KINDLE THE LAMP OF FAITH

Where there is faith, there is courage. Face the year which we have now begun with faith in your hearts to fulfill our obligations as Knights Templar, inspired by the crusading and illustrious background of our Christian Order, striving to make each new day brighter in universal benevolence, stronger in fidelity to our cause, dedicated to living throughout the year as good men and true — the most important lesson demonstrated in Masonry.

Perhaps there might be some who have the strange and erroneous impression that the chivalric fraternity is outmoded, somewhat old-fashioned, a relic that lives in the past rather than meeting changing times and conditions. Templary is a living and vibrant body, an elite association of Christians knowing whence it came, where it is going and what to do about it, an Order which will always remember and cherish the heritage espoused by more than 350,000 Templars with dedicated fervor. Christian Masonry, under the sovereignty of the Grand Encampment, richly deserves our loyal and unstinted support and effort.

We can prove our love and appreciation for Templary by helping to extend its influence every day in this new year spreading before us — and during all the years to come. But the time to prove that conviction is now, not only in the future. If what we represent as Knights Templar ever is outmoded, our nation and all mankind are lost.

A poet, unknown at least to me, has expressed a sentiment which applies to the days about to be unfolded:

The clock of life is wound but once,
And no man has the power
To tell just where the hands will stop
At late or early hour.
Now is the only time you own;
Live, love, toil with a will.
Place no faith in tomorrow,
For the clock may then be still.

[Signature]

January 1982
JANUARY: Godfrey de Bouillon, “First King of Jerusalem,” is the striking illustration on our cover as we embark on a new Templar year. Godfrey accepted the sovereignty but refused the crown in 1099 A.D. His reason has been recorded: “I will not bear a crown of gold where Jesus bore a crown of thorns.” He was a Crusader leader who sold his lands and castle to take the field in the march to capture the Holy City.

P.C.R.
Celebration: The children of Helen and Estel Brooks will help to observe their parents’ 50th wedding anniversary with a reception Saturday, January 30, from 2 to 4 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall of Hope Baptist Church, Phoenix, Arizona. Sir Knight Estel is a former Grand Recorder of the Grand Commandery of Arizona and the present Grand Treasurer.

Springfield: The State Journal-Register, published in Springfield, Illinois, printed its 150th Anniversary Edition on November 10, 1981. As the successor to the Sangamon Journal, first published in 1831 by Simeon and Josiah Francis, the State Journal-Register is the oldest newspaper in Illinois. The 150th edition contained reprints of a number of historically-significant items — including a letter dated March 15, 1832, from a young Abraham Lincoln to the people of Sangamo County. Lincoln was making his first bid for State office.

Zip Code Gremlins: James Hay, North Carolina Chairman for the 14th Annual K.T.E.F. Voluntary Campaign, noted an incorrect zip code assigned to him in the December Knight Templar. Income from fund-raising activities in the North Carolina Constituent Commanderies should be addressed to Sir Knight Hay at 5715 Kindness Court, Fayetteville, North Carolina 28304.

In a separate gremlin-related incident, the zip code for Sir Knight Paul E. Mix, author of The Life and Legend of Tom Mix, was also transposed in December. Copies of the book are available from Paul E. Mix, 5622 Safari Drive, Corpus Christi, Texas 78411.

Mrs. Margaret Avery: A featured writer in the November 1981 edition of The Indiana Freemason was Margaret B. Avery, wife of Sir Knight Willard M. Avery, Past Grand Master of the Grand Encampment, Knights Templar. Mrs. Avery contributed an historical sketch of Brother John I. Morrison, a 19th century Indiana educator who also served as State Treasurer and Senator and who was influential in the development of the common school system in Indiana. Along with her research and writing talents, Mrs. Avery is active in the Order of Eastern Star and Daughters of the American Revolution.

No Doubt: Brother Jean Prouteau, corresponding from La Rochelle, France, and representing the Club Philatélique Jean-Theophile Desaguliers, comments on the October Knight Templar feature, “Masons and the Yorktown Victory,” wherein were listed the officers and Masons portrayed in John Trumbull’s painting, Surrender of Lord Cornwallis at Yorktown. He says, “Rochambeau, General-in-Chief of French Troops, was not a Mason, but his son, Donatien Marie Joseph Baron de Vimeur de Rochambeau who served under his father in America and who was [also] present at Yorktown was a member of Saint Jean du Contrat Social Lodge in Paris 1778. This is the confusion.”

Ascension Day: Marvin E. Fowler, Grand Captain General, will represent Grand Master Kenneth C. Johnson and the officers of the Grand Encampment at the 54th annual Ascension Day Church Service sponsored by the Templar Knights Commanders’ Association of the State of New York, Metropolitan District, May 2, 1982.
GODFREY DE BOUILLON

by

J. E. Behrens, Assistant Editor

Even before Constantine declared Christianity to be the religion of his empire at the Council of Nice in 325 A.D., people undertook pilgrimages to Jerusalem in Palestine. Prince and pauper would forsake possessions and family to heed a silent impulse. They traversed Europe, some dying along the way, to catch a glimpse of the City of Christ, to visit the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, founded by Constantine, or the Church of the Nativity, built by his mother, Helena; or they came simply to kiss the sacred ground. There was no doubt that such a pilgrimage to the land of Jesus, in the name of Jesus, could cure a dying relative or serve to remit the sins of the person undertaking the pilgrimage.

Then, in the 7th century, Jerusalem came to share its fame as a holy shrine with the followers of Mohammed. It held the same image of hope and redemption for the Moslems as it did for the followers of Jesus and of Moses and Aaron. But in the 11th century, the Caliph of a Moslem sect known as the Fatimites began to harass the Christians. This and the Fatimites’ destruction of the Church of the Holy Sepulchre in 1009 fired the indignation of Christians in both East and West. Despite periods of subsequent friendly relations imposed by succeeding Caliphs, the stage was now set for the First Crusade.

The principal characters of the period which comprises the First Crusade and the establishment of the Latin Kingdom of Jerusalem (c. 1095-1099) were these:

Pope Urban II – Prince of the Church of St. Peter who held the “keys of the kingdom” from 1088 to 1099.

Simeon – Patriarch (bishop) of the See of Jerusalem at the time of the First Crusade.

Peter the Hermit – A French preacher, believed by Urban to be a prophet. He carried letters from Simeon to Pope Urban describing the plight of the Christian pilgrims against the Saracens (Moslems) in Jerusalem.

Godfrey de Bouillon – A leader of the First Crusade, later the first King of the Latin Kingdom of Jerusalem.

Godfrey de Bouillon is remembered in history as a valiant knight schooled in the arts of chivalry who led the first division of the First Crusade and was instrumental in rescuing Jerusalem from the hands of the Saracens in 1099. His full title was Godfrey, sixth Lord of Bouillon, France, Marquis of Anvers and Duke of Brabant (Lower Lorraine). He was a nobleman and a descendant of Charlemagne, an earlier “champion of Christendom.”

In 1095, Peter the Hermit set out for Jerusalem. There he saw firsthand the sufferings of the pilgrims. He sought an audience with Simeon and determined to return to the West and expose the harassment endured by Christians. Once back in Italy, Peter told Urban of the “sufferings of our Christian brethren,” and it was not long before the Pope encouraged Peter to preach a crusade throughout Europe and help raise a holy army. In the meantime, Urban officially pronounced what was to become the First Crusade at Clermont, and it was there that he distributed the physical symbol of the Holy War – the sacred “Red Cross.” One of the first to take up the Red Cross was Godfrey de Bouillon.
Godfrey and his soldiers began their march to Jerusalem in 1096. They defeated the Turks at Antioch in 1098, and on July 14, 1099, the Crusaders marched to the walls of Jerusalem. One day later, Jerusalem was claimed by the Christians and the Moslems were either killed or scattered. One week after the Christians entered the city, Godfrey was chosen King of Jerusalem. He accepted the rule, but declined to wear a crown, preferring the title, “Defender of the Holy Sepulchre.” Godfrey held that title for less than a year; he died of a fever in the year 1100 in his beloved Jerusalem and was succeeded by his brother Baldwin I.

Baldwin I died in 1118, and he was succeeded in that year by a cousin, Baldwin II (Baldwin du Bourg), under whose rule the Order of Knights Templar found favor.

It is unfortunate that Godfrey never lived to welcome the Knights Templar to the Holy Land. Had he survived, he might have fought beside Hugh de Payens and Geoffrey de St. Aldemar. For two centuries following the foundation of the Latin Kingdom of Jerusalem, the “Poor Fellow Soldiers of Christ” fought with Jerusalem’s Kings against the infidel. But slowly the empire crumbled. First Edessa fell in 1144; then Jerusalem itself was captured by Saladin in 1187. When Acre, “the last stronghold of Christian power in Palestine” fell to the Mamelukes in 1291, Godfrey’s legacy ended. The “kingship” of Jerusalem became an empty title extending even to the 20th century through the house of Bouillon, the Angevin dynasty, and the kings of Cyprus.

Although Godfrey never met Hugh de Payens, first Grand Master of the ancient Order of the Temple, it is interesting to note that he did visit the Knights of St. John of Jerusalem who had established themselves in the Holy Land a half century before Peter the Hermit appeared on the scene. The Knights of this Order, says Henry Frith in his history of the Crusades, were known as Hospitallers because “the Italian merchants who had founded the order had affiliated it to a Hospital for the reception of Pilgrims.” The “monks” of this Order were first “Hospitallers” and only secondarily soldiers; eventually, though, they were forced to take up arms in Christian defense.

History relates that Godfrey visited Gerard, then head of the Hospitallers, later its first Grand Master. Godfrey was impressed with the Order, and their ministrations to the pilgrims and, particularly, the wounded soldiers, and endowed the Order with “his own Lordship of Montboire in Brabant.”

Godfrey de Bouillon was a young man of some forty years at his death. But his brief life inspired chivalrous hearts for centuries afterward. In later years he became the central figure in various legends, and his deeds were glorified in the “Chansons de Geste,” a group of epic poems which developed in Medieval France.

He was buried in the Church of the Holy Sepulchre with the epitaph: “Here lies the celebrated Duke Godfrey de Bouillon who conquered all this country for the Christian Religion. May his soul reign with Christ. Amen.” In 1244, the Khwarisman Turks invaded Jerusalem, and the remains of its kings, “were torn from their tombs ... and scattered ...” Thus did Jerusalem’s first King become a part of the land and of its history.
ON BEING PLEASANTLY RIGHT

by
Dr. Harold Blake Walker
Evanston Commandery No. 58, Illinois

For more than a quarter of a century, The Reverend Harold Blake Walker has contributed a weekly religion column for the Chicago Tribune Sunday Magazine. He is retired as Pastor of the First Presbyterian Church in Evanston, Illinois, author of the book Days Demanding Courage, and a regular contributor to the Knight Templar.

A thoughtful minister, considering some of the mistakes he had made in dealing with people, found himself praying,

"Lord, forgive me. I have not always been wrong, but I often have been very unpleasant about being right."

It is easy to be smug about being right and winning an argument, but it does not contribute to comfortable human relations.

When someone with whom we have debated an issue turns out to be wrong, it is something of a shock to the self-esteem of the one in error. He or she may feel demeaned and uncomfortable. It is, therefore, important to shore up the self-respect of the one proven wrong. Maybe the simple comment, "I've been wrong so many times, it is comforting to be right now and then," will ease the tension and take the sting away from the victim of error.

It never is easy to admit we have been wrong, and the admission is doubly difficult when an antagonist is disposed to gloat. We would rather go on arguing for a lost cause than to confess we were mistaken if we know we will be put down and scorned by somebody who was right.

As someone noted,

"The wronger I am,
The wronger I get,
And the more I won't say I'm wrong."

The result is alienation and hostility.

When we know we are in the right, we are inclined to put on our fighting clothes and to do battle with contrived rage. As the preacher whose prayer is quoted above remarked, "An ardent feminist ... slams her hymnal shut and stands (or sits) tight-lipped through a 'sexist' hymn, refusing to worship in any but contemporary language." Right though she may be, her behavior convinces no one and probably antagonizes some who might have been persuaded to her point of view.

We sometimes get into trouble fighting for good causes like civil rights, human rights, or environmental protection, not because we are right, but rather because we are unpleasant about being right. We put on our spurs and ride rough shod over the opposition, sometimes winning battles but losing the war. Our arrogance alienates those who might be won by reason and friendliness.

A preacher friend of mine got into trouble with his congregation opposing the war in Vietnam. His
trouble was that he denounced those who did not agree with him. What he might have won by persuasion, he lost by denunciation. He should have remembered the scriptural advice about “speaking the truth in love.” He probably was right in his point of view, but he was wrong in the way he expressed it.

Parents often are right when dealing with the demands of their children, but it never is wise to snuff off discussion with the remark, “My judgment is right because I say so.” The opportunity for rational discussion is ended and the chance to provide a learning experience for the young has been lost. What is worse, the youngster is alienated, feeling that he or she has been treated unfairly.

It may be that after discussion we still disagree, but at least there has been an opportunity to think together and to understand each other. A youngster who fought tenaciously for the privilege of going to an unchaperoned overnight party listened to his parents and expressed his opinions in a long discussion with them. He departed in apparent anger. After his parents had turned in for the night he came to their bedroom door to remark, “Thanks, Mom and Dad, for saying ‘No’; I knew all the time I shouldn’t go.”

It is pleasant to be in the right, but it is better to be right pleasantly, not angrily. We can express our differences in humility and patience without alienating those who disagree. It was part of the genius of Abraham Lincoln that he was able to deal with difficult members of his cabinet graciously. When he knew he was right, he stuck to his guns, but he never fired them with venom or scorn.

The art of human relations is a sensitive one requiring a quality of pleasant sensitivity to the feelings of those with whom we disagree. The final prayer of the preacher is appropriate for each of us:

Gourgas Medal to Illinois Knight

Louis L. Williams, Past Commander of DeMolay Commandery No. 24, Bloomington, Illinois, and 1969 recipient of the Knights Templar Cross of Honor, was awarded the Gourgas Medal of Scottish Rite Freemasonry at the annual Christmas dinner of the Delmar D. Darrah 33° Club, December 4. Honored for his contributions to the Masonic Fraternity over more than half a century, Williams’ service has included posts with the Grand Lodge of Illinois and the Scottish and York Rite Bodies of Bloomington. As Active Member for the Supreme Council, 33°, and Deputy for Illinois, Sir Knight Williams “brought into existence the Illinois Scottish Rite Foundation which provides nursing scholarships throughout the state.” He is a recognized Masonic ritualist, writer and historian and played a leading role in planning the Scottish Rite Museum of Our National Heritage in Lexington, Massachusetts.

Awarded just 21 times since 1938, the Gourgas Medal is conferred for “notably distinguished service in the cause of Freemasonry, humanity or country” and is named for John James Joseph Gourgas, a founder of the Supreme Council, N.M.J. With Sir Knight Williams, earlier recipients include the late President Harry S. Truman; Gustav V of Sweden; the late Dean Roscoe Pound, American legal authority; the late Christian A. Herter, former Massachusetts Governor and U.S. Secretary of State; Dr. Norman Vincent Peale; President Gerald R. Ford; and Stanley F. Maxwell, current Sovereign Grand Commander, Northern Masonic Jurisdiction.

“Lord, forgive us when we are wrong, And help us to be more pleasant About being right.”

The Reverend Walker lives at 425 Grove Street, Evanston, Illinois 60201.
CORNEAL VIRUS INFECTIONS

by

Dr. Theodore W. Sery

The Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc., is supported by contributions and gifts from Sir Knights and other “special benefactors” who subscribe to the work of the Foundation. The largest portion of funding goes to hospitalization and surgery. But another substantial amount goes for new and ongoing research in such areas as artificial corneas, retina degeneration, keratoprosthesis, and — at the Wills Eye Hospital of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania — corneal diseases. Dr. Theodore W. Sery, Director of Basic Research at Wills, has completed one phase of study on the treatment of herpes simplex virus, the most common viral infection of the cornea. A report on that research funded by K.T.E.F. follows.

Research work on virus infections of the eye, as supported by a research grant from the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, enjoyed a very successful period of accomplishment during the grant period just ended. The specific project on liposome study progressed to the stage where we mastered the difficult technique for producing these microscopic membranes and entrapping (encapsulating) within these membrane visicles a selected antiserum (a serum containing antibodies) to virus. We were able to target these tiny particles to make them selectively “home into” any infected cells or tissues under study. The next step in our program is to determine the relative effectiveness of several liposome formulations for typical virus infections of the cornea. The animal model is herpes virus infections of the rabbit cornea which runs a close parallel to the human infection that is called herpes dendritic keratitis. This virus is the same one that commonly causes fever blisters on the lip and in the gums.

Although the Knights Templar Eye Foundation grant period was over this past October, we have been able to “borrow” time and costs from our cancer grant to cover animal experimentation with liposomes. This was done in order to maintain our momentum on this promising study. This is permissible because there was a funding overlap during the past summer between the liposome-herpesvirus study and work on our ocular cancer study. Work on the latter project, which was done in 1979, needed some additional data in order to complete a manuscript for publication, and the time of one assistant covered by the Knights Templar grant was used for this purpose. The manuscript, entitled “Photoradiation Therapy of Ocular Cancer,” has been submitted for publication, and the Knights Templar Eye Foundation was listed in the acknowledgements.

Another study that was finished during the 1980-81 period was related to the search for a liposome-oriented treatment of herpesvirus corneal infections. It occurred more as a form of serendipity because we were testing a problem concerning the ingrowth of capillary vessels during herpesvirus infections of the cornea and how this affects the pathology — especially of deep corneal ulcers. In doing so, we resorted to a well-known immune process for producing an inflammation of the cornea. It is produced with bovine albumin...
and called the Wessely phenomenon, which is regarded by most ophthalmic researchers more as a novelty and only of academic interest. But our use of this immune reaction of the cornea in conjunction with an infection with herpesvirus produced an exceptional and unexpected result. Such corneas were found to be extremely resistant to infection by the virus, so much so that a delay of two and even four months before inoculating with virus would render the cornea safe from virus infection. The extent of this unusual phenomenon was highlighted by showing that the albumin-sensitized cornea was resistant to infection even if it was inoculated with twice as much virus as the opposite cornea which served as a control. The latter in every instance became severely infected while the albumin-sensitized cornea was weakly infected if at all. Thus, by even trying to decrease the chance of success, we were able to demonstrate a very strong immune resistance to infection by an immune process that was totally unrelated to the virus.

This is an absolutely new finding and poses a very significant challenge to find a method for making practical use of it. There are several experiments that readily come to mind for taking advantage of this discovery. We found that one of the white blood cell types (lymphocytes) was present in the protected corneas and was responsible for the observed effect. We are currently using these cells and active ingredients isolated from them for therapeutic trials. These active ingredients will be entrapped in liposomes and used to test their potential for healing of herpesvirus keratitis. If we can harness this procedure for effective use in animal studies, it will provide a new type of "vaccine" research. True vaccines involve the use of killed or attenuated microbial agents. In the case of herpesvirus, such vaccines are not permissible because herpesviruses are carcinogenic, that is, cancer-forming. Hopefully, with our process, we will be able to avoid this danger.

One further benefit has resulted from the Knights Templar research grant during a crucial year. It permitted us to develop sufficient pilot study experiments and experience in liposome research in order to apply for a three-year grant application to the National Institutes of Health. The application was submitted this past June and we expect to learn of its status in the near future.

Titles of publications crediting support from the Knights Templar Eye Foundation are the following:


Department Conferences Upcoming

Two Department Conferences remain in the 54th Triennium of the Grand Encampment: The Southeastern Department Conference, coordinated by Department Commander John B. Maxey, takes place January 22-23 at the Ramada Inn, Jackson, Mississippi. The East Central Conference, Department Commander Morrison L. Cooke presiding, is set for March 13-14, Galt House, Louisville, Kentucky. Dates and locations of 1981-82 Conferences will be given in September.
1982 CALENDAR OF MASONIC EVENTS

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February 19-21
(annually)
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Grand College of Rites, U.S.A.
Grand Master's Council, A.M.D.
Council of the Nine Muses No. 13, AM.D.
Great Chief's Council No. 0, Knight Masons, U.S.A.
Grand Council, Knight Masons of the U.S.A.
Societas Rosicruciana in Civitatibus Foederatis
Masonic Order of the Bath of the U.S.A.
Ye Antient Order of Corks
Convent General, Knights York Cross of Honor
The Society of Blue Friars
Grand College of America, H.R.A.K.T.P.

MASONIC SERVICE ASSOCIATION OF THE UNITED STATES
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Rhode Island Grand High Priests Gather

Companion Anthony M. Olivieri, retiring High Priest of Providence Royal Arch Chapter No. 1, was feted recently at a dinner in his honor attended by Kenneth P. Tillinghast, Most Excellent Grand High Priest of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter; Richard W. Armington, M.I. Grand Master of the Grand Council, R. & S.M.; and 21 Past High Priests and their ladies.

"While this might not seem noteworthy," says Sir Knight George H. Ostrander, Master of Daylight Lodge No. 48, Cranston, "a closer look at the records of the attendees is enlightening: 21 are Past Masters of Symbolic Lodges, 19 are Past Masters of Councils, 10 are Past Commanders of Commanderies, 5 are Past Grand High Priests of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter, 8 are Past Grand Masters of Grand Council, R. & S.M., 7 are K.Y.C.H., 13 are Knights Companions of Red Cross of Constantine, and 19 are members of the four Scottish Rite Bodies (5 of whom hold the 33° degree). Also included are two Grand Lodge Officers, one Grand Commandery officer, two from Grand Chapter and four from Grand Council."

Chairman for the affair was Brother John McKenzie, junior Past Master of St. Andrews Lodge and newly-installed High Priest of Providence Royal Arch Chapter.
A film crew from the Motion Picture Unit of The University of Iowa at Iowa City, shot a 30-second Public Service Announcement (PSA) "on location" at the Dubuque Masonic Temple on December 11. Taking the lead role on camera was Gene Claussen, local sportscaster and media personality. His "supporting cast" included a group of distinguished Sir Knights from the Grand Commandery of Iowa and Siloam Commandery No. 3 in Dubuque.

The PSA, produced for the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar, focuses on the Christian Order of Templary within the Masonic Fraternity. Highlighted are the Knights Templar Eye and Educational Foundations, Holy Land Pilgrimages, and the annual Easter Sunrise Services at Arlington National Cemetery. Copies of the announcement will be distributed through individual Commanderies for use by local TV stations across the nation.


Working behind the scenes were Brother Kirk Williams, Worshipful Master of Dubuque Lodge No. 3, and Sir Knight Kenneth Peasc, P.C., Siloam No. 3.

The film crew from the University of Iowa included Director Steven Henke (former DeMolay); Producer Charles W. Lindemann; Cameraman Michael Neal; and, on sound, Jon Welstead.
Family Observes Rainbow Installation

On September 27, 1981, Patience Larry was installed as Worthy Advisor of Deming Assembly No. 14, Order of Rainbow for Girls in New Mexico. Her father, Gerald Larry, is also concurrently presiding as Excellent High Priest of Deming Chapter No. 5, R.A.M.; Principal Conductor of the Work, Florida Council No. 10, R. & S.M.; and Generalissimo of McGriority Commandery No. 4, all in Deming.

Pictured at the Rainbow installation are (left to right) father Gerald; brother Kyle (a future DeMolay) who served as Bible bearer; mother Dorothy, member of Michigan Chapter No. 314, O.E.S., who sang Patience’s song; Patience; sister Erin (soon to be initiated into Rainbow), who served as flag bearer; and brother William Larry, Past Master Councillor of DeMolay, who served as escort. Family members not pictured include Hope Larry, Installing Officer, and Kevin Larry, another Past Master Councillor of DeMolay.

1982 York Rite Calendar

Richard S. Hassell, Warder of Santa Monica Bay Commandery No. 61, California, announces that a 1982 York Rite Pocket Calendar is available at $2.00 each postpaid. Checks or money orders may be made payable to the “Old 97 Club” and mailed to: Old 97 Club, P.O. Box 49, Santa Monica, California 90406.

Supreme Council, Southern Jurisdiction

Henry C. Clausen, Grand Commander of the Supreme Council, 33°, Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite Masons of the Southern Jurisdiction, recently announced the names of 1981 recipients of the 33° from that Body. In addition to those listed earlier, the 588 Masons coronated Inspector General Honorary, 33°, included Joseph C. Bryan, III, Maryland, Grand Viceroy of the United Grand Imperial Council, Red Cross of Constantine; Robert M. Wilhite, Jr., Active Member of the Order of DeMolay in Kentucky; James D. Berry, P.G.C., Texas; Blaine M. Simons, P.G.M. and P.G.C., Utah; and Odie R. Howell, Jr., Active Member, Order of DeMolay, Virginia. Bernard Kendall Pitkin, Grand Senior Warden of the Grand Commandery of Arizona, also had the degree of Inspector General Honorary conferred upon him December 19 at Tucson.

Governor Andrus Banquet Speaker

Cecil D. Andrus (right), former Governor of Idaho and Secretary of the Interior during the Carter Administration, was Speaker at the Annual Banquet for the Northwestern Department Conference at Boise, Idaho, October 24. A member of the York Rite Bodies of Boise, Sir Knight Andrus is pictured with William H. Thornley, Jr., Northwestern Department Commander.
From Generation to Generation


Sir Knight Robert is also Past Commander of Bethany Commandery No. 83, Dubois; and Thomas is a member of Continental Commandery No. 56, Chambersburg.

50th Anniversary Coin

"Alpha Council No. 39, Cryptic Masons of Playa Del Rey, California, still have a number of 50th Anniversary coins on hand," writes Recorder Charles G. Hoover. The nickle-silver coins may be ordered for $5.00 each from Charles G. Hoover, 540 Lincoln Blvd., Santa Monica, California 90402.

International Visitor

When L. "Chips" Hurley visited his brother, Past Master Lucius M. Hurley, and members of Newton Lodge No. 142 in Kansas on November 11, 1981, it marked his 154th visit to a Masonic Lodge. Brother Hurley has attended Lodges operating under Irish, Scottish, Australian and Chinese systems, primarily in the Far East, and he reports that no matter where he has sat in Lodge, "the tenets of Freemasonry are the same worldwide."

A dual member of Haymarket Lodge No. 313, Virginia, and Southgate Lodge No. 182, Portland, Oregon, Brother Hurley is a 25-year Mason who completed a Naval career in the field of diving and related underwater activities, in which he is still active. Past Master Lucius M. Hurley is also a member of Newton Commandery No. 9.

California Death Valley "Daze"

Following meetings of the Southwestern Department personnel and York Rite Workshop, November 13-14, in Oakland, California, Grand Master and Mrs. Kenneth C. Johnson joined 200 Companions, Sir Knights and their ladies for the 36th Annual California York Rite Death Valley "Daze" at the Furnace Inn, Death Valley National Park. The York Rite Death Valley "Daze," originated by Sir Kenneth V. Mills, Past Deputy General Grand High Priest, has "enhanced the close cooperation of all the York Rite Bodies in California," according to Grand Master Johnson.

Death Valley is the lowest elevation on the North American continent—282 feet below sea level—where "20 Mule Team" Borax was first discovered and mined.
The York Rite Bodies of Orlando held a one-day class August 29, 1981, honoring Sir Knight William F. Perry, Past Commander of Olivet Commandery No. 4 and a member of the Knights York Cross of Honour, who serves currently as Grand Master of the Grand Council, Royal and Select Masters of Florida.

Grand Master Perry is pictured (the Templar with a smile in dark suit, front row) with the 57 Master Masons Knighted in this "Central Florida Event."

December Commandery Crossword

Celebrating 175 Years in 1983

Norfolk Royal Arch Chapter No. 1, Virginia, is "thinking ahead" to its 175th Anniversary to be celebrated in 1983. Sir Knight Charles F. Kadas, a member of Grice Commandery No. 16 in Norfolk and King of Norfolk Chapter, writes to describe a commemorative souvenir tie clasp and lapel pin which have been designed to mark the occasion.

Each piece is gold finish with "polished highlights" and includes the charter date of May 5, 1808. Prices are $8.00 each for the tie clasp and $4.00 each for lapel pin (shown above), plus $1.00 for packaging and mailing. Checks may be made payable to Charles F. Kadas, Project Chairman, and sent to him at 1641 Dearborn Drive, Virginia Beach, Virginia 23451.
DOUBLE GRAND MASTERSHIP FOR IRELAND

by
Sir Knight J. David F. McKee
Commercial Preceptory No. 245, County Dublin, Ireland

Following the unexpected and greatly mourned death of M.W. Brother the Right Honourable the Earl of Donoughmore, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Ireland, in August 1981, the new Grand Master was installed in Freemasons' Hall, Molesworth Street, Dublin, on November 12, 1981. Of more than passing interest to brother Sir Knights is the fact that the new Grand Master already holds a similar title - that of Eminent and Supreme Grand Master of the United Religious and Military Orders of the Temple, and of the Hospital of St. John of Jerusalem, Palestine, Rhodes and Malta: i.e., the Grand Master of the Great Priory of Ireland.

The new Grand Master of the Grand Lodge is, to give just a few of his titles, the Most Worshipful, the Most Honourable Dermot Richard Claude Chichester, 7th Marquess of Donegall, Viscount Chichester, Baron Belfast, Earl of Belfast, Baron Fisherwick, Baron Templemore, Hereditary Lord High Admiral of Lough Neagh, Governor of Carrickfergus Castle, Late 7th Queen’s Own Hussars, Member of Her Majesty’s Bodyguard, the Honourable Corps of Gentlemen at Arms: Senior Grand Warden: Provincial Grand Master South Eastern.

M.W. Brother Donegall, who lives in Wexford, was well known as the Provincial Grand Master (of the Craft) in the South Eastern Province in Ireland, under the title of Lord Templemore, before succeeding to the title of Marquess of Donegall, and has been Senior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge of Ireland, as well as Grand Master of the Temple, for some time. His installation as (Craft) Grand Master was an impressive occasion, with the Grand Lodge Room packed out, and with Brethren seated in the anteroom and even on the main staircase. Irish Masons from Singapore, Gibraltar, South Africa, Bermuda and Ghana were present for the occasion, along with representatives from the United Grand Lodge of England and the Grand Lodge of Scotland. The United Grand Lodge of England was represented by R.W. Brother the Hon. Edward Baillieu, Assistant Grand Master, and V.W. Brother Michael Higham, the new Grand Secretary. From Scotland came Brother Sir James McKay, Most Worshipful Grand Master Mason; Brother Dr. Eric Smith (well known in Ireland, where he frequently visits, and where he has a number of Masonic affiliations), R.W. Substitute Grand Master; and Brother Stuart Falconer, R.W. Grand Secretary. It was interesting to note that Scottish Masons of whatever rank are known simply as Brother, with their titles (M.W., R.W., etc.) being quoted only in connection with their office, whereas Irish and English officers carry the titles before their names.

The installation itself was both impressive and simple. After opening Grand Lodge, the R.W. Deputy Grand Master, Major George Malone, welcomed the Deputations from Scotland, and England, who were received separately, in procession. The Grand Master-Elect was then presented, obligated by the Deputy Grand Master, and installed. He then added his personal welcome to the Delegations, as well as to Irish → → →
Eye Foundation Recognizes Joe Harris

At Arlington Commandery No. 29 Ladies Night, November 20, 1981, Virginia Grand Commander Gayle E. Bovee (left), presented an Eye Foundation plaque and Certificate of Appreciation to Sir Knight Joe R. Harris, P.G.C., for his “16 years of faithful service to the Knights Templar Eye Foundation in Virginia.”

Sir Knight Harris, Chairman of the Grand Encampment Committee on George Washington Masonic National Memorial, helped institute Virginia’s “Appreciation Club” of Sir Knights who have purchased four or more Life Sponsorships.

Off and Running

The 14th Annual Voluntary Campaign for the Knights Templar Eye Foundation is off to a strong start as the report for the week ending December 11 (second week) shows a cumulative total of $54,577.34 from 39 Grand Commanderies. This represents an increase of almost $17,000 over the same period last Campaign.

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GRAND MASTER OF IRELAND

Masons from overseas provinces. He also welcomed Worshipful Brother Arturo Le Fevre from the United States.

Brethren were also particularly aware that the long-serving Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge, R.W. Brother James “Chick” Harte, who has held that office for over 30 years and whose whole working life has been spent in Masonic employment, was to retire at the end of the year.

Following the Communication of Grand Lodge, Brethren sat down to an Installation Dinner — a suitable finale to a memorable and enjoyable evening.

Sir Knight McKee resides at 3 South Park Drive, Foxrock, Dublin 18, Ireland.

14th Voluntary Campaign Ends April 30, 1982
I am supposed to have a soul. I know instinctively that I have one, but I do not know when I acquired it. I cannot see it; I cannot touch it; in fact, my senses fail to provide any proof as to its nature. Yet, there is a small voice that assures me that I have a soul and that it will survive my demise and is my link to the Supreme Architect and, through Him, the Universe. However, since my introspective search does not produce any earth-shaking evidence of my soul, I decided to ask my friends the following:

“Do you have a soul?” All answered, “yes.”

“How did you acquire it?” None knew.

“Where is your soul?” Same negative answers.

This path led nowhere.

Then I decided to look to the Ancients. They, too, did not come to grips with it although they tried—desperately.

Egypt was my first inquiry. For centuries Egyptians had provided creature comforts for their dead, first by mumification of the body and then by storing food, drink and furniture in the death chambers for future use. They also had a funerary ritual in which the soul or “Ka” was weighed in the balance against the good and bad deeds of the deceased. This evaluation was conducted in the “Court of the Dead” and was presided over by Osiris with Auditors, or judges, making the decisions. If it were judged that there were more good deeds than bad, the Ka was permitted to be conducted to heaven by Hermes, the messenger, known to the Egyptians as Thoth. Otherwise, the Ka was consigned to oblivion.

I next searched the Greek, Roman and some of the more modern philosophers for light. Some of their observations are significant. However, when I read that Aristotle deplored the difficulty of learning about the soul, I took comfort in his observations even though the outlook was not encouraging. Aristotle said at the start of his treatise, On The Soul, “To obtain any assured knowledge about the soul is one of the most difficult things in the world.”

Most philosophers identified the soul with the Universe, and some thought that the Creator intervened in human affairs. Whereas the ancients thought that the soul was breath, life, and movement, the more modern philosophers equated soul with mind, self, spirit.

In “Philebus,” one of Plato’s Dialogues, Socrates asks the question, “May our bodies be said to have a soul?” — and then proceeds to answer with another question, “And whence comes that soul . . . unless [from] the body of the Universe which contains elements like those of our bodies . . . [which] had also a soul?” “Can there be another source?”

The Roman Lucretius, in his On The Nature Of Things, Book 3, struck out in a different direction. He writes, “Thus the mutual connections of body and soul from the first moments of their existence learn the vital motions even while hid in the body and womb of the mother so that no separation can take place . . . Albert Pike in his book Morals → → →
and Dogma (page 755), echoes the thoughts of Lucretius when he states, “When a woman conceives, a soul is immediately sent into the embryo which is to become the infant, which afterward, from the potency of the soul becomes the body of the child to be born.”

These two wise men shifted my thoughts to a different path. I asked myself: What if that instant of conception, when the spermatozoon breaks through the wall of the ovum, immediately preventing the intrusion of other spermatozoa, this great, magnificent, mystical moment in time and space, when a new life begins, might be considered as a creation similar to the creation of the Universe by God in the beginning but in microcosm? The merging of the genetic characteristics of the male and female contains the coded information which creates the DNA molecule and in turn programs the new individual for life and might well be the soul. If, however, the DNA molecule in its entirety is not the soul, perhaps some portion, deeply hidden, such as a chromosome, might just have some connection with an unknown, perhaps unknowable, mystical, infinite quiddity. It is generally accepted that coded data determines the color of the eyes, hair and skin color; in fact, it establishes our being, making us what we are. To carry this thought one step further: we might reasonably infer that this genetic merging of male and female is the residual divine essence which God gave to man.

What was this wonderful gift? Therefore, I returned to the Bible and that master interpreter of Masonic dogma, Albert Pike. The first mention of soul in the Bible was when God said that He intended to create man in His own image and likeness (Gen. 1:26) and proceeded to do so (1:27). Details of how He did it, are given shortly thereafter (Gen. 2:7). “... and the Lord God formed man of the dust of the ground [atoms perhaps] and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul.” Albert Pike (Morals and Dogma, page 143) expresses it in these words: “Life is the wonderful creation of God.”

It should be noted that the Hebrew word for soul is “nepes,” actually breath; and the primary meaning is “possessing life.” To the Hebrews, if a person was breathing he was alive. This word appears 754 times in the Old Testament although sometimes applied in a different sense such as to animals. In the New Testament the word “nepes” was translated into Greek as “psyche.” Thus words such as psychology, psychiatry, psychotherapy, all having to do with life, being or self, were created out of these two primary synonyms.

Thus God infuses that certain essence, or soul into each creature. Obversely, we might well ask: What happens to the soul when life ceases? While Jesus referred to the soul on few occasions, he made it abundantly clear that there was something which survived the grave. Hobbs (1588-1679) in his Leviathan puts it tersely when he raises the question, “... cannot God, that raised inanimate dust and clay [to] a living [perhaps upright] creation by His Word as easily raise a dead carcass to life again ...? Albert Pike in Morals and Dogma (page 852) says “...Masonry teaches that the soul ... our very self is capable of immortality.”

Indeed, all Masons before initiation are irrevocably committed to a belief in a Supreme Being and to a life hereafter. Therefore, let us rejoice and take comfort in those wonderful words that we not only bear a resemblance to the Supreme Architect (Gen. 1:26) but also that we owe our very existence to Him (Gen. 2:7) and that we are creatures of God and the Universe.

Note: Albert Pike was a self-educated scholar, explorer, and soldier. He was
Tri-State Festival Planned

A Tri-State Festival sponsored by Commanderies in New York, New Jersey and Connecticut will be held in the Asylum of Bethlehem-Crusader Commandery No. 53, 262 Martine Avenue, White Plains, New York, on February 27. The program will proceed with the Order of Red Cross, conferred by St. John’s Commandery No. 9, Elizabeth, New Jersey, at 9:30 a.m.; the Order of Malta will be conferred by Washington Commandery No. 1, Hartford, Connecticut, at 11:00 a.m.; and the Order of the Temple will be conferred by Bethlehem-Crusader No. 53. Lunch will be prepared by White Plains Temple, Joan of Arc Triangle, and a Festival Dinner will commence at 6:00 p.m. at the White Plains Temple (advance registration required).

David Aiken, P.G.C., New York, invites all interested Sir Knights to attend: “Please send the number of Sir Knights, Commandery name, and number of candidates to Lionel S. Juston, 158 Parkview Avenue, Bronxville, New York 10705. Please also include number of dinner reservations required.”

...QUESTING FOR SOUL

Raised in Western Star Lodge No. 2, Little Rock, Arkansas, in 1850; member, Union Chapter No. 2, Little Rock; Grand Scribe, Grand Chapter of Arkansas; first Commander of Hugh de Payens Commandery No. 1, Little Rock. He received the R. & S.M. degrees in Columbia Chapter, R.A.M., Washington, D.C.; 4° to 32° in Charleston, South Carolina, from Albert Mackey, and the 33° in New Orleans in 1857. Elected Sovereign Grand Commander, Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite (SJ) in 1859. Died 1891 at age 82.

Sir Knight Lowe, 33°, lives at 3933 Cumberland Avenue, Los Angeles, California 90027.

Richard A. Snyder, Pennsylvania

Major General Richard A. Snyder, Past Commander of Cyrene Commandery No. 34, Columbia, Pennsylvania, First Career National Guard Soldier to serve as Adjutant General of Pennsylvania, died at his home in Elizabethtown, Pennsylvania, following an illness of several months. He was 69 years of age.

During the war, Sir Knight Snyder participated in England, France, Luxembourg, Holland and Germany and was awarded numerous medals. He returned to the United States following the war and became Assistant Adjutant General of the Army Ground Forces, later serving as Chief of the Management Branch in the Adjutant General’s Office. He was named State Adjutant General in 1953, serving for 15 years until he was appointed Acting Adjutant General in 1968. He retired in 1972.

He is survived by his widow, Miriam Heagy Snyder, Elizabethtown, Pennsylvania, two children and two grandchildren.
Utah Festival Honors Past Grand Sovereign

The premier York Rite Bodies of Utah held a two-day Fall Festival November 6 and 7 to honor C. Leander Prisk, Past M.W. Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Utah, and Most Illustrious Past Grand Sovereign of the United Grand Imperial Council, Red Cross of Constantine. Among the coordinators of the event were P.G.C. Blaine H. Simons, K.C.C., Chairman; Richard K. Thomas, V., Vice-Chairman; Horace A. Thomas, High Priest of Utah Chapter No. 1; and LeRoy S. Axland, Master of Utah Council No. 1 and Commander of Utah Commandery No. 1.

P.G.C. Simons, Intendant General, Division of Utah, was Master of Ceremonies at the Saturday night banquet following the Order of the Temple and gave the Masonic and civic history of C. Leander Prisk, K.G.C., guest of honor. Sir Knight Prisk began his Masonic career as a charter member of Salt Lake Chapter, Order of DeMolay (later awarded the Cross of Honor), and advanced to presiding officer of Utah’s Grand Lodge, Grand Chapter and Grand Commandery. He was coronetted a 33rd Honorary Inspector General of the Scottish Rite in 1971 and in 1974-5 served as Grand Sovereign of the Red Cross of Constantine.

Indiana Holy Land Pilgrimage Benefits

Since December 1980, Sir Knight Herbert G. Roach, presently Grand Warden of the Grand Commandery of Indiana, and his wife, Loretta, have devoted their energies to a project to raise funds for the Indiana Holy Land Pilgrimage Committee. That project, the design and distribution of latch-hook rug patterns of various Masonic insignia, proved to be a popular one. In fact, Sir Knight Herb and Loretta wrote toward the end of last year that they “expect to be able to donate about $2,500 to the Holy Land Pilgrimage Committee this year.”

The couple have relayed a “thank you” to the many people who contributed to the project and indicate that this effort will continue through January. “After that time,” says Sir Knight Herb, “we will probably continue to distribute patterns; however, we may elect another worthwhile project.” Patterns are still available for the following Masonic emblems: Blue Lodge, Chapter Keystone, Cryptic Masonry, Knights Templar, DeMolay, Rainbow, Eastern Star, Shrine, K.Y.C.H. and Amaranth, and may be ordered from Sir Knight Roach at R.R. 2, Box 94, Odon, Indiana 47562. Cost is $6.00 per pattern, plus self-addressed stamped return envelope.

Joint Patriotic Observance

San Antonio Commandery No. 7 in Texas sponsored a Patriotic Observance November 16 with the help of Fort Sam Houston Chapter No. 17, National Sojourners – Alamo Camp, Heroes of ’76. The entire program was conducted by the National Sojourners’ Chapter, with members attired in uniforms dating back to 1776.

As Recorder Arthur E. Mathews reports, “John S. Henderson, National Representative of National Sojourners, was Program Chairman and gave the Patriotism Address; Sir Knight George M. Roper, Jr., Chapter President, gave the American’s Creed; Sir Knight and Past Commander Orval R. Rose, Chief of Staff, Alamo Camp, gave the Historic Tribute to Revolutionary Heroes; and the Toast to the Flag was given by another Chapter member, Sir Knight Robert Gibson. In fact,” writes Mathews, “all participants were both Knights Templar and National Sojourners.”

Eminent Commander Jack E. Burton summed up the evening, calling it “a memorable occasion for all who were fortunate to attend.”
The legend persists in some quarters that the Order of the Temple which evolved during the era of the Crusades survived the slaughter of its leaders in the early fourteenth century and continued as a speculative body. There is, however, no known evidence to support such a claim. There is little historical doubt but that the Templars fell to the craft and power of the French King and the Avignon Pope. Some Templar Knights and properties may have been absorbed by the rival Knights Hospitaller, but the general pattern was to disperse the Knights and to appropriate their property.

In the library of the Protestant Theology Faculty in Paris, I recently discovered a book titled Manuel des Chevaliers du Temple, published by A. Guyot in Paris, A.D., 1825, A.O. 707. The book was obviously intended for speculative Templars, but there is no connection with Freemasonry stated or implied. It is possible, of course, that at that time Masonic membership was not required for membership in the Order of the Temple. (A parallel dissociation from the Masonic Order took place in Scotland, although Scottish Templars are as firmly Masonic as their American Fratres.)

Two principal claims for our Order made by the author are of interest to contemporary Templars. First, the anonymous writer insists that the Templars were not suppressed by Philippe le Bel and Clement V, but they continued uninterrupted until the date of publication. The names of the consecutive Grand Masters are set forth, but no evidence is cited to support the claim.

Even more grandiose is the claim that Templary goes back not just to the building of Solomon’s Temple but far beyond that. The contention is that the Order of the Temple is based on the Order of the East, an Egyptian fraternity older than history. From this ancient trunk branched not only Masonry, but also Judaism and Christianity. Moses allegedly joined the Order while in Egypt and communicated his version to the Jews, thus forming Judaism.

How our Lord became a member is not specified, but, the author writes, “Jesus conferred the evangelical initiation upon His apostles and disciples.” Authority for governing the Order was conferred upon St. John the Evangelist, “who was instituted Sovereign Pontif and Patriarch.” While Peter and Paul shifted their mission to Rome, John stayed in the East and insured that the Order would be perpetuated. In 1118, the Knights of the Temple, the author insists, simply took up the mantle of St. John, Jesus, Moses, and the ancient Egyptians.

Thus the modern Templar is confronted with an insurmountable theological problem, in addition to the historical puzzle. If the claims of this book were to be accepted as fact, Jesus Christ would be seen as little, if any, more than another Past Grand Master. Instead, He is the Captain of our Salvation, to Whom be honor and glory forever.

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A HAPPY NEW YEAR FOR EYE FOUNDATION CLUBS

Since 1976, more than 500 men and women have joined the Grand Commander's and Grand Master's Clubs of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, and (as of December 14, 1981) the total contributions realized from those memberships is $379,730. This money, designated for either the General Fund or the Endowment Fund, is separate from other modes of contribution; and the individuals who have sought membership in these Clubs are counted as a select group of "special benefactors" in the work of the Foundation. The most recent Club additions include:

Grand Commander's Club:

New Jersey No. 12 — Ben M. Lobo
New York No. 13 — C. William Gaylor
Tennessee No. 13 — Col. Harry L. Rothman
Illinois No. 14 — Elbert R. Hunt
California No. 20 — LeRoy G. Connelly

Grand Master's Club:

No. 316 — Julius C. Ritter (MA)
No. 317 — Robert H. Younger (DC)
No. 318 — Ralph A. Robertson (TX)
No. 319 — Robert T. Roulston (KY)
No. 320 — Paul Spanniger (MA)
No. 321 — Charles D. Browder, Jr. (TX)
No. 322 — Anonymous (?)
No. 323 — John G. Wright (TX)
No. 324 — Wilbur B. Knox (IL)
No. 325 — Kenneth C. Johnson (AR)
No. 326 — Mrs. Yvonne Johnson (AR)
No. 327 — Jack R. Welhausen (TX)
No. 328 — Harry L. Shroat, Jr. (SC)
No. 329 — Joe F. Warriner (OK)
No. 330 — William U. MacBrayne (VA)

How to Join: Any individual may send a check in the amount of $100 or more to the Knights Templar Eye Foundation to begin membership in the Grand Commander's Club. With this initial contribution, the member pledges to make additional annual contributions of $100 or more. When Grand Commander's Club contributions total $1,000, the individual is enrolled in the Grand Master's Club.

Inducted in Empire State Priory

Edgar K. Ralston, Bath, New York, Past Prior of Empire State Priory No. 46, Knights York Cross of Honour, was afforded the privilege of conferring the Ceremony of Reception on his oldest son, Karl E. Ralston and three other inductees at a Stated Conclave held October 3 at the Masonic Temple in Dunkirk.

Son Karl is current Commander and father Edgar is Past Commander of DeMolay Commandery No. 22 in Hornell, New York. As such, Sir Knight Karl becomes the third Ralston to preside over all York Rite Masonic Bodies. The first was Joseph Ralston, charter Generalissimo of Defiance Commandery No. 30 in Ohio in 1878, who served as Commander from 1879 to 1882.

Sir Knight Edgar acknowledges a considerable pride in the Ralston Masonic heritage: Karl is the ninth successive Mason in the Ralston family.

Membership is open to individuals only (no groups), and there is no Commandery credit given for Club participation.

For further information on membership in either Club, please contact: G. Wilbur Bell, P.G.M., Executive Director, Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc., P.O. Box 579, Springfield, Illinois 62705. (Or phone: 217-523-3838.)
E. Bloomquist, Past Grand Commander, Texas, Chairman of the Grand Encampment Committee on Membership for the 1979-82 triennium, describes the men pictured at right as “one of the most dedicated and talented groups of Sir Knights in Texas.” Reading from left to right: Sir Knights E. Hastings Ackley, James K. Todd, Jr., Lynn G. Stockweather, Most Eminent Grand Master Kenneth C. Johnson, Gerald C. Bradshaw and W. T. (Bulldog) Yearout.

Sir Knight Bloomquist writes: “These men surrounding Grand Master Johnson are all members of Alexander C. Garrett No. 103, and all have received the Knights Templar Cross of Honor from the Grand Encampment. They have traveled all over Texas conferring the Commandery Orders in Full Form, carrying all robes and equipment, at their own expense. These Sir Knights have been responsible for creating thousands of Sir Knights over the years and have won the Ritualistic Competition of the Grand Commandery of Texas many more times than any other Commandery in Texas, and they are still going strong when called upon.” He concludes, “If other Commanderies across the country would do the same, our membership problems would be solved.”

Feted at Oregon

Harold H. Penhale, K.G.C., Grand Sovereign of the United Grand Imperial Council, Red Cross of Constantine, is shown with Past Grand Sovereign William Wallace Youngson, Jr., K.G.C., and their wives at a brunch in Portland, Oregon, Sunday, November 29. The picture was taken the day following Sovereign Grand Inspector General David O. Johnson’s schedule of 33° ceremonies of the Scottish Rite Bodies of Portland.

“Year of Achievement” Dinner

Left to right: G. Wilbur Bell, P.G.M., Executive Director of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation; Sir Knight Warren N. Barr, Sr., President of Illinois Masonic Medical Center; Arthur Collison, resident manager of Chicago’s Conrad Hilton Hotel; and Sir Knights W. Clement Stone and Alvin L. Crump were among those celebrating IMMC’s “Year of Achievement” at a dinner sponsored by the hospital’s Medical Staff November 21.
HISTORY OF THE GRAND ENCAMPMENT

Chapter III (continued)

ANCIENT ORDERS OF KNIGHTHOOD

After the fall of Acre in 1291, the Templars reached Jerusalem only once again – in 1299. But they could not retain possession of the Holy Land. The Christian nations no longer heeded the call for the support they needed. They were compelled to retreat to the coast and leave Palestine in the hands of the followers of the Crescent. Thus ended the dominion of the Templars in the Holy Land.

After taking up residence on the Island of Cyprus, further efforts were made to arouse the Pope and the Rulers in Europe to undertake a new crusade, but all were too busy with their own problems. The Templars remained idle. Many returned to their Preceptories in Europe where they lived in luxury, as the Order was still wealthy and prominent in the political life of the various nations.

In 1304, Pope Benedict XI died, and, through the intrigues of Philip IV of France, the Archbishop of Bordeaux became Pope Clement V in 1305. The French king was avaricious and looked with envy upon the wealth of the Knights Templar. In June 1306, at the instigation of Philip IV, the Pope addressed a letter to the Grand Masters of the Templars, Hospitallers and the Teutonic Knights expressing his desire to council with them in regard to the measures to be taken for the recovery of the Holy Land. The Hospitallers and Teutonic Knights declined to answer the call, but Jacques DeMolay, then Grand Master of the Templars, accepted the summons unhesitatingly and early in 1307 set out for France with a retinue of his Knights and the treasures of the Order at Cyprus.

Upon his arrival in Paris, he was received with open arms by the treacherous king, only to be arrested October 13 and thrown into prison. Simultaneously all the Knights Templar in France were ordered arrested. They were charged with infidelity, heresy, sacrifice to idols, and other horrible crimes. All were urged to confess the truth and receive pardon from the king. However, severe torture was often used to obtain “confessions.” By such methods they were condemned and on May 12, 1310, fifty-four Knights were publicly burned at the stake just outside the City of Paris.

Similar examinations and atrocities were carried out in other parts of France. Finally on March 11, 1314, against the advice of the Pope, Philip IV ordered the Grand Master, Jacques DeMolay, and the Grand Preceptor of Normandy, Guy de Charnay, to be burned at the stake on an island in the Seine. DeMolay died as a true Knight, steadily maintaining his own innocence and that of the Order and commending his cause to God who judges all.

There seems to be little doubt that the Templars were innocent of the crimes with which they were charged, and that they were the victims of the French King who coveted their wealth and wished to remove them from interference with his plans for a united kingdom.

Prior to this the Pope in his Bull “In Excelso” on May 6, 1312, abolished the Order of Knight Templars, and by his Bull “Ad Providam” of May 2, 1312, most of the properties of the Order were transferred to Knights of St. John of the Hospital. While these orders were enforced throughout Europe, they were carried out most relentlessly in France. Few of the prominent Templars escaped,
but many Knights were allowed their freedom though threatened with excommunication if they joined any other Knightly Order.

Thus the valiant Order of Knights Templar, renowned for its glorious deeds in the Holy Land during the Crusades, passed from the pages of history, only to rise again as a Christian Order in our own time.

2. Knights Hospitallers

In 1046, a small group of merchants from Amalﬁa, a rich city of the kingdom of Naples, obtained permission from the Calif of Cairo, Monitare Ballah, who held the Holy Land at that time, to establish a hospital in the City of Jerusalem for the poor and sick Christian pilgrims coming to the Holy City. A hospital was erected near the Holy Sepulchre and was dedicated to St. John the Almoner. The order gradually grew in fame and in numbers. Many pious pilgrims, becoming interested in the work at the Hospital, stayed on in Jerusalem and gave their services to the sick and helpless. Among these was Peter Gerard, supposed to have been a native of Florence. Seeing the good work done by the hospital, he decided to devote his life to that service and joined the institution. In time, by his good work and piety, he became the Rector in charge of the hospital. Support came from the chief cities of Italy and the Roman Empire.

With the capture of Jerusalem by the Crusaders under Godfrey de Bouillon, the hospital was taxed to its capacity in caring for the wounded Templars. When Godfrey visited the hospital and saw the benefits which it conferred upon his wounded followers, he endowed it with the Manor of Montboire in Brabant. His example was followed by others, especially when the Crusaders returned home and related their tales of the good work being done by the Order. The ranks of the Hospitallers were rapidly filled. Many Templars gave up their military careers and joined the Order under the guidance of Gerard.

With the expansion of the Order, Gerard made plans to organize the members into a more permanent religious body, each taking upon himself vows of poverty, chastity, and obedience. These vows were received by the Patriarch of Jerusalem who clothed the members in the habit which had been selected for the Order. It was a plain black robe bearing a white cross with eight points on the left breast.

Shortly afterwards, Pope Pascal II, by a Bull dated February 15, 1113, placed the order under his immediate protection. With the marked increase in pilgrims to the Holy City after its liberation from the Turks, branch hospitals were established in important cities and seaports, to give food, protection and care to needy pilgrims.

Gerard died in 1118 and was followed by Raymond du Puy, a member of a noble family in Dauphine. Under his direction the order assumed military characteristics in addition to its charitable activities. Although this was a decided change from the principles laid down when the Order was established, it was received with enthusiasm and had the approval of the Patriarch of Jerusalem. From that time on the Order was permanently established on a military basis.

Next month –

Knights Hospitallers (continued)

Scully's HISTORY OF THE GRAND ENCAMPMENT, to be updated by Frederick G. Speldel, Chairman, Committee on Templar History, is included as a monthly feature of the KNIGHT TEMPLAR MAGAZINE.
□ Wanted to Buy: Chapeau, size 7 1/2 or 7 5/8 in good condition. Need for installation as Eminent Commander. Other E.C. items considered for reasonable price (belt, sword, cases, etc.); also interested in receiving newsletters, bulletins from York Rite Bodies. M. C. Boice, 8509 Winding Trail Lane, Pensacola, Florida 32504

□ I am interested in knowing the names of the parents of the following: John Bedell — b. 1813, New York City, d. March 1903, Roscoe, St. Clair Co., Missouri; m. Catherine Huffman, St. Clair Co., Missouri; had two sisters who lived in Newark, New Jersey, and a brother. The two boys ran away from home when they were 15 and 16; settled in St. Clair Co., Missouri, 1837.

Joseph Stevers — b. 1814, Virginia, lived in Isabel Township, Ipava, Illinois, 1850-60; a farmer; m. Susannah ————. issue: John and Tyrannus.

Jessie B. Carter — b. possibly in Fairfax Co., Virginia; a cooper in 1850; farmer in 1860 in Rappahanock Co., Virginia; m. Lydia Margaret Wells; issue: Susan Virginia (m. Hixson) and Margaret J. (m. Hanall). Had sister, Pattie, who married Henry Wells.

Lydia Margaret Wells — b. Virginia; m. Jessie B. Carter; had brother, Henry. Hoyt S. Boyd, 16677 - NE 88, Redmond, Washington 98052

□ For sale: 1) 50th anniversary medal from Warren G. Harding Lodge No. 39, D.C.; and 2) 1976 American Revolution Bicentennial medal from Grand Lodge of New Jersey. Paul M. Williams, Rt. 2, Box 55, New Providence, Pennsylvania 17560

□ I am a Knight Templar from St. Andrews Commandery No. 49, Holyoke, Massachusetts, currently living in Greenville, South Carolina. I have affiliated with Taylors Lodge No. 345, A.F.M., wherein I was able to participate in the Raising of my son.

We are endeavoring to start a museum of Masonic interest. If any Brothers/Knights have anything of Masonic interest they are not using, or of a surplus nature, please contact me. Items of interest will be properly cared for and will be considered on a loan basis, if desired. Memorabilia, buttons, pictures, etc., would be appreciated. All items will be in possession of the Lodge. David L. Williams, 26 Boulevard Park, 2805 Wade Hampton Blvd., Taylors, South Carolina, 29687

□ NEEDED: Information on William Cowan Morrison, born March 28, 1812, in Lycoming County, Pennsylvania; also his father, Samuel Morrison, born and died in the same County. William Cowan Morrison’s wife was Charlotte March, born December 25, 1815, in Hamilton County, Ohio, and married June 27, 1833, in Hamilton County, Ohio. Ralph E. Morrison, 716 Northridge Street, Denton, Texas 76201

□ I have for sale a Knight Templar chapeau with case — 8 inch plume with gold slashing — size 7¼, also a Navy hardbill Knight Templar cap. Any reasonable offer accepted. All are in “mint” condition. Mrs. James H. Cain, Sr., 6900 Almond Avenue — No. 67, Orangevale, California 95662
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“I’m sorry, but I don’t have the time.” How often do we find ourselves or hear others making this common everyday statement? I’m sure each of us at one time or another has also heard: “Ask a busy person; somehow they seem to find the time.” So what is the meaning behind this little four-letter word spelled T-I-M-E? Suppose you had a bank that credited your account each morning with $86,400, that carried over, no balance from day to day, and allowed you to keep no cash in your account, and every evening cancelled whatever part of that amount you had failed to use during the day. What would you do? Draw out every cent, of course! Well, we do have such a bank and its name is “TIME.” Every morning it credits you with 86,400 seconds. Every night it rules off as lost whatever of this you have failed to invest to good purpose. It carries over no balance and allows no overdrafts. If you fail to use the day’s deposit, the loss is yours. There is no going back, no drawing against “tomorrow.” So, we must invest our seconds so that they will give us the utmost in health, happiness and success.

relayed from Thomas K. Rosenow, P.G.C.
Grand Commandery of Wisconsin