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EASTER

And very early in the morning, the first day of the week, they came unto the sepulchre at the rising of the sun. . . . And entering into the sepulchre, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, clothed in a long white garment; and they were affrighted. And he saith unto them, Be not affrighted: ye seek Jesus of Nazareth, which was crucified: he is risen; he is not here. . . .

TIME AND TIDE

It is indeed true that time and tide wait for no man. The months and years will progress with or without our efforts or approval. This fact was driven home recently when I attended the twenty-first and last department conference of the 1982-85 triennium.

I have attended each of these meetings during my tenure, and throughout the past months I have come to know and respect a special group of men who are among our unsung heroes in the Grand Encampment. These men, our Department Commanders, were appointed by me when I first assumed office. They are my guides, my assistants, my mentors, my eyes and ears in the departments, and I have come to think of them as my own personal guardian angels.

The presence of the Department Commanders is often overshadowed by that of the elected Grand Encampment officials, but their function is no less important and no less appreciated. It seems appropriate that I should take a moment to applaud them and their efforts over the past 32 months:

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Some may hold the mistaken impression that department conferences simply happen without any conscious direction or forethought. Any of us who have participated in these annual meetings know the true story, however. We know, for example, that the Department Commanders often have to work under conditions of extreme duress and frustration. They are expected to be omniscient seers who know all and can foretell all. They are coordinators, registrars, liaison officers, and secretaries. They must not only plan every stage of the conference in advance, they must submit a written synopsis of what took place after it is over. They are Templar pathfinders, and after all the hoopla dies down and everyone else has packed to return home, they are left to clear up the debris.

Anyone who has ever held a leadership position knows that the work is never done by one individual alone. As for myself, thanks go in large measure to the seven Sir Knights named above. Their goal, like mine, has been to guide the Magnanimous Order of Knights Templar through a period of growth and accomplishment. With their help, that goal has come closer to fruition.

Fred W. Scurlock

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"The Magazine for York Rite Masons — and Others, too."

APRIL: Easter falls on April 7 this year, and the Reverend Eugene H. Buxton, Grand Prelate of the Grand Encampment, once again presents us with his unique insights on this most holy of Christian holidays. "Don't Let The Stone Stop You" awaits on page 11. Continuing tallies on the 17th Annual Voluntary Campaign of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation can be found on page 27; the campaign concludes on April 30. Complete state tallies will be printed at the close of the campaign. Our April cover features verses from the gospel of Mark, chapter 16, verses 2, 5, and 6, KJV. Mark 16:3 forms the basis of Grand Prelate Buxton's Easter message.

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Triennial Program Ads: The Souvenir Program Committee of the 56th Triennial Conclave of the Grand Encampment, to be held in Cincinnati, Ohio, August 10-14, 1985, is now preparing the souvenir program and receiving ads for inclusion in that program. A souvenir program is to be presented to each registered attendee at the triennial. Interested parties may be guided by the following price schedule: full page ads: \$150.00; half page: \$90.00; quarter page: \$60.00; eighth page: \$20.00; one liners: \$1.00 per name. Requests may be sent to Sir Knight Arthur S. Holmes, P.O. Box 14096, Cincinnati, Ohio 45214-0096. Note: deadline for receipt of copy is June 1, 1985. Ads are to be submitted on an 8½" x 11" piece of white paper, including name, address, the size of the ad, and a check or money order payable to "56th Cincinnati Conclave of K.T."

Amendment deadline: Deadline for submission of amendments to the Constitution of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar is May 10, 1985. Notice of Conclave will be issued June 10.

According to Section 85 of the Constitution, "...a written copy of the motion . . . to revise, amend or alter (the Constitution and Statutes) shall be filed with the Grand Recorder of the Grand Encampment at least three months before the day on which the Triennial Conclave is to be held at which such motion is to be considered, and copy thereof shall be inserted in the Notice of Conclave and presented by the Grand Recorder to the Grand Encampment for consideration . . ." The 56th Triennial Conclave of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar will be held August 10-14, 1985, in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Convent General: The Convent General, Knights of the York Cross of Honour, will hold its annual meeting from August 30 through September 1 in Toledo, Ohio. Dr. Charles Allyn Fly, Jr., their current Grand Master-General, lives at 339 West Maple Street, Deshler, Ohio 43516; Grand Registrar-General Stanley Wakefield may be reached at 41 Amherst Drive, Hastings-on-Hudson, New York, 10706, for more information. This information was inadvertently omitted from the January listing of Masonic organizations.

Great Americans Stamps: The postal service has announced a new series of stamps to be released in 1985: the "Great Americans" series. One stamp of interest to Masons is to be released on July 25, marking one of the great feats of the American Revolution as well as honoring Brother and Major General Henry Knox, for whom Major General Henry Knox Lodge in Boston is named.

The York Rite Handbook: Sir Knight Frederick G. Speidel, author of *The York Rite of Freemasonry - A History and Handbook*, informs us that of the four Grand Commanderies which have claimed no losses over a year (from November 1983 to November 1984), two utilized his book in maintaining membership: Florida and North Carolina. In addition, says Sir Knight Speidel, North Carolina actually posted a gain for that period, a fact which Sir Knight Speidel attributes to the use of his book, helping a new Mason understand why he is a part of the York Rite. Ordering information for this book is available in the March *Knight Templar* on page eight.

THE DELMAR D. DARRAH MEDAL

by
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Just as faithful Moslems turn toward Mecca, many thousands of Americans and foreign visitors have turned toward Bloomington, Illinois, every year since 1924 to witness a heart-warming portrayal of the Nazarene in a remarkable play written and produced by Sir Knight Delmar D. Darrah. While Sir Knight Darrah was the author and producer of many fine religious and cultural plays, his talents reached new heights with the production of *The American Passion Play*, a drama of the greatest story ever told – the life and teachings of Jesus of Nazareth – and truly a lasting contribution to the Christian religion.

As one of the most eminent scholars in Freemasonry, he was also a well-respected university professor, outstanding dramatist, author, editor, businessman, important civic leader, a Past Grand Master of Freemasons in Illinois, a Past Commander of DeMolay Commandery No. 24, Bloomington, Illinois, and for twelve years served as Grand Recorder of the Grand Commandery of Illinois.

Ancient Landmarks Lodge No. 3579, A.F. & A.M., Bloomington, Illinois, established a prestigious award – the Delmar D. Darrah Medal for Distinguished Masonic Service, to honor Sir Knight Delmar Duane Darrah, without a doubt one of the most distinguished Freemasons in Illinois Masonic history.

First, foremost, and always, Sir Knight Darrah was a teacher. He was a mentor – an advisor and counselor; the guiding spirit in helping many subsequent Masonic leaders achieve their full potential.

As a scholar in Freemasonry, he wrote a true and accurate evolution of Freemasonry in a book of that title and as an editor he taught the lessons of our beloved ancient Craft, line by line, precept by precept, in many articles and booklets. Under his leadership, the



Sir Knight Delmar D. Darrah

ritual of the three Symbolic Degrees was finalized, adopted by the Grand Lodge of Illinois, and published in its Monitor. He was a strong defender of Masonic landmarks, with his attitudes being almost exclusively determined by the disciplines and traditions of the Grand Lodge.

Sir Knight Louis Lenway Williams, KYCH, KTCH, Past Commander of DeMolay Commandery No. 24, and a truly outstanding civic and Illinois Masonic leader also of Bloomington, was a close friend and protege of Delmar Darrah for twenty years → → →

and was the man who directed *The American Passion Play* to even greater heights following Sir Knight Darrah's death.

It was under the inspiration and leadership of Sir Knight Williams and other dedicated Brethren that Ancient Landmarks Lodge No. 3579, A.F. & A.M., was founded in 1982 and received its charter in 1983. Ancient Landmarks Lodge is unique in that its primary purpose is to propagate the Masonic education of its members. This Lodge follows the English tradition in that the Brethren dine together before each meeting; bi-monthly special meetings encouraging Masonic research, dialogue and enlightenment are held, and attendance is required of all members unless excused by the Worshipful Master.

From its inception, Ancient Landmarks Lodge has been blessed with harmony, progress, and prosperity. A partial list of Masonic personages who have lectured to the Brethren of Ancient Landmarks Lodge have included Sir Knight Stanley F. Maxwell of Lexington, Massachusetts; Brother Alphonse Cerza of Riverside, Illinois; Brother Wallace McLeod of Ontario, Canada; Brother Homer Zumwalt of Galesburg, Illinois; Sir Knight G. Wilbur Bell of Springfield, Illinois; Sir Knight Jerry Marsengill of Des Moines, Iowa, and many other Masonic scholars.

The Delmar D. Darrah Medal for Distinguished Masonic Service is awarded annually to a non-resident of Illinois who has contributed significant service to our beloved Masonic Fraternity. As of this writing, this prestigious recognition has been awarded to three distinguished Freemasons: Sir Knight Stanley F. Maxwell, Past Grand Master of Massachusetts, then president of the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association, and currently Sovereign Grand Commander, A.A.S.R. (NMJ), became the first to receive this prestigious medal.

Brother Wallace McLeod, then Worshipful Master of Quatuor Coronati Lodge No. 2086 of London, England, became the second recipient of this medal of recognition. Quatuor Coronati Lodge is the world's largest and without a doubt the most renowned Lodge of its type with a

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worldwide membership. Brother McLeod resides in Ontario, Canada, and is the first Freemason to be elected to the office of Master who resides outside the confines of the British Isles.

The third recipient of this prestigious award was Sir Knight Jerry Marsengill, a Past Grand High Priest of Royal Arch Masonry in Iowa; a noted Masonic scholar, author and editor who has distinguished himself in many Masonic activities. He is perhaps best known nationally and internationally in Masonic intellectual circles as the well-qualified and dedicated editor of two outstanding regularly published Masonic magazines – *The Royal Arch Mason*, and *The Philalethes*.

Delmar Duane Darrah, the son of Dr. Alexander T. and Elizabeth Hawkins (Fugate) Darrah, was born at Tolono, Champaign County, Illinois, on July 15, 1868. His father was a well-known physician specializing in pediatrics, who found time to become very active in Freemasonry and who served as Grand Master of Freemasons in Illinois from 1885 to 1886.

Sir Knight Darrah attended public schools at Tolono, and attended high school for one year at Bloomington where his family relocated about 1884. He was graduated from Illinois Wesleyan University at Bloomington in 1890 and

completed post-graduate studies earning the degree of Doctor of Philosophy from the University of Illinois. Sir Knight Darrah then became professor of elocution and public speaking at the Illinois Wesleyan University School of Oratory, which he organized and which he conducted from 1890 to 1910, retiring from the teaching profession at the end of that time.

Illinois governor and Brother Henry Horner, one of his close friends and at one time Grand Orator of the Grand Lodge, A.F. & A.M., of Illinois, appointed him to the Illinois State Board of Pardons and Parole, serving from 1933 to 1940.

He was editor of the *Illinois Freemason* newspaper from 1900 to 1933, and when that publication was consolidated with the *Masonic News* of Peoria, he became associate editor of the combined publication. His booklet, *The ABC of Freemasonry*, is still given to candidates by many lodges, even to this very day. His book, *The Master's Assistant*, was considered "must reading" as a definitive reference for Masters in operating their Lodge. Many Masonic scholars consider his book entitled *The Evolution of Freemasonry* which was published in 1920 as the finest one-volume history of the Craft ever written.

Sir Knight Darrah authored many plays. His first production was the nativity play, *Star of the East*, and he was the first to produce Charles Dickens' *Christmas Carol* in extended dramatized form. His production of *The American Passion Play* was the climax of his life's work. He made a special trip to the Holy Land to secure ideas and background material, and his research resulted in authentic scenes for this important play. He also produced many Shakespearean plays, and he considered his play *The Quest of the Holy Grail* to be his finest

production. All participants in his plays performed gratuitously; proceeds were used exclusively for charitable, civic, religious or fraternal needs.

Sir Knight Delmar Darrah was raised in Bloomington Lodge No. 43, A.F. & A.M., in 1889 and served as Worshipful Master in 1893, 1894, and 1898. In 1918, he helped organize Arts and Crafts Lodge No. 1017, A.F. & A.M., Bloomington, and was its Master under dispensation. He served as Grand Master of Freemasons in Illinois from 1910 to 1911.

His York Rite life began in 1890 when he was exalted in Bloomington Chapter No. 26, R.A.M. and served as High Priest from 1896 to 1897. He was greeted in Urbana Council No. 19, R. & S.M., in 1890 and was knighted in DeMolay Commandery No. 24,



The 350-year-old Oberammergau Passion Play inspired Sir Knight Darrah when he witnessed the German production in 1922.

Bloomington, that same year. He served as Eminent Commander in 1897 and was Grand Recorder of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Illinois from 1910 to 1922. After retiring as Grand Recorder of Illinois, he served from 1923 to 1933 as Secretary of the Knights Templar Educational Foundation, which supervised educational loans to students. This last activity seemed well-fitted to Sir Knight Darrah's temperament as he was interested in encouraging students and developing their latent talents.

Brother Darrah received his Scottish Rite Degrees at Peoria, → → →

Illinois, in 1891. He was extremely active and eventually became a presiding officer of all the Scottish Rite bodies of Bloomington. From 1915 to 1922, he served as Secretary of all the Bloomington bodies. He was coronated a Sovereign Grand Inspector General, 33°, in 1909, and was crowned an active member in 1911. He served as Supreme Council Deputy for Illinois from 1932 to 1945; as Grand Master General of Ceremonies from 1932 to 1941 and as Grand Lieutenant Commander from 1942 to 1945. He was Grand Representative of Austria near the A.A.S.R. (NMJ), and served as chairman of many important committees of the Supreme Council.

It should be pointed out that Sir Knight Darrah was aided tremendously by the Masonic community of Bloomington. The production of this play is a major project even today. The original performances of 1924 required a cast of 213 people.

The initial success of the original presentation encouraged Sir Knight Darrah to expand the idea with full cooperation of the Bloomington Scottish Rite bodies which supplied the talent, the place to present the drama, and the many costumes and the scenery needed. When the present Scottish Rite Cathedral of Bloomington was first planned, it was designed with the idea of the presentation of the Passion Play. The cathedral was designed with an exceptionally large stage, the second largest in the world in 1922 and with a large auditorium seating 1400 persons with splendid acoustical features.

Another of his many contributions to the Scottish Rite was his conceiving the Meritorious Service Award (MSA), as a recognition for members who give exceptional service to the individual Scottish Rite Valley. He proposed the MSA designation in 1934; it was inaugurated in Illinois in 1935, and adopted by the A.A.S.R. (NMJ) in 1939.

A decent and companionable man, Sir Knight Darrah exerted a wonderful influence over those under him, striving to make everyone he touched a friend for life. As a Masonic leader, he distinguished himself by conducting his personal life on the highest level of morality.

In 1891, he was united in marriage to Emma Loar, who died in 1895. He married Isabelle W. Wetzel in 1898, and she died in 1938. Delmar Duane Darrah himself died suddenly in 1945 at his home in Bloomington. Memorial services were held in the Bloomington Scottish Rite Cathedral with a very large attendance of local Brethren, as well as state, national and international Masonic dignitaries.

The history of Freemasonry cannot be fully recorded without recognition of that dynamic professor and Freemason, Sir Knight Delmar Duane Darrah. *The American Passion Play*, which continues to attract audiences annually from near and far, would be sufficient reason for praise. But his highest praise would be for his work in stimulating his whole generation to higher purpose — by his ritualistic work, his outstanding qualities of leadership and inspiration, and his many contributions to our society and beloved Masonic Fraternity. For this, his work will live forever in the minds and hearts of the many that he touched and inspired.

For additional information about *The American Passion Play* write USPO Box 3354, Bloomington, Illinois 61701 or call (309) 829-3903.

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WILL THERE BE LIGHT?

by

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Masonry has had a past which bespeaks the pride of centuries, but now it is the responsibility of today's brethren to create a new and gleaming future. For some, the distractions of the new technological world and formal education have reduced the mysteries of Freemasonry into nothing more than elaborate plays. The meaning of membership seems to have faded away in men's hearts as many become forgetful of the lectures and instructions. In some cases, Masonry becomes the mere collection of titles and status. Sooner or later, a lot of men become bored with the meetings because they have lost sight of the grand purpose, the work which once attracted them. Where many began, it seems only a few are left to accomplish the seemingly impossible struggle of keeping the Lodge alive.

This is indeed a gloomy picture to paint, but in many Lodges in the world it is a reality. What is to be done about this sad problem? The answer will come to each Brother's mind when he stops and asks himself: Why did I join in the first place? What did I seek to improve?

If you believe that your original purpose was a noble one, climb that mountain once more. Regain sight of that which you hoped to find. Replot a new course. Lift your head, and hold it above the sands like the venerable sphinx. Refuse also to be enshrouded by the sands of time and that which exists only in passing. Then you will see what you are seeking and harvest the fruit of light.

Masonry, like the sphinx, has stayed the test of time again and again, through

the destruction of its temples and the death of its members. There has always been a flicker of light pulsating in the hearts of men — even in Freemasonry's darkest hours — and that flicker has served to relight the temples and rekindle the minds.

Masonry has never delivered its mysteries, nor the means of understanding them, to anyone on a silver platter. In one motion, she reveals her mysteries to the initiate; in the next, she presents yet another mystery, whose meaning is unlocked only through further instruction. Why is this done, many Brothers may ask. Why are we not given more than just the keys? Why are we not given the sum total of all the light, the vaults swung open wide at the outset?

To some, this might be a cause for disillusion and might even lead some to drop out of the Masonic picture as an active member. But we must remember that Masonry has done its job, as it has always done, through the ages, bestowing seeds of light in men's minds. There are reasons for its conduct which can be expressed with little study. Yet there are others which must be discovered by the individual.

Masonry greets all sorts of men from all sorts of backgrounds. Stripped of earthly wealth and titles, we are all human beings with limbs and minds. Yet each man has also a certain duty he feels personally. Nobody can tell him what this duty is. It comes from the inner self or being.

There are those initiates who are content with the beautiful → → →

modest truths they are given straight away in the Degree work. But there are others who will continue to seek forever and endlessly while on this level of time to unravel the divine and sublime mysteries. Neither of these men is greater than the other. Each is performing that measure of duty that brings satisfaction to one's self or being.

Third, there are those that come to see our mysteries for no other reasons than mere curiosity – not truly seeking, as we say, “light.” These men we never see again, and they seem to disappear as fast as they came into the Fraternity.

In all these cases, Masonry has done its aged and distinctive labor. It has protected itself from those who didn't truly have an interest in the labor at hand and then disappeared. It has satisfied one Brother and given satisfaction to the other who found the keys to unlock the mysteries of the macrocosm and the microcosm.

It is not the duty of Freemasonry to reveal all of its secret mysteries or the understanding of them to every Mason. To do this would take longer than the Craft has been in existence or ever will be. It is not the responsibility of just a few Brothers like Albert Pike and A. E. Waite, for in time the sages pass on. It is, rather, for all Brothers to do and to share their findings with each other. It is written, “Neither do men light a candle and put it under a bushel, but on a candle stick and giveth light unto all that are in the house.”

If we would take the baskets off our heads and share our understanding and enlightenment with each other about the Craft's history and Degree work, indeed, Masonic light would be advanced. This could be done easily and without tramping on each other's religious views. Lectures could be given about the old Masonic Companies, the differences in Blue Lodges across the world, and varying Masonic customs. The difference in the American Degree structure could also be

examined, without delving into the esoteric work. Symbolism and philosophy can also be discussed. As you can see, the list can become endless, and each of these subjects can be given in business meetings and other meetings. The seeds of these would add new vigor and interest in Masonry in general; enlightenment would abound in the Lodge and in our Brothers worldwide.

Modern Freemasonry is the descendent of the ancient stonebuilders and is a cousin to the ancient schools of Egypt, Rome, Greece, and others. It uses initiation to awaken the heart, mind, and innermost being to certain facts. It uses symbolism to instruct us in complex ideas, and it uses brotherly love and the bonds of friendship to comfort the outer self. If we share that light with each other that we may learn, then we will be like those students of old. We will indeed build up that structure, that house, not made with hands, within ourselves and help others do the same. If we do not, we will one day become as sounding brass without meaning. Darkness of the worst kind will prevail.

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In the end of the sabbath, as it began to dawn toward the first day of the week, came Mary Magdalene, and the other Mary to see the sepulchre. And behold, there was a great earthquake: for the angel of the Lord descended from heaven, and came and rolled back the stone from the door, and sat upon it. And the angel answered and said unto the women, Fear not ye: for I know that ye seek Jesus, which was crucified. He is not here: for he is risen, as he said.

Matthew 28:1,2, 5-6a KJV

DON'T LET THE STONE STOP YOU

by

The Reverend Eugene H. Buxton, Grand Prelate
Grand Encampment of Knights Templar, U.S.A.

The Reverend and Sir Knight Eugene H. Buxton will present "Don't Let the Stone Stop You" at the 35th annual Easter Sunrise Service at the George Washington Masonic National Memorial in Alexandria, Virginia, on April 7.

A general invitation has already been issued by Most Eminent Grand Master Ned E. Dull to the Sir Knights and their families and friends to join the grand officers and their brother Christian Masons at this traditional Easter service.

For those unable to attend the 1985 Easter ceremony in Alexandria, we would like to share with you Reverend Buxton's Easter message. The Reverend and Sir Knight Eugene H. Buxton has served as Grand Prelate of the Grand Commandery of Ohio for twenty-eight years.



TEXT: And they were saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the door of the tomb?"

St. Mark 16:3 RSV.

Happy Easter! This is the most joyful day in the Christian year. "Christ the Lord is risen today, Alleluia!"

The resurrection is a total victory for both God and humanity. Firstly it is God's victory over all his enemies and executioners. No power of hate, wickedness, destruction or death can prevail against our God. God is not dead, done, or defeated. God is not a victim but a victor over every alien power, over every negative force, over every ominous brutality and over every doubting pessimism. The God whom we serve is neither weak nor helpless — not dominated by any circumstance or combination of circumstances. Easter proclaims to our troubled hearts that our God is strong, our God is powerful, our God is mighty, our God is glorious, everlasting, victorious in salvation, supreme, able, absolutely in charge, definitely in control! Indeed, the freedom, knowledge and

wickedness of humanity have not compromised the power, purpose and goodness of God!

"No power of hate, wickedness, destruction or death can prevail against our God; He is a victor over every alien power."

But the resurrection is also our victory. God, in great mercy, is inviting us to participate in his resurrection. The same irresistible power by which Christ was raised from the dead may also be for us the means of overcoming any sin in us or injustice outside of us. The historical event of the resurrection can now be the present reality of triumph over the negative, narrowing forces that oppress the human spirit and divide the human family. "If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things → → →

which are above, where Christ sitteth at the right hand of God." In the strength of the resurrection, we may now go out to seek and work for a united world where nobody is hungry, nobody is oppressed and nobody is threatened. Our destiny is to be risen with Christ, to be with Christ, to be like Christ, to be in Christ. As Christ did rise from the dead so we shall also rise above our miseries, drawbacks and disadvantages. As Christ did overcome so shall we overcome. God's victory is our victory over sin and death; God's resurrection is our reason for being.

But remember that there was a huge stone that resisted the resurrection of Jesus, and stones will continue to resist and oppose your spiritual survival, your life in Christ. And if our spiritual survival be opposed, human survival is indeed in jeopardy. The human survival of the world depends upon the spiritual survival of the church! If we are indeed risen with Christ, we shall be the instruments through which Christ will save the whole human race from the self-destruction of total annihilation. But the stones are always there. This is not the best of possible worlds. This is not a perfect universe. We live in a fallen creation, a hostile society, a divided world, a sinful culture. Our resurrected faith and experience must continue to face the resistance of the stone which blocked the resurrection path and power of Jesus Christ. The resurrection victory which the Church celebrates every Sunday did not come into the world without the hardened resistance and determined opposition of that huge, great stone which stood proudly in the mouth of the tomb. There is no resurrection, no love, no yearning for peace, no desire for justice, no struggle for unity without a stone to block the way of life and love; but Hallelujah! There is no resistance, be it military, political, social or economic that can stand forever against the

resurrection freedom and power of the children of God.

Jesus was locked into his grave by a huge stone that had been pushed into

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place by Roman soldiers. That stone was huge, heavy and imposing; it was sealed air-tight into the door of the tomb. That stone was guarded by a band of thirty-six Roman soldiers, whose endless patrolling seemed to be saying, "Stay in the tomb, Jesus, keep out of this world, leave politics to the politicians, leave the economy in the hands of those who think they own and rule the world, leave the schools in the hands of those who would dominate the centers of learning, leave the people at the mercy of the earthly powers and authorities, leave the Church in the hands of the members and bureaucrats.

"Stay in the tomb, Jesus. Don't mess with our business. Don't scrutinize our actions. Don't intervene in our procedures. Keep out of our world, our church, our company!"

But Jesus will not remain dead. Jesus will not stay put. Jesus will not leave us alone. Jesus refuses to stay in the grave. Jesus keeps saying to the sentinel at the tomb: "I have to get up, I have to come through. I have to get out. I have to be involved in national and international affairs. All the kingdoms of the world belong to me. The earth is the Lord's. So I have to get into politics so that it will be politics for the people and not for the politicians. I've got to get into the economy to make it serve human needs and not just enrich twenty percent of the people of the earth at the expense of the eighty percent who lack the basic necessities for bare subsistence. I've got

to break into the world of industry and business so that money will be used to help people rather than people destroyed to make money. I've got to get into the struggle for unity and freedom so that all the people in the world may share fully in the bounty and beauty of the earth. I've got to break out of this cold mausoleum and come into my Church so that it may never become a closed club of contented cronies; but 'one great fellowship of love, throughout the whole wide earth.'"

We too must persevere and struggle as Jesus did. For though our stones may seem immovable, our problems unsolvable, our illnesses incurable, our foes unbeatable; we must look carefully and we will see three women, walking down a lonely road in the predawn mist of resurrection morning. We will see them pressing their way against despair, walking on with courage and confidence toward the tomb in order to refresh the grave and embalm the body of their executed hero. They said to each other as they made their way, "We have everything we need to do this solemn, sacred duty. We have enough courage to proceed. We have enough love to cast out

"There is no stone in us or outside of us that can stop us from rising with Christ and living through the resurrection power of our God."

fear. We have enough faith to press on through the darkness. The only thing we lack is enough strength to fight off thirty-six armed Roman soldiers, break Caesar's new grave seal and roll the stone away from the tomb. Who will roll away the stone for us from the door of the tomb?"

There was no answer given to that pertinent question; but the women kept on walking without an answer. They kept asking but they never stopped

walking. What kept them walking though they had no answer? What made them go on in spite of the stone, the thirty-six soldiers and the immense danger? Knowing that they had a problem they could not solve, a stone they could not move, and seeing no one around to move it for them, they continued on their journey. Can you do that? Can you live on, love on, struggle on, trusting where you cannot trace, hoping where you cannot see, believing when you cannot understand? Those three women had a huge stone to face. We have stones too! Everybody has a stone she or he cannot move, a problem she or he can't solve, a burden she or he can't bear alone. Nobody is exempt from stones, obstacles, barriers, resistances! What will you do about your stone? Will you cancel the journey, stop walking, resign from the struggle, give up the fight, throw in the towel, surrender to the stones? Three brave women keep walking toward the stone which they cannot move. Will you, can you walk on?

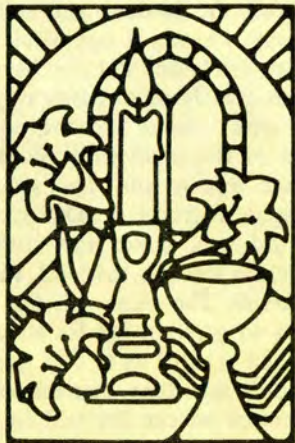
When they arrived at the tomb that first resurrection morning, the stone was already rolled away, and Jesus had already risen and stepped forward with all light, life, love and power in the hands of the victor over sin and death. The stone was rolled back because an angel mesmerized the soldiers and rolled the stone away, moving it out of place. But hear this: that stone did not have to be moved to give Jesus a chance to get out of the tomb. Jesus had the power to step out of the tomb while the soldiers were still awake and the stone was still lodged in its place. Our victorious Savior did not move the stone; but walked clean through the hard, rock wall of the tomb. The stone was not moved for Jesus to get out; but for those three women and each of us to step in and see that Jesus is not there, that Jesus is risen, and therefore we can live without worry, fight without surrender, suffer → → →

without despair, love without limits and die without fear, knowing that as the stone did not stop him, there is no stone in us or outside of us that can stop us from rising with Christ and living through the resurrection power of our God.

There are many stones in life. Stones that may never be moved. Stones that you can't move. Stones that God won't move. Sickness that will never be healed. Problems that will never be solved. Doors that will never be opened. But don't let that stone stop you. It didn't stop Jesus; it need not stop you and me. Jesus offers us power today to go on anyhow, run through troops, leap over walls, walk through barriers, step over obstacles, rise above handicaps, squeeze through stones, and climb every mountain you can't move! Don't let the stone stop you!

Happy Easter and may God bless you all!

The Reverend Buxton has served the Episcopal Church in Ohio for more than 50 years. Currently Rector of St. Mark's Episcopal Church in Sidney, he resides at 5945 Road 39, Huntsville, Ohio 43324.



National Memorial Donation

On February 18, at the meeting of the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association, the Grand Encamp-



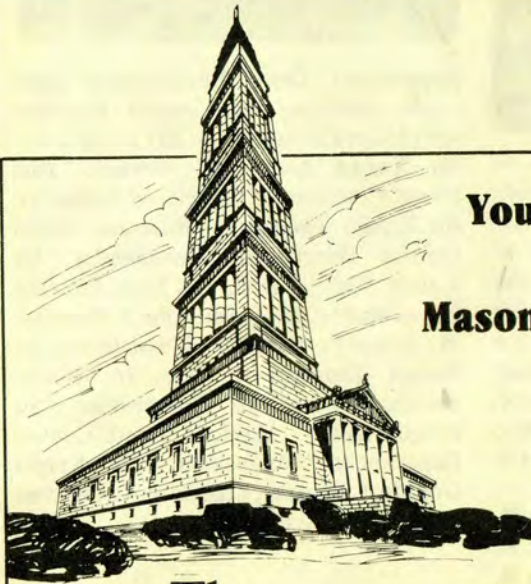
ment presented the Memorial with its annual maintenance check for \$2,000. Making the presentation in the photograph above is Most Eminent Grand Master Ned E. Dull (right); Sir Knight Charles R. Glassmire, a member of Portland Commandery No. 2, Portland, Maine, accepts the check (left). Sir Knight Glassmire is currently president of the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association.

But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name: Which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God. John 2:12-13

Sir Knight Wilber M. Brucker, Grand Master of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America during the years of the fiftieth triennium, 1964-1967, was a former governor of Michigan and a long-time secretary of the army under President Eisenhower. Sir Knight Brucker and Grand Recorder Paul C. Rodenhauer travelled from Washington, D.C., to Lancaster, Pennsylvania, after Easter services at Arlington to film a 15-minute program.



Along with Grand Master Wilber M. Brucker in the photograph above is Grand Recorder Paul C. Rodenhauer (then WGAL-TV Program Director) and members of his staff. Most Eminent Past Grand Master Brucker died in October 1968 during the term of his successor, Most Eminent Past Grand Master John L. Crofts. This 1967 film was utilized by approximately 325 Commanderies in 1967-68 and 1969, as well as a number of years thereafter.



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HIGHLIGHTS AND SIDELIGHTS

East Liverpool Assembly, S.O.O.B.

East Liverpool Assembly No. 71, East Liverpool, Ohio, Social Order of the Beauceant, installed Mrs. Bertram



Wakefield as their Worthy President on January 28, 1985. Mr. and Mrs. Wakefield are residents of Steubenville, Ohio, and Mrs. Wakefield is a dual member of Steubenville Assembly No. 57 where she served as their President in 1977. Sir Knight Wakefield, who has served as the Secretary of the the East Liverpool Lodge No. 681, F. & A.M., East Liverpool, Ohio, for thirty-seven years, was also awarded the Meritorious Service Award in 1984.

The installing officer was Mrs. John W. Hopper, Sr., who is a Past President of East Liverpool Assembly. Mrs. Charles H. Lee, Past Supreme Worthy President, also attended. In the photograph above are Mrs. Lee (l), Mrs. Wakefield (c), and Mrs. Hopper (r).



New Jersey Hosts Dignitaries

The Grand Commandery of New Jersey held its annual Conclave from March 1 through March 3. The annual Conclave was held at Ocean City, New Jersey, which is located in the Northeastern



Department. Grand Encampment dignitaries attending the annual Conclave are pictured above. From left to right are: Sir Knight Andres E. Moynelo, Past Grand Commander, District of Columbia; Sir Knight Thomas K. Rosenow, North Central Department Commander; Sir Knight Ned E. Dull, the Most Eminent Grand Master; Sir Knight John J. Sheehan, Jr., Grand Commander of New Jersey; Sir Knight Thurman C. Pace, Jr., Northeastern Department Commander; Sir Knight Blair C. Mayford, South Central Department Commander; Sir Knight Gordon J. Brenner, Chairman, Committee on Religious Activities.

Moreno Coin

The Silver Anniversary coin offered by Moreno Lodge and mentioned on page 16 of the March *Knight Templar* is selling for \$5.50. This information was missing from that article.

FROM **THE FAMILY** OF **MASONRY**

Fifty-Nine Years of Alabama Rainbows

The Alabama Grand Assembly, International Order of the Rainbow for Girls, has published a *History of the International Order of the Rainbow for Girls in Alabama, from 1925 to 1984*. A limited edition of 500 copies has been printed as a fund-raising project, and they are available for a donation of \$10.00 each, including postage and handling. Interested parties may send orders to Brother Lincoln H. Townsend, 2113 Sullivan Road, NW, Huntsville, Alabama 35810.



A Letter

Dear Grand Recorder Rodenhauer:

Just a note to thank you for the continuing excellence of *Knight Templar Magazine*. It is the best Masonic periodical I know of.

I've written to you before to compliment you and to ask your permission to occasionally reprint an article or a poem in our monthly Blue Lodge Trestleboard. You cheerfully gave your permission provided we give credit to *Knight Templar Magazine*. We've taken the liberty to do this on several occasions — thank you.

Again my thanks to you and your staff. Your efforts are greatly appreciated.

Fraternally,
Charles J. Chapman
Glendale Commandery No. 53
Glendale, California

Joint Festival — Gethsemane and Paducah

Continuing a long-standing, mutually pleasant, and beneficial interstate relationship, Paducah Commandery No. 11 invited Gethsemane Commandery No. 41, Metropolis, Illinois, to exemplify the Order of the Temple on a class of thirty-one candidates from Metropolis and three western Kentucky Commanderies.

Paducah Commandery No. 11, Paducah, Kentucky, has the equipment and personnel to confer in an exemplary manner the several degrees and orders of the Royal Arch Chapter and Council and on this York Rite festival occasion did so, but invited Gethsemane Commandery No. 41 to exemplify the Order of the Temple. The conferral of this Order of the Temple on this large class merited the thanks, appreciation and congratulations rendered Gethsemane No. 41.

This mutual arrangement has, through the years, resulted in a bond of friendship and service that has enabled both Commanderies to increase their membership and more efficiently confer the orders, and has been worthy of the principles of Templary, reports Sir Knight Andy Barton, Past Grand Commander, Illinois. And, says Sir Knight Barton, Gethsemane Commandery No. 41 looks forward to a fine representation from Paducah and western Kentucky at the inspection. This inspection took place on March 16.



Grand Encampment
Roll Call of Honored Dead

IN HALLOWED MEMORY

Alan DeLeon Gray
North Carolina
Grand Commander — 1964
Died January 5, 1985

Etrebil Albert Schaub
Maryland
Grand Commander — 1958
Born January 28, 1902
Died February 5, 1985

Harry Anderson
Montana
Grand Commander — 1964
Born May 12, 1905
Died February 17, 1985

Jack Thomas Parsons
Virginia
Grand Commander — 1980
Born June 2, 1917
Died February 26, 1985

Frederick W. Blocksom
New Mexico
Grand Commander — 1960
Born June 29, 1902
Died March 9, 1985

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Sir Knight William H. Boden

Sir Knight William H. Boden, a member of Guatemala Commandery No. 1, Knights Templar, died on December 28, 1984. Sir Knight Boden was the recipient of the Knights Templar Cross of Honor for Guatemala which was presented to him at the fifty-fourth Triennial Conclave in Indianapolis, Indiana. Then Grand Master Avery presented Sir Knight Boden with the Cross of Honor at that time. At the presentation, Grand Recorder Paul C. Rodenhauer remarked, "He [Boden] is cited for assuming a full share of commitment and responsibility for the progress of Templary in Guatemala and humanitarian efforts for his fellowmen, truly an example of Christian Masonry in action." Sir Knight Boden also served as Viceroy, Guatemala Conclave, Red Cross of Constantine.

Carol — A Book of Music

A book of music entitled "Carol" is being sold to benefit the Knights Templar Eye Foundation. This book contains several marches and two pieces especially appropriate for memorials. The book is dedicated to the Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Carol Strizek of Washington State with a number of selections written especially for Sister Carol and Brother David J. Miller, Most Worthy Patron, Indiana. Each triennium, a book of music is compiled for the triennium session of the General Grand Chapter, O.E.S., and this is the composition for this session. This is music anyone can use and enjoy, according to Mrs. John W. Houck, and it could be a collector's item.

The book has been professionally printed; a colorful book in gold and green. The book may be obtained by sending \$9.00 in a check or money order to John W. Houck, 14526 26th Avenue, N.E., Seattle, Washington, 98155.

THE HOLY BIBLE

by

Sir Knight James B. DeMasters
Ivanhoe Commandery No. 21, Kansas City, Kansas

What do you know about the Holy Bible? When this question was posed to me recently, the familiar Masonic terms came to mind: "The Holy Bible is the rule and guide of faith. The Holy Bible is dedicated to God because it is His inestimable gift to man." Beyond this, I knew little and the following is the result of my personal research.

From the preface of my Masonic edition Bible I gathered choice excerpts from the work of the Reverend Joseph Fort Newton. He said this:

Time is a river, and books are boats. Many volumes start down that stream only to be wrecked and lost beyond recall in its sands. Only a few, a very few, endure the testings of time and live to bless the ages following. We pay homage to the greatest of all books — the one enduring Book which has traveled down to us from the far past, freighted with the richest treasure that any book has brought to humanity.

Here is a book whose scene is the sky and the dirt and all that lies between — a book that has its arch of the heavens, the curve of the Earth, the ebb and flow of the sea, sunrise and sunset, the peaks of mountains and the glint of sunlight on flowing waters, the shadow of forests on the hills, the song of birds and the color of flowers. But its two great characters are God and the Soul, and their eternal life together is its one everlasting romance.

Take this great and simple book, white with age yet new with the dew of each new morning, tested by the sorrowful and victorious experience of centuries, rich in memories and wet with the tears of multitudes who walked this way

"Take this great and simple book, white with age yet new with the dew of each new morning, and lay it to heart; love it; read it; and learn what life is."

before us — lay it to heart, love it, read it, and learn what life is, what it means to be a man, yes, learn that God has made us for Himself and unquiet are our hearts until they rest in Him. Make it your friend and teacher.

The Book of Knowledge enabled me to go on with my search. The Bible is not a book written by a single author. There were about 44 writers, writing through twenty centuries and producing a perfect harmony of doctrine. The name Bible comes from the Greek word *biblia*, which means books. When we read the Bible, then, we are reading a collection of books.

The Bible is divided into two parts: the Old Testament and the New Testament. The Old Testament deals with the history and the religious writings of the Jews, a people who believed in a single just and merciful God. It was written in Hebrew and Aramaic. → → →

The Old Testament represents only a part of a great body of religious writings — the part selected by wise men from the fifth century to the second century B.C. to be read in the Jewish synagogues. These 39 books were accepted as written under the inspiration of God. Every one of the writers of the Bible, with the exception of St. Luke, was a Jew. The “beloved physician” alone was a Gentile.

In addition to the Bible, the Jews use their Talmud, which is a collection of writings in twelve volumes. The Talmud explains the laws and customs of the Jewish religion as set forth in the Bible. The Talmud is divided into two parts — the Mishnah which is an oral law compilation made about 200 A.D. and made the basic half of the Talmud. The Gemara is a commentary on the Talmud and forms the second half.

In the New Testament, we have the story of the life and teachings of Jesus Christ as well as the acts and letters of the followers of Christ. Originally the teachings of Christ were proclaimed by word of mouth. Later they were set down in writings. These writings were in the Greek language.

As time went on, works of this sort multiplied. Some of them were written by men who had known the Master; others by men who had not known Him and who, in some cases, did not understand His teachings. At last, the Fathers of the Church realized that it was necessary to choose carefully from among all these writings. In the fourth century A.D. it was decided to accept only 27 books *out of well over a hundred* as divinely inspired. The Gospel of John 21:25 adds this, “Now, there are many other things that Jesus did. If they were all written down one by one, I suppose that the whole world could not hold the books that would be written.”

Then I found that Paul wrote to his friend Timothy, “All Scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching the

truth, rebuking error, correcting faults, and giving instruction for right living” 2 Timothy 3:16-17.

The ancient prophet Isaiah declared, “My word is like the snow and the rain that come down from the sky to water the earth. They make the crops grow and provide seed for planting and food to eat. So also will be the word that I speak — it will not fail to do what I plan for it. It will do everything I send it to do” Isaiah 55:10-11.

In conclusion, I agree with the immortal Sir Walter Scott when he observed, “The most learned, acute and diligent student cannot, in the longest life, obtain an entire knowledge of this one volume.”

Sir Knight James B. DeMasters accepts mail at P.O. Box 12082, Kansas City, Kansas 66112.



Maine Lodge Publishes Facsimile

The Maine Lodge of Research, located in Medomak, Maine, has published a facsimile edition of the 1820 book entitled *A Brief Inquiry into the Origin and Principles of Freemasonry*, written by Simon Greenleaf.

In a review in *The Philalethes*, Alphonse Cerza states, “This book contains many perceptive ideas about the craft that existed one hundred and fifty years ago. . . . We welcome the reprinting of this fine book.”

C. Weston Dash, Secretary of the Maine Lodge of Research, is now offering this fine facsimile edition at the price of \$15.00 a copy, postpaid. Interested parties may order from C. Weston Dash, Secretary of the Maine Lodge of Shore Road, HCR 60, Medomak, ME 04551.

1985 MASONIC CONFERENCES CONVENE

Conference of Grand Masters of Masons in North America

by

Raymond H. Bachman, P.G.M. of Illinois
Executive Secretary-Treasurer

The Conference of Grand Masters met at the Landmark Hotel in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, on February 18-20, 1985. The theme of the conference this year was "Freemasonry Serving Mankind."

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Arnold L. Ellingson, G.M. of North Dakota. The invocation was given by Reverend and Brother I. Boyd Hopkins, G.M. of North Carolina.

The meetings of the Grand Masters' Conference, the George Washington National Memorial Association and the Masonic Service Association were opened simultaneously. Conducting this formal opening were Arnold L. Ellingson, G.M., Chairman of the Conference, Charles Glassmire, P.G.M., President, G.W.N.M.A., and Robert A. Hockstead, P.G.M., Chairman, Executive Commission-M.S.A.

T. Harry White, G.M. of South Carolina, gave the welcome to which Claude R.A. Green, G.M. of Alberta, responded. The report of the Conference Committee was then given by O. Darrell Aderman, G.M. of Wisconsin.

The chairman, vice chairman, Conference Committee and the Time and Place Committee for the next conference in 1986 were then elected.

A stirring and appropriate keynote address set the tone of the conference and was given by Lee Sherman Dreyfus, 33°. He was governor of Wisconsin (1979-1983) and served as a board member for several corporations, colleges, etc.

The Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania presented their Solomon II program which was very well received.

Four panel discussions were held with the following panel members. Masonic Youth: C.C. Faulkner, G.M. of Indiana, chairman; John B. Obenchain, G.M. of Virginia; Richard M. Wilson, G.M. of Ohio. Membership: T. Harry White, G.M. of South Carolina, chairman; Marion R. Turner, G.M. of Mississippi; Lawrence Winegardner, G.M. of Kansas. Public Image and Visibility: James H. Wilson, G.M. of Florida, Chairman; Matt Martin, G.M. of Washington; Richard M. Wilson, G.M. of Ohio. Goals and Objectives: E. Gene Ross, G.M. of Illinois, chairman; Peter C. Schmidt, G.M. of Maine; Roy J. Henville, G.M. of California.

Imperial Potentate Gene Bracewell, AAONMS, addressed the conference on Tuesday morning.

Last year it was proposed that the conference support a Drug Treatment Program. This subject was assigned to a committee for further study. The chairman of that committee is William A. Carpenter, G.M. of Pennsylvania. Action was delayed until next year when more specific information will be available. Three papers were prepared to be read by the members of the Conference and were then discussed in three simultaneous meetings as follows: Promoting Unity in the Masonic Family: James M. Walley, P.G.M. of Louisiana, author and leader; Richard H. Hannah, G.M. of Manitoba, author and leader; Lewis C. Blackwell, G.M. of Delaware, Recorder. The Kansas Plan: Richard A. Porter, P.G.M. of Kansas, author and leader; R.D. Metcalf, G.M. of Iowa, Recorder. Counsellor or Intender: → → →

O. Darrell Aderman, G.M. of Wisconsin, author and leader; Wesley P. Jarman, G.M. of South Dakota, Recorder.

Tuesday evening an inspiring address was given by the Grand Secretary of South Carolina, Brother and Reverend H. Dwight McAlister, P.G.M.

The Time and Place Committee, C.C. Faulkner, G.M. of Indiana, chairman, recommended and the conference voted that the 1986 conference be held February 17-19 at the Hyatt Regency Crystal City Hotel in Arlington, Virginia.

Wednesday morning an address was given by Brother Roger A. Zinszer of Buffalo, New York. He is president of a consulting firm that specializes in resource development for corporations and real estate developers. He stresses the positive viewpoint with a great deal of enthusiasm.

Reports were then made on the discussions of the three papers by their respective Recorders.

During the conference several supervisors at the hotel told the writer of remarks made by their employees concerning the excellent behavior and consideration of our group of Grand Masters and other representatives. I am sure we demonstrated more for the good of Freemasonry in three days than could ever be written or spoken.

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Allied Masonic Degrees Weekend

by

Morrison L. Cooke, P.S.M.
Past Department Commander

Sir Knight Donald Hinslea Smith, Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Encampment, was the speaker at the Annual Assembly and Feast of the Philaethes Society which opened the 1985 Allied Masonic Degrees weekend. It

was held on Friday, February 8 at the Hotel Washington in the nation's capital. His theme was "Masonic Leadership," and he stressed the fact that we need to have a new image in the twenty-first century while maintaining the fellowship of the eighteenth century. He emphasized four important parts toward which to work, i.e., education, administration, public relations, and leadership. Speaking of the importance of working toward York Rite unity, he said "If we can't get union, let us try for confederation."

President Allen Roberts conducted the meeting and announced the resignation of two important officers, namely, Dr. Brent Morris as Secretary, and John Hilliard as Treasurer. Edward R. Schmidt and Thomas Weir will be acting Secretary and Treasurer, respectively, until an election will be held. It was also announced that the dues will be raised to \$15, and that through December Life Memberships may be obtained for \$150. Brother Roberts was elected an Honorary Member for Life of the Goose and Gridiron Society. Brother Wallace McLeod was awarded the Certificate of Literature for the best paper of the year, entitled "Why St. Paul's?"

Royal Scofield, Grand Chancellor, opened the meetings on Saturday morning, presiding at the 54th annual convocation of Grand College of Rites. There were 67 new fellows obligated. Dr. William Peacher was elected Grand Archivist. James Shaw, Ontario, Canada, was elected the new Grand Chancellor, and S. Flory Diehl, Maryland, Grand Seneschal.

Grand Master's Council "A" was then called to Order by Sovereign Master Russell Tandy. He was recommended to receive the Order of the Red Branch of Eri. The new Sovereign Master is Merle F. Miller, and Richard Noble was appointed Tyler; both are from Pennsylvania.

Dr. Charles Glassmire, Sovereign Grand Master, presided over the 53rd annual communication of Grand Council Allied Masonic Degrees which followed. There were five new Councils begun; there are now 197 Councils, six U.D., and nine instituted. Muneer Dean, the hotel manager, was made a K.G.C. Past Grand Senior Warden honors were bestowed upon Peter D. Smith, Maine, and Merle P. Tapley, Connecticut, who was the banquet speaker. His topic was "The Building Man." Wallace Jackson was re-elected to the Board of General Purposes for a three-year term. The new officers, installed by P.S.G.M. Alex Adams, are Tam Shumaker, Grand Master, and Jerry D. Hart, Sentinel, both of North Carolina. There were 350 registered for the meetings, which is the first time there has been a decrease in attendance for many years with the exception of the 'big snow' year.

Before lunch, a repeat performance from last year was presented by Oxford Lodge No. 1, Ark Mariners of Maine, exemplifying the Royal Ark Mariners Degree.

Installed Master's Council convened after lunch, presided over by Sovereign Master James Horne. There were 15 new Sovereign Masters installed.

The 52nd annual communication of the Council of the Nine Muses was next, at which Sovereign Master Wendell K. Walker read a very fine paper on the life of Harold Van Buren Voorhis, charter member of many of the Allied Masonic Degrees groups. Henry Emmerson will be the new Sovereign Master and will present a paper next year.

Great Chief's Council No. 0, Knight Masons of the U.S.A., followed with Excellent Chief Al Crump in the Chair. There were eleven new candidates and six courtesy candidates obligated by Past Great Chief S. Flory Diehl.

This in turn was followed by Grand Council, Knight Masons, with Great Chief G. Wilbur Bell presiding. A Resolu-

tion, presented by P.E.C. Morrison L. Cooke, Scribe, that dues in the amount of \$3.00 per year be established for Great Chief's Council, was adopted. An Amendment to reduce it to \$2.00 was defeated. Cooke recommended that the Grand Scribe of Grand Council also be appointed Scribe of Great Chief's Council, which would make it more convenient and more feasible. Sam Womack, North Carolina, was elected Great Chief, and Edmund Outhouse, Massachusetts, Grand Sentinel. Leslie E. Webb, Tennessee, was appointed Excellent Chief, and Ray Scarborough, Scribe, respectively. The officers were installed by Past Great Chief S. Flory Diehl.

The fun degrees of the Masonic Order of Bath and Ye Antient Order of Corks closed out the events of the day.

Convent General, K.Y.C.H., held their annual breakfast on Sunday morning, with Dr. Charles A. Fly, Jr., presiding. There were approximately 155 present.

The Society of Blue Friars held their 40th annual consistory with James R. Case, Deputy Grand Abbot, in the East. The newly-selected Blue Friar was presented by Grand Abbot Wendell K. Walker; he is Louis L. Williams, Illinois. He gave a most interesting and enlightening paper entitled: "Confusion in the Temple: or, the Legend of Joseph Cerneau."

Grand Preceptor's Tabernacle, H.R.A.K.T.P., opened with Preceptor Henry Law in charge. Two new candidates were obligated by Knight Priest Law. He, having served his two-year term, was succeeded by the election of Charles W. Barkus, Delaware, as Preceptor.

The Grand College of America, H.R.A.K.T.P., closed out the weekend with the 53rd Ingathering. Carl Baesemann, Grand Preceptor, presided. Two new Tabernacles were erected during the year, with one finally in California and another on the way. This makes a total of forty → → →

Tabernacles. There were also 120 new Knight Priests ordained during the year. A Resolution was adopted to make annual contributions (from the income from the Investment Account of the Permanent Fund), to both the Knight Templar Eye Foundation and the George Washington Masonic National Memorial instead of alternating each year. An Amendment to the Constitution was also passed to allow plural or dual membership.

This concluded the long but productive weekend. There was quite a contrast from 1984 when the temperature was a balmy 60°, whereas it was in the 20's this year with a wind chill factor of -16°. Next year the meetings will again be in the Hotel Washington on the regular dates of Feb. 14-16, 1986. *Pax Vobiscum!*

Sir Knight Cooke, P.G.C., Kentucky, lives at 2538 Saratoga Drive, Louisville, Kentucky 40205.

Knight Templar Filing

The office of the Grand Encampment offers for sale plastic collapsible "cut-corner" files for those who wish to have a method of filing back issues of *Knight Templar Magazine*.

The files are a quality product — sturdy and durable. They are colored blue and measure 8½ by 2½ by 6 inches.

Each file will comfortably accommodate up to thirty-six copies — a three-year supply. A clear plastic slot for an identification label is located across the spine of the file.

These files are shipped flat for snap-up construction upon receipt. The non-scratch files are available from the Grand Encampment office for \$3.50 each, postpaid; three or more, \$2.75 each.

These files may be obtained by writing the Grand Recorder, Suite 1700, 14 E. Jackson Blvd., Chicago, Illinois 60604-2293.

Knights Templar Eye Foundation New Club Memberships

Grand Commander's Club:

Ohio No. 19 — Paul B. Saunders
Alabama No. 11 — James H. Jeffreys
New Jersey No. 17 — Henry C. Young
New York No. 24 — John K. van Ryswyk

Grand Master's Club:

No. 580 — Allin W. Proudfoot (IL)
No. 581 — Dorth L. Coombs (KS)
No. 582 — Phin P. Croft (KY)

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 annual contributions of \$100 or more. Once contributions total \$1,000, the individual is enrolled in the Grand Master's Club. Membership is open to individuals only, and there is no Commandery credit given for participation.

Information is available from G. Wilbur Bell, Past Grand Master, Executive Director, Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc., P.O. Box 579, Springfield, Illinois, 62705.



WILL THE REAL McCoy PLEASE STAND UP?

by
Dr. Floyd L. Bass

The expression "The Real McCoy" has many and varied uses. There is likewise a wide range of opinions regarding the origin of the term itself. Mathews has suggested in the *Dictionary of Americanisms* that the phrase 'the real McCoy' came from the underworld. In another reference he suggested that "the term originally was applied to heroin brought in from the Island of Macao off the coast of China . . . It was not cut. Dope addicts found out the stuff from Macao was the real Macao." Mathews also indicates that an item in *Collier's* on October 26, 1922, revealed a reference, "at's the real McCoy you got there brother" as a Canadian term or usage. A later *Collier's* reference (October 6, 1924) indicated that the "lady guest was likewise the real McCoy, as soothin' to the eyes as bella-donna." A bit from an Irish ballad, current over a century ago, alluded to an irate wife who proclaimed herself the head of the household with the assertion, "I'm the real McCoy." The clearest evidence, according to Mathews, "the real McCoy" the genuine article, the real thing, was used as a reference to whiskey.

Rayford W. Logan and Michael R. Winston in the *Dictionary of American Negro Biography*, 1982, presented a one-page monograph on the life of Elijah McCoy, 1843-1929, an inventor. One of their concluding statements noted: "In spite of forty-two patents and two designs, McCoy died a comparatively poor man since it was difficult for him to capitalize on his own inventions which yielded millions of dollars to others. Yet the story has become legend that the expression "The Real McCoy" was associ-

ated with his ingenious work. A person who desired a lubricator was prone to ask "is this a McCoy?" The dealer would say,

"A bit from an Irish ballad a century ago alluded to an irate wife who proclaimed herself the head of the household with the assertion, 'I'm the real McCoy.'"

"Yes, it's the real McCoy." Today the expression is used to mean that a product is genuine, whatever it may be."

The monograph by Sir Knight Paul C. Rodenhauer, Grand Recorder, Grand Encampment of Knights Templar, U.S.A., titled "The Real Macoy," since its publication in the September 1980 issue of *Knight Templar* has stimulated comments and some interest through the Craft. Supporting comment from Sir Knight Charles L. Horn of Bloomington, Minnesota, in the January 1981 issue of the *Knight Templar* has continued the dialogue. Sir Knight Rodenhauer reported in his monograph that staff members of the office at the Grand Encampment had shared materials and information about the origins of the slang phrase. Sir Knight Rodenhauer paid an additional tribute to Robert Macoy in a concluding statement, which all support: "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 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 McCoy*.”

Robert Macoy and Elijah McCoy, obviously were contemporaries (1815-1895 and 1843-1929 respectively), at least during the latter third of the nineteenth century, when these years probably were the most productive periods for each of these outstanding Americans.

Although Mathews has urged that the slang term “McCoy” referred to “Whiskey or beer of a good quality,” this suggestion in no way diminishes our sentiment or minimizes our regard for both the lives as models, and the deeds as a part of our heritage which have come down to us from Robert Macoy and Elijah McCoy. Each was “the real McCoy!”

Dr. Floyd L. Bass lives at 118 Beech Mountain Road, Willimantic, Connecticut 06226.



Needlepoint Kits Available

Several years ago the Grand Encampment began offering needlepoint kits for sale. These kits include a printed canvas with the Knight Templar emblem in red, white, yellow and black on a white background. Kits are still available and include the printed canvas, needle and yarn (finished size is 10 by 10 inches). The cost of a single kit is \$10.00 postpaid, or \$9.50 each in lots of three or more. Orders may be sent to Grand Encampment of Knights Templar, U.S.A., 14 East Jackson Blvd., Chicago, Illinois 60604.

Commandery-Assembly Installation

Santa Ana Commandery No. 36, and Social Order of the Beauceant Assembly No. 61 each welcomed their 1985 officers at a joint open installation on the evening of January 2, 1985, at the Santa Ana Masonic Temple in Santa Ana, California. One hundred sixty-five Sir Knights and ladies attended the ceremony.

Mrs. Gordon (Ruth) Pundy, Past Worthy President, installed Mrs. Harvey Peirce as Worthy President along with her new officers. After the S.O.O.B. installation and proclamation, the chairs were rearranged and the Knight Templar installation of officers began. Sir Knight C. Robert Beck, P.C., KYCH, was the installing officer for Eminent Commander Stephen A. Gassett and the other elected and appointed officers of the Santa Ana Commandery.

After a few brief remarks by Commander Gassett and Worthy President



Peirce, everyone retired to the dining room for refreshments. Eminent Commander Stephen A. Gassett is pictured above with Worthy President Mrs. Harvey Peirce.



**Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc.
Seventeenth Voluntary Campaign**

DeMolay Week

Campaign Report by Grand Commanderies for KTEF Officers and Trustees for the week ending March 8, 1985. Currently in first place is Louisiana with a total of \$102,430.18; second place is currently held by Ohio, and Texas now ranks 3rd. The cumulated total at the end of the 14th week stands at \$557,211.41

The International Order of DeMolay celebrated its 66th anniversary during the annual celebration of DeMolay Week, which took place March 17-23.

Individual chapters participated in this special week by observing one of the organization's seven precepts each day of the week. The seven precepts are: love of parents, reverence for sacred things, courtesy, comradeship, fidelity, cleanliness and patriotism. Some typical examples of the activities are having a family picnic to show love of parents, washing cars to observe the courtesy precept and visiting a VA hospital in honor of patriotism.

In addition, Devotional Day, one of the seven obligatory days for each chapter, will attend a special service held in its honor at a local church.

Today, more than 2,300 chapters are active in the International Order of DeMolay and more than three million young men have taken their obligations at DeMolay altars. Some of these include Senator Mark Hatfield, Bob Mathias, John Wayne, Walt Disney and Burl Ives. With its headquarters located in Kansas City, Missouri, the organization is governed by an International Supreme Council composed of over 200 outstanding Masons.

Alabama	\$6,008.37
Arizona	1,544.00
Arkansas	2,060.00
California	8,971.17
Colorado	12,493.47
Connecticut	3,021.00
District of Columbia	4,610.50
Florida	9,800.59
Georgia	26,698.50
Idaho	3,232.23
Illinois	11,523.52
Indiana	3,773.50
Iowa	6,969.00
Kansas	807.63
Kentucky	7,242.35
Louisiana	102,430.18
Maine	1,435.50
Maryland	9,723.50
Mass - R.I.	10,701.80
Michigan	18,945.00
Minnesota	4,051.00
Mississippi	3,570.00
Missouri	6,355.50
Montana	7,154.80
Nebraska	1,522.40
Nevada	2,213.30
New Hampshire	2,429.50
New Jersey	2,377.00
New Mexico	1,179.00
New York	8,367.75
North Carolina	4,313.00
North Dakota	710.00
Ohio	84,410.61
Oklahoma	1,675.00
Oregon	4,228.66
Pennsylvania	17,468.89
South Carolina	3,013.00
South Dakota	1,436.24
Tennessee	12,507.00
Texas	72,303.68
Utah	2,180.00
Vermont	629.50
Virginia	13,867.94

Washington	2,866.00
West Virginia	2,178.68
Wisconsin	2,921.80
Wyoming	1,424.31
St. John's No. 1, Wilmington, Delaware	90.00
Alaska No. 1, Fairbanks, Alaska	150.00
Porto Rico No. 1, Puerto Rico	683.00
Anchorage No. 2, Alaska	1,130.00
Bavaria No. 3, Germany	25.00
Heidelberg No. 2, Germany	1,275.00
St. Andrew's No. 2, Dover, Delaware	210.00
Miscellaneous	34,302.04

HISTORY OF THE GRAND ENCAMPMENT

Chapter XIII (continued)

THE PERIOD OF GROWTH

1874-1916

The holding of each Triennial Conclave in different cities of the United States brought much favorable attention to the Order. The attendance of Sir Knights at these meetings increased greatly as the Order grew in numbers. Each city selected as the host for the Triennial Conclave made more and more elaborate preparations in the effort to outdo those of the preceding Conclave. The street decorations, special lighting effects, and illuminated structures became more and more lavish and spectacular, reaching a climax at the Conclave in Denver in 1913. The parades of the Sir Knights, always an attraction for everyone, extended for miles and took hours to pass the reviewing stand. Over 20,000 Knights were in line, with hundreds of thousands watching the procession along the streets and in the grandstand. Competitive drills attracted much attention and stimulated better marching and asylum tactics.

The hundredth anniversary saw the Order come to maturity. It was now fully established. The Grand Encampment was recognized as supreme and its authority no longer questioned. The zeal and devotion of its early leaders had accomplished the great task set before them.

Twentieth Conclave

The Twentieth Conclave of the Grand Encampment met in the Court House in the City of Cleveland, Ohio, on August 28, 1877. One new Grand Commandery had been added to the roll, so thirty-one

state Grand Commanderies were represented. The usual parade took place with Tancred Commandery No. 48 of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, acting as the escort of the Grand Encampment Officers.

The Grand Master, Sir Knight James H. Hopkins, made a lengthy address, devoted mainly to questions of jurisprudence, uniform, ritual and foreign relations.

In spite of the compromise made at the last Conclave, the question of the uniform was still a problem, for the Grand Master states that "The costume of a Knight Templar had caused almost, perhaps altogether as much trouble, not to say envy, as Joseph's variegated coat occasioned among his brethren."

The Grand Master directed attention to the rituals of the Orders of the Red Cross and of Malta. He believed that "a little attention to the Red Cross ritual would perfect its symmetry and relieve it from all objections." The Malta ritual, he felt, was crude and incomplete, and he recommended the adoption of the English ritual. The committee appointed at the last Conclave to study this subject stated that the ritual then in use, which had been promulgated by Grand Master French, was not at all satisfactory as it was simply a portion of the Mediterranean Pass. This Committee reported that they had prepared a ritual which was ordered exemplified before the Grand Encampment. It was adopted and ordered to be disseminated under the direction of the Grand Master.

A Treaty of Amity was proposed between the Grand Encampment of the United States and the Supreme Templar Bodies of England and Wales. A draft of such a treaty was prepared by the Grand Master and forwarded to the Most

Eminent and Supreme Grand Master, H.R.H. Albert Edward, Prince of Wales, and was favorably received. However, the death of the Earl of Shrewsbury, Great Prior of England and Wales, who had earnestly favored the measure, postponed the consummation of the desired exchange of Templar courtesies.

A beautiful jewel was presented to Past Grand Master John Q. A. Fellows, and by resolution this form of jewel was adopted as the jewel of Past Grand Masters of Knights Templar of the United States of America.

The Grand Master urged the Grand Encampment to establish a permanent place for holding the business sessions of the Grand Encampment. This subject enlisted Sir Knight Hopkins' support at every succeeding Triennial Conclave until his death in 1904.

At the election, Sir Knight Vincent L. Hurlbut of Chicago, Illinois, was advanced to the office of Grand Master.

Twenty-First Conclave

The twenty-first Conclave of the Grand Encampment was held in Chicago, Illinois, on August 17, 1880. A special building was erected in Lake Front Park to serve as the Asylum for the Grand Encampment. A great camp of tents, known as Camp de Molai, was also put up to accommodate the large number of Sir Knights attending the Conclave. There was a marked contrast in the welcome given this Conclave, as compared with the first Triennial Session held in Chicago in 1859. Then the gathering of the Sir Knights was barely noticed; now the entire city turned out to see the massive parade of over twenty thousand Sir Knights. The Governor, Shelby McCullom, and the Mayor, Carter H. Harrison, Sr., warmly welcomed the Grand Encampment. Sir Knight Vincent L. Hurlbut, a native of Chicago, was the first Grand Master from that city. It was a signal

honor for him to have the Grand Encampment meet in his home city.

The Conclave in 1880 was the greatest demonstration of the Order in the history of the Grand Encampment to that year. The street display attracted great attention, causing many members of the Grand Encampment to frown upon such features at the Triennial Conclaves. The Grand Master stated in his address:

"Since the session in St. Louis in 1868, these Triennial Conclaves have partaken more of a character of immense celebration and the work of needful legislation has received but secondary attention. The prominent aim seems to have been to have a good time, and receptions, banquets and parades have to a large extent usurped the place of needful legislation."

An effort was made to "prohibit any Templar parade or demonstration whatever during the week and in the place where the Triennial Conclave is held," but the resolution providing such restraint failed.

During the Triennial recess, Grand Master Hurlbut divided the jurisdiction into twelve districts and appointed a representative in each to visit the Grand and Subordinate Commanderies and report to the Grand Master. This innovation proved successful, and the plan was adopted by the Grand Encampment.

An amendment to the Constitution designating the city of Washington as the permanent meeting place of the Grand Encampment was rejected.



The Committee on Templar History has plans to prepare an updated history of the Grand Encampment, continuing where Sir Knight Scully left off. When completed, the updated history will be announced in the KNIGHT TEMPLAR MAGAZINE.



KNIGHT VOICES

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To place your "Knight Voices" item on the waiting list for publication, type or print it and send to "Knight Voices," The Grand Recorder, Suite 1700, 14 E. Jackson Blvd, Chicago, IL 60604.

□ I'm interested in finding a 1959 Oldsmobile 98 Convertible car. I'm a Knight Templar out of Ohio. I read *Knight Templar* and enjoy it very much. Send description and price to *George E. Shaffer, P.O. Box 765, Grantsville, WV 26147*

□ On July 22nd the Grand Master of Illinois and Grand Lodge officer's dedicated the new temple of Calhoun Lodge No. 792, Hardin, Illinois. The lodge had crafted commemorative mugs. Mugs are 16 oz. gold decorated with the Masonic emblem and Eastern Star and date of dedication which were sold to members and guests for \$25.00. The Lodge has a number of mugs remaining and will make them available for \$15.00 including postage. The Brethren should be interested, as this is a souvenir item. Sale will be on first come, first serve basis. Checks for unfilled orders will be promptly refunded. Make check payable to Calhoun Lodge No. 792 and mail to: *Calhoun Lodge No. 792, P.O. Box 524, Hardin, Illinois 62047*

□ I am searching for historical information on my wife's father. His name was James A. Anderson. He flew in a B-25 or B-26 bomber which during the war went down in the Mediterranean Sea. He was picked up by Italians and turned over to the Germans. This happened around 1943. If you have any information please write: *Rickie C. Bland, 218 Davis, Nampa, Idaho 83651*

□ Help — Llano Commandery No. 54, Llano, Texas, is in need of Swords, Belts, Chapeaus, and robes. If any Commandery has any of the above equipment that they do not need and would like to sell or donate please contact: *R. L. Adams, Jr., Recorder, Llano Commandery No. 54, P.O. Box 89, Llano, Texas 78643*

□ Two grave lots in Sunset Memorial Park, Ohio, for sale. Original cost was \$1,200.00. Will sell for \$800.00. If interested please contact *Mr. Richard W. Wiesch 3412 Calle del Sol, NE — Albuquerque, New Mexico 87106. Area Code (505) 255-8563*

□ I have a coat (large), and hat that still has the ticket attached to it that says: Knights Templar, 31st Triennial Conclave, Chicago, 1910, Custodian. The coat is single-breasted and the bottom skirt in the back is pleated. The top is quilted inside. It is a heavy black wool fabric. The coat and the plumed hat are just like new. Please make offer. *Florence Shay, 1931 Sheridan Road, Highland Park, IL 60035*

□ I am looking for a pendant or fob, the three leaf type, one face bearing Consistory, Royal Arch, Knight Templar, Blue Lodge of Perfection. These fobs used to be fairly common about 1900, each leaf hinged and would fold to a single pendant about an inch square. If you know of one, or similar one for sale please let me know. *Sir Knight John L. Barner, M.D., 7508 Cove Terrace, Sarasota, Florida 33581*

□ I am searching for information on Phil Alanson Pritchard, who lived in Pittsfield Twp. of Washtenaw Co., Michigan, in the early 1850s. He was a Township treasurer in 1850 and I only assume that he was a Mason. He and his family formerly lived in Batavia, New York, for some period of time.

I am also looking for information on William and John Robison who left Rockbridge Co., Virginia, and settled in Washington Co., Indiana, during the 1800-1815 time period. Accurate date will be greatly appreciated. I will pay reasonable costs and postage. *Walter L. Pritchard, P.O. Box 2432, Indianapolis, Indiana 46206*

□ Masonic pocket watch with chain and masonic key. Like new with square and compasses on cover. Masonic emblems on dial. Masonic watch with square and compasses on dial. Past Commanders ring - 10k gold - cross and crown on head, square and compasses on the side, keystone on other side. *J. C. Flanagan, 517 Narberth Avenue, Merion Station, Pennsylvania 19066*

□ I have two uniforms, one is a Commanders coat, cap size 6 7/8, the other is dress uniform, coach trousers, and chapeaux size 6 7/8. Sword, sheath, and cloth covers, belt and chains. I don't know the size of coats, but I was a 38 waist, 165 lbs, and 5'11". I want \$125 for sword, belt and sheath. The rest I will leave up to the buyer as to what it is worth to them. This has been in a suit case for 25 years, and I believe to be in good condition except for the plume. If interested, I will send the complete package C.O.D. and you follow through as I have indicated.

I am getting along in years and will have no need of this, that somebody could put to good use. *Wayne Zartman, 5721 Karen Avenue, Cypress, California 90630*

□ As I have studied heraldry for many years, am an accomplished heraldist, and have been a member of the Heraldry Society of Great Britain, I have compiled a trip to London and southeastern England which will focus on places of special interest to the Knight Templar and those interested in English genealogy, heraldry, and medieval English history. This is a customized trip "just for us" through a reliable travel agency. Departure will be in very early October via TWA. Ground travel will be by modern deluxe coach, accommodations in first class hotels on a twin-share basis, and services of a special guide. We will visit castles, cathedrals, crusader and Templar churches as well as places of genealogical records. The length of the tour will be 12 or 14 days. For detailed information, itinerary, and prices please contact *David H. Acton, P.O. Box 775, Estes Park, Colorado 80517*

□ I am in search of Masonic history of a Revolutionary ancestor of mine by the name of Francis Gough, born in England, came to this country on General Lafayette's ship in April 1777 which landed in South Carolina. He enlisted as a private in Capt. Ely Dorsey's Co. of the 2nd Maryland Reg't, commanded by Col. Thomas Woolford, on November 3, 1777. He was in the Battle of Brandywine and was wounded in the Battle of Germantown. He was hospitalized in a farm home near Valley Forge. He died of these wounds in the spring of 1778 and was buried with full Masonic honors by the Masonic Lodge of Valley Forge.

I can find no record of a Masonic Lodge in Valley Forge. It is my hope that someone can supply me with more information about the old Lodges in the area in hope that the secretary's minutes are still available and that I could get a copy of the service. *Henry C. Pollock, 5249 Glen Echo Avenue, Sarasota, Florida 33580*



Two characters from the Passion Play – Jesus and his mother Mary – pictured here from the 1922 production of the Oberammergau Passion Play in Germany. This production served to inspire The American Passion Play; story on page 5.