Victorian Artists:
Brothers Gilbert and Sullivan
Thanking Our Veterans

The holidays of November remind me always of home and family. Veterans Day on the 11th and Thanksgiving Day on the 28th both recognize a strong sense of praise to God for the deliverance from war and for the bounty of His earth. As Templars we should be especially grateful for His gifts because of the love that accompanies them.

I have marched in Veterans Day parades many times as a cadet, as a militiaman, as a soldier, and as a veteran. It was always a great celebration and it was never done alone. The spirit of comradeship was foremost in our feelings.

After every war in which the United States has participated, there has been a phenomenal rise in the membership in all areas of the Masonic Fraternity. This increase has been partially due to the need of men to continue a comradeship, a brotherly closeness that was engendered by military service. Except now! What was different about our last war? It was no more unpopular than the Mexican War. However, it was longer than the combination of the preceding three wars, so there should be more veterans to join our ranks. Why is it then that more of these veterans have not come to our Lodges and Commanderies? Why haven’t we had the surge in membership that we had in 1866 to 1870, or 1919 to 1925, or 1946 to 1950? What was different? First it was a long war that required individual replacements and not unit replacements. Men came home alone after fighting in an unpopular war. They had to face home opposition that may at times have been worse than the Viet Cong. They felt alone, and many still do. We, as patriotic citizens, Masons, Templars, many of us veterans of more popular wars, should be holding out the hand of friendship to men whose service we should honor as we honor our own. It is particularly difficult to fight in a war which is a no-win situation. Victory was not the prize, and ridicule by the uninformed was the reward. I suggest that we seek out the Viet Nam veterans already in our ranks and have them try to let others know that we as Christian Masons have always honored service to our country. If we are believed, we may find that the membership problems in some jurisdictions can be eliminated, since we can demonstrate to a deserving group of citizens that that which we propose, we perform. It would be wonderful to say to hundreds of these men as Masons, “Pilgrim, accompany me. . . .”

Grand Master

November 1985
NOVEMBER: On the cover of *Knight Templar Magazine* for this Thanksgiving month is featured a poster from a production of *The Mikado*, one of Brothers Gilbert and Sullivan's most famous operas. These English Masons produced a number of comic operas that are still popular today, nearly one hundred years later. In preparation for the Knight Templar Eye Foundation's 18th Voluntary Campaign, we feature a listing of the Grand Commandery Chairman for the coming year's campaign, which begins on December 1.

Happy Thanksgiving!
Amendment approval: In the report of the Triennial Conclave beginning on page eleven of the August issue of Knight Templar Magazine, an error was printed regarding the approval of the amendment regarding the wearing of the Order of Red Cross Jewel. This amendment proposal, sponsored by Herb Sledd and Morrison Cooke, was introduced to amend Section 257 of the Constitution and Statutes of the Grand Encampment. Through much confusion during the discussion of this legislation and related legislation, the passing of this amendment was overlooked by Knight Templar Magazine.

To clarify, then, the amendment proposal for Section 257 of the Constitution and Statutes passed, insuring the wearing of the Knight Templar Jewels in the proper order. The correct order for the jewels, according to the newly-approved legislation, begins with the Order of Red Cross Jewel, then the Order of Malta Jewel, then the Badge of Commandery, then the jewel of office, from the wearer's left to right. This legislation was approved.

18th Voluntary Campaign: On December 1, 1985, the 18th Voluntary Campaign of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation will be launched. Names and addresses of the state chairman for the campaign are listed on page 23. Information and Knights Templar Eye Foundation Campaign Leaflets are available from the office of the Grand Recorder at 14 East Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois 60604.

Committee on Time and Place: The Committee on Time and Place advises us to begin planning for the 57th Triennial of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America, which is currently slated to be held in Lexington, Kentucky August 13-17, 1988.

Governor’s declaration: Governor Booth Gardiner of Washington state declared the month of September 1985 as Masonic U.S. Constitution Month. According to his declaration, this was in honor of Masonic participation in the creation of the U.S. Constitution on its 198th anniversary. In this declaration, he stated, "I urge the Masons [of Washington] to celebrate the anniversary of this document and re-dedicate themselves to the principles expressed in this document." Governor Booth has a fine awareness of the Masonic contribution to our nation's heritage.

Bequest presented to KTEF: Sir Knight Andrew C. Gramling, P.G.C., South Carolina, writes, "During 1984, Sir Knight Jack Bostic, a retired military man, willed his entire estate to the Columbia, South Carolina York Rite Bodies for the benefit of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation. This consisted of approximately $7,400.00 and proceeds which amount to $180.00 a month from a lot he owned! For this, the members of the York Rite and those receiving help from our Eye Foundation will be eternally grateful!"

Knight Templar Magazine wishes you a happy and meaningful Thanksgiving!
Masons in the Arts . . .

Brothers Gilbert and Sullivan

by
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Oh! My name is John Wellington Wells,
I'm a dealer in magic and spells.”

from The Sorcerer

From their inception, the comic operas of Gilbert and Sullivan have cast a magical spell upon ever-growing audiences in the English-speaking world. Gilbert was the jester of the Victorian Age with his sparkling English nonsense, while Sullivan, who always found amusement in Gilbert's lines, could not resist setting them to music.

They first met in 1869, and two years later, in 1871, collaborated on Thespis. The only significant effect this produced was that Richard D'Oyly Carte recognized the promise in Thespis and brought the two together under his management. As manager of the Royal Theatre which was presenting a short Offenbach piece, he needed a curtain raiser to fill the bill: something very English and just as gay as Offenbach. Gilbert walked into the theater; D'Oyly Carte mentioned his need, and Gilbert offered him a one-act play, Trial by Jury, which he had expanded from a Bab Ballad into a genial satire of the British system of justice. At D'Oyly Carte's suggestion, Gilbert took his script to Sullivan and read it to him. Sullivan was delighted and wrote the music in a fortnight by parodying Handel and others in a fresh and adroit manner. On the first night, March 25, 1875, critics were almost unanimous in their praise, thus beginning a new era in light opera. The show was for everyone. The audience went home with words they recalled and tunes they could whistle. For the English, who loved ridiculing their betters, it was a far more intelligent entertainment than any of its rivals.

D'Oyly Carte did manage to divert the pair from their other ventures long enough to write a two-act opera. Their brief reunion yielded

Sir William Schwenck Gilbert
The Sorcerer which appeared November 1877. It was a burlesque on the use of sorcery often found in grand opera. Fueled by the public response, they produced H.M.S. Pinafore, which was a satire on the army, police, and an Englishman’s sense of duty. The combination of Gilbert, Sullivan, and

Before their feud broke them apart, Sullivan said to Gilbert, “You shine with an individual brilliancy which no other writer can hope to attain.”

D’Oyly Carte became a Victorian success story. Gilbert and Sullivan reached their peak in 1885 when they presented the evils of modern England by means of an opera set in Japan. This opera, The Mikado, has been the all-time favorite.

After fourteen years of collaboration, these letters passed between them, December 8, 1889, the day after the opening of the exuberant frolic, The Gondoliers. Gilbert wrote to Sullivan: “I must thank you again for the magnificent work you have put into the piece. It gives one the chance of shining right through the twentieth century with a reflected light.” Sullivan replied: “Don’t talk of reflected light. In such a perfect book as The Gondoliers you shine with an individual brilliancy which no other writer can hope to obtain. If any thanks are due anywhere, they should be from me to you for the patience, the willingness, and unfailing good nature with which you have received my suggestions and your readiness to help me by according them.”

Some lines in the song of Sir Joseph in H.M.S. Pinafore are somewhat autobiographical of Gilbert.

When I was a lad I served a term
As office boy to an attorney’s firm
I cleaned the windows and I swept the floor,
And I polished up that handle of the big front door.
I polished up that handle so carefully
That now I am the Ruler of the Queen’s Navee!

Brother William Schwenck Gilbert was born in London on the 18th of November 1836. His father, William Gilbert, was a navy surgeon who, upon receiving his inheritance, retired from the navy at the age of 25. Gilbert’s mother, Ann Morris, was the daughter of a Scottish tea merchant. Being the youngest and only son in the family, William was nicknamed “Babs” for “baby.” This nickname he later used as a pseudonym. Brother Gilbert graduated from Kings College, London, with a B.A. degree in Literature.

For four years William S. Gilbert served as a government clerk. He had become a lawyer in 1861, but although he was contentious by nature, he was a

After Brother Gilbert moved into this Middlesex mansion named “Grim’s Dyke,” he became a Justice of the Peace and began farming.
poor advocate. That same year he also started to sell his writings and translations, and they provided him with a decent income. Most of his writings were published in Fun under the pseudonym of Bab. In 1869 he collected and published many of these works in a volume entitled The Bab Ballads. A second volume appeared in 1871 as More Bab Ballads. These ballads established Gilbert's reputation as a whimsical humorist in verse upon which he drew heavily for the lyrics in the Gilbert and Sullivan comedies.

Doing sufficiently well by 1867, he married Lucy Agnes, the daughter of Captain Thomas Turner of the Bombay Engineers. They were happily married and enjoyed the company of constant house guests whom they entertained in their large homes located first in London, then in Middlesex. They had no children.

Gilbert was raised a Mason in Lodge St. Machar No. 54 of Aberdeen, Scotland, on June 23, 1871.

In 1890 Gilbert and Sullivan began to have serious differences. The next year, turning away from the scene of his hurt feelings, Gilbert realized his lifelong ambition to be a country squire when he purchased Grim's Dyke, a one hundred acre estate in Middlesex. Gilbert became a Justice of the Peace and Deputy Lieutenant for the country. Even though his civil duties required much of his time, his interest broadened into farming, motor cars, photography and the newly-burgeoning "moving pictures."

Only after the death of Sullivan did he realize that there was no Gilbert without Sullivan. Although he did not receive the honors that were bestowed upon Sullivan, he was belatedly knighted in 1907. Yet in a later revision of The Mikado, Gilbert could not resist the temptation to play the system of awards which placed writers behind musicians and actors for "a tinpot, two-penny, half-penny sort of distinction."

Sir Arthur Seymour Sullivan was born into a musical family.

Gilbert died on May 29, 1911, at the age of 74. His body was cremated and the ashes lie buried unpretentiously at Great Stannaway Church, Middlesex.

Some lines in The Mikado are an apt description of Arthur Sullivan's gift. His music so perfectly fit the words of the comic opera that audiences went away repeating snatches of words and hearing the songs ringing in their ears:

A wandering minstrel I —
A thing of shreds and patches,
Of ballads, songs and snatches
A dreamy lullaby!

Brother Arthur Seymour Sullivan was born in London on the 13th of May, 1842. His mother Mary was from an old Italian family, and his father Thomas played clarinet in the Surrey Theater Orchestra. His father later became the bandmaster at the Royal Military College, Sandhurst, and retired as professor of music at Kneller Hall, Royal Military School of Music. Arthur was thus raised in a musical atmosphere and was also the beneficiary of loving parents — a love that he reciprocated all their lives.

Arthur, at the age of twelve, became a member of the Chapel Royal Choir. In those days he would rather
compose than play. His precociousness led to his winning a Mendelssohn scholarship to the Royal Academy of Music at the age of fourteen. When sixteen he was sent by the Mendelssohn scholarship committee to the Conservatoire at Leipzig. In the three years he was there, he composed three serious pieces of music which were all publicly performed in Leipzig. By then, it was the hope of England’s musical society that Sullivan would become Britain’s Verdi or Wagner.

Returning to England in 1862, he learned to play the organ and became the organist and choirmaster of St. Michael’s Church in London, and then in 1867 he moved to Kensington to work in a similar capacity at the prestigious St. Peter’s Church, which post he held until 1872. It was during his stay at St. Peter’s that he wrote many of his thirteen anthems and some fifty hymns and other sacred music. In December 1871 he published a composition entitled “St. Gertrude” in Musical Times. When later Sullivan edited the musical section of Church Hymns with Tunes, he apparently substituted his tune, “St. Gertrude” for the slow movement of Joseph Haydn’s Symphony in D, No. 15, to which the Reverend Sabine Baring-Gould had originally set his lyrics. This ingenious combination of lyrics and tunes Sullivan entitled “Onward Christian Soldiers,” a hymn dear to the heart of every Knight Templar.

Sullivan’s brother, Frederic, had played the part of the judge in the successful Trial by Jury. However, his illness in 1876 led to the closing of the opera. By early 1877 Frederic lay dying. On one occasion, while Arthur was attending his beloved brother, he stepped outside the sick room, and pulling out some notes he had of words by Charles Dickens, began to read them. The words inspired a tune which he wrote down as a memorial to his brother. This tune became the most popular ballad of the nineteenth century. It was “The Lost Chord.”

Sullivan was a natural courtier. He had become a friend of Prince Alfred, Duke of Edinburgh, who was a genuine lover of music. The royal family accepted him with favor and he was included in the Prince of Wales’ social set. The income from the comic operas made it possible for him to indulge his tastes and further his social life. Sullivan, a bachelor, was handsome, discreet and unspoiled by success. Only in his music did he let himself go. He was given many different honors including honorary doctorates from Cambridge in 1876 and Oxford 1879. He was knighted in 1883.

Although no record exists of his Masonic membership, it would seem that he was a Mason because he served as the grand organist of the Grand Lodge of England in 1877. In addition, a Lodge in England has been named after Sullivan. Located in Manchester, England, Arthur Sullivan Lodge No. 2156 brings further light in his memory.

Sullivan died of bronchitis November 22, 1900, at the age of fifty-eight. Queen Victoria ordered a state funeral and he was buried at St. Paul’s Cathedral.

From the period 1875 to 1896, Gilbert and Sullivan wrote thirteen comedies either under a contract with D’Oyly Carte or in partnership with him. However, in 1896, a quarrel between the two ended their sensational collaboration for the remainder of their lives.

None of Sullivan’s lengthy serious work lasted, nor has any of Gilbert’s, except for shorter piece such as “Onward Christian Soldiers” or “The Lost Chord.” Gilbert and Sullivan were well-matched. It is their combined cleverness, taste, and wit that is still enjoyed as delightful entertainment.

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On Making Decisions

by

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Day by day we make decisions, choosing between this and that, deciding to go here or there, or making choices between good and evil. Life is a choice-making pilgrimage, and the decisions we make determine our destiny. Considering the importance of decisions and choices, Emerson noted that “every day is doomsday.”

Business executives choose between alternatives of policy or program, and the fate of their organizations rest on the wisdom of their decisions. Physicians and surgeons decide on the treatment of their patients; the choice of therapies may mean life or death. College graduates, looking toward the future, decide on careers that determine where they will be twenty years from now.

Obviously, in making choices and decisions, the wise person considers all the information that can be gathered from as many sources as possible. The executive may counsel with colleagues, explore the possibilities with those in whom he has confidence, think through the issues involved, and finally come to a conclusion. Decisions are a necessity that cannot be avoided.

Decisions postponed are likely to be costly. The people of Israel spent forty years wandering in the wilderness because they could not make up their minds to turn northward toward the Promised Land. Too many of us wander in the wilderness of indecision, suffering through sleepless nights and troubled days, unable to conclude the decision-making process.

Indecisive leadership is a disaster in business or government. When leaders are indecisive, nobody can be sure that policies adopted today won’t be altered tomorrow. There are no sure directions to follow. There is no central purpose that is clear and no coherent program on which to depend. Subordinates are confused, and morale is undermined.

There is a striking comment in Robert Massie’s Nicholas and Alexandra. The author notes that Tsar Alexander III “had an enormous capacity for work. . . . He had a strong mind, strong likes and dislikes, and a purposeful will [he had the ability to make decisions]. After making a decision he went to bed and slept soundly.” There was no backing and filling, no second guessing, but only a clear and purposeful direction.

Our personal choices and decisions may seem less vital than those of government or business leaders, but they are life-determining for us. It is no less important for us to have central purposes for our lives than for government leaders to have clear policies and programs. When our life purposes are coherent and clear, then many decisions slip easily into the pattern of our lives. We know → → →
where we are going and make choices that will enable us to get there.

Those who have set worthy goals for their lives (goals undergirded by ethical commitment), avoid the struggles to make choices between the honorable and the dishonorable. They have decided already. They do not wander in the wilderness of indecision in choosing between the fair and the unfair, the just and the unjust. Like a "strong steady wind that blows one way," they move with dependable decisiveness.

The man or woman who wishes to be a concert pianist easily decides against whatever might stand in the way of that goal. The tennis player who wishes to be a champion avoids whatever may keep him from achieving his aspiration. Both the musician and the tennis player are disciplined by their commanding goals. Their decisions and choices are by their commitment.

It is those without goals and life purposes who find themselves most frequently indecisive. They are habitually unable to make decisions in business, professional, or in personal matters. They are forever trying to decide, and having decided, they engage in endless second guessing.

St. Paul set the goal of his life, saying, "This one thing I do." Every choice or decision of his life was determined by this "one thing" that he had determined would be the goal of his life. St. Paul was a man of wisdom and competence.

Erratum:

On page twenty-seven of the October issue of Knight Templar Magazine, in the article entitled "Was Christopher Wren a Mason?" insert "with alleged representatives from a further two" after "London Lodges," in the first paragraph of the second column in the second line. Knight Templar Magazine regrets the error.

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A friend is a fellow who knows all about you, but likes you.

— a ten year-old boy

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Entrance to the story of Knighthood...

St. John's Gate

by
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This article is largely based on "St. John's Gate, Headquarters of the Order of St. John," a publication of the British Order of St. John, augmented by personal observations. It is designed to encourage all Knights Templar to step through St. John's Gate in London into a living tradition of chivalry, enriched by modern service to the sick.

In 1540, Henry VIII not only reformed the Church of England, he suppressed the religious orders and confiscated their property. Among those affected was the Order of the Knights of the Hospital of St. John of Jerusalem (Knights Hospitaller, or Knights of Malta). At the high water mark of the order in England, there were fifty-five houses belonging to the Knights of St. John (including the Knight Templar properties received in the early fourteenth century when the Order of the Temple was suppressed).

The headquarters of the Order was the Priory of St. John in Clerkenwell, approximately one half mile northwest of the barbican of London Wall. In the sixteenth century, the Priory buildings included the great hall (over one hundred feet long), a counting-house (banking facility), the armory, the priest's and yeomen's dormitories, the wardrobe, the Lord Prior's chamber, a parlor, the keeper's chamber, the distillery and brewery, the kitchen, the church with its three chapels, and the gate house. Because of an unpopular Prior, the complex was burned by the Wat Tyler uprising in 1381. By the end of the nineteenth century, the two towers of the gate house were used for taverns. Today, only the church and gate house remain. Yet, these two structures are so filled with ancient history, a tradition of care for the sick, as well as a modern expression of the ideals of the order, that anyone interested in Knighthood in any age should make a
pilgrimage to this modern bastion of the ideals of chivalry. St. John's Gate serves as headquarters for the British Order of St. John, the Most Venerable Order of St. John, chartered by Queen Victoria in 1888. Elizabeth II, the current British monarch, heads the order.

St. John's Gate: The great gate on the southern side of the Old St. John's Priory was built in 1504 as part of Prior Thomas Docwra's improvements. It is open from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Tuesdays, Fridays and Saturdays. Tours are conducted at 11:00 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. The visitor gains admission through the door in the East Tower. Immediately to the right of the reception area is the museum, telling the story of the order and displaying many artifacts. The museum includes a small shop.

The Chapter Hall serves as the meeting place for the Chapter-General of the order four times a year. The room was completed in Tudor style in 1903 and exhibits coats-of-arms of the Priors of England from Prior Water in the twelfth century to today's Grand Prior, His Royal Highness, the Duke of Gloucester. Above the large stone fireplace is a portrait of her majesty, Queen Elizabeth II, in her robes as sovereign head of the order.

The Old Chancery features a collection of Maltese and Neapolitan silver of eighteenth and nineteenth centuries. Above the fireplace is a portrait of Tsar Paul I, self-proclaimed Grand Master of the order after its departure from Malta.

The Council Chamber, in which the Council of the order meets once a month, is directly over the roadway. Among the memorials in the room are those of Lady Louis Mountbatten and Florence Nightingale. Miss Nightingale was made a "Lady of Grace" for her care of the sick and her role in reforming hospital treatment.

The library is located in the West Tower. Included in the collection on the history of the order and related subjects is an especially large collection of books about the Order of the Temple.

The Coin Room houses a large display of the coins, medals, seals, and insignia of the order, both in Britain and abroad. While the order was based on Rhodes and Malta, the Grand Masters minted their own money. A representative selection from the museum's collection is shown, together with examples from the Mildred King Memorial Collection of Crusader coins. A large variety of insignia and similar jewelry is displayed around the walls.

The Church: The church was originally built in the twelfth century, but the crypt is the only remaining part of that church and one of the few Norman buildings remaining in London. In 1941, the interior fittings and roof of the church were destroyed by bombing. The church has been restored, and three sixteenth century walls remain. Banners of the order and paintings adorn the walls. The church is now used for services of the order and for investitures.

Most of the physical structure has been swept away by war, riot, and urban engulfment. However, there remain in St. John's Gate the highest ideals of chivalry, both in the witness of the historic stones and in the continuing service to mankind of the British order of St. John through the work of the St. John Ambulance (similar to American "rescue squads") and the St. John Ophthalmic Hospital in Jerusalem.

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Tilling in the Twilight

by
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"Twilight and evening bell and after that the dark..."
— Tennyson

Is twilight too late in life’s occupation? Dare man struggle to achieve beyond the sunset? Does a great destiny wait for the dawn? These questions can be answered by a review of some of the contributions made by those who dared to toil into twilight and beyond.

Hippocrates of Cos studied medicine under his father, Heraclides, and Democritus, the philosopher. It was he who emancipated medical science from superstition by placing more reliance on diet and exercise than on drugs. The so-called “Hippocratic Oath,” which represented his ideals and principles (though perhaps not penned by his own hand), was written when Hippocrates was ninety-seven. His noble creed for a noble profession is administered in condensed form to medical graduates to this day.

Between 1534 and 1541, Michelangelo, then in his sixties, painted the “Last Judgement” of the Sistine Chapel. Earlier, while working on his back on the ceiling of the chapel, Michelangelo wrote, “This is not my profession. . . I am uselessly wasting my time.” Today, among Europe’s palaces of art, there is no more wonderful interior.

William Ewart Gladstone, statesman, great orator, student of the classics, writer, churchman as well as politician, became prime minister of England for the fourth time at the age of eighty-three. His great influence awakened a love of beauty and art in religious worship and preserved the traditions of the Church of England.

George Bernard Shaw, Irish dramatist and critic, in his mid-sixties completed

“Winston Churchill became prime minister at the age of sixty-six during Britain’s greatest crisis. His unswerving devotion sealed the fate of Hitler and Mussolini.”

Saint Joan, a powerful drama on the life of Joan of Arc, Maid of Orleans, bringing into focus the politics and machinations of the church and state in the 15th century. Shaw presented the maiden as she heard the voices that led to glory and as a teenager who dispelled the doom of France, only to be condemned and burned at the stake for sorcery by a religious tribunal.

Winston Churchill, soldier, writer, historian, statesman, artist, became prime minister of England in 1940 at the age of sixty-six during Britain’s greatest crisis. His unswerving devotion and untiring energy as a leader carried England through World War II and sealed the fate of Hitler and Mussolini. No one can forget his “Iron Curtain” speech at Fulton, Missouri, when he was seventy-two. A master of
cultivated expression, his figures of speech will live through the centuries to come.

Grandma Moses, suffering from arthritis and unable to continue her fancy needlework, began painting without a single previous art lesson. She was mother of ten children, a farmer's wife whose husband died when she was sixty-five. She remained on her farm at Eagle Bridge, New York, to the very end and began her art career at age 76, painting 1,200 canvases before her death at 101. The U. S. Post Office Department, and the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare jointly sponsored a commemorative stamp, issued May 1, 1969, which is a reproduction of perhaps her most famous painting, entitled The Fourth of July. This painting, produced at age ninety-one, depicts a team of horses pulling a broken-down automobile.

Korczak Ziółkowski, greatest of dreamers, was an engineer, architect, and sculptor. Working on Thunderhead Mountain near Custer, South Dakota, he worked to carve the world's largest monument—an Indian warrior, Crazy Horse, mounted upon his steed. This colossal dream is only a part of a mightier mission directed toward a cultural center, such as a museum and university, with a vision to recapture the lost dignity of the North American Indian. Without federal or state aid, and well over seventy years of age, Ziółkowski worked actively, determined, and enthusiastic. This great man with a great aim labored on until his death several years ago, to add to the heritage of today and tomorrow. Today, his sons have taken over work on this monumental carving.

Dreams unfulfilled in youth, or dreams that glow brightest in the sunset years, have often combined to deliver a richer life for we who live to share their realization. The interval between the dream and its accomplishment may be long or short. It is faith, the will-to-do of the architect, that truly makes the difference.

Twilight hour! whose mantle is the drapery of dreams, and who has ever been in poetry life's holy time;... offers often man's greatest rewards.

— N. P. Willis

Sir Knight Hill, a Past Commander and contributor to Knight Templar Magazine, died January 28, 1983. This article was written when he was 82 years of age.

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Information is available from G. Wilbur Bell, Past Grand Master, Executive Director, Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc., P.O. Box 579, Springfield, Illinois, 62705.
ERNEST BORGNINE RECEIVES COMMANDERY ORDERS IN CEREMONY WITH OTHER CELEBRITIES

In his last month as Most Eminent Grand Master, Ned E. Dull participated in a unique Knighting at the Palos Verdes Masonic Temple in Long Beach, California, on July 27, 1985. The Chapter and Council held their degrees in the morning of that day with the Commandery Orders reserved for the afternoon. Members of this special class of candidates were Ernest Borgnine, star of screen and television shows; Royal Dano, well-known television and movie actor; Norm Crosby, stand-up comedian; Don Defore, well-known actor and writer; Bill Wardlaw, president of KMPC Radio (which is owned by Sir Knight Gene Autry); Fred Sorsabal; and Geren Sproul. All these men became Sir Knights in Long Beach Commandery No. 40, Long Beach, California. In addition, both Sir Knights Ernest Borgnine and Gene Autry (who has been a Sir Knight since 1973), were awarded the DeMolay Legion of Honor.

Pictured top right are Past Grand Master Ned E. Dull, Sir Knight Ernest Borgnine, and Grand Generalissimo William H. Thornley, Jr. The middle photo shows Ernest Borgnine receiving the DeMolay Legion of Honor from Duke Spaulding, and the bottom photo shows the group of dignitaries present and participating in the event. Shown in this photograph are, from left to right in the front row: Kermit Jacobson, P.G.M., California and Hawaii; Walker Kisselburgh, Imperial Potentate, AAGONMS; Gene Autry; Ned E. Dull, P.G.M., Grand Encampment; Art Rush; Roy Henville, G.M., California and Hawaii; Norm Crosby. Back row from left to right: Royal Dano; Fred Sorsabal, Chief Rabban, El Bekal Temple, AAGONMS; Donald J. DeFore; Bill Ward; Geren Sproul, P.M., Service Lodge No. 594; Ernest Borgnine; H. Douglas Lemons, P.G.M., California and Hawaii.
Thanks is Goal of Sir Knight Search

Detroit Commandery No. 1 of Detroit, Michigan, writes, "We would like to say 'thank you' to a Sir Knight who assisted us at an unanticipated time and under unusual circumstances.

"At the 56th Triennial Conclave, during the entrance by the Drill Corps on Saturday evening, it became apparent one of four Sir Knights was ill and would be unable to continue participating. This occurred during the presentation of the American flag, the color guard and the singing of the national anthem."

Drill Corps Captain General Gilbert A. Rice, P.G.C., saw and approached a Sir Knight observing the spot-lighted activity and asked him if he could drill. He responded with "yes."

Sir Knight Rice says, "This unknown Sir Knight sure could drill! He joined the Drill Corps for its main entrance and went through the presentation without a flaw. At the conclusion and after leaving the floor of the convention center, I neglected to secure this 'drafted' Sir Knight's name to say thanks. Would this Sir Knight please step forward?"

Sir Knight Gilbert Rice awaits the name of the unknown Sir Knight who helped in a pinch at 29898 Beantree, Farmington Hills, Michigan 48018.

Phillips awarded KTCH

Sir Knight Jack B. Phillips, a member Georgetown Commandery No. 4, Georgetown, Colorado, was awarded the Knights Templar Cross of Honor award at the annual York Rite banquet held September 6, 1985, at Grand Junction, Colorado. In attendance at the banquet (pictured above from left to right) were Most Eminent Past Grand Master Ned E. Dull; George G. Field, Jr., then Grand Commander of Colorado; Mrs. Phillips; Jack B. Phillips; and William H. Thornley, Jr., Grand Generalissimo of the Grand Encampment.

Indiana offers Life Sponsorship Pin

Sir Knight Ronald D. Simpson, P.G.C., Indiana, announced the availability of a special Life Sponsor lapel pin. The pin is an emblem of the KTEF in gold, white, and purple colors. Life Sponsors may obtain these pins for $2.00, postpaid by writing to Ronald D. Simpson, P.G.C., 323 East Main Street, Greentown, Indiana 46936. Price reductions for orders are: in quantities of 100, $1.60 each; 200 or more, $1.30 each.
KTEF Grant Received by Northwestern University

Earlier this year, Sir Knight Alvin L. Crump, P.D.C., P.G.C., Assistant Executive Director of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation and a member of Evanston Commandery No. 58, Evanston, Illinois, presented a check from the Knights Templar Eye Foundation to Northwestern University for their work on eye research. Shown in the photo are Sir Knight Allin W. Proudfoot, Northwestern University Development (left), Frank Palladino, representing the Northwestern University Medical School (center), and Sir Knight Crump, representing the Knights Templar Eye Foundation.

Erratum:

In the September issue of Knight Templar Magazine, the address of Sir Knight Russell K. Amling was listed incorrectly on page fourteen. Sir Knight Amling is the newly-appointed Chairman of the Committee on the Educational Foundation. His correct address is as follows: Russell K. Amling, 201 Heather Lane, No. 3, Mankato, Minnesota 56001. General Order No. 1 of September 30, 1985, lists his address correctly.

Sir Knights escort Job’s Daughters

Sir James Heald, Eminent Commander of Schrader Commandery No. 9, along with six other Sir Knights, served as escorts for the Miss International Order of Job’s Daughters Pageant held at their Supreme Session in Rapid City, South Dakota, on August 4 to 11, 1985. Miss Vanessa Ann Dickie of Redbank, Queensland, Australia, won the title of Miss International Order of Job’s Daughters. Miss Marde Bentz of Bethel No. 5, Rapid City, South Dakota, was first runner-up.

Knight Templar Patch

Sir Knight James W. Prairie writes to thank Knight Templar Magazine for the news article on the Knight Templar patches sale on page twenty-seven of the August issue. In that news item, it was mentioned that Knight Templar caps would be offered for sale at the Grand Encampment’s Triennial Conclave in Cincinnati. Mail orders for the caps were not being honored at that time, however.

Sir Knight Prairie writes to inform us that a limited supply of Knight Templar caps (left over from the Triennial) is being offered. These caps are either solid black or white with the patch attached to the front. They are adjustable, with a mesh back. Sir Knight Prairie is offering these caps at the price of $6.50 plus postage; postage for one to three caps is $2.00, for four to seven caps is $2.50, and for seven to ten caps is $3.00. Any order unfilled with be promptly refunded. Supplies are limited. Interested parties may contact Sir Knight Prairie at R.R. 2, Box 42, Morgantown, Indiana 46160.
KYCH sponsors York Rite Coin

Knights of the York Cross of Honour of Ohio Priory No. 18 in Toledo, Ohio, are offering an antique bronze medal in order to commemorate the fiftieth anniversary of the Priory. This coin, emblazoned with the emblems of the York Rite and Blue Lodge, may be obtained for $3.00, postpaid, by writing to Sir Knight Harry N. Young, R.R. No. 2, Holgate, Ohio 43527. According to the Priory, the entwined York Rite and Blue Lodge symbols exemplify the unified work of the Brethren; “their organizations are easily united and permanently cemented into one common bond.”

100th Anniversary for Concord

On January 23, 1986, Concord Lodge No. 50, F. & A.M., Crestview, Florida, will celebrate their 100th anniversary. A celebration is planned for Saturday, February 22, 1986. A bronze commemorative coin is currently being commissioned by the Lodge. Though design of the coin is not yet finalized, orders are being accepted for its eventual availability. Interested parties may send $5.00 to C. N. Brown, P.O. Box 871, Crestview, Florida 32536. Coins ordered will be mailed after the celebration on February 22, 1986, and any profits will be donated to the Masonic Home Building Fund.

Friendship is a word the very sight of which in print makes the heart warm.

— Augustine Birrell
Salute to the Grand Commanders

Our Most Eminent Grand Master Donald Hinslea Smith and all of the officers of the Grand Encampment congratulate the forty-eight Grand Commanders of all the Grand Commanderies belonging to the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America for the new Commandery year. In this Knight Templar Magazine salute, readers will find the names and photographs of those men who have been elected Grand Commander as a reward for years of hard work and dedication for the cause of Templary.

The 1985-86 Grand Commanders portrayed below now hold the premier office of their state and as such are responsible for guiding their Grand Commanderies through the problems that may lie in the months ahead.

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**Grande Dames of Otsego**

The Grande Dames of Otsego Commandery No. 76, Cooperstown, New York, have made a contribution to the Knights Templar Eye Foundation on the order of $3,000.00, according to Recorder George H. Harrison of Otsego Commandery. The
self-proclaimed "Grande Dames" of Otsego (in reality the Ladies Auxiliary), made their contribution to the Eye Foundation at the annual Conclave of Otsego Commandery in Buffalo, New York, on September 21. Chief money-raising avenue for the Grande Dames is their "bazaar table" which includes home-made crafts, offered for sale at the annual Conclave. Additional fund-raisers include dinners and garage sales. This is the seventh year the Grande Dames have had this special project and their most successful to date.

In addition, writes Recorder George Harrison, Otsego Commandery No. 76 has exceeded the goal of $5.00 per member in donations to the annual Campaigns of the KTEF for seven years. This fund-raising is totally separate from the work the Grande Dames do.


grand sovereign, red cross of constantine, visits ohio

Sir Knight Clarence K. Jones, a member of DeWitt Clinton Commandery No. 1, Reno, Nevada, and Past Grand Commander for Nevada, is currently serving as the Grand Sovereign for the United Grand Imperial Council of the Red Cross of Constantine. Sir Knight Sydney Brooks, Past Commander of St. Bernard Commandery No. 51, Gnadenhutten, Ohio, writes, "Clarence K. Jones, Grand Sovereign, was our honored guest at Atwood Lake Lodge Resort in Dellroy, Ohio, for the meeting of Holyrood Conclave on August 16, 1985."

According to Sir Knight Brooks, six Conclaves were represented at the meeting. During the afternoon session, both the Knights of the Red Cross of Constantine degree and Knight of St. John the Evangelist degree were conferred. Grand Sovereign Jones gave a short talk after the meeting stressing the importance of Masonic and social cooperation between the various bodies of Freemasons. Sir Knight Kenneth C. Phillips, a member of Cambridge Commandery No. 47, Cambridge, Ohio, presented a fine program of gospel music with his family.

In the photo, from left to right, are, Hobert F. Rhodes, Canton, Ohio, Puissant Sovereign of Holyrood Conclave of Steubenville, Ohio; Clarence K. Jones, Grand Sovereign, of Reno, Nevada; and Arthur W. Craft of Bluffton, Ohio, Intendant General, Division of Ohio, North.

maxwell retires; rite chooses new leader

Sir Knight Stanley F. Maxwell of Reading, Massachusetts, has retired from the leading position of the A.A.S.R., N.M.J., as of September 25. He served the Rite as their Sovereign Grand Commander for ten years and was designated Sovereign Grand Commander Emeritus at the Rite's annual meeting in Detroit.

The Scottish Rite named retired IBM executive Francis G. Paul of Endwell, New York, as successor. Sir Knight Francis Paul is a member of Malta Commandery No. 21, Knights Templar, in Binghamton, New York. He holds the 33° and has been a
member of the Supreme Council's governing board since 1977. He served IBM in several key executive positions during a thirty-eight year tenure with the international firm, retiring earlier this year.

At the annual meeting in Detroit, the Rite's 173rd, Stanley Maxwell delivered his final yearly report. Among other remarks, Maxwell said, "If Freemasonry and the Scottish Rite are to grow and flourish... let those who come after us be able to say, 'These were men of great vision, because they saw the possibilities, they met the challenges, and overcame the obstacles; because of their dedication and their deeds, they led Freemasonry forward.'"

Sir Knight Maxwell concluded a decade of leadership of the 465,000 members of the Scottish Rite in this message to the 1,100 33° Masons attending the 1985 session. Sovereign Grand Commander Maxwell reported another decline in total membership for the Scottish Rite and urged local and state leaders to use the membership development program of the Supreme Council.

The Fort Wayne Commandery No. 4 Knight Templar Band

Fort Wayne Commandery No. 4, Fort Wayne, Indiana has perhaps the only fully instrumented Knight Templar brass concert band in North America. The band has a membership of fifty-four musicians, and these Sir Knights rehearse or perform for Templar and Shrine events fifty-two weeks of the year. An early serendipitous event, between the Knights Templar Band and Drill Corps in association with the Mizpah Temple Shrine Band is what perpetuates this institution, writes Sir Knight Thomas B. Harker, president of the Knights Templar Band.

Mizpah Temple Shrine Band, founded in late 1910 by twelve charter members, currently has a membership of sixty-seven. Dr. R. Parks White was the director of the new band during 1910 and 1911. However, after Dr. White heard John Verweire play trumpet, this new talent was immediately recognized, and in 1911 John was elected director of the Shrine Band, a position he held for thirty-eight years, ending only with his death in 1949. The Fort Wayne Knight Templar Band was started in the 1912 to 1913 Commandery year, by John Verweire and the original twelve Shrine charter members, plus additional Knights Templar musicians recruited from Ohio.

Years later, about 1929 or 1930, the Templar Bandsmen and Drill Corps took up a collection of $300.00 among themselves to finance a trip to Detroit, which was later

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The Gettysburg Address
given November 19, 1863

ACROSS
1 "... From these honored ---"
5 Cost
10 "... not perish --- the earth"
14 Against
15 "... fathers conceived ---"
16 Inner Hebrides Isle
17 "The world will little ---"
18 - pipe hat, Lincoln wore
19 Ostrich relatives
20 Avoids
22 Most agile
24 Eye part
26 Hog fat
27 "... thus - so - advanced"
31 Timber cutters
35 Chemical suffix
36 More clever
38 Lively dance
39 Close by
41 Alleviates
43 Perform again
44 Up one's ---

DOWN
1 Hamlet was one
2 Organic compound
3 Island near Alaska
4 "... not have - vain" (2 wds)
5 Feasible
6 Furrow
7 Metal
8 "... engaged in ... ---- war"
9 Hospital procedures, e.g.
10 "... battle - of that ---"
11 When in ---, do as ...
12 Burden
13 Ship part
21 God of love

23 Boast
25 - a fox (2 wds)
27 "... resting place"
28 St. John
29 Kingdom
30 Assented
32 Resin for incense
33 Riding and roping performance
34 Eating implement
37 Delight (in)
40 "... nor long -----
42 "... years ---"
45 Ivy League school
47 Roster
50 Lets it happen
(2 wds.)
52 "... devotion - cause" (2 wds)
54 Ogle
56 Winglike part
57 Cereal grass
58 Liberty's Lazarus
59 Atop (2 wds)
61 Jot
62 "... that nation - any nation - conceived"
63 New (comb., pl.)
66 Explosive

The solution to this month's crossword puzzle is printed on page 10.
cancelled. It was decided to invest this money in the purchase of Lincoln Life insurance stock. This stock survived many splits, and eventually developed an evaluation in excess of $21,000 by 1951.

The stock, split between the Knights Templar Band and the Knights Templar Drill Corps, was cashed in and reinvested in AT&T stock for added dividends and growth. By 1955-57, the principal appreciated to a value in excess of $80,000.00. The dividends from this stock have maintained the Fort Wayne Commandery No. 4 Knights Templar Band and Knights Templar Drill Corps from that day to this and forward. This serendipitous investment of a mere $300.00 has provided the necessary funds which enable the Knights Templar Band to encourage new Shrine band members to also apply for York Rite membership through assistance in financing initiation fees. These funds also enable the Knights Templar Band to travel to important functions as requested by the Indiana Grand Encampment, and also the Triennial Conclaves, when invited.

One of the outstanding pioneers of this extraordinary band was Brown Cooper, a drummer among the original twelve charter members, who was a dedicated Mason. He later served as drum major, and for the remaining years of his active life guided the destiny of this organization as executive secretary/treasurer.

The band picture printed above shows this band in front of the Fort Wayne Allen County Memorial Coliseum during the very early sixties. Immediately behind the bass drum in the picture and dressed in a plain business suit is Brown Cooper, the "Mr. Chips" of this organization, according to Sir Knight Harker.

Russell Wharton, having formerly served as assistant director under John Verweire, was elected director of the Shrine and Knights Templar bands in 1949 and held these positions, serving with distinction, until his death March 22, 1980.

Current director Dean C. Howard was elected to this position in 1978 for both the Shrine and Knights Templar bands. Dean has guided the Mizpah Shrine Band to becoming national champion winners of the concert competitions sponsored by the Shrine Bandmasters and Bandsmen Association of North America, during the Imperial Shrine sessions.

Since all of the members of the Knights Templar band come from this Shrine band, it becomes apparent that the Fort Wayne Knights Templar Band is and always will be the most prominent Knights Templar band of North America, states Sir Knight Thomas Harker.

In 1979, the Fort Wayne Knights Templar band traveled to Indianapolis, Indiana, for the Triennial Conclave. With thirty-eight bandmen on stage, an outstanding concert was presented prior to the Saturday evening session. Says Harker, "It was our pleasure to accept an invitation to play at the 1983 56th Triennial Conclave at Cincinnati, Ohio. We hope that those of you who were in attendance were pleased with this contribution to the distinguished Triennial Conclave. We were especially proud to honor one of our trumpet players at the Conclave — Sir Knight Vonn G. Hoffman, who is the Eminent Commander of Fort Wayne Commandery No. 4, the Illustrious Master of Fort Wayne Council No. 4, and Past High Priest of Fort Wayne Chapter No. 19."

Knight Templar Magazine salutes the history and purpose of the Fort Wayne Knight Templar Band.
History of the Grand Encampment

CHAPTER XIII (continued)

THE PERIOD OF GROWTH

Thirtieth Conclave
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The Grand Commandery of South Carolina, organized in 1907, brought the number of Grand Commanderies on the roll of the Grand Encampment to forty-six. After considerable discussion, a dispensation was granted for a commandery in Mexico City. Since the Hawaiian Islands had been annexed by the United States, this commandery in New Mexico was the only one located outside of the territory of the United States. There had been some question as to the wisdom of granting this dispensation, since the lower Masonic Bodies in Mexico were not all recognized in the United States, and also because it was beyond the territorial limits of the United States and in a foreign country. However, on the recommendation of the Grand Commandery of Texas, the Grand Master finally decided to grant the dispensation. At this Conclave, a charter was issued to "Mexico City Commandery."

The Right Honorable, the Earl of Euston and his staff were again in attendance, as well as Sir Knight John B. Tressider, M.E. and Supreme Grand Master of the Great Priory of Canada. A hearty and cordial welcome was given these illustrious visitors. Since the last Conclave, Sir Knight John Corson Smith had been active in continuing the fraternal goodwill already established between the supreme bodies of Templary abroad and the Grand Encampment. A Concordat was proposed to join all the bodies of Knights Templar throughout the world.

The Committee on Jurisprudence, to which this matter was referred, suggested that a Committee be appointed to take appropriate steps toward such an arrangement with the other Templar Bodies.

Due to the establishment of many new commanderies, and the requests for new rituals to replace those worn out, it was decided to print 3,000 copies, combining the ritual of all three Orders in one volume for greater convenience.

A matter of general interest was the incorporation, under an Act of the United States Congress, dated February 5, 1905, of the Trustees of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar, secured through the efforts of Sir Knight Joseph W. Fellows. This action was taken to secure proper care and management of the Permanent Fund of the Grand Encampment.

In 1906, San Francisco, the host of the last Conclave, was visited by a severe earthquake and fire which caused untold damage. At once the Sir Knights responded, and over $48,000 was forwarded for purposes of relief.

At the election, Sir Knight Henry W. Rugg of Providence, Rhode Island, was chosen to be the Most Eminent Grand Master. Sir Knight John A. Gerow was reelected Grand Recorder.

Thirty-First Conclave

The thirty-first Conclave of the Grand Encampment was held in the Chicago Music Hall in the City of Chicago on August 9, 1910. Elaborate preparations had been made for the meeting by the citizens of the second largest city in the United States. The population of Chicago had increased greatly since the last Conclave held in Chicago in 1880, having
passed the two million mark. The Grand Commandery of Illinois and the Sir Knights of Chicago did everything in their power to make this the greatest assembly ever held. On Michigan Boulevard, a huge Entrance Arch was erected in the form of an ancient battlement with towers and turrets. At the Hotel LaSalle, the headquarters of the Grand Commandery of Illinois, a beautiful white arch spanned LaSalle Street. The "Templar Way" on State Street was lined with Corinthian columns of pure white surmounted by globes studded with stars. At night these arches and columns were illuminated with a large number of electric lights, making it a scene never to be forgotten. An immense grandstand, with the reviewing stand in the center, was erected to accommodate fifty thousand people.

The parade held on August 9th was a brilliant and gorgeous display: "Mile after mile of uniformed Knights with plumes tossing, swords flashing and pennants waving, amid the flash and blare of more than two score bands, the triumphal march of the peaceful Knights Templar passed through the streets."

The Competitive Drill was held in the White Sox Ball Park. Raper Commandery No. 1 of Indianapolis won first prize in the general entries. Englewood Commandery No. 59 won first prize of the Chicago entries. These drills attracted a large crowd which was thrilled with the performance of each team.

The Conclave was opened by Sir Knight William B. Melish, Deputy Grand Master, due to the death of Grand Master Henry W. Rugg on July 21, 1910. Grand Master Rugg had not been in good health for several months, and realizing that he might not live to attend the meeting of the Grand Encampment, he called Sir Knight Melish to Providence to go over his report with him. This report, which was presented by Sir Knight Melish, showed great devotion to the Templar Order and to the affairs of the Grand Encampment in spite of his failing health. The Grand Commandery of Utah had been organized, and a dispensation granted to Far East Commandery in Manila. Petitions had been presented by Sir Knights in Porto Rico and in Shanghai, but for good reasons the granting of these dispensations had been deferred. Following the admission into the Union of the State of Oklahoma, which had been formed from the Territories of Oklahoma, and Indian Territory, an unusual situation developed because of the fact that there was a Grand Commandery in each of these Territories. The question of just what procedure should be followed in merging these two Grand Commanderies was not easy to solve. Even the visit of the Grand Master to Oklahoma was not sufficient to bring the matter to a successful conclusion.

The Committee on the Concordat reported the results of their work. The Treaty of Amity or Concordat embracing the Grand Encampment of the United States, the Religious and Military Order of the Temple Great Priory of Ireland, the Great Priory of the Religious and Military Order of the Temple of Scotland, the Great Priory of United Religious and Military Orders of the Temple and of St. John of Jerusalem, Palestine, Rhodes and Malta in England and Wales and the Colonies and Dependencies of the British Crown, and the Sovereign Great Priory of Canada, was formally adopted by the Grand Encampment, thus adding "one more link to the golden chain which binds together the Templar organizations of the English-speaking world."

Since the last Triennial Conclave, the Grim Reaper struck deeper in the ranks of the Grand Encampment. Five Past Grand Masters — Sirs Robert E. Withers, Hugh McCurdy, Henry L. Palmer, Reuben H. Lloyd and John P. S. Gobin — were called from their labors to the asylum of rest.
KNIGHT VOICES
READER INQUIRIES

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.

☐ Dear Readers: Due to the large volume of genealogical items received, we are compelled, because of space limitations, to place a limit of ten printed lines for genealogical items beginning with this issue. This feature is to be used to make connection with appropriate parties, not to list all known data regarding the inquiry. Thank you, ed.

☐ Searching for the birthplace and date of my grandfather Joseph H. Littlefield. I know that he was a member of Doric Lodge in San Francisco. Joseph died Sept. 20, 1904, at age 74. I have a burial certificate but no death certificate and no civic records in San Francisco. Do the Doric records exist, and if so, would Joseph's birthdate be included? Kenneth C. Littlefield, 1102 Indigo Drive, Barefoot Bay, FL 32958.

☐ I am searching for Leonard Sidesinger's (Seitzinger) birth date and place in Germany. All information appreciated. For more family details, write Nelda Sidesinger, 5633 W 18, Topeka, Kansas 66604.

☐ Looking for my grandparent's family — Henry Clay or E. Baker Honsinger, Franklin Clay or Pelcher or Pelcher from Philadelphia, Pa. area. The Clay's and Honsingers lived in Waterford, N.Y. in the early 1900's. Honsinger was a Civil War veteran. Ed Wagner, 160 Simmons Ave., Cohoes, New York 12047.

☐ Searching for information on Masonic stick pin in the shape of square and compass; on the back, an "s," an anchor, the numbers "8375" and "HRM." Homer S. Wood, Box 5, Normangee, TX 77871.

☐ We are seeking information on Nancy Carraway Fowler. She was born in Virginia, we think, Jan. 11, 1811, and died June 30, 1894, place unknown. One lead we had was about a man named D.C. Carraway, Iola, Texas. He was supposed to be doing a Carraway family study. But, by the time we tried to contact him, he had moved, leaving no forwarding address. Any help will be greatly appreciated. W. Y. Fowler, P.O. Box 322, Mason, TX 76856.

☐ Wanted — old Masonic jewelry, mostly watch fobs, Masonic and Knight Templar. Please contact: Herbert K. Schalk, 2984 Timbercrest Drive, Cincinnati, OH 45238 (513) 481-1789.

☐ Perhaps some Brother Mason can help me locate an antique 32° Scottish Rite — yellow gold watch chain fob which I can purchase. If so, please advise me of the price with a description of the fob. My name and address is Henry W. Gaffney, P.O. Box No. 71, Dunott, CO 80436.

☐ I have been a Sir Knight since 1954. I read the magazine with a great deal of pleasure and find the "Knight Voices" quite interesting. I have been collecting post cards for several years and have about 1200, but I am missing cards from several states, Arkansas, Delaware, Kentucky, Kansas, Mississippi, N. & So. Dakota and Utah. I have all the other states and several territories, also several European countries. I would appreciate cards from the missing states to make my collection complete; I have several duplicates from several states if you are interested. Thank you for your help. Thomas Bell, 31 King Street, Putham, CT 06260.

☐ Can anyone prove that George Harrison was in Revolutionary War? I need siblings of George Harrison, Sr., b. Arnack County, North Ireland 1748, died Fairfield Co., Bloom Twp., Ohio, Jan. 12, 1829. Married wife Ann (?) b. 1757 Tyrone County, North Ireland. Any information appreciated. Write for more family details, I will pay any postage or copy expenses. Charles M. Harrison, 8-898 U.S. 24 R5, Napoleon, OH 43545.

☐ Harmony Lodge No. 3, of Jacksonville, Illinois, would like to complete its display of Past Masters photos and desires pictures of the following Brethren. The year following each name is the year as Master. Carter H. Clark, 1932; George A. Harry, 1930; William T. Cook, 1928; Francis W. Bristow, 1919; Richard J. Farris, 1917; George R. Bradley, 1913; Charles P. Ross, 1905; Frank C. Macomber, 1897; John
H. Hughes, 1893; John A. Schaub, 1890; Abram Wood, 1873; Wesley Platt, 1871; Alfred Bourgard, 1870; Cornelius H. Deweese, 1867; William O. Brooks, 1866; William Kinman, 1856; William S. Hurst, 1851; William C. Swett, 1849; Archimedes C. Dickson, 1845; Archi V. Putnam, 1844; George Hackett, 1843; John Gregory, 1841; and Samuel W. Lucas, 1840. Any photos or info. about these men would be appreciated; pictures will be returned after copies are made, or we can reimburse if you wish to retain the original. Edward D. Crowcroft, Jr., 9 Carter Dr., Jacksonville, IL 62650.

For those Commandaries using the new caps and mantles (ceremonial robes) leather sword slings are available from Acton Leather Goods, P.O. Box 775, Estes Park, CO 80517.

A gold and silver plated Past Commander’s sword, 30-inch blade, with engraving. $100.00. Excellent shape. Robert W. Pulkinen, Rt. 2, Box 166, Embarrass, MN 55732. Ph: (218) 984-2724.

I am seeking information about my wife’s Manx heritage. The Manx are people from the Isle of Man in the Irish Sea. Thomas Callister, her grandfather, had an uncle who moved to San Jose, California in 1877 from Isle of Man. This uncle lived on or owned a farm in that area. Any information? Please contact me. We would also like to hear from anyone of Manx heritage. Thank you. Charles A. Keeley, 5514 Moceri Lane, Grand Blanc, MI 48439.

Looking for parents and place of birth of great grandfather Thomas S. Lackie, b. 4-6-1841. Believed to have taught school in Liverpool, England and died in Ark. in 1916. He had a brother Jim that came to the U.S.A. maybe by way of Canada. If anyone has info., I would be grateful. Herman D. Lackie, 1848 N. Baker Ave., Ontario, Canada 91764.

Seeking correspondence with anyone interested in the family name of Thornhill. Most interested in ancestry of Thomas L. & Lucy Thornhill, my g.g.grandfather, listed 1820-1830 census of Buckingham Co. VA.

Will meet fees or expenses. C.E. Thornhill, 12249 Goldendrod Cir., Coon Rapids, MN 55433-2183.

Masonic gold and inlaid porcelain three (3) leaf watch fob with 15-inch solid gold chain. Outside fob leaves show 32° degree Scottish Rite and Commandery Crown. Inside leaf shows Rose Croix, Chapter, and Blue Lodge. Center leaf shows D-Z and INRI—workmanship unsurpassed. Total weight approximately 1½ oz. Approximate size 1½-inch x 1 inch. Will sell for $1,500. Howard N. Lammon, P.O. Box 41412, Plymouth, MN 55447; Phone (612) 473-3411.

Seeking info on my g.g.grandfather John Ellis Godbold, b. S.C. about 1832, m. Rebecca Erwin Cook of Ala. came to Franklin Co., Miss. and died about 1838. His son Zachariah Godbold (b. 1833) was my gr. grandfather and Zachariah’s daughter, Anne, (m. Davis Golman) was my grandmother. I know there were two Zachariah Godbolds who fought in the Rev. war. Mrs. N.L. Shoemaker, Jr., Rt. 5, Box 725, Waynesboro, MS 39367, Phone (516) 765-1609.

Seeking info on relatives of Jasper Newton Williams (b. Alabama, County of Autauga, Aug. 31, 1854; m. Maude Rebecca Prim (b. Alabama, County of Autauga, Jan. 22, 1860). If anyone has information on their parents’ birthplace, siblings or ancestry of this couple, I would be most grateful. Ann Williams Cooper, 801 4th St., DeQuincy, LA 70633.

I am seeking to assemble a uniform without having to purchase everything new. Need: a chapeau, with case (size 7-3/8-7¼); jacket, new style, size 46L; trousers, waist 40-42, inseam about 33; belt with buckle, chains, slides. If you have any of these items in good condition, I will pay reasonable price. Alex Porianda, Box 369, Southold, NY 11971, phone: (516) 765-1609.

I have a small figure, in plastic or celloid measuring approximately 5 3/8 inches, of a man dressed in a tuxedo wearing a white Masonic apron. There is a magnetic base screwed to the base of the figure probably for display on the dashboard of an automobile. On the base, the wording “Green-Albertson 1963 Cleve. O.” appears. Need information (including cost) as to where I might purchase similar figures and possibly a figure of same size Knight Templar in uniform. Clifton Booker, 214 Crittenden Ln, Newport News, VA 23606.

For Sale — two double interment grave lots in Masonic section of Inglewood Park Cemetery, Inglewood, CA, for less than $800.00. Write — J. E. Herrington, 106 Northwood Commons, Chico, CA 95926 or call (916) 893-4603.

I have for sale one Social Order of the Beaucant ring, size 7½ or 8. Contact LaVerne Louden, 1418 Five Acre Ln., Zephyrhills, FL 34248; Phone: (813) 788-0371.
St. John’s Gate in Clerkenwell, London, England, has withstood the test of time. Queen Elizabeth II now heads the Order of St. John, headquartered in St. John’s Gate; story on page 11.