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## **Happy New Year**

As we enter the New Year, let us do so in a spirit of hope - the hope for a brighter, better world; a world of peace and prosperity. But let us be practical in the realization that Utopia has not yet arrived, that mankind is not perfect and that much needs to be accomplished before we can be content with the world around us.

There is much that we can do as individuals and especially as Christian individuals. Every thought in the history of man started with one individual. Every great movement started with a single individual as a thought provoker, or a leader, or a man of action. Our Christian religion started with one man, Jesus, the Son of God. Your voice can be heard and respected, if it speaks in the cause of truth, justice and integrity.

Our nation became great because of its citizens; not just because of its resources, its factories, or its money. Many nations are superficially friendly to us because of their greed for obtaining financial

handouts. True respect and admiration is paid us, as a nation, in proportion to the recognition of strong character in the individuals who populate our nation and in the leaders we select to govern us.

Let us then enter this New Year with open minds - with the hope of experiencing a rebirth of Christian principles as a guide to human conduct.

Are you content with the conditions that surround us in this modern world? Should we admit that this is the best that Man is capable of producing as an environment for himself and his children? Do you feel that we are following the right path and that no changes are necessary or desirable?

Surely, we realize that we should each resolve in this New Year to make conditions around us better than they have been. We should establish the goal we wish to attain. The poet Browning said that a man's reach should exceed his grasp. Your goals, your dreams, your aspirations, your yearnings in life should be above your reach. Your New Year's resolutions should be more than you can attain. They should provide you with a challenge. They should stimulate the ambition and motivation to enable you to continually reach up and up, never quite reaching your highest goal but always attaining greater and greater success.

And because you should never be able to attain all your desires, or satisfy all your hopes you need to be content with yourself, to know that you are doing your best, and to feel satisfaction from the results of your endeavors. We dream of the past and plan for the future. Let us make our plans worthy of our individual talents.



Marvin E. Fowler, Grand Master

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## "The Magazine for York Rite Masons - and Others, too"

JANUARY: New Year, New Beginnings. Need new members in your Commandery? Visit your Lodge, make some new friends, and start talking Templary. Looking for a new and effective way to help our great charity? Plan and conduct a fund raising event for the Knights Templar Eye Foundation. This month, *Knight Templar* features a short biography of Brother Teddy Roosevelt, highlighting his positive approach to living, get-things-done personality, and many, many achievements. Also, an article by Dr. Howard Towne about doubt, despair, and the final triumph of faith in the life of the Disciple Thomas.

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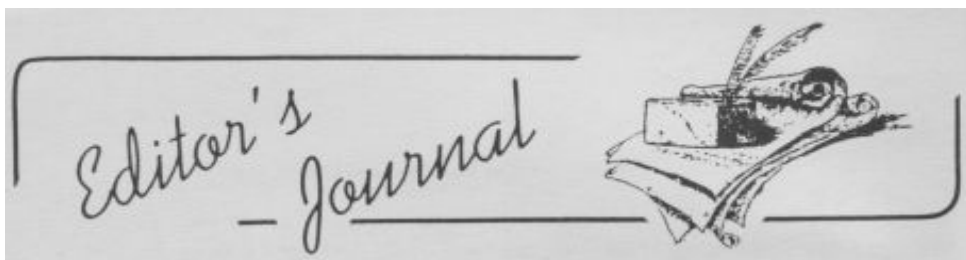
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**Expanded Tour:** Sir Knights, the Grand Master announces that the original tour to Bavaria and the Rhine Country has been cancelled by the vendor, due to circumstances beyond his control. A new tour, as advertised on pages 18 and 19, now includes a Rhine River Cruise, more meals, as well as the Passion Play. Grand Master Fowler invites all to join him for this exciting trip to historical Europe, and to share in the deeply moving experience of the Passion Play in Oberammergau.

**Sir Knights, Attention!:** An important and invaluable booklet entitled 'The York Rite of Freemasonry - a History and Handbook,' is available from the Grand Encampment. Authored by Sir Knight Frederick G. Speidel, KYGCH, Grand Preceptor of the Grand College, H RAKTP, and Past Grand Commander of North Carolina; this comprehensive, illustrated 78-page booklet explains the degrees, history, symbolism, and benevolent programs of the Blue Lodge, the Chapter, the Council, and the Commandery, with illustrations of the jewels of the officers of each body and the Red Cross, Malta, and Templar banners.

You will find it a useful reference that belongs in the library of every member of your Commandery, answering many of the questions that are asked about the Rite; and makes a perfect presentation to the new Templar at the time of his knighting. It could be distributed as part of your membership program to officers/ members of the Lodges, Chapters, and Councils in your area - and the price is right!

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**Errata:** In the December issue, the name of the recipient of the Knights Templar Cross of Honor for Colorado is Jerry (not Jarry) N. White, Jr., of Pueblo Commandery No. 3.

# Brother Teddy

by Sir Knight Don Lavender

*Encyclopedia Britannica* describes Theodore Roosevelt as "one of the most versatile presidents of the United States. In addition to his talents as a politician, statesman and popular leader, he was eminent as a naturalist, soldier, orator, historian and one of the most widely read men of his time." This very comprehensive statement does not include his ability as a writer - another of his accomplishments.

Roosevelt was born in 1858. As a child, he was sickly, suffering from asthma. To build himself, he took boxing lessons. He also liked horseback riding, hiking, and nature study. At an early age, he learned taxidermy and collected many natural specimens including birds and small animals.

By the time he was fifteen, his family had been to Europe twice. He spent one summer with a German family. Most of his formal education was by tutor, and when it came time for him to go to college, he was well informed on science, history and geography, but weak in mathematics and spelling.

Upon graduation from Harvard, he ran for office in the state legislature in New York. In the legislature, Roosevelt learned a great deal about politics and influence. As he described it: "I learned the invaluable lesson that in the practical activities of life, no man can render the highest service unless he can act in combination with his fellows, which

means a certain amount of give and take between him and them."

In 1883, he went to Dakota Territory where he worked on a cattle ranch. He and his friends built a ranch house of logs. His description of life as a cowboy sounded like lines from *Lonesome Dove*. He told of once riding for forty hours during a roundup, changing horses five times but continuing without rest. Another time, he told of riding twenty-four hours with the same horse. Of the friends he made as a cowboy, he said: "No guests were ever more welcome at the White House than those old friends of the cattle ranches and cow camps."

In 1886, he went back to New York, where he ran for mayor of New York City and lost. He was appointed to the U.S. Civil Service Commission in 1889, where he served for six years. Of that experience he explained: "There was a dual purpose, first to secure more efficient administrators of the public service and second to withdraw administrative offices from the spoils of politics."

In 1895, he was appointed a police commissioner for the City of New York. For two years, he served as President of the Commissioners. During his tenure, a preacher from Germany came to New York to preach a crusade against the Jews. Roosevelt countered the preacher's effectiveness by appointing a Jewish police sergeant and a staff of Jewish police-<sup>\*</sup>-<sup>\*</sup>

officers to protect the preacher. As he explained, it was the most effective possible answer.

Partly as a result of his having *written the Naval History of the War of 1812* he was appointed as Assistant Secretary of the Navy in 1897. He only held that position briefly when the battleship *Maine* was sunk. The Spanish American War started, and the Secretary of War appointed Leonard Wood, an army surgeon, as a Colonel, and Theodore Roosevelt, as a Lt. Colonel. Roosevelt and Wood organized the first United States Volunteer Cavalry, later nicknamed the "Rough Riders." The two of them went to San Antonio, where the new unit was formed. It was mostly made up of Southwesterners from Oklahoma, Indian Territory, Arizona, and New Mexico. All were good riders, good marksmen, and familiar with living out-of-doors. The unit moved from initial training in Texas to Tampa and embarked for Cuba.

Roosevelt described the early fighting in Cuba as rather disorganized, but somehow effective. Following a successful attack, led by Roosevelt, on Kettle Hill, he gained command of his unit and was part of the force that took San Juan Hill and for practical purposes defeated the Spanish Force.

Following the capture of Santiago, U.S. troops suffered badly from malaria and dysentery. It was imperative that our troops be withdrawn for health reasons. It was Roosevelt's letter to General Shaftner that influenced the War Department's decision to order the withdrawal. Only four months after it was organized, the Rough Riders had accomplished its mission.

Roosevelt commented concerning the war: 'The true preachers of peace, who strive earnestly to bring nearer the day when peace shall obtain among all peoples, and who really do help forward the cause, are



men who never hesitate to choose righteous war when it is the only alternative to unrighteous peace."

Upon his return to New York, he was elected governor in 1898. He described the problems of office in dealing with political machines and various factions on matters of particular interest to each. In every case, Roosevelt was adamant and put forth his position forcefully. Although often threatened he was victorious on many issues. He had a particular interest in labor and working conditions and wanted to establish hourly limits and improve working conditions for all laboring people in New York, but especially for woman and children. He was very circumspect in his references to senators and others with whom he dealt in politics, and he never failed to recognize the good in a man, even though he may not have agreed with the man.

At the Republican National Convention in 1900, the New York political machine pushed Roosevelt for the office of Vice President in an effort to get rid of him in New York. Although Roosevelt declined an interest, the machine implied that he would not be elected to a second term as governor in New York. When Roosevelt threatened to make public the pressure the machine had exerted, they backed down, but the fact he had defeated the New York machine so impressed the delegates that he received overwhelming support.

As running mate of William McKinley, he became Vice President, and when McKinley was shot in Buffalo in September 1901, he became President of the United States.

His accomplishments as President were many. He supported the Reclamation Act of 1902, which provided funds for reclaiming arid lands in the Southwest by irrigation and resulted in the building of Roosevelt Dam. Twenty-eight projects were begun between 1902 and 1906. National forests were increased by Presidential Proclamation from 43 million to 194 million acres. During the seven and one-half years of his administration, five national parks were created, four big game refuges were created, fifty bird reservations were established, and laws were enacted to protect wild life in Alaska and in the national bird reserves. Important legislation was passed concerning big business, monopolies, and control of railroad rates. New inspections of packing plants were required and working conditions were improved in those plants.

On foreign policy, Roosevelt stated: 'During the years I was President, this nation behaved in international matters toward all other nations precisely as an honorable man behaves to his fellow man. We made no promises which we could not and did not keep. We made no threat which we did not carry out. We never failed to assert our rights in the face of the strong and we never failed



*Clearing the woods at Long Island home.*

to treat both the strong and weak with courtesy and justice; and against the weak, when they misbehaved, we were slower to assert our rights than we were against the strong."

Roosevelt explained that agreement had been reached to dig the Panama Canal, including agreement with Columbia, which controlled the area. Columbia planned to repudiate the agreement. The revolution against Columbia began on November 3, 1903, and was without bloodshed. When Columbia sent in 400 additional troops, the threat was put down by sailors and marines from the U. S. Gunboat *Nashville*. In Roosevelt's own words, "No one connected with the American Government had any part in preparing, inciting or encouraging -

the revolution." Our State Department was quick to recognize Panama and negotiate a canal treaty with the new republic. The lock type canal was chosen in preference to a sea level canal because it could be built in less time and was less costly.

In 1905, Roosevelt was instrumental in bringing together the leaders in the Russo-Japanese War in a meeting at Portsmouth, New Hampshire. As a result of the Portsmouth Peace, he received the Nobel Peace Prize. He gave the forty-thousand dollars in prize money to a trust for Industrial Peace.

When Roosevelt left office he explained: "During my administration, not one shot had been fired against a foreign foe. We were at absolute peace and there was no nation in the world with whom a war cloud threatened, no nation in the world whom we had wronged or from whom we had anything to fear."

Upon leaving office, he hunted in Africa with his son Kermit, traveled throughout Europe, and explored in South America. He was persuaded to run again for President on the Progressive Party ticket against Woodrow Wilson. Despite his previous popularity, the three-way split between Wilson, Taft, and Roosevelt resulted in Wilson receiving forty-two percent of the vote with Taft and Roosevelt at twenty-three and twenty-seven percent.

Roosevelt was a good Mason. It is reported that following his Presidency, he enjoyed attending Lodge where his gardener was Master. This is quite understandable as he always appreciated the common man. He once said: "It is a peculiar gratification to me to have owed my elections not to the politicians primarily, although of course I have done my best to get on with them, not to financiers, although I have staunchly



*Roosevelt, shown with grandson Kermit, began the White House Conference on Children and Youth stating, "When you take care of the children, you are taking care of the Nation of tomorrow."*

upheld the right of property; but above all to Abraham Lincoln's plain people, to the folk who work hard on farm, in shop, or on the railroads or who own little stores, little businesses which they manage themselves. I would literally, not figuratively, rather cut off my right hand than forfeit by an improper act of mine the trust and regard of these people."

According to Masonic scholar William R. Denslow:

"He offered to raise a division in WWII and go with it to France, but President

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# The Missing Member

by Sir Knight Howard R. Towne, D.D.  
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We in Templary are losing the battle for membership. One has only to look at our annual reports to recognize the truth of this statement. There are so many members missing from our meetings. It is a sad day for any Commandery when its membership begins to absent themselves from its meetings.

But this is not news. There was a missing member among the early disciples, and his name was Thomas.

Now Thomas was expected to be present for he was a respected member of the little band of disciples. He was one of the twelve. He was a devoted member of Christ's cabinet. He belonged to the inner circle. Yet Thomas was not present. What an unfortunate time to be away. Notice when it was that Thomas was absent: "Thomas was not with them when Jesus came." What a calamity to have missed *that* meeting. The time was after the resurrection and the despairing group was meeting behind closed doors. They were a sorrowful and fear-filled company. And Thomas, the saddest and most despondent of them all, was not there.

Thomas was indifferent. (There are many today who have separated themselves from the fellowship of the Knights because of a deadening indifference. They have become absorbed with a -



*Thomas' doubt is assuaged.*

hundred other matters. How much they miss.)

Why was Thomas missing? He was missing because he had lost hope. His faith in his Lord was still strong, but he believed He was dead. After the disciples laid Him in the tomb, Thomas felt that the cause for which Christ stood was forever lost. He was still able to walk, but that was all. Is it any wonder his reaction to the tale of the resurrection was, "Unless I see in his hands the print of the nails, and place my finger in the mark of the nails, and place my hand in his side, I will not believe." (John 20:25 RSV) "Jesus is Dead! Dead!" He Just wasn't going to believe anything unless it was attested to him by the evidence of his senses.

Now God never lets a challenge, honestly given like that, go unanswered. It wasn't long afterwards that Thomas had a reply to his. This time he was with the disciples, probably in the same Upper Room where the Last Supper was eaten. Thomas was a doubter but a hungry-hearted doubter. He was willing to give himself every opportunity to know the truth.

The doors were locked for the disciples were afraid that those who had taken the Master's life might want theirs as well. But suddenly, disregarding the doors, Jesus stood in their midst. His first words were thoughtful, having regard for their fears. "Peace be with you," He said. Then, looking Thomas straight in the face, He said, "Put your finger here, and see my hands, and put out your hand and place it in my side; do not be faithless, but believing." (John 20:26-27 RSV) His words were not unkindly. Thomas needed the plainest proof, he had it. The effect upon Thomas was amazing. He simply looked into the face of Jesus, fell on his knees and cried, "My Lord and my God." (John 20:28 RSV)

Here is one of the fullest and the simplest of confessions of faith that Christianity knows. It came after eight days of

doubt and despair. Thomas was completely convinced. From that time, he went forth a faithful follower of Christ, loyal and devoted. How glad we are that Thomas, the critically doubtful, was finally convinced, that he was conquered. It is not a happy kind of faith to depend on the evidence of eyes and fingers. Christ said, "Because you have seen me, you have believed. Blessed are they who have not seen, and yet have believed."

Sir Knights, we can believe this of Jesus? Can we also say, "My Lord and my God?" We have not seen; can we believe? Christianity and Christian experience must stand or fall upon the ground of a personal experience of those realities which are unseen and eternal. In the last analysis there is but one thing needful - Faith!

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### **Guide For The New Year**

And I said to the man who stood  
at the gate of the year; Give me a  
light that I may tread safely into  
the unknown!

And he replied:  
Go out into the darkness  
and put thine hand into the  
Hand of God.

That shall be to thee better  
than light and safer than a  
known way.

Author Unknown

*The following was written shortly after Brother Donathan received his Entered Apprentice degree at Okmulgee Lodge No. 199, Okmulgee, Oklahoma.*

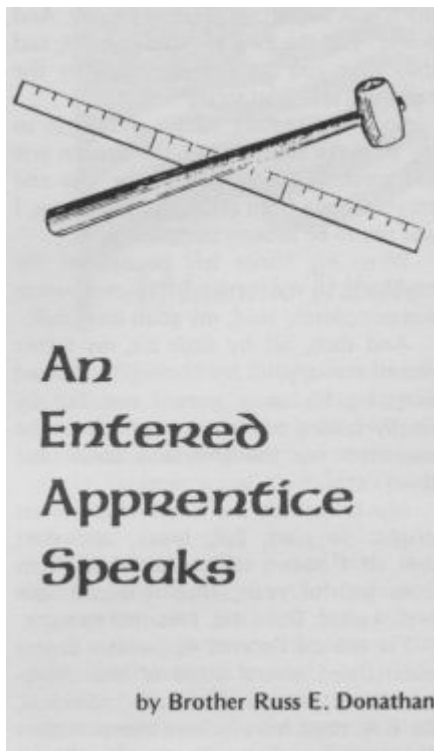
Many Knowledgeable Masons have noted that the Entered Apprentice degree is the most fascinating of all. Since I just recently received my E.A., I have nothing in Masonry by which to compare it. However, that is of design. I want to take this opportunity to comment on the E.A., without having seen one, without having received or seen any of the other degrees, but purely from a candidate's point of view.

I grew up in Masonry. Though I was not afforded the opportunity of being a member of DeMolay; my father was initiated, raised, and passed in the latter part of 1973. He became quite involved with his Blue Lodge and pursued the higher wisdom of the York Rite and Scottish Rite, attaining the levels of Knight Templar and 32°, respectively.

I never really understood what was going on. My perception was that of several men; one with a hat, meeting and doing secret things. What these secret things were was really of no consequence.

After I left home and went to college, I spurned the advice of my father like most teenagers, who know everything. The principles and morals that I grew up with were left at home, and I was off to conquer the world.

But, as with most people, the world conquered me. I became a stand against everything my father stood for; and that became my demise. Because my father was the good, just, and upright - anything against that is doomed. So in my travels, I became more concerned with the means of transportation than with my destination. And it was this complete and unequivocal disregard of direction that led me to failure. Oh, not failure - - -



in the traditional sense of the word, but that of failing my upbringing, my name, my family and friends, and myself.

You see, I was so wrapped up in going in style that I didn't know where I was going. I was on a caviar diet with a cheeseburger budget. Money - plain and simple - that's what it really came down to: it was important to have money. And power. But the two go hand-in-hand, and they take you (in this case, me) by the hand and take you straight to Hell.

So, I realized my failure and began to try to make amends, but the burden was too great. Pride stepped in the way and prevented me from asking for assistance. I was yet to be broken completely.

When my fiancé left because of the problems, I was broken. My motivation was completely void, my goals were null.

And then, bit by little bit, my father picked me up, not by coming to me and wrapping his arms around me, but by simply talking to me - letting me know he respected my thoughts and ideas: not always approving, but accepting.

My father let me know that it was alright: to start, fail, break, and start over. If I hadn't learned anything from those painful years, then it would have been wasted. But I did. I learned to learn.

For me the Entered Apprentice degree materialized several steps of the above-mentioned process. For each individual, the E.A. must have its own interpretation and meaning. Even as certain characteristics are defined by their basic use of symbolism, it affords the candidate to draw his own individual meanings.

It was my understanding that each degree builds to the climax of Master Mason, and that may well be true. But I cannot imagine a more gripping and astounding piece of poetry in motion than that of the Entered Apprentice degree, the basis of all Masonry.

From my preparations outside the Lodge to the steps within, from the West to the East, and from dark to light; my individual

interpretation of the E.A. is quite complex within its simplicity: trust (you must trust your Lodge, as your Lodge has trusted you); acceptance (despite the absence of material worth); and knowledge (realizing that as you have been taught a part, so should you realize that there is so much more beyond that first step and have the courage and humility to be able to pursue it).

I don't think my observations and interpretations would be quite the same had it not been for my travels leading me to the Lodge. Also, I don't feel that the same conclusions would have been reached had it not been for that individual who sat in the East, conferring my Entered Apprentice degree: Dr. R. L. Donathan, 32, Knight Templar, my father.

Thanks, Dad.

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## Vermont Lodge Coin

Commemorative coins for Green Mountain Lodge No. 68, F. & A.M., of Cabot, Vermont, celebrating its 125th Anniversary, are available. The coin is brass with one side showing the Masonic tools, and the other side with the Lodge name, dates, etc. Please send a donation of \$5.00. Postage paid. Order from Dr. Frank H. Caffin, P.C., KTCH; Box No. 8, Cabot, Vermont 05647.

God gave, to this Nation, a Flag with intricate designs to instill deep and lasting impressions upon the minds of its people.

Freemasonry is embedded deep in this emblem for I see Geometry, the first and noblest of sciences, used in many forms to create the patterns in this Flag.

The contrasting red and white colors exemplify the differences in each man's ideas. Then, as Masonry is applied, it teaches the high morals from God's *Book of Revelations*, and men's passions and prejudices begin to mellow, and their thoughts, like the stripes, tend to parallel one another.

Where the right angle of the blue comes down into the Flag, I am reminded of the Masonic square by which we are taught to meet our Brothers on the level and by the square of virtue.

The red symbolizes the lives given and lost, and the hearts broken, as men fought to protect the freedom in this nation for each of us.

I look at the white and can see the purity of a new nation filled with good people believing in God and displaying high morals and ambitions and raising their children by them.

The white also reminds us of the pure and spotless surface of the Mason's lambskin apron and the Great White Throne where the Supreme Grand Master forever presides.

The blue is a favored color in Masonry, and reminds me of the 15,354 Blue Lodges of Masonry in the United States of America, whose responsibility it is to accept good men and make them better men.

The three brilliant colors should remind us of the 24-inch gauge by which we are taught to divide our day into three equal parts. The one part which we must never forget is to give our service to God and mankind.

The three colors are also emblematical of the Three Great Lights of Masonry: The Holy Bible, square and compasses, and the Three



Great Pillars: denominated as Wisdom, Strength, and Beauty, which are ever present in this vast land. The three colors should refresh our memory of the three principal rounds of Jacob's Ladder, which are Faith, Hope and Charity.

The way our Flag waves freely in the gentle breeze displays the freedom of movement and political and religious choices in all aspects of the lives of those who dwell under its banner.

God had a hand in the design of the great emblem and in the uppermost part I can see the star-decked heavens over which God presides and to which all Masons hope to travel when their time on earth shall be no more.

I read in II Corinthians 3:17 that "Where the spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty."

It is an honor to present the Flag of the United States of America, a Nation under God.

Sir Knight Wiley F. Smith  
Salmon Commandery No. 9  
Salmon, Idaho

# Highlights

## 25th Anniversary in Delaware

St. Andrew's Commandery No. 2, stationed at Dover, Delaware, observed its Twenty-fifth Anniversary, under charter by the Grand Encampment, with a banquet on October 7 at which Sir Knight Marvin E. Fowler, Most Eminent Grand Master and Mrs. Fowler were honored guests.

Also in attendance were Sir Knight Harold A. Peterson, P.G.C., New Jersey, and his Lady Blanche. Sir Knight Peterson was one of those who had assisted Sir Knight and Grand Master Wilber M. Brucker in constituting the Commandery and installing its officers on August 28, 1964. Pictured below are Grand Master Fowler and Sir Knight Mark E. Irwin, Commander of St. Andrews No. 2.



The 142nd Annual Conclave Committee of Pennsylvania is pleased to offer a Knights Templar license plate to interested Sir Knights. This durable reflective plate features the crown and cross, with red, gold, and black printing on the back of clear acrylic to prevent fading and chipping. The plates are available at \$7.00 each. Proceeds benefit the 142nd Annual Conclave of Pennsylvania. If interested, send checks payable to: The 142nd Annual Conclave Fund, and mail to: Sir Knight Donald G. Gray, R.D. No. 4, Box 41, Brookville, PA 15825.

## Kentucky National Sojourners

The Grand Commandery of Kentucky, at its Grand Commandery Conclave, may have included a first among the many activities of the day. Several Sir Knights were initiated into the National Sojourners by Chapter No. 512 of Kentucky. The work was performed by this Chapter, assisted by members of Kentucky Chapter No. 134.

Following is a list of names of those initiated, some who were visitors at our York Rite grand sessions: Lt. H. Courtney Jones (Parkersburg, W. Va.), R.E. Department Commander; Herbert A. Fisher (Virginia Beach, Va.), Honorary; Lt. James C. Wheeler; Capt. Dinwiddie Lampton, Jr.; Lt. Col. Woodrow F. McNeese (Ottawa, Il.); and courtesy candidates from Kentucky No. 134: Robert G. Minton (Champaign IL), Dean K. Esterly, and Morrison L. Cooke.

M.E. Past Grand Master, Lt. Col. Donald H. Smith, was among those witnessing the initiation.

## from the Masonic Family

### 100th Birthday in Virginia



Bayard Commandery No. 15, Roanoke, Va., held a two-day celebration of its 100th birthday on November 17-18, 1989. The Right Eminent Grand Commander of Virginia, Sir Knight Richard B. Baldwin, began the observance by acting as Commander in the conferral of the Order of the Temple on five candidates with the Sir Knights of Bayard Commandery completing the cast.

The second day began with a public parade in downtown Roanoke. The Sir Knights of Bayard Commandery, augmented by Knights from surrounding cities and bolstered by the officers of the Grand Commandery of Virginia along with several Past Grand Commanders of Virginia, displayed Bayard Commandery's Beauceant on the streets of Roanoke for the first time since the Great Depression in the 1930s.

Bayard's Commander, Sir Knight W. W. Longworth, and Grand Commander Baldwin led the parade through the streets of Roanoke. Parade units consisted of the Sir Knights, red coated Royal Arch Masons, members of local Symbolic Lodges, with floats furnished by the Orders of DeMolay, Job's Daughters, and the Royal Order of

Amaranth. Music was provided by the Virginia Highlanders' Pipes and Drum Band.

The celebration was concluded that evening by a "Birthday Party" complete with three birthday cakes. At the completion of the meal, Bayard's many well wishers were entertained by Sir Knight Baldwin, who presented a brief account of Bayard's first hundred years of existence.

### 100th Anniversary in Colorado

St. John's Lodge No. 75, A.F. & A.M., Rocky Ford, Colorado, is celebrating its 100th Anniversary with a commemorative coin. If interested in acquiring one, send orders to Edward B. Gobin, P.W.M., P.O. Box 350, Rocky Ford, CO 81067. Make \$5.00 check payable to: St. John's Lodge No. 75. They also have elongated penny souvenirs at \$1.00 each, plus 25 cents in postage. One free penny is included with every coin order!

### 250th Anniversary Pins And Coins Available

In 1987, the Grand Lodge of South Carolina was 250 years old. A 250th Anniversary pin and coin were struck and made available to every South Carolina Mason. Some of the Brethren evidently did not want the pin and coin which were struck for them, and the same have been returned to the Grand Lodge. These pins and coins are now available to anyone who desires to purchase them. They are \$2.00 each plus 50 cents postage. Please send orders to the Grand Lodge, A.F.M. of S.C., 1401 Senate Street, Columbia, SC 29201.



**Cleil C. Warriner**

**Oklahoma**

**Grand Commander-1966**

**Born February 23, 1904**

**Died November 22, 1989**

**Ralph L. KaIp**

**Connecticut**

**Grand Commander-1968**

**Born February 27, 1909**

**Died November 29, 1989**

**Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc.  
New Club Memberships**

**Grand Commander's Club:**

Georgia No. 28 - F. Lamar Pearson

Georgia No. 29 - Ted H. Hendon

Georgia No. 30 - Bill F. Adams

Georgia No. 31 - A. R. Hendershot

Georgia No. 32 - Rance J. Taylor, Jr.

Texas No. 67 - Dozier P. Gossett

Florida No. 33 - H. Warren Almand, Jr.

**Grand Master's Club:**

No. 1,365 - Ervin W. Whittaker (FL)

No. 1,366 - Ralph P. Presley (NC)

No. 1,367 - Lester R. Mosher (NY)

No. 1,368 - Henry E. Collins (GA)

No. 1,369 - Wilford H. Hall (GA)

No. 1,370 - George E. Jones (GA)

No. 1,371 - Henry Taylor (CA)

No. 1,372 - Harold E. Hall (NV)

How to join: Any individual may send a check in the amount of \$100 or more specified for the purpose of beginning a Grand Commander's Club membership and made payable to the Knights Templar Eye Foundation. This initial

contribution will begin your Grand Commander's Club membership. In addition, members of the Grand Commander's Club pledge 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 now 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, IL 62705.

**President of S.O.O.B.**



(Mrs. James F.) Frances L. Fitzpatrick was installed September 29, 1989, at the Marriott Hotel in El Paso, Texas, as Supreme Worthy President of the Social Order of the Beauceant. Mrs. Fitzpatrick is a member and Past President of Independence Assembly No. 150 in Independence, Missouri. In 1980 she was General Chairman of the 1984 hostess group for Supreme Assembly in Kansas City, Missouri. She was appointed as Supreme Mistress of the Wardrobe in 1985, and elected to the Supreme Line as Supreme Worthy Preceptress in 1986.

Mrs. Fitzpatrick will visit approximately 170 Assemblies throughout the United States, fulfilling her honors and responsibilities with Faith, Loyalty and Love.



**Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc.  
Twenty-second Voluntary Campaign**

Campaign Report by Grand Commanderies for KTEF Officers and Trustees for the week ending December 8, 1989. The total amount to date is **\$55,032.95**

Arizona.....	\$290.00
Arkansas.....	10,030.00
California.....	3,558.00
Colorado.....	435.00
Connecticut.....	10.00
District of Columbia.....	1,040.00
Florida.....	2,118.50
Georgia.....	9,806.00
Idaho.....	35.00
Illinois.....	115.00
Indiana.....	535.00
Iowa.....	1,090.00
Kansas.....	259.00
Kentucky.....	1,872.00
Louisiana.....	1,030.00
Maine.....	2,920.50
Maryland.....	125.00
Mass./R I.....	380.00
Michigan.....	565.00
Minnesota.....	25.00
Mississippi.....	30.00
Missouri.....	533.33
Nebraska.....	30.00
Nevada.....	700.00
New Hampshire.....	5.00
New Jersey.....	45.00
New Mexico.....	180.00
New York.....	5,971.70
North Carolina.....	485.00
North Dakota.....	100.00
Ohio.....	2,507.92
Oregon.....	325.00
Pennsylvania.....	2,045.00
South Carolina.....	1,820.00
South Dakota.....	100.00
Tennessee.....	40.00
Texas.....	1,350.00
Virginia.....	2,194.00
Washington.....	5.00
West Virginia.....	185.00
St. John's No. 1 Wilmington.....	30.00
Alaska No. 1 Fairbanks.....	100.00
Miscellaneous.....	12.00

**FIFTY-YEAR SERVICE AWARD  
IN CALIFORNIA**

Sir Knight Merton R. Jantze, Commander of Foothill Commandery No. 63, Knights Templar in Monrovia, California, in 1943, was awarded the Grand Commandery Fifty-Year Service Award on October 24, 1989. The award was presented to him at his home in Long Beach, California, where he resides with his Lady Josephine.

Sir Knight David B. Slayton, KYCH, Department Commander, Southwestern Department, Knights Templar of U.S.A., officiated at the presentation. Sir Knight Bates Christian, Past Commander of Long Beach Commandery No. 40, Knights Templar, acted as Prelate. Sir Knight Thomas F. Pollock, Past Commander, Commander of Foothill Commandery No. 63, Knights Templar, and Sir Knight Otto C. Hielscher, KYCH, of Foothill Commandery assisted.



Pictured from left to right are: Sir Knights David Slayton, Merton Jantze, Bates Christian, and Thomas Pollock.

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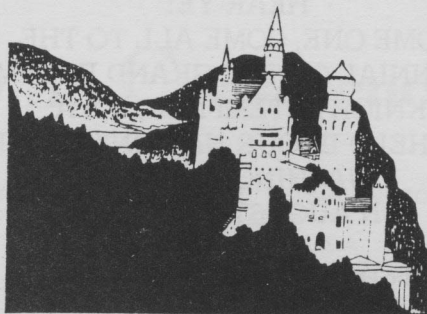


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We have a block of 900 rooms set aside for the 58th Triennial. If you want the *SPECIAL room rate* of \$98.00 plus tax, *reservations must be made through the Triennial Committee*. A friendly welcome and warm hospitality await you. We want you to take home many pleasant memories of this Triennial. Start planning now, set aside the dates, and come join in the fellowship.

Basically, all activities will be at the Sheraton Washington with the exception of special tours, shopping, and sightseeing.

*It is time* for drill teams to make their decision regarding participation in the competition in Washington, D.C. For information on the drill competition please contact:

SIR KNIGHT HERBERT A. NEWMAN, R.E.P.G.C.  
Chairman, Drill Regulations Committee  
1201 North Hawthorne Lane  
Indianapolis, IN 46219

*It is time* for Grand Commanderies to plan on having their State dinner, luncheon, or breakfasts. The hotel has ample facilities to take care of the function decided upon. The day set aside for State dinners will be Monday evening, August 19.

*It is time* for all Grand and Subordinate Commanderies to decide on placing an ad in the 58th Triennial Program Book. Price of ads will be forthcoming.

**ALL CORRESPONDENCE MUST BE SENT TO:**

SIR KNIGHT JOHN C. WERNER II, R.E.P.D.C.  
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Further details concerning prices and order sheets for the 58th Triennial will be provided in *Knight Templar Magazine* as soon as available.

# Masonic Conferences-1990

## MEETINGS HELD DURING "MASONIC WEEK" IN WASHINGTON, D.C.

February 23-25  
Washington D.C.  
(annually)

The Philalethes Society  
Grand College of Rites, U.S.A.  
Grand Master's Council, A.M.D.  
Council of the Nine Muses No. 13, A.M.D.  
Grand Council, Allied Masonic Degrees of the U.S.A.  
Great Priory of America, Chevaliers Biefaisants de La Cite Sainte  
Great Chief's Council No. 0, Knights Masons, U.S.A.  
Grand Council, Knight Masons of the U.S.A.  
Societas Rosicruciana in Civitatibus Foederatis  
Masonic Order of the Bath in the U.S.A.  
Ye Antient Order of Corks  
The Society of Blue Friars  
Grand College of America, HRAKTP

## CONFERENCE OF GRAND MASTERS OF MASONS IN NORTH AMERICA

February 18-20  
Salt Lake City, Utah  
(annually)

Current Conference Chairman:  
Donald P. Smith, Jr.  
3303 E. Costilla Avenue  
Littleton, CO 80122

Contact:  
Robert A. Hinshaw  
Executive Sec./Trea.  
9 Kingfisher Road  
Brevard, NC 28712

## CONFERENCE OF GRAND SECRETARIES OF NORTH AMERICA

February 18-21  
Salt Lake City, Utah  
(annually)

Current President:  
Albert O. Arnold  
320 W. 8th Street  
P.O. Box 1217  
Topeka, KS 66601

Contact:  
Tom Eggleston  
Secretary/Treasurer  
P.O. Box 279  
Cedar Rapids, IA 52406

## GEORGE WASHINGTON MASONIC NATIONAL MEMORIAL ASSOCIATION

February 19  
Salt Lake City, Utah  
(annually)

Current President:  
Charles R. Glassmire  
55 Applegate Lane  
Falmouth Foreside, ME 04105

Contact:  
Michael J. McLaughlin, Jr.  
Secretary/Treasurer  
101 Callahan Drive  
Alexandria, VA 22301

## THE MASONIC SERVICE ASSOCIATION OF THE UNITED STATES

February 19  
Salt Lake City, Utah  
(annually)

Current Chairman, Exec. Comm.:  
Archibald Duncan  
140 Spruce Street  
Mahtomedi, MN 55115

Contact:  
Richard E. Fletcher  
Executive Secretary  
8120 Fenton Street  
Silver Spring, MD  
20910-4785

## GRAND COLLEGE OF AMERICA, HOLY ROYAL ARCH KNIGHT TEMPLAR PRIESTS

February 25  
Washington, D.C.  
(annually)

Current Grand Preceptor:  
Frederick Graham Speidel  
5826 Whitebud Drive  
Raleigh, NC 27609

Contact:  
George M. Fulmer  
Grand Registrar  
Box 94B,  
Rousby Hall Rd., SR3  
Lusby, MD 20657

**INTERNATIONAL SUPREME COUNCIL, ORDER OF DeMOLAY**

April 25-29  
Philadelphia,  
Pennsylvania  
(annually)

Current Grand Master:  
Joe R. Manning, Jr.  
10200 N. Executive Hills Blvd.  
P.O. Box 901342  
Kansas City, MO 64190-1342

Contact:  
Robert W. Murphy  
Executive Director  
10200 N. Executive Hills  
Blvd., P.O. Box 901342  
Kansas City, MO 64190-  
1342

**SUPREME PYRAMID, ANCIENT EGYPTIAN ORDER OF SCIOTS**

May and November  
(semi-annually)

Current Pharaoh:  
Dewey Shortt  
8760 Ingrid Way  
Fair Oaks, CA 95628

Contact:  
Paul Richey  
Supreme Scribe  
P.O. Box 1308  
Clovis, CA 93613

**GRAND COUNCIL, LADIES ORIENTAL SHRINE OF NORTH AMERICA, INC.**

May 13-18  
Anaheim, California  
(annually)

Current Grand High Priestess:  
Wanda Hughes  
25 Via Media  
Tustin, CA 92680

Contact:  
Betty J. Rathbun  
1111 E. 54th Street  
Suite 111  
Indianapolis, IN 46220

**SUPREME FOREST, TALL CEDARS OF LEBANON OF NORTH AMERICA**

May 29-June 3  
Ocean City, Maryland  
(annually)

Current Supreme Tall Cedar:  
Harold A. Gross  
11 S. Keesey Street  
York, PA 17402

Contact:  
Russell Ziegler  
Supreme Scribe  
12 Hearthstone Drive  
Reading, PA 19606

**UNITED GRAND IMPERIAL COUNCIL, RED CROSS OF CONSTANTINE**

June 7-9  
Portland, Oregon  
(annually)

Current Grand Sovereign:  
David O. Johnson  
2001 N.W. 19th Avenue  
Portland, OR 97209

Contact:  
G. Wilbur Bell  
Grand Recorder  
14 East Jackson Blvd.,  
Suite 1700  
Chicago, IL 60604

**HIGH TWELVE INTERNATIONAL, INC.**

June 17-20  
San Diego, California  
(annually)

Current International President:  
Leslie E. Wheeler  
11155 B2 S. Towne Sq.  
St. Louis, MO 63123

Contact:  
Clifton O. Bingham, Jr.  
International Secretary  
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**SUPREME TEMPLE, DAUGHTERS OF THE NILE**

June 17-21  
Vancouver, B.C.  
(annually)

Current Supreme Queen:  
Karen V. Everett  
1919 D. Street  
Lincoln, NE 68502

Contact:  
Geraldine Neely, Supreme  
Princess Recorder  
9832 Watts Branch Dr.  
Rockville, MD 20850

**SUPREME COUNCIL, GROTTOS OF NORTH AMERICA, MOVPER**

June 20-23  
Richmond, Virginia  
(annually)

Current Grand Monarch:  
Marvin E. Dixon  
1202 Luck Avenue  
Mechanicsville, VA 23111

Contact:  
Bernard W. Hartman  
Executive Secretary  
34 N. Fourth Street  
Columbus, OH 43215

**NATIONAL SOJOURNERS, INC.**

June 27-30  
Norfolk, Virginia  
(annually)

Current National President:  
Col. Floyd M. Gilbert  
4557 Bob Jones Drive  
Virginia Beach, VA 23462

Contact:  
Nelson O. Newcombe  
National Sec/Treas.  
8301 East Boulevard Dr.  
Alexandria, VA 22308

**SUPREME COUNCIL, ORDER OF THE AMARANTH, INC.**

July 1-4  
Nashville, Tennessee  
(annually)

Current Supreme Royal Matron:  
Wanetta C. Rutledge  
P.O. Box 11374  
Knoxville, TN 37939-1374

Contact:  
Ethel B. Fry  
Supreme Secretary  
2303 Murdoch Avenue  
Parkersburg, WV 26101

**IMPERIAL COUNCIL, AAOONS**

July 2-6  
Chicago, Illinois  
(annually)

Current Imperial Potentate:  
George W. Powell  
56 Arkansas Avenue  
Ocean City, NJ 08226

Current:  
Charles G. Cumpstone, Jr.  
Executive Director  
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Tampa, FL 33631-3356

**INTERNATIONAL ORDER OF THE RAINBOW FOR GIRLS**

July 23-25  
Phoenix, Arizona  
(biennially)

Current Supreme Worthy Advisor:  
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4601 East Camino Almeria Alta  
Tucson, AZ 85718

Contact:  
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Supreme Recorder  
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McAlester, OK 74502

**YORK RITE SOVEREIGN COLLEGE OF NORTH AMERICA**

July 25-28  
Baltimore, Maryland  
(annually)

Current Governor General:  
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Olympia, WA 98506-4319

Contact:  
Henry A. Montague  
Secretary General  
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Detroit, MI 48201

**SUPREME GUARDIAN COUNCIL, INTERNATIONAL ORDER OF JOB'S DAUGHTERS**

July 29-August 4  
Milwaukee, Wisconsin  
(annually)

Current Supreme Guardian:  
Ruth O'Connell  
1717 Parknoll Lane  
Port Washington, WI 53074

Contact:  
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2515 St. Mary's Avenue  
Omaha, NE 68105

**GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER, ROYAL ARCH MASONS, INTERNATIONAL**

August 19-23  
Providence, Rhode Island  
(triennially)

Current General Grand High Priest:  
Albert A. Remington III  
4 Cold Spring Road  
Barrington, RI 02806

Contact:  
Charles K. A. McGaughey  
General Grand Secretary  
1084 New Circle Rd. N.E.  
Lexington, KY 40505

**GENERAL GRAND COUNCIL OF CRYPTIC MASONS INTERNATIONAL**

August 19-23  
Providence, Rhode Island  
(triennially)

Current General Grand Master:  
James A. Kirkbride  
P.O. Box 332  
Red Feather Lakes, CO 80545-  
0332

Contact:  
Bruce H. Hunt  
General Grand Recorder  
P.O. Box 188  
Kirksville, MO 63501

**CONVENT GENERAL, KNIGHTS OF THE YORK CROSS OF HONOUR**

September 20-22  
San Diego, California  
(annually)

Current Grand Master-General:  
C. Robert Beck  
1314 Morningside Drive  
Laguna Beach, CA 92651

Contact:  
Harry B. Warnick  
Grand Registrar-General  
6832 44th Place N.E.  
Seattle, WA 98115-7546

**SUPREME COUNCIL, 33<sup>o</sup>, A.A.S.R., N.M.J., U.S.A.**

September 23-26  
Milwaukee, Wisconsin  
(annually)

Current Sovereign Grand Commander:  
Francis G. Paul  
P.O. Box 519  
Lexington, MA 02173

Contact:  
Winthrop L. Hall  
Executive Secretary  
P.O. Box 519  
Lexington, MA 02173

**SUPREME ASSEMBLY, SOCIAL ORDER OF THE BEAUCEANT**

September 24-28  
Minneapolis, Minnesota  
(annually)

Current Supreme Worthy President:  
Frances L. Fitzpatrick  
P.O. Box 262  
Buckner, MO 64016

Contact:  
Gretchen L. Roth  
Supreme Recorder  
1253 Second Place  
Calimesa, CA 92320

**ROYAL ORDER OF SCOTLAND**

September 26  
Milwaukee, Wisconsin  
(annually)

Current Provincial Grand Master:  
Marvin E. Fowler  
P.O. Box 125  
Annandale, VA 22003

Contact:  
Robert A. Statler  
Provincial Grand Sec.  
P.O. Box 125  
Annandale, VA 22003

**SUPREME COUNCIL, 33<sup>o</sup>, A. & A.S.R., SOUTHERN JURISDICTION**

October 21-23, 1991  
Washington, D.C.  
(biennially)

Current Sovereign Grand Commander: Contact:  
C. Fred Kleinknecht  
1733 16th Street N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20009

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**GRAND ENCAMPMENT OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF THE U.S.A.**

August 17-21, 1991  
Washington, D.C.  
(triennially)

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Alexandria, VA 22306

Contact:  
Charles R. Neumann  
Grand Recorder  
14 East Jackson Blvd.,  
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Chicago, IL 60604-2293

**GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER, ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR**

November 2-8, 1991  
(triennially)

Most Worthy Grand Matron:  
Lois J. Newman  
5654 Terry, Route 8  
Springfield, MO 65810

Contact:  
Betty J. Briggs  
Right Worthy Grand Sec.  
1618 Hampshire Ave., N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20009





# 1990 Annual Conclaves

Date	Grand Commandery	Conclave Location	Representative
February 25-27	Alabama	Birmingham	Joseph D. Brackin
March 2-4	New Jersey	Ocean City	Marvin E. Fowler
March 8-10	Arkansas	North Little Rock	James M. Ward
March 12-14	South Carolina	Myrtle Beach	Blair C. Mayford
March 16-17	District of Columbia	Washington, D.C.	William H. Thornley, Jr.
March 16-17	Mississippi	Tupelo	Marvin E. Fowler
March 25-27	North Carolina	Durham	Marvin E. Fowler
March 29-31	North Dakota	Fargo	Marvin E. Fowler
April 4-7	Nebraska	North Platte	William H. Thornley, Jr.
April 5-8	Oregon	Coos Bay	Harold S. Gorman
April 7-8	Connecticut	New London	Gordon J. Brenner
April 9-10	Louisiana	Alexandria	James M. Ward
April 18	Idaho	Burley	William H. Thornley, Jr.
April 19-21	New Mexico	Gallup	James M. Ward
April 20-21	Indiana	Indianapolis	Blair C. Mayford
April 20-23	Texas	Waco	Marvin E. Fowler
April 21-24	Oklahoma	Norman	Morton P. Steyer
April 23-24	Philippines	Manila	Richard M. Strauss
April 27-28	Tennessee	Nashville	William H. Thornley, Jr.
April 29-30	Maine	South Portland	Marvin E. Fowler
April 29-May 2	California	Fresno	Blair C. Mayford
May 8-9	Maryland	Ocean City	Marvin E. Fowler
May 9-10	Georgia	Dalton	James M. Ward
May 9-12	Missouri	Jefferson City	Blair C. Mayford
May 10-12	Kansas	Concordia	Howard R. Caldwell
May 10-12	Virginia	Fairfax	Marvin E. Fowler
May 10-12	Utah	Provo	Harold S. Gorman
May 17-18	West Virginia	Beckley	Blair C. Mayford
May 20-21	Washington	Kennewick	William H. Thornley, Jr.
May 20-23	Pennsylvania	Erie	Marvin E. Fowler
May 21-23	Florida	Tampa	Blair C. Mayford
May 31-June 2	Iowa	Waterloo	Marvin E. Fowler
May 31-June 2	Michigan	Novi	William H. Thornley, Jr.
June 3-4	Vermont	Burlington	William H. Thornley, Jr.
June 6-9	Montana	Butte	Howard R. Caldwell
June 10-13	Nevada	Las Vegas	David B. Slayton
June 13-16	Wisconsin	Oshkosh	Marvin E. Fowler
June 21-23	Minnesota	Brainerd	Marvin E. Fowler
July 19-22	Illinois	Peoria	James M. Ward
September 6-8	Colorado	Ft. Collins	William H. Thornley, Jr.
September 14-15	Wyoming	Douglas	Blair C. Mayford
September 16-18	Kentucky	Louisville	Marvin E. Fowler
September 21-23	New York	Rochester	James M. Ward
September 29	South Dakota	Huron	Earl R. Little
October 5-6	Ohio	Cincinnati	Marvin E. Fowler
October 6-7	New Hampshire	Merrimack	William H. Thornley, Jr.
October 19-21	Mass./Rhode Island	Plymouth	James M. Ward
October 24-27	Arizona	Ahwatukee	Harold S. Gorman

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Wilson declined the offer. Wrote many books, including History of the Naval War of 1812; Winning of the West; Hunting Trips of a Ranchman,' Life of Thomas Hart Benton; Life of Gouverneur Morris; Ranch Life and Hunting Trail,' History of New York,' The Wilderness Hunter; The Rough Riders,' and many others. A member of Matinecock Lodge No. 806 of Oyster Bay, N.Y., he received his degrees, Jan. 2, March 27, April 24, 1901, shortly after his election to the vice presidency. Was made honorary member of Pentalpha Lodge No. 23, Washington, D.C., on April 4, 1904; honorary member of Illinois Masonic Veterans Ass'n., in 1903; honorary member of Masonic Veterans Ass'n. of the Pacific Coast, in 1901. He reviewed the annual inspection and review of Knights Templar on the ellipse of the White House on May 26, 1902; delivered an address at the Masonic laying of the cornerstone of the Army War College, Feb. 21, 1903; laid cornerstone of the north gate to Yellowstone Park, under the auspices of the Grand Lodge of Montana, April 24, 1903; assisted in laying the cornerstone of the Masonic Temple at Tacoma, Wash., and gave a short address, May 22, 1903; broke ground for the Masonic Temple at Spokane, Wash., on May 26, 1903; was present at the memorial service by the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania on April 19, 1906, at Christ Church, Philadelphia, in honor of the 200th anniversary of the birth of Benjamin Franklin; attended the Masonic cornerstone laying of the House of Representatives' office building in Washington, D.C., on April 14, 1906, delivering the address; delivered the address at the laying of the cornerstone of the new Masonic Temple, 13th St. and New York Ave., N.W., Washington, D.C., June 8, 1907; was present in Masonic regalia at the laying of the cornerstone of the Pilgrim Memorial Monument, Provincetown, Mass., on Aug. 20, 1907, and delivered an address; visited the Grand Lodge of New

York on May 11, 1917, and made an address. He visited Lodges in many parts of the world, including Africa, Europe, and South America. His correspondence contains many letters to Masonic groups. He was a proud and active Freemason. Died Jan. 6, 1919."

Source Material: Encyclopedia Britannica, 1960 Edition, The Autobiography of Theodore Roosevelt, Charles Scribner's Sons, and 10,000 Famous Freemasons by William R. Denslow - Missouri Lodge of Research.

Sir Knight Donald E. Lavender is a member of Temple Commandery No. 4, Des Moines, Iowa, and resides at 2913 49th Street, Des Moines, IA 50310

### **National Sojourners' Coin**

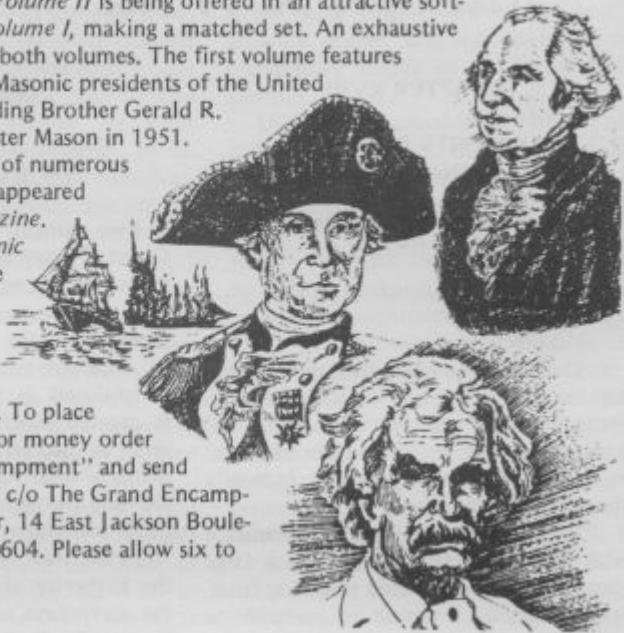
Kentucky Chapter No. 134, National Sojourners, Inc., has had a commemorative coin struck to commemorate the 50th Anniversary of its charter in May 1939. The obverse side is cloisonné and in color, showing the Sojourner Medal in detail; while the reverse side shows the front entrance to the Collingswood Library and Museum on Americanism, which is also the home of the National Sojourners Headquarters, located on part of what used to be George Washington's Plantation, Mount Vernon, overlooking the Potomac River in Washington, D.C. The coin is available to collectors for \$10.00, postpaid, by writing to C.W.O. Donald L. Shaw, Secretary; Kentucky Chapter No. 134, National Sojourners, Inc.; P.O. Box 134; Fort Knox; KY 40121



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### INDIAN PRAYER

O great Spirit; Whose voice I hear  
in the winds and whose breath gives  
life to all the world, hear me.  
I come before You, one of Your children,  
I am small and weak, I need Your strength and Your wisdom.

Let me walk in beauty and make my  
eyes ever behold the red and purple sunset.  
Make my hands respect the things You have made,  
My ears sharp to hear Your voice.  
Make me wise so that I may know the things  
You have taught my people, the lesson You have  
hidden in every leaf and rock.

I seek strength not to be superior to my brothers, but to  
be able to fight my greatest enemy - myself. Make me  
ready to come to You with clean hands and straight eyes,  
so when life fades as a fading sunset my spirit may come  
to You without shame.

The above, beautiful prayer was written by the late Sioux Chief, Yellow Lark, and was chosen to be used in the World Day of Prayer services.

## **History of the Grand Encampment**

### **Chapter XVIII**

#### **Knights Templar Educational Foundation**

##### **Purpose of the Educational Fund (Continued)**

The following resolutions were adopted:  
(1936)

"That steps be taken to ascertain what can be done in the way of using the interest accumulations on the fund of \$100,000 appropriated by the Grand Encampment in the creation of fellowships, primarily for public service.

"That the committee communicate with the jurisdictions that have a large surplus over the required revolving fund, suggesting that it would be advisable to apply a certain portion of their surplus to the creation of fellowships in accordance with the rules prescribed by the Educational Foundation Committee of the Grand Encampment."

With minor changes, the original plan of loans has been continued to the present time. Changing conditions have made it necessary to give thought to additional ways of utilizing the Funds available. There is a growing impression that the Grand Encampment is no longer making loans. The recent era of higher wages and freer money, as well as the entry of other agencies into the loaning field, has made less demand for student loans. As a result, all of the Grand Jurisdictions have large sums of money on deposit which they are not using. This is a subject of growing importance which should have some action at the next Conclave.

### **Chapter XIX**

#### **The Illustrious Order Of The Red Cross**

Ever since the formation of the Grand Encampment the Illustrious Order of the Red Cross has been under its control. How such a degree, which takes its theme from the Old Testament, came to be attached to the Christian Orders of Knighthood is difficult to understand. It created much confusion and controversy in the early years of our Order, particularly with foreign jurisdictions which did not recognize or include it in their Orders of Knighthood.

In the shift of the higher degrees from the authority of the old Craft Lodges in the early days of Masonry in the United States, the Order of the Red Cross became attached to the Order of the Temple. This was especially true in New England, where the Order of Knights of the Red Cross was particularly well thought of. It was largely due to the influence of the Templars in Massachusetts and Rhode Island that the degree was retained with the Order of the Temple.

The first mention of Knights of the Red Cross is in the "Beaumont" diploma issued by South Carolina Encampment No. 1 on August 1, 1783. It is interesting to note that in this first reference it is associated with the Order of the Temple. Another record of similar character is a certificate issued to Hamilton Moore by the Encampment at Newburyport, Massachusetts on February 16, 1796. (Illustrated in Proceedings of 1883.)

In this connection the early records of Saint Andrews Royal Arch Chapter at Boston are of special interest. St. Andrews

Royal Arch Chapter, formerly called St. Andrews Royal Arch Lodge, or Lodge of Royal Arch Masons, was held under the sanction of the Charter of Saint Andrews Lodge. We have previously noted that the records of St. Andrews Royal Arch Lodge on August 28, 1769, show that William Davis was voted to receive the Parts belonging to a Royal Arch Mason, by receiving the four steps, that of Excellent, Super Excellent, Royal Arch, and Knight Templar. There is no mention in the records of this body of the "Red Cross" until February 3, 1797, when it was "voted that the Knights of the Red Cross by Brother Benjamin Hurd, Jr., be and they are hereby permitted to make their records in the book of the Chapter." This was never done, and there is no subsequent mention of the Knights of the Red Cross.

Benjamin Hurd, Jr., was made a Knight Templar on March 20, 1789. It is possible that he may have received the Order of the Red Cross on one of his trips to Europe. He was a prominent merchant and an active Mason and made frequent trips to Europe incident to his business. He could have received the degree in either Scotland or Ireland. There is no means of ascertaining just when he organized his "Association of Red Cross Knights," but there is evidence that it was in existence in 1794, as an independent body no longer associated with St. Andrews Royal Arch Chapter.

For several years this Association of Red Cross Knights continued active in Boston under the leadership of Benjamin Hurd. In 1802, Henry Fowle and a number of Red Cross Knights established Boston Council of Knights of the Red Cross. On December 21, 1805, this Council was disbanded and the same men proceeded to organize Boston Encampment of Knights Templar, which took over the properties of the old Council of Red Cross Knights and assumed custody of the degrees of Red Cross, Knight

of Malta, and Knight of the Temple. Thus the Order of the Red Cross which was originally only a "step" in the Royal Arch, now became an independent or separate degree, and was conferred as a preparatory degree to the Order of the Temple.

Under the leadership of Henry Fowle and Thomas Webb, the Order of Red Cross became an integral part of the system of degrees conferred by the Encampments in Massachusetts and Rhode Island. Due to their influence it was retained as a regular degree along with the Orders of Knighthood when the General Grand Encampment was formed. In fact, their insistence on keeping the Order of the Red Cross under the control of the Encampments was one of the stumbling blocks that precipitated the break between the New England delegates and the Pennsylvania Templars at the Convention held in Philadelphia in May, 1816. The Sir Knights of Pennsylvania were of the opinion that this degree had no place in the Templar system. Alfred Creigh, in his "History of the Knights Templar of Pennsylvania" (29) gives the following account of this controversy:

"But another inseparable objection was the degree of Knights of the Red Cross, formed, fashioned, and Manufactured for New England and its dependencies, and our Illustrious Brother has well said that the Grand Encampment of Massachusetts and Rhode Island has furnished the ritual which is now used in all the Orders in the United States. Let us examine into the character of the Red Cross Order, and see if it is not as foreign to the Orders of Christian Knighthood as the parable of Christ is to the building of the Temple in the Mark degree."





# Knight Voices

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. Items submitted to Knight Templar that refer to Templar or Masonic subjects will continue to be printed free of charge. All other items should be accompanied by a \$5.00 remittance made payable to the Grand Encampment. Submissions of over six lines in length will be subject to editing.

Wanted in good condition: Knight Templar sword with scabbard and belt. Tim Collinsworth, 172 Overlook Dr., Pensacola, FL 32503, (904) 478-6880

For sale: Past Commander's chapeau, size 7-1/8, with carrying case, less than one year old, \$150. Phone Bob, (206) 876-3844

For sale: Past Commander's chapeau in excellent condition. Size 7-3/8, long oval, 8-in. white plume, 6-ply leather case. Also, P.C. sword and scabbard: gold/ivory grip, 28-in. blade (MC. Lilley Co.). A-i condition. Genuine cowhide case, handmade and tooled - a work of art! If interested write Harry J. Lewis, 46 Lafayette St., Calais, ME 04619

Wanted: Shrine glasses - Syria Temple, Pittsburgh, Pa.; 1893, 1894, 1912, and 1913. Also, toothpick holders, shot glosses, and cordials put Out by Past Potentates of Syria during 1893 thru 1913 and beyond. Robert E Isberg, 1622 Marquette Rd., Jo/let, IL 60435, (815) 725-9410

Wanted: York Rite ring - such a ring containing crown and cross inscribed "In Hoc Signo Vincas." Please do not sell this ring for scrap price; I will pay you more. Calvin M. Jones, 7242 Old Springville Rd., Pinson, AL 35126

Tyrian Chapter No. 219 of New York is selling plastic coffee cups for office or car use with Royal Arch Masons' emblems. Plastic cup, white with bright red keystone, trip tau and "Royal Arch Mason" on the sides, matching red snap-on, lid with spill-proof opening, red slip-on base with adhesive bottom to mount on the dash board of your car. Proceeds from the sale will go to the Royal Arch Masons' Medical Research Laboratory at Utica, New York. Cost is \$5 plus \$1.50 postage and handling, a total of \$6.50. Checks to Tyrian Chapter No. 219, R.A.M., and mailed to the High Priest E. Jacques Jacobsen, Jr., 60 Manor Rd., Staten Is/and, NY 10310

Wichita, Kansas, Council No. 12, Cryptic Masons, in celebration of its Centennial, has struck a commemorative coin and has some left over for sale to interested collectors for \$5 each, postage paid. Please send check to Recorder, 841 N. Marker, Wichita, KS 67214

For sale: Volume I and II, Encyclopedia of Freemasonry by Albert G. Mackey and Chas. T. M. Clenachans, 455 and 931 pages, printed 1921 (Vol. I autographed); Louisiana Monitor of Degrees and Entered Apprentice, Fellowcraft and Masters, copy-write 1927, 295 pages, imitation leather bound; Morals and Dogma of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, prepared for Supreme Council of 33-degree, 1079 pages. All books in good condition. Make me an offer. Perry DeMarce, Rt. 9, Box 608, Texarkana, TX 75501

For sale: custom-made, 32-degree, double eagle, Masonic ring, size 9. Over 1/3 carat brilliant cut diamond. Appraised at \$3,500. Mrs. Harold (Dorothea) Kuhlman, 7979 Glen brook Rd., Apt. 2017, Milwaukee, WI 53223, (414) 357-5120

For sale: one (1) lot with four (4) grave sites in the Masonic Circle Section, Springfield, Il. Will sell separate or in any group number. No reasonable offer refused. Contact Merle Gazelle, 505 Peale St., Joliet, IL 60433, (815) 723-1805 or Marshall Key, R. Rt. No. 1, Box 57, Elkhart, IL 62634, (217) 947-2709

For sale: 2-grave lot, 5 rows from main altar in Masonic section, Newark Memorial Gardens, Newark, Ohio. Contact Gladys MacNealy, Bethesda, OH 43719, (614) 484-1384

I collect watch fobs, such as Reo, Case, John-Deere, Euclids, Rail Road, etc., so, if any of you have any and want to part with them, please send them to Walter H. Weinmann, 522 Union Sr., White field, NH 03598

For sale: metal waste basket covered with U.S. stamps. It's one-of-a-kind - \$20 delivered. Fred Freedlund, 825 Ixora Circle, Venice, FL 34292-2014

Want to buy: Hudson Bay blanket. Also, saxophone, silver clarinet, and oboe. E. L. Mauseth, Alden, MN 56009

Request information on genealogy of any of following families: Mitchell, Hayward, Ames, Jennings, Parker, Armstrong, who lived 1650-1860 in: Plymouth and Bridgewater, Mass.; Mansfield, Conn.; Shaftsbury, Shoreham, Vt.; or DeKalb, St. Lawrence Co., N.Y. L. F. Zimmerman, 650 W. Harrison, Claremont, CA 91711

Wanted: old cookie jars. Will buy one or lot. Highest prices paid. B. E. McGarry, P.O. Box 269, Ashland, MA 01721.

Researching family of: Warren McDaniel, P.D.G.M. of Texas Grand Lodge, (1857 Plantsville, Ohio-1932 Beaumont, Texas) m. Emma Jane Hanson. Son of Jesse McDaniel (1796 Penna-1 865 Plantsville, Ohio) m. 2nd Rosamiah Dilley. Son of John McDaniel (1750 (-)-1860 Plantsville, Ohio) m. M. Chester H. McDaniel, P.O. Box 297, Port Bolivar, TX 77650; (409) 684.1173

For sale: two burial plots, choice area, in Skylawn Memorial Park, San Mateo, Calif. - No. 2 and 3, Lot 1316, Garden of Vision. \$6,000 for both; price is \$1,390 below current selling price. Call collect (503) 382-7189, W. G. Custer 60220 Ridgeview Dr. E., Bend, OR 97702

Non-profit electric-rail museum with over 25 cars and 3 miles of operating track seeks street-car/interurban memorabilia: tokens, tickets, schedules, signs, photos, small equipment, books, etc., for our library and displays. Trolleyville, U.S.A., 7100 Columbia Rd., Olmsted Twp., OH 44138

Seventh bi-annual reunion of 129th Naval Sea Bees to be held in Baton Rouge, La., May 17-20, 1990. For details contact Sam Casey, 12 Hazel Dr., Pittsburgh, PA 15228

For sale: one internment space in Louisville, Ky., Memorial Gardens; includes 1 vault, 1 individual memorial. Lot No. 191-A, space 4, Garden Acacia, section No. 9. \$900. Annie Bishop Noe, 721 Nashville St., Russellville, KY 42276, (502) 726-7497

Seeking info on descendants of Joseph C. Dobson and Mary North Tweedy. He was born Va., circa 1795. She was born Campell Co., Va., 1807. Married Rutherford Co., Tenn., 1822. One of

sons was George Pascal Dobson, b. 9-10-1836 in Tenn. Mr. J. B. Dobson, Jr., 703 Sherrod Ave., Florence, AL 35630

Reunion: Mine Sqdn. Ten Assn. - sixth annual - March 30-April 1, 1990, Howard Johnson's Downtown, Charleston, S.C. Paul Handley, P.O. Box 32416, Charleston, SC 29417-2416, (803) 571-3214

Seeking genealogical info on the John Benson and Caleb Mowry families, located in Mendon, Mass., during the 1700s-1800s. A. H. Johnson, 2345 Tanglewood Dr., Salem, OH 44460

Reunion: USS SIMS (DE-i 54/APD-50)-2nd reunion, early 1990. Ex-crew members write or call Ship's Office, c/o O. G. Percer, 5725 ECT, Birmingham, AL 35228, (205) 925-4766 for details or to start a regular communication with over forty other crew members.

For sale: Lot No. 210 in Garden of the Good Shepherd in the Forest Lawn Cemetery, Omaha, Nebr. Lot valued at \$1200—four internment spaces. Will sell entire lot for \$600 or negotiate. Joseph T. Artman, Sr., 406 E. 28th Sr., Sioux Falls, SD 57105

Would like info on the whereabouts of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Butcher, formerly of Little Rock, Ark. She was a retired teacher who taught in Douglas, Kan., and at one time attended college in Springfield. Mo. Robert C. Jones, P.O. Box 325, Sebring, OH 44672

I am trying to locate anyone who served with Pfc. Milford Gerald McKee, 4th Infantry Div., Pleiku, Vietnam, during July 1967. He was from Somerset, Ky. John Stanton Jacobs, 1209 Crosby Ct., Lexington, KY 40517, (606) 271-3433

Looking for Kenneth J. Abendschein, WWII, 765th A.A.F. Band. Home was then Brooklyn, N.Y. Anyone with info please write S. L. Maust, 3044 Marshfield Rd., Bellbrook, OH 45305

Seeking descendants of Admiral Clark H. Wells, U.S.N. (retired), b. Reading, Penn., 9-22-1822, m. Mary S. Welsh of York, Penn., 9-11-1851. Daughter, Ellen, married Lt. Wm. H. Reeder, U.S.N. at Villafranca, Italy, Ca. 1872. Son Henry married Amelia Watkins (d. 12-31-33). Would like to know of Masonic connections as well. Walton S. Wells, 867 La Sierra Or., Sacramento, CA 95864

Seeking genealogical info on Henry Olcott Sheldon Preble, born 9-1-1831, Stark Co., Ohio. Father, same name, born Portland, Maine. Kenneth L. Preble, 814 Red Oak Ln., O'Fallon, MO 63366

## **A Toast To The New Year**

May you have...  
Enough Happiness to keep you sweet...  
Enough trials to keep you strong...  
Enough sorrow to keep you human...  
Enough hope to keep you happy...  
Enough failure to keep you humble...  
Enough success to keep you eager...  
Enough friends to give you comfort...  
Enough wealth to meet your needs...  
Enough enthusiasm to look forward...  
Enough faith to banish depression...  
Enough determination to make each  
day better than yesterday ...  
And best wishes for the New Year.