of my close friends. *Lloyd O. Warden, Rt. 5, McKinney, Texas 75069*

□ I would appreciate hearing from any Sir Knight who might be able to help me with my genealogy. The lines that I'm most interested in are the Stephensons, Farthings, and Senters. *Louis Stephenson, Box 120, Shiloh, North Carolina 27974*

## Life Sponsorship Purchased Each Month



The Templar pictured at left is Sir Knight Ernest M. Logan, age 85, a Past Commander of Jacques DeMolay Commandery No. 3, Fort Smith, Arkansas.

Sir Knight Logan, a retired railway conductor, became interested in the Knights Templar Eye Foundation's Life Sponsorship program following his retirement, and he has spent his time since then doing his part in the fight against vision disorders. Glenn E. Ward, Grand Recorder of Arkansas, writes that Sir Knight Logan has been honored locally and state-wide for his efforts. "As of this date," says Ward, "Sir Knight Logan has purchased 52 Life Sponsors, and has another in transit. He purchases at least one each month, in addition to many memorials sent in by him. . . . National recognition of his efforts might inspire more of our Sir Knights to participate more fully in the Life Sponsor program."

Sir Knight Logan, his own eyesight failing, is quoted as saying, "The ophthalmologists can do nothing to improve my own eyesight, but these small contributions may enable some researcher to eventually discover an answer to my problem in the future and benefit some other person."



□ Hadi Temple, A.A.O.N.M.S., has formed a Bagpipe band and is attempting to locate field drums consisting of the following: 2 tenors, 2 snares and 1 bass. We hope to field the organization this December. *The Heighlanders, Hadi Temple, A.A.O.N.M.S., ATTN: Jan Lockyear, P.O. Box 1, Evansville, Indiana 47701*



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## IN MEMORY OF ROBERT MACOY

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*New York Grand Commander James W. Bowden in his address delivered at Niagara Falls, September 10, 1895, had these words to say to the memory of Robert Macoy:*

“Not one within the range of my voice was present when he first took rank in this Grand Commandery, and as we came to these Grand Conclaves year after year, we found ‘Uncle Robert’ at the post of duty. Endowed by study and rare experience, he had a ready pen guided by a cultivated mind which never tired. The brilliant essays presented by him year after year gave lustre to our meetings, and these gems of thought showed a mind thoroughly in touch with the chivalric principles of our Order. This, coupled with a stainless life, endeared him to all who came in contact with him. Ever ready in counsel, yet with a life simple as a child, he approached the measure of a man. Sir Knights, cherish his memory, and endeavor to follow his example, for he was a Knight *Sans peur et sans reproche*.