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Grand Master's Page

A Second Chance

I am in San Antonio as a guest of the Imperial Potentate of the Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine for North America. Yesterday the delegates to the 119th Imperial Council Sessions voted overwhelmingly to stay in the Masonic family. The proposal to change the By-laws to do away with the prerequisite of being a Knight Templar or a 32¹ Scottish Rite Mason needed a two-thirds majority to pass - It received about 31%.

For the second time in as many months, the attacks upon the structure of the Fraternity have been defeated. It is hoped that we will profit by some of the criticism that was laid at our feet and draw closer together as Masons.

Several of the delegates who spoke in favor of the proposal to change the prerequisite for Shrine membership had leveled charges of non-cooperation between York/Scottish Rite bodies and their Temples. I am sure that these charges were not lightly made! It is hoped that the Leadership in our Grand Commanderies will "go the extra mile" to see that their constituent Commanderies are not refusing to confer the Degrees and Orders of the York Rite in timely manner. The Shrine needs new members - and so do we. We, too, must act as if we are also a part of the Masonic family and cooperate with the Chapters and Councils in our jurisdictions to justify our good faith as a prerequisite Body, and we should cooperate with our local Shrine Temple.

Earl R. Little, K.G.C.

The Executive Committee has approved the appointment of Sir Knight Earl R. Little, R.E.P.G.C. (LA) and a Past Department Commander, to fill the unexpired term of Sir Knight Sam E. Hilburn as a trustee-at-large of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc. Sir Knight Hilburn, by virtue of his office as the Right Eminent Treasurer of the Grand Encampment, assumes the office of Treasurer/Trustee of the Eye Foundation.



A handwritten signature in dark ink that reads "William H. Thornley, Jr." The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping underline.

William H. Thornley, Jr, G.C.T.
Grand Master

Knight Templar

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

AUGUST: The Knights Templar Eye Foundation announces **The Golden Chalice Award.** (The Chalice is featured on our August cover.) An article about the Chalice by Grand Master Thornley and pictures of presentations start on page 5. A mostly forgotten Brother, William T. Adams, is remembered by Sir Knight Walther, starting on page 7. This month we have news from all over the nation, provocative essays galore, and a wonderful poem to keep your inspiration alive during the long summer. And we hope it is an enjoyable summer!

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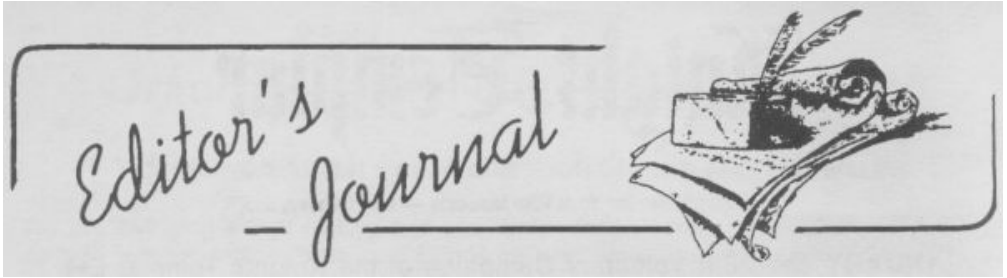
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Announcement: The Grand Encampment has begun a program of Honors, which has two levels: Knight Grand Cross of the Temple and Knight Commander of the Temple. This program gives the Grand Encampment a way of honoring Sir Knights who have distinguished themselves in their fields of endeavor. It does not limit itself to Masonry alone, but to qualify, a person must be a Knight Templar. The recipients receive a beautifully engraved Patent and a jewel. The jewel may be worn on the uniform or on a tuxedo. The recipients may also use the letters KGC or KCT after their names; they should be introduced along with the Knights Templar Cross of Honor holder.

Announcing: The Widow's Pin - to commemorate those who were active Templars: The Most Eminent Grand Master, William Henry Thornley, Jr., has authorized the design and manufacture of an attractive **Red** Templar Cross pin for widows of Sir Knights who held office below the rank of Past Grand Commander (this includes Commanders, Past Commanders, and grand officers.)

You will certainly want to take this opportunity to honor your widows at regular programs of your Commandery. Order in lots of 10 at \$5.00 apiece from Sir Knight Herbert Fisher, Honorary P.D.C., 553 Caren Drive, Virginia Beach, VA 23452.

Born In Blood: The exciting book by John J. Robinson about the Lost Secrets of Freemasonry and their relationship to the Knights Templar is available at the price of \$16.00 Please make checks payable to the Grand Encampment, and send them to the

Grand Recorder, Grand Encampment, Knights Templar, 5097 N. Elston Avenue, Suite 101, Chicago, Illinois 60630-2460.

Dungeon, Fire and Sword: The Knights Templar in the Crusades. This long-awaited history of the Knights Templar by author and medievalist John J. Robinson, author of the much-acclaimed *Born in Blood: The Lost Secrets of Freemasonry* is now available from the Grand Encampment. This dramatic history charts the Templars' shifting fortunes against a rich tapestry of adventure, intrigue, suppression, and virtual extinction at the hands of King Philip of France and Pope Clement V in the 14th century. Copies are \$20.00 each, plus \$3.00 shipping and handling.

The Unseen Journey, a Masonic videotape, is available from the Grand Encampment: A professional one-hour videotape telling the story of Masonry has been made for the Mason and non-Mason by Fratres of a professional audio/visual company, under the supervision of the Grand Lodge of Illinois. This exciting and informative tape employs the highest production standards. Copies are on sale here for \$29.95 plus \$3.00 shipping and handling. Send check to the Grand Encampment, 5097 N. Elston Ave., Suite 101, Chicago, IL 60630-2460.

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Knights Templar Eye Foundation

The Golden Chalice Award

by Grand Master William H. Thornley, Jr., G.C.T.



The Knights Templar Eye Foundation is pleased to announce **The Golden Chalice Award** (featured on the August cover) for a single contribution of ten thousand dollars or more to the Foundation. This award is open to corporations, organizations, foundations, or individuals, whether Masonic affiliated or not.

The first Golden Chalice was presented to Sir Knight Eugene C. Maillard of Pasco Commandery No. 21, K.T. of the Grand Commandery of the State of Washington for a generous contribution of over twenty-five thousand dollars. The presentation was made by the Grand Master, Sir Knight William H. Thornley, Jr., on April 22, 1993, at Escondido, California, where Sir Knight Maillard has

lived since retiring from the Atomic Energy Program in Washington State.

Sir Knight Gene was a native of Corapolis, Pennsylvania, and was educated at Carnegie Institute of Technology. In 1930 he joined Archie K. Henderson Lodge No. 739, F. & A.M., (now consolidated with Lodge No. 45) of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. After moving to the State of Washington, he affiliated with Richland Lodge No. 283 in 1960.

Sir Knight Maillard has been a faithful contributor to the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc. for many years. Pictured below is Sir Knight Maillard (left) receiving the Golden Chalice from Grand Master William H. Thornley, Jr.



The second Golden Chalice was presented by Grand Master Thornley on May 22, 1993, in York, Pennsylvania, at the Annual Grand Commandery Banquet. Accepting the Chalice on behalf of the Marie Keese LeLash Foundation was Sir Knight Garrett L. Anderson, Past Commander and Treasurer of Gettysburg Commandery No. 79, K.T. Pictured below are, left to right: David E. Alcon, the then-R.E.G.C.; Sir Knight Garrett L. Anderson and William H. Thornley, Jr.,

M.E.G.M.

Grand Master Thornley presented the third Chalice at the Southeastern Department Conference in Atlanta, Georgia, on June 26, 1993. It was presented to Sir Knight Ray Rutledge, Eminent Grand Captain General of the Grand Commandery of Alabama. Sir Knight Rutledge was representing the York Rite Bodies of Jasper, Alabama.



The Golden Chalice Award

Brother William T. Adams Popular Author and Teacher

by Sir Knight Peter C. Walther

Horatio Alger, Frank Merriwell Buffalo Bill, Tom Swift: these names conjure up memories of much of the favorite reading matter from the era of our fathers and grandfathers.

However, William T. Adams, known in his time as Oliver Optic," was the forerunner and precursor of these famous literarians and set the trend for much of the popularity of "boys books" in general during the last half of the nineteenth century. His stories, although largely forgotten today, wielded influential strokes among his faithful boy public and kept a well respected publishing firm in Boston solvent for well over a generation. And besides his massive literary output, W. T. Adams was a loyal and active Mason.

W. T. Adams' life was a long and an active one. He was born in Medway, Massachusetts, on July 30, 1822. His father, Laban Adams, kept the Washington Coffee House and Lamb Tavern in Boston and founded the now famous Adams House. Young Adams helped manage the family farm and for a time also served apprenticeship as a hotel clerk, but his taste for academia soon persuaded him to other areas of endeavor. He began his professional career as a grammar schoolteacher and writer of temperance and domestic tales, but within ten years his was becoming a household name. In 1854 his first book for boys, The Boat Club, was

published and met with a ready sale. Eleven years later, at the request of his publishers Lee and Shepard, he resigned his teaching post after twenty years of experience and devoted his efforts to full-time writing. As editor of at least three periodicals, Sunday School teacher and superintendent, well-known traveler and lecturer, politician, member of the Boston School Board, and author of well over 125 books, William T. Adams served with distinction and honor in whatever cause he undertook. His death in Boston on March 27, 1897, occurred only a few months short of his seventy-fifth birthday. He was survived by a daughter and two grandchildren.

Union Lodge, Boston, was organized in 1796 after having received a charter, signed by Brothers Paul Revere and William Scollay, from the recently united Grand Lodge. Before it celebrated its 175th anniversary in 1971, Union Lodge had contributed much to the artistic and Masonic life of Boston and sent many of its Brethren off to the wars in which the United States was at various times engaged.

When W. T. Adams chose to become a Mason he was only following in his father's footsteps as Laban Adams had joined Columbia Lodge on November 5, 1821. William was Raised a Master Mason on March 6, 1860, and signed the bylaws of Union Lodge on April 3 of the same year.

His career within the Lodge is well documented: Senior Deacon, 1861; Junior Warden, 1862; Master, 1863-65 (some sources state 1864-66); Chaplain, 1868, 1871-72.

Although his professional career and private life often took him far a field (to Europe, on lecture tours, visits to Minneapolis, Minnesota), he attended Lodge and participated in its rituals much as we do today.

However, during his thirty-seven year membership, he rose to public Masonic prominence on at least three specific occasions, and it is these instances which I would like to highlight.

At the laying of the cornerstone of the Sub Treasury and new Post Office building in Boston on Oct. 16, 1871, there were grand and impressive Masonic ceremonies:

"From time immemorial," began the Grand Master, "it has been the custom of the Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons, when requested so to do, to lay, with ancient forms, the Corner Stone of buildings erected for the worship of God, for charitable objects, and for the purposes of the administration of justice and free government. This Corner Stone we may, therefore, lay in accordance with our law; and, thus testifying our patriotism and our respect for the National Government, we shall proceed in accordance with ancient usage."

Following this short address the Grand Chaplain invoked the blessing of the Great Architect by reading selections from the books of "Job" and "Psalms." The ceremony proper then commenced and the Deputy Grand Master concluded with a blessing. For the occasion William T. Adams wrote a hymn to be sung to the tune of *America* (during the ceremonies we suspect although the printed program is not clear as to just when it was supposed to occur). Since to my knowledge it has not been reprinted these 122 years I endeavor to rectify the error and supply the text as follows:



Specimen cover of Oliver Optic's magazine.

Great God, the corner laid,
The Craft invoke thine aid -
Thy blessing crave!
Guide thou the cunning hand,
Inspire the workman band,
And by this temple stand
from harm to save!

The corner SQUARE is made,
The corner LEVEL laid,
And PLUMB it stands.
Thus may this building rise -
The plan well-drawn and wise-
To greet the waiting skies,
And bless all lands.

Let there be Light," God said, When forth
through chaos sped The boon divine.
Let there be light, proclaim,
In our great nation's name,

These walls - the rising frame
Of Wisdom's shrine.
God joins in heart and hand All men of
ev'ry land
With Love divine.

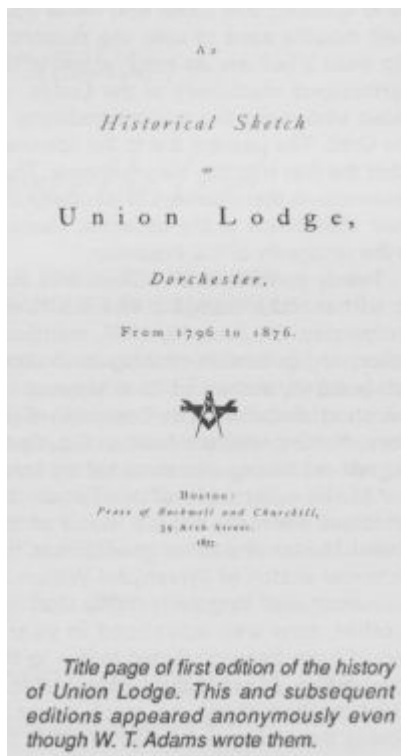
These walls we dedicate,
In presence of the State,
To keep inviolate Love's holy shrine.
Let Light and Love shine forth O'er East,
West, South and North, From this fair fane.

May Knowledge wide be spread,
All men by Love be led.
And war's commotions dread
Come not again.

In 1876 when our country was celebrating its centennial, Union Lodge was having a birthday of sorts as well, its eightieth, and so for this occasion Worshipful Master William H. West requested Worshipful Brothers James H. Upham, William Sayward and William T. Adams to act as a committee to prepare and present to the Lodge such a sketch: a history of the Lodge from its inception, through the dark days of Masonry, to its present status.

"The illness (from the original Forward of January 10, 1877) of one of the members of the committee caused some delay in the preparation of the historical matter, and the sketch was not presented to the Lodge till the Regular Communication in December, when the committee were instructed to print it in the form in which it is herewith submitted."

Later sources (biographical sketches, programs, other capsulated histories of the Lodge) tend to credit W. T. Adams with sole authorship: a reference to the "masterly style of Oliver Optic" in the revised and up-dated edition issued to commemorate the Lodge's 130 year anniversary in 1926 leaves no



doubt in my mind as to who actually wrote the book. Although a historical sketch, the material abounds in a number of keen observations that seem as relevant to the activities in today's Lodge room as they did over one hundred years ago.

We quote one in particular: "However faithfully the officers, who are charged with the conduct of the meetings, may prepare themselves for the performance of their duties, however well they may do the work, and provide for the instruction and entertainment of the Brethren, their efforts will be vain without the assistance and cooperation of the other members of the Lodge. A good listener is entitled to even more credit in the Lodge-room than a

good speaker; and those who never open their mouths save to utter the response, 'So mote it be!' are as much a part of the harmonious machinery of the Lodge, as those who recite the ancient traditions of the Craft. The hearers are to the speakers what the fuel is to the steam engine. Their presence at the meetings is needed, and their attendance is the essential element in the prosperity of the Institution."

Twenty years later Mr. Adams was able to witness the Lodge's one-hundredth anniversary. On June 13, 1896, members, ladies, and guests, numbering in all about two hundred, embarked on a steamer for the short distance from Boston to Bass Point, Nahant, where a feast of fish, flesh, or good red herring was served at the hotel.

"At the exercises after dinner the principal address, beside those of the Grand Master and other guests, was the historical sketch of Worshipful William T. Adams. It was singularly fitting that this brother, now well advanced in years, should have been privileged to live to the completion of our century mark about which he had shown so much doubt in closing the history published in 1876. He gave us a wonderful address, bringing back to life the first three officers of Union Lodge of 1796 and making them comment upon a modern Communication."

We have quoted from the Lodge history; now let us permit ourselves another extract, this time from the opening lines of Brother Adams' address:

"I have been designated as the historian of this occasion. I had no claim to this position, unless it was that I have been a member of the Committee, whereof Worshipful Brother Upham was the Chairman, which prepared the 'Historical Sketch of Union Lodge' for the first eighty years of its existence, and as the writer of a meager supplement to this sketch, read in the Lodge at its Ninetieth Anniversary. Though hardly entitled to the dignified appellation applied to me by the Committee of Arrangements, I have examined the

well-kept **Records of the Lodge**, to obtain the material to enable me to discharge the duty assigned to me."

It will be obvious from the foregoing material that William T. Adams gave all the energy at his command and unselfishly labored in the vineyards of Freemasonry, the better to "discharge the duties assigned to him." Well-liked and admired in the Lodge he was in no way less thought of by the American youth he chose to serve. As we look back ninety-six years after his passage to the Silent Land we can only re-echo the welcome of the Grand Architect of the Universe: **Well done, thou good and faithful servant!**

Fraternally dedicated to my Brothers of Sauquoit Lodge No. 150 and St. Patrick's Lodge No. 4. Grateful thanks are accorded to members of Union Lodge, Milton, and the Gland Lodge, Boston, who provided most of the source material for this article.

Sir Knight Peter C. Walther is a member of St. Georges Commandery No. 37, Gloversville, New York, and resides at 11 Apple Street, Gloversville, NY 12078



William T. Adams' portrait from an original copper engraving plate.

Knights Templar Eye Foundation...

News From Across the Land...

IDAHO KTEF CHAIRMAN TETER PRESENTS PLAQUES TO CARE GIVERS AT AWARDS BANQUET IN IDAHO FALLS

At the Awards Banquet of the York Rite grand sessions in Idaho Falls, Idaho, on April 20, 1993, Sir Knight Ernest I. Teter, Chairman of the KTEF for Idaho, presented plaques to Care Givers of recipients of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation for service to the Foundation and to their fellow men. The plaques were awarded to: Dr. Kenneth Turley, who has performed more than nineteen surgeries for the Foundation in the last five years, a great number for a rural area like Idaho Falls; the Idaho Eye Clinic; and the Idaho Falls Surgical Center, Anesthesiologists. Below is a picture of the text of the plaque that was presented on behalf of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation Inc., Grand Encampment of Knights Templar, U.S.A.

On Page 12 are two pictures of Chairman Teter with recipients of the award.

The Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc. Grand Encampment of Knights Templar, U.S.A.

proudly presents to

KENNETH W. TURLEY, M. D.



this Award of Appreciation

IN RECOGNITION OF
THE OUTSTANDING CHARITABLE ASSISTANCE
AND GENEROUS FINANCIAL SUPPORT HE HAS RENDERED
TOWARD THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN STRICKEN WITH FAILING EYESIGHT
AND WHO ARE UNABLE TO PAY FOR SURGERY AND HOSPITALIZATION

William H. Thornley
Grand Master



Left to right: Ernest I. Teter, Idaho Chairman, KTEF; Mrs. Kenneth Turley; Kenneth Turley, M.D.; and Sir Knight Rippel, case worker, southeast Idaho.



Left to right: Ernest I. Teter, Idaho Chairman, KTEF; Mr. Tom; Mrs. Sally Tom, Administrator, Idaho Eye Clinic, Idaho Falls, Idaho.

Eye Foundation Trustee Appointed

Sir Knight Charles A. Games, P.G.C. of Pennsylvania, has been appointed to the position of trustee of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation. The appointment was announced by Sir Knight William H. Thornley, Jr., Grand Master, at the 140th Annual Conclave of Pennsylvania held in York, Pennsylvania, on May 20-23, 1993. Sir Knight Games will fill the vacancy created by the death of Sir Knight Paul C. Rodenhauser. Pictured from left to right are Sir Knights: James H. Richards II, G.C.G.; David E. Alcon, P.G.C.; William H. Thornley, Jr., Grand Master; and Charles A. Games, P.G.C. of PA



Pennsylvania Earns Plaque

The Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Pennsylvania placed first in total dollar contributions to the 25th Voluntary Campaign of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation. The Sir Knights of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania contributed \$91,994.96. Twenty-four Commanderies exceeded the \$10.00 per member asked.

Pictured receiving the plaque from left to right: James H. Richards II, E.G.G.; David E. Alcon, P.G.C.; and Charles A. Games, P.G.C. At right is Most Eminent Grand Master William H. Thornley, Jr., making the presentation.



Recipients Of The Grand Encampment Membership Jewel

60. Edwin M. Lambert, Austin Commandery No. 84, Glenview, IL. 6-11-93.
61. William S. Adams, Packer Commandery No. 23, Jim Thorpe, PA 6-11-93.
62. J. C. Paschal, Mt. Olivet Commandery No. 12, Wichita, KS. &-11--93.
63. Douglas L. Johnson, Hugh de Payen Commandery No. 7, Lander, WY 6-15-93.
64. Steven K. Hotlo, Camelot Commandery No. 90, Cahokia, IL 6-21-93.
65. W. John Salisbury, Hugh de Payens Commandery No. 30, Hamburg, NY. 6-30-93.
66. H. Lee Hadley, Marietta Commandery No. 50, Marietta, OH, 7-7-93.



Highlights

Knight Commander Created In Pennsylvania



Sir Knight Burnell C. Stambaugh, Past Grand Commander of Pennsylvania, received the distinguished Knight Commander of the Temple award. The honor was presented at the 140th Annual Conclave of Pennsylvania held in York. The award is presented by the Grand Encampment to Sir Knights who have distinguished themselves in their fields of endeavor. Pictured above is Sir Knight William H. Thornley, Jr., Grand Master, presenting Sir Knight Stambaugh the KCT jewel. To right is Sir Knight David E. Alcon, then-Grand Commander of Pennsylvania.

New York's Sag Harbor Masons Launch a Year of Historic Celebration

Sag Harbor Freemasons who root their eastern Long Island origins to Sag Harbor's whaling era kicked off a celebration of 190 years of fraternal and community service in this one-time, world-renown whaling center. The year-long celebration started at 2 P.M. on Sunday, June 13. The ceremonies took place on the front lawn of the Sag Harbor Whaling Museum on Main Street, which also houses Sag Harbor's Masonic Temple.

The year-long celebration first honored the 135th anniversary of Wamponam No. 437, F. & A.M., and then Sag Harbor's original Hampton Lodge No. 111, F. & A.M., which introduced Masonry to the community 190 years ago on July 24, 1804.

A host of Masonic and government dignitaries were on hand for the occasion, reported Andrew Boracci, Chairman of the Celebrations Committee. From Masonry's hierarchy came officers of the Grand Lodge of the State of New York, officers of all eastern Long Island and most of Suffolk County's Blue Lodges, the Commandery in full Knights Templar regalia, the colorful Shriners, Royal Arch Masons, Masonic War Veterans of New York State, the Order of the Eastern Star, and other organizations associated with Masonry.

From eastern Long Island government came county legislators, town supervisors, mayors as well as officers and members of the leading Sag Harbor historical organizations. Music was provided by the Sag Harbor Community Band. Sag Harbor's American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars posts provided honor guards for the flag ceremonies.

The year-long celebration will end on Sunday, July 24, 1994, when Sag Harbor Freemasons will host a celebration of 190 years of Freemasonry in Sag Harbor with a grand parade and Grand Masonic Ball honoring the birthday of Hampton No. 111, F. & A.M., founded by Sag Harbor whalers 190 years ago. Planned between these year apart events are a variety of Masonic programs and entertainments of an educational nature. These include lectures, television and radio appearances by prominent Masons and other special events now in the forming stage.

For more information call Andrew Boracci at (516) 725-1860.

from the Masonic Family

Southeastern Department Conference June 25, 1993 Atlanta, Georgia



Sir Knights from left to right, above: James E. Moseley, R.E.D.C., Southeastern Department; William H. Thornley, Jr., M.E.G.M.; Earl R. Little, R.E.P.D.C.; and Donald H. Smith, M.E.P.G.M.



Sir Knights from left to right, above: William J. Jones, R.E.G.C.G.; Blair C. Mayford, R.E.D.G.M.; and James E. Moseley, R.E.D.C., Southeastern Department.

Tulsa's Sir Knight Scott Draughon Doing Unto Others - Generously

When it comes to helping others, Sir Knight Scott W. Draughon just can't get enough. That's why after numerous degrees, including a law degree, he diligently pursued a master's in social work to help people in the Tulsa community.

Sir Knight Scott Draughon has always volunteered. Even in his law practice, he worked as a champion of the underprivileged, counseling the elderly and individuals with disabilities. But somehow

that still wasn't enough. So he got a masters of social work and began his career.

Draughon now works as the aftercare coordinator at the Tulsa Boys Home, a private, non-profit residential treatment facility in Sand Springs. Draughon does follow-up work with the boys and their families after they leave the facility. He also helps train and supervise volunteers. And yes, he still spends evenings at his law practice, primarily working with the Americans with Disabilities Act.

In his spare time, Draughon stays active as a board member of the March of Dimes and serves as treasurer of the state chapter of the National Social Worker's Association. He's also on numerous other charitable boards.

Of course, if you thought Draughon would settle for simply being active in the local area, think again. Draughon says that working as a national advocate for children or people with disabilities is one of his long-term goals. But right now he is content to use all his experience helping the Tulsa Boys Home and volunteering for other organizations. (Condensed from an article in the 1993 spring issue, *Oklahoma State*.)

Sir Knight Draughon is a member of Trinity Commandery No. 20, Tulsa, Oklahoma.



History of the Grand Encampment

Chapter XXIII Biographies Of The Grand Masters

James Madison Allen Third Grand Master 1835-1844 (Continued)

In 1832 he attended the meeting of the General Grand Chapter held in Baltimore, Maryland, in his capacity as Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of New York. He acted as General Grand Scribe at the opening of the meeting. In 1838 and again in 1841 he attended the General Grand Chapter as proxy for Joel R. Poinsett, the Deputy General Grand High Priest, who was unable to attend on account of illness. He served on several committees and in 1841 received \$25.00 for his expenses in attending the meeting.

In 1824 he was listed as one of the officers of Delta Lodge of Perfection of the Scottish Rite. It is not known where he received the degrees, but it is said that he received those from the Rose Croix to the Sublime Prince of Jerusalem in 1825 at the hands of James Barker. In 1827 he appeared as an officer in the Grand Council of the Princes of Jerusalem at Albany, New York.

Allen's connection with Templary is even more vague. Since he was a close friend of Killian H. Van Rensselaer, who was created a Knight Templar by officers of the British Army stationed in Canada, it is possible that he may have obtained the Orders in the same manner. However, it is possible he may have been knighted in the early

Commanderies of that vicinity, namely Genesee Encampment No. 10, Cherry Valley Encampment No. 9, both established in 1825, or in Jerusalem Encampment located at Ithaca. In the Grand Encampment of New York he was regarded as a regular Knight Templar and was received as such.

At the Conclave of the General Grand Encampment in 1837, Allen attended as proxy for Sir Cyrus Carter, the Grand Generalissimo of the Grand Encampment of New York. At that Conclave he was elected Deputy General Grand Master, and was listed as being from Skaneateles, N.Y. He was a member of the Committee on Memorials for Sir Ezra S. Crozier, Deputy General Grand Master.

He was not at the Conclave of 1835, but was elected General Grand Master, and the Grand Encampment of New York was requested to install him in that office.

At the Conclave of 1838 in Boston he presided and was reelected General Grand Master. He was then listed as being from Syracuse, New York. At the Conclave of 1841, he was again reelected, and was listed as being from Cayuga, New York.

He did not attend the Conclave of 1844, probably for the reason which brought about the following resolution:

"Resolved, That the conduct of Sir James M. Allen, late an officer of this General Grand Encampment, in withholding funds which came into his hands in the discharge of the duties of his office, merits the censure of this General Grand Encampment; and that he be notified to pay over the amount in his hands before the next Triennial Meeting, or appear at the time and show cause why he should not be expelled."

There is no further record of Sir James Allen in the Proceedings. A careful search has been made to find a portrait or engraving of Allen, but none has been found.

Archibald Bull
Fourth Grand Master
1844-1847

Archibald Bull was born at Hoosic Falls, New York on July 16, 1789. After completing his training in law he settled in Troy, New York, where he started his legal practice. In 1829 he was elected Clerk of Rensselaer County and in 1834 he was a member of the New York Assembly. From 1857 to 1859 he served as judge of the Court of Common Pleas of Rensselaer County and won a reputation as an honest, upright and able jurist.

In 1860 he accepted a government position and moved to New York City where he made his home during the remaining years of his life. He is listed in Trow's New York City Directory as a lawyer for 1862 to 1865. He died on December 22, 1865 in New York City, but was buried at Troy, New York.

Archibald Bull was raised in Apollo Lodge No. 49 (now No. 13) at Troy, New York, on April 16, 1810. He served as Secretary of this lodge during 1824 and 1825. He was a charter member of King Solomon's Primitive Lodge No. 21 which was granted a charter on June 4, 1842.

He was exalted in Apollo Chapter No. 48 at Troy, New York in 1840.

It is not clear when he received the degrees of the Scottish Rite. In the Proceedings of the Supreme Council of the Northern Jurisdiction, the following entry on June 5, 1842 is of interest:

"Unanimous approval and consent having been given to the bringing forward and ultimate initiation to the highest degree and membership of this Grand and Supreme Council of thirty-third degree, of

our very worthy Bro. Archibald Bull of Troy, Prince of Jerusalem, Grand Master of the General Grand Encampment of Knights Templar for the United States of America, and Killian H. Van Rensselaer of New York City, Prince of Jerusalem, it was unanimously agreed upon to initiate them at the earliest opportunity."

The initiation took place on June 20, 1845. For a number of years Bull took an active part in the work of the Supreme Council along with Giles F. Yates of Schenectady and Killian H. Van Rensselaer of New York, and later of Cambridge, Ohio.

Bull was knighted in Apollo Commandery No. 15 at Troy, New York, on April 8, 1840. He served as Eminent Commander in 1842 and again in 1843.





Fritz Clement
South Dakota
Grand Commander-1976
Born January 29, 1901
Died June 5, 1993

Harold A. Peterson
New Jersey
Grand Commander-1965
Born May 9, 1907
Died June 27, 1993

Noble Barton Jones
Arkansas
Grand Commander-1963
Born September 21, 1907
Died June 30, 1993

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The Holy Land Pilgrimage Letters From Ministers

Dear Fred (Lesley):

Please forgive me for a long overdue letter to you and to the Knights Templar. I have written to the Knights Templar here in Georgia, who made my recent trip to the Holy Land possible, but just failed to send you a letter,

I do not know if you recall who I am (I was the tallest one in our group.), but again I want to thank you from my heart for the trip of a lifetime. Already I have spoken over twenty times to various groups from 7th graders all the way up to senior adults, and still have booked engagements to show my slide show. The Lord has opened the door for me to even go into the public schools to talk to the children about the Holy Land.

I teach the Pastor's Sunday School Class every Sunday morning, and we are on television here in Albany and the surrounding areas. I cannot tell you the number of times I have referred to the Holy Land trip and things I learned that have helped me almost every week in my study of the Word of God and making the scriptures come ALIVE, not just for myself but for my class as well.

I am so grateful to you and your fine organization for being so sensitive to ministers and for making this wonderful trip available to us. My life, my study habits, my understanding of the Word of God have been enhanced by this trip.

My prayers are with you and your fine organization. I pray that others who follow behind me will get a glimpse of Jesus and a better understanding of His Word.

May the Lord Jesus bless and continue to guide you daily as you seek His will in your life.

Love in Christ Jesus,
Tony Haefs
Albany, Georgia

My Dear Brothers in Christ:

In no way could I adequately express the lingering and abiding thrill and enthusiasm from the recent Holy Land Pilgrimage. It is certainly an understatement to describe it as "changing." You are so correct when you speak of the Bible "coming alive."

At the urging of my people, I've given my experience three Sundays. I am Chaplain of the Indiana Veterans' Home in West Lafayette, Indiana.

I feel so indebted to any and all who made this trip possible and feel unworthy of the honor and privilege. It was great!

I thank you for your deep interest in enhancing the value of the ministry of the Word. I found it to be "on the spot" education in the Word.

Blessings upon you and your future labors for Him, whom we serve and love.

In Christian love,
Loren E. Schaffer
4123W. 150 N. West
Lafayette, IN 47906

The Knights Templar

by Sir Knight James C. Taylor, P.G.C.

Proudly they stand in their plumes so white
These soldiers who state their will to fight

To keep the way open for you and me
To worship our Lord for all to see.

Their black dress proclaims their vigor and vim
To be harsh with those who object to Him,

But the white inspires the warmth of love
To the friends of the Son of the Lord above.

The sun reflects bright from the blades of their swords,
The means to protect their "Lord of Lords,"

Their banner proclaims His name to the world,
Whose motto is there when the flag is unfurled.

"Who are they, Mother?" the child did exclaim
As the knights marched on past in the wind and the rain.

"They are men like your Grandpa, who gave up his life
To save our religion when threatened by strife.

"Their forbears fought enemies who tried with the sword
To displace our religion with their cryptic word.

The adversaries now they are forced to face
Are apathy, atheism and religious malaise."

"But there aren't very many and they all look so old,"
The child remarked as she braved the cold.

"It is not very popular," her mother observed,
"To give your life to the Lord, just Him to serve."

But as long as these Knights will fight to protect
Our freedom of worship, our religious respect;

Mankind will be strengthened by God's holy law,
And Christ's true peace will be given to all.

James C. Taylor, P.G.C.,
Oklahoma Elk City Commandery No. 22
Elk City, Oklahoma
1207 Mayor Lane
Elk City, OK 73644

One of the most meaningful lines which appears in our ritual may be found in the charge of the Most Excellent Master Degree when the candidate is reminded of his duty to impart true Masonic light and knowledge to all less informed brethren" and urged to "let it be your unremitting study to acquire such a degree of knowledge and information as will enable you to discharge the various duties incumbent upon you with propriety." In this article, I want to address what this can mean to us as York Rite Masons for the good of our Fraternity.

First, there is a considerable difference between knowing ritual and knowing what the ritual means. To be sure, many of our Companions and Sir Knights have spent countless hours learning the work and teaching it to others.

The real purpose of our ritual is to help a candidate be a better man, son, husband, father, and citizen through imparting moral instruction found in our ceremonies. The mere recitation of words does not accomplish this goal. In order for any Companion or Sir Knight to put our work into practice in his daily life, he must first understand its symbolism and significance.

This is no easy task! The degrees are so veiled in symbolism and allegory that one may spend a lifetime uncovering all of the hidden meaning they include. Fortunately, it does not take a lifetime to apply the lessons of the degrees to our lives. What it does take is: 1) paying attention while we are watching or participating in the degrees, 2) making special note of words we do not understand that we need to have defined later, 3) committing to a devoted effort to deduce lessons from each section of each ceremony and 4) practicing introspection, by which we ask ourselves, "Would I do this?," "How can I use this?" or "How should I act differently now that I have seen this?"

"There is a considerable difference between knowing ritual and knowing what ritual means."

Beyond Mere Words

by Dr. Karl J. Krayner

All too often we view our ritual solely as a vehicle by which we initiate candidates into the various bodies of our Fraternity. We want to make these degrees as impressive as possible so that the candidates will become active with us following their initiation. Yet, we can never disregard our roles as instructors during these ceremonies. Whether we are aware of it or not, and regardless of how large or small a part we may play in a particular degree, we are providing moral instruction to a candidate, and if we do not understand the work, we cannot possibly expect to translate the proper meaning and interpretation to candidates.

Second, it is our duty to share with all Brethren, "wherever dispersed," Masonic light and knowledge. I believe that we miss many opportunities in each body that we are active in.

How many times are we asked questions by newly created Masons that we just answer" without elaborating, explaining or instructing? A what does" question leads very well to a "why is" answer! In the Symbolic Lodge, do we simply teach questions and answers to candidates without explaining what the answers mean? Do we orient our candidates properly in advance of each York Rite degree, letting them know

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where the degree is in the chronological time which constitutes the Masonic saga? Are we certain that each newly created Companion and Sir Knight understands the significance of each sign and word?

We have all heard the slogan "An informed Mason is a better Mason." How true! It is almost inconceivable to me that a man would become an active participant in any organization if he does not understand what it is he is working in. If we are true to our obligation and impart true Masonic light and knowledge, we will find much greater activity and commitment among our members. It is our responsibility, as Masons who have sought and received additional light, to create informed Masons in each of our constituent bodies.

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Minnesota Sir Knight Elected to Supreme Office



Sir Knight Dexter C. Pehle, a member of Minneapolis Mounted Commandery No. 23, has been elected to the office of Supreme Watchman of Shepherds at the 99th Session of the Order of the White Shrine of Jerusalem held in Wichita, Kansas. Mrs. Claire Ann Potter of Reno, Nevada, was elected Supreme Worthy High Priestess. As top leaders in the 65,000 member organization, they will provide leadership to the 100th Supreme Session to be held in St. Paul, Minnesota, in May of 1994.

The White Shrine of Jerusalem is an International Christian fraternal organization bringing Master Masons and ladies with proper Masonic relationship together for charitable and social purposes.

Sir Knight Pehle was initiated into the Knights Templar in 1990 and is currently serving as Minneapolis Mounted's Junior Warden. He is also affiliated with DeMolay, Job's Daughters, O.E.S., Lebanon Lodge No. 346 A.F. & A.M., Scottish Rite, Royal Arch Masons, and Zuhrah Shrine Temple. Sir Knight Pehle has served the Grand Lodge of Minnesota since 1980 and as Grand Sword Bearer in 1990-1992.

Behold how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity!" (Psalms 133:1)

We have heard this in our Masonic Lodges, but is it being practiced in your York Rite bodies? As Masons we need to work together in unity in all Masonic bodies, helping and supporting each other. The old saying is "United we stand, divided we fall." Don't forget this in our Masonic Fraternity.

What is your attitude about what is happening in your York Rite bodies? Attitude is half the battle in anything you do, whether it's at work, in your church, or in your York Rite. Have the right attitude and give it your best effort. Don't sit back and let George do it: Get involved and help in your ritual work and get on the winning team, because teamwork makes it happen. Remember how enthused you were when you became a Master Mason? Don't let the spark die now. We need to be more enthusiastic than ever before in our Masonic organizations.

Bury negative thoughts and words, such as "if," "can't" and "impossible." Substitute "if" with "next time, do better." Substitute "can't" with "can." Substitute "impossible" with "possible." Have you had some lean years in your York Rite? Forget it - regroup and go forward, building and rebuilding. Master the possibilities. Think positive and you will come through a winner. Remember, keep that winning attitude.

In West Virginia we have worked together with the teams of York Rite, Scottish Rite and Shrine in putting on a Masonic Unity Day program. Having candidates in all three bodies and conferring the ritual in one or two days gives a Brother the opportunity to complete his Masonic education in a short time. These programs have proven to be successful in helping the busy Brother in today's society.

Unity In Masonry

by Sir Knight

J. Nelson Deakin, Jr. P.G.C.,
KYCH

If we want our Masonic Fraternity to stand out in a crowd, we need to set a good example for our fellow man. We must watch our words and actions; it is never out of order to be a gentleman. Let's keep our morals on a high standard. Otherwise, we will all be brought to ruin. In Masonry we come in to learn and come out to serve. Remember our Masonic heritage and keep the fires burning for our sons, grandsons, and great-grandsons. Never let the flame die.

Masonry is being criticized from all angles. It is necessary for all Brethren to be on their best behavior in their daily lives. It is felt that due to present world conditions, effort should be made to unify all Masonry and all Masons. We need to realize that at no time in its history has Masonry in general, and all Brethren in particular, needed to join together in the promotion of unity. Don't wait until it is too late. The sands of time are falling fast.

Remember: God's gift to us is our lives, our gift to God is the way we live them.

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On the Origins of the Ineffable Name

by Dr. E. K. Edwards. Jr.

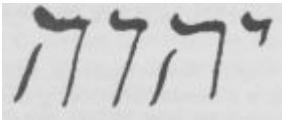
Jehovah was the most sacred name given in the Old Testament to the Supreme Being. So holy was the name, that Jews were afraid to utter it. The name Jehovah can be traced to the early Middle Ages and was said to be invented by Peter Gallatin, (1518) confessor to Pope Leo X, or to Raymond Martin, 1270.

The name was erroneously transliterated from the Masoretic Hebrew text. The word consists of the four consonants JHVH with the vowels of a separate word Adonai (Lord).

The Third Commandment, which forbids the taking of the name of God in vain, was further interpreted in ancient days to include forbidding the utterance of the proper name of God. This name was "unspeakable," hence its Latin roots, "ineffabilis," whose English translation is 'ineffable.'

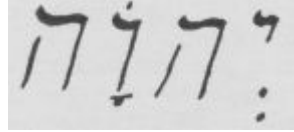
Once a year, on the Day of Atonement, the high priest was permitted to pronounce the "shem hameforash" or the ineffable word. At other times it was, and is, read by the Jews as "Adonai" or "Elohim" which means God. In the Hebrew texts of the Bible, the vowel signs of Adonai are added to JHVH in order to indicate to the reader which of the two words he is to pronounce.

The four letters JHVH are known as the tetragrammaton. This is how the tetragrammaton appears in Hebrew:

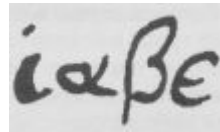


From right to left in Hebrew: Jod-He-Vau-He

If we add vowel points, JHVH becomes Adonai:



The name itself is said to be a composite of the Hebrew very hayah" meaning to be. The proper pronunciation of the tetragrammaton may be "Yahveh" based on an early existing Greek transliteration written:



Hence the name "Yahweh." The translation of the tetragrammaton may be "I am who am" or "I am that am." (Exodus 3: 13-15)

Most likely, the tetragrammaton was used by the Israelites in Egypt before the Exodus (6th century B.C.). The tribe of Levi, to which Moses belonged, was familiar with the name Yahweh. Thus we see that the names, Jehovah and Yahweh, were both derived from the ancient tetragrammaton JHVH.

Acknowledgement: *I would like to thank my close friend and Masonic mentor, Sir Knight T. H. Chapman III, for his ideas and encouragement in this study.* E. K. Edwards

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In the Indianapolis 500 Festival Parade

submitted by Sir Knight William F. McNabney

For the first time in Indiana Masonic history, a Masonic float was entered in the Indianapolis 500 Festival Parade, May 29, 1993, and the parade was broadcast on national television. Following the Grand Lodge float was Raper Commandery No. 1 of Indiana, marching in full Commandery uniform and led by the Right Eminent Grand Commander, Knights Templar of the State of Indiana, Peter T. Zivanovich. Well over two hundred thousand people were present to see the parade plus untold thousands saw it on TV.

It was a fine example of the efforts to project Freemasonry to the public at large, and Masons everywhere could take unparadonable pride in the float and the Raper Drill Team right behind the large float.



The Drill Team of Raper Commandery No. 1 of Indiana led by Sir Knight Peter T. Zivanovich, R.E.G.C., in the Indianapolis 500 Festival Parade.



Sir Knights Peter T. Zivanovich, R.E.G.C., Knights Templar of Indiana; A. Vincent May, M.W.G.M of Masons of Indiana; and Douglas O. Fegenbush, M.I.G.M, Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Indiana.



The float of the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Indiana, in the Indianapolis 500 Festival Parade, May 29, 1993.

Presidential Masons - Part II

by Brother Anthony W. Keefer

Andrew Johnson, nicknamed Old Hickory and Uncle Andy, never attended a college and did not show any particular religious leanings. He did show proper Masonic respect for learning by having his wife teach him to read and write when he was seventeen years of age. His very deep but personal religious feelings are shown in this quote from his inaugural address;

"I have long labored to ameliorate and elevate the great mass of the American people. Toil and honest advocacy of the great principles of free government has been my lot. Duties have been mine, consequences are Gods. This has been the foundation of my political creed, and I feel that in the end the government will triumph and that these great principles will be established."

Such words and sentiments come from neither an ignorant nor agnostic man. Many politicians hated this seventeenth president and unsuccessfully tried to impeach him. His political martyrdom was equaled by the physical martyrdom of James Abram Garfield, our twentieth president and ninth presidential Mason.

Garfield served briefly from July to September in the highest office. He did not have an opportunity to manifest those qualities that make a man a Mason. However, this mild mannered schoolteacher showed his mettle by stopping a New York City rioting mob in its tracks. On April 15, 1865, at the occasion of Lincoln's assassination, he said to the angry crowd:

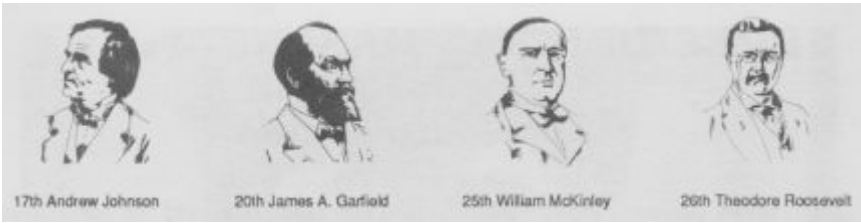
"Fellow citizens! Clouds and darkness are around him! His pavilion is dark waters and thick clouds of the sky! Justice and judgment are the establishment of his throne! Mercy and truth shall go before his face! Fellow

citizens! God reigns and the government in Washington still lives!"

Where did Garfield get such rhetoric to stop a crowd of ten thousand? Imagine with what grace and eloquence he would conduct a Lodge meeting. Perhaps this power to speak was learned on the Lodge floor. Garfield's teaching profession and tragic death are mirrored in the life of William McKinley.

McKinley, president number twenty-five and tenth presidential Mason, was held in such high esteem by his Lodge Brothers that they changed the Lodge name to William McKinley Lodge on October 24, 1901, one month to the very day following his assassination. This schoolteacher from Poland, Ohio, never finished his college degree at Meadville, Pennsylvania. He had learned the lessons of life and especially the lesson on kindness. He was known for the tender affection and devotion to his wife Ida Saxton McKinley, who suffered one of her most violent epileptic seizures at the second inaugural ball. This quiet and sedentary man was the opposite of his vice-president who succeeded to the yoke of the presidency.

Theodore Roosevelt; a rancher, big game hunter, prolific writer, pioneer conservationist and public official; was a Harvard graduate. On one hand, he was scholarly and bookish, and on the other hand, he was a rough, tough, rugged outdoorsman who loved the active life. The deep love of learning which he shared with Jefferson and his unbridled patriotism show him to be a man with strong Masonic tendencies. It was these tendencies which developed in Roosevelt a profound love of American history. His reverence for his country was proved by his borrowing the



ring which had been worn on the hand of Abraham Lincoln. John Hay who had been Lincoln's private secretary received the ring as a token and graciously permitted Teddy Roosevelt to wear it while he took the oath of office. Although we have in our minds that he was a rabble-rouser, the Rough Rider won the Nobel Peace Prize in 1906 for his part in settling the Russian-Japanese war. His successor was likewise a scholarly man, but that is about the only thing they held in common.

William Howard Taft, the twenty-seventh president, was a graduate of Harvard's rival, Yale. For the class of 1878, Taft was second in a class of one hundred and thirty-two. Moreover, he outranked most of his classmates in weight. At about age twenty-one, he weighed two hundred and twenty-five pounds, whereas most of his classmates averaged one hundred and fifty-one pounds. Let he who is without an extra pound cast the first stone. Love of learning and bye of family demonstrate the influence of Freemasonry on his life. Taft was the only president to celebrate fifty years of marriage while in the White House. His personal life was so exemplary that he was made a member on sight of the Lodge of his father and half -brother. This easy admittance to Lodge stands in very great contrast to the next presidential Mason who barely made it to Master Mason.

Warren G. Harding was unlucky enough to be the thirteenth presidential Mason and twenty-ninth chief executive. His term was the most scandal ridden of any president to be a Mason. By religion he was a Baptist, but he ought to have been dunked longer in the water. By profession he was a

newspaper editor and as a man a very poor judge of character. It was a circle of his closest friends who were involved in the Teapot Dome Scandal as well as other shady dealings in the Veterans' Department and Aliens' Custodial Property Office. It is little wonder that Warren G. Harding never obtained any of the high regard given to his Brother, George Washington. Perhaps it was due to his reputation that two non-Masonic leaders followed him.

Our thirty-second president, Franklin Delano Roosevelt, was the most beloved and the most despised of chief executives. He had to make some difficult and unpopular decisions for the good of the country and the welfare of its citizens. In order to maintain the economy and the war effort, he had to betray the very upper classes from which he came. Did he do wrong by caring too much for his fellow man? Certainly not! He was merely showing proper Masonic concern for his homeland and its people. His three Sons; Elliott, Franklin Jr. and James; were made Master Masons in the presence of their father. His vice-president and successor shared the Roosevelt fraternity!

In fact, Harry S. Truman made Masonic history by celebrating his fiftieth year as a Master Mason while in the White House. He is the only resident to do so. He followed F.D.A. as the second honorary Grand Master of the Order of DeMolay. 'Give them Hell' Harry Truman, at the end of World War II, had the ultimate, still-debated decision to make: dropping the atomic bomb on Japan. He felt it was a matter of ending the war quickly or fighting on with conventional weapons and losing many more American troops. Sitting behind the desk



with the sign "The Buck Stops Here," he made the decision which ended a war begun on a day which will live in infamy. To take such an awesome step must have taken a lot of soul searching. Do you not think that he turned to the Divine Architect for help? You know he did! After this unpretentious little store-clerk, the Masonic world had to wait for Gerald Rudolph Ford, our sixteenth and final presidential Mason and thirty-eighth leader of the land.

President Ford has the dubious distinction of being the only president never to be elected to that post. All other vice-presidents were elected on their own after the presidents' deaths. Who knows if it was due to his monumental clumsiness or the very unpopular decision he chose to make. After Watergate he decided to pardon Nixon so that the nation could move along. For some people it may have seemed to be a political cover-up plot. Not so! For those of

us in Freemasonry, we can tell that it was a natural act of a Mason who intensely loved his country. This very act of patriotism was most likely his political downfall. Too much love for his country lost him the election.

In conclusion, every one of these sixteen presidential Masons falls into one or more of the four fraternal categories of belief: faith in a Supreme Being, a dedication to learning, the habit of leading a properly balanced life, and a sense of duty towards family and country. All of the above presidents exhibited one or more of these outward signs of a good Freemason. That is why they became presidential Masons in the first place. Remember it is presidential Masons and not Masonic Presidents. After all, anyone can be president.

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Wanted: Knight Templar would like to purchase old Commandery swords and scabbards for personal collection. Fair prices offered; please send photo and selling price to Kirk Tareilo, 1509 Azalea, Lufkin, TX 75901, (409) 639-3965.

For sale: six Commandery swords: two w/ebon grip, Silver insets, v.9. condition, \$175.80 ea; one w/ornate ivory grip, exc. condition, includes leather carrying case, \$250.80; 32" Sword in gold-tone, white bone grip,

\$165.00; Knight of the Eagle sword, gold-tone, ebon grip wrapped in gold wire, gold eagle at top, rare item, \$275.00. Al, UPS prepaid. Also, Commandery plates and Commandery badges from throughout U.S.A. Send SASE for list and prices. R. E. Ferguson, 1084 E. Church St., Marion, OH 43302, (614) 389-2026.

For sale: K.T. badges: 24th Triennial, Philadelphia, Sept. 1919, Pilgrim Commandery No. 9, Lowell, MA: 1889 Triennial, Palestine Commandery No. 18, NY, NY, Braxmar; 27th Triennial, escort to Grand Master W. LaRue Thomas, Pittsburg, Oct. 1898, Columbia Commandery, Wash. DC, Davison; Pittsburg, OH, 1898, silver, Laud 1091h Conclave, Albany, NY, 1922, Whitehead & Hoag Co. Very good condition, and all for \$175.00. John E. Easler, 301 Myra Lou, Copperas Cove, TX 76522, (817) 547-4610.

Wanted: one "First Hoy Land Pilgrimage Medallion" (issued 1989)10 replace my original, which was stolen. Price negotiable and will pay Premium for replacement. I have 2nd and 3rd and solicit your assistance in obtaining 1st. Call collect Kenneth H. Willis, Sr.; (601) 762-0668, 2706 Ridgewood Ave., Pascagoula, MS 39567

For safe: We have received another shipment of new CPO coats: poly/wool, summer weight; sizes 42S, 44S, 44L, 44XL and 48XL. Price \$20, plus S and H. John D. Myers, 2120 N. State Road 127, Angola, IN 46703, (219) 665-2797 or J. William Meyers, 1460 E. US Hwy. 20, Angola, IN 46703, (219) 665-5686.

Bay View-Flatbush Chapter No. 298, RAM., Brooklyn, NY, in dire need of funds is offering a beautiful maroon tie with Triple Tau of R.A.M. imprinted thereon, as a fund-raiser. Price, \$15.00, pp. Send requests to S. Caradonna, 1069 E. 4th St., Brooklyn, NY 11230. Make checks payable to Bay View-Flatbush Chapter.

The Grand Lodge of Vermont kicks off its 1994 Bicentennial with an attractive lapel pin available for \$3.50. Features blue outline of Vermont, square, compasses, and G on white with gold lettering "1794-1994 Vermont 2001h." Remit payment to Grand Lodge of Vermont, 431 Pine Street, Burlington, VT 05401.

Wanted: Masonic catalogs. The Livingston Masonic Library & Museum of the Grand Lodge, F. & AM., seeks to expand its already strong holdings of Masonic catalogs. Primary collecting focus is Masonic materials, but catalogs related to other fraternal organizations will also be welcome

for the light they shed on the manufacture and sale of Masonic materials. Particularly interested in catalogs from before 1950. If you or your organization have old catalogs to donate or you want to make a financial donation William D. Moore, Director; Livingston Masonic Library & Museum; 71 West 23rd St.; New York; NYIC1310-4171.

Gold Rule Lodge No. 562, Willard, Ohio, celebrated its first 100 years of service to man and community. Charter, Oct. 1891. The Lodge has medallions struck in bronze and silver-silver-1 oz. .999 fine silver in a presentation box. Bronze may be had in either slip pack or presentation box. Silver of limited number, only 200. Send check or money order in amount of \$20 for silver or \$5 for bronze to Golden Rule Lodge No. 562, P.O. Box 237 Willard, OH 44890.

Decatur Masonic Temple Association, Inc. has for sale the first in its series of Blue Lodge Officers, "Master at Work." Statue is available for \$50.00 stained, \$65.00 painted. Plus \$4.00 shipping each. Illinois residents should add 7.25% sales tax. Statues produced in limited number, serially numbered and signed by artist Larry Weatherholt. For further info or brochure (217) 422-1217 or write Decatur Masonic Temple Association, Inc., 224 W William St., Decatur IL 62522.

For sale: Scottish Rite, Valley of Peoria "125th anniversary coins" at \$5.00 each, which includes postage. Also for sale: Scottish Rite, Valley of Peoria "125th anniversary license plates" at \$20.00 a set. We have numbers: 31, 39, 45, 47, and 49. Mail check to Scottish Rite, 400 N. E. Perry Ave., Peoria, IL 61603.

Wanted: by Virginia Local Secretary for Qualuor Coronati Lodge No. 2076, London, the following: volumes of their annual transactions: AQC Nos. 43, 54 (or at least Part I), 55, 56, 57, 58, 63, and 67. Bound volumes preferred. Please advise vol. numbers, whether bound, condition, price (with s & h). Bound copies of many other vols. of interest. H. M. Hartlove, 5004 Holly Road, Portsmouth, VA 23703-3506, (804) 483-2253.

Genealogy: over 16,000 surnames. If you are a Mason, say so, and send a No. 10 envelope with a stamp on it and your name and address on the front. Tell me the names you are searching for. Computer information free to all Masons. N. W Retherford, P.C.; 6402 Alton Street; Riverside; CA 92509--5703.

Wanted: Masonic Chapter pennies by avid collector. I have been building this collection for 23 years, and one day it will end up in a Masonic museum. Why not find a home for your mark? I will gladly send you a check for one piece or for your collection. If you collect, I will exchange. I collect all varieties worldwide, and more than likely can use yours. I will answer all letters. Any assistance surely appreciated. Maurice Storck Sr.; 775 W Roger Road, No. 214; Tucson; AZ 85705; (602) 888-7585.

Estate sale: Masonic/consistory 32/Knight Templar and Shrine emblem ring, size 13'12; Gothic mounting by Kinsley & Son of St. Louis; double headed eagle w/ll carat diamond, round cut; good quality. Replacement cost, \$1,350.00: for sale, \$875.00 firm. B. L Carter, Box 88, Merrifield, MN 56465.

Seeking into and/or contact with descendants of brothers and sisters of Jerry Triplet Mowrey born in TN about 1844. Later went to TX, served In Civil War, moved to Siloam Springs, AR;

died there 8-15-1906. Married Martha Williams near Paris, Lamar Co., TX, 11-29-1863; she died in Siloam Springs, AR, 7-12-1899. May Mowrey, 34353 Millard Rd., Warren, OR 97053, (503) 397-0263.

Gardeners wanted to exchange seeds. For information send a stamped, self-addressed envelope to Seed Exchangers, P.O. Box 10-K, Burnips, MI 49314-0010.

For sale: Stieff-Rose Corsage sterling silver flatware: 5 salad forks, 8 forks, 8 knives, 5 butter knives, 13 teaspoons, 1 relish fork, 1 cake knife—\$700.00. Eugene Lindsay, 350 E. Jackson St., Orlando, FL 32801, (402)41-0088.

Ocean front condo, N. Hutchinson Island, FL, 7 miles south of Vero Beach: 2 bedrooms, 2 baths, all appliances, pool, tennis, first floor, \$78,000.00. Phone (615) 444-6401.

Wanted: railroad items (all railroads): lamps, locks, lanterns, wax sealers, clocks, watches, breast badges, badges, etc. Michael Owen, 1520 Washington, Emporia, KS 66801, (316) 342-6978.

Wanted: Private collector will pay best prices on all coins: Indian cents, 25c ea; buffalo nickels without dates, 10c ea.; latter with full date, 20C ea.; silver dimes, quarters, and half dollars before 1964, double face; silver dollars before 1921, \$4.00 ea.; and many more coins wanted. Please ship with invoice only. Gene DeFilippo, P.O. Box 564246, Flushing, NY 11354-4246.

Starting a new hobby! I am stalling an old, picture post card collection. The older the post card, the better! I have one dated 1907. If you have old, picture post cards that you don't want to keep, please send them to me. Raymond J. frawell, 2018 Bloomingdale Street Augusta. GA 30906-493 7

Looking for information and descendants of Drewry Roberts, born 1753 in Hanover, VA; married to Rachel Douglas, born 1760. One of sons was Drewry Roberts, Jr., born 1782 in Burke Co, GA; married to Chloe Golithly, born 1793 (?). Don W Roberts, 11174 Galaxy Ln, Thonotosassa, FL 33592, (813) 986-2226.

Looking for information and descendants of William M. Neel born 1760; married to Sabry Odom, born 1791. They lived in Montgomery and Laurens cos.. GA. Son was Daniel Odom Neel, born 1788; married to Sarah Harrison, born 1791. Daniel O. Neel was the founder of Decatur County, GA. Don W. Roberts, 11174 Galaxy Ln., Thonotosassa, FL 33592, (813) 986-2226.

For sale: 3 lots next to each other, Jefferson Memorial Park, Pleasant Hills, PA; 3 vaults; 3 bronze memorial markers. Retail \$5,900.00. Will sell for \$2,500.00. Will pay transfer fee. Coil Michael Sedlak. (904) 748-5893 or Anna Mae Kolcun, (412) 421-3145

Now hear this! Reunion: U.S.S. Shamrock Bay (CVE-84) fourth reunion in Corpus Christi, TX, on Oct. 14-16, 1993. Additional information by calling Fred H. Griggs, (404) 445-4770 or writing to 1989 Daricy Rd., Dallas, GA 30132

91h Reunion: 204th Field Artillery Rn. (Lii Joe), Korea 1950-1954, in Orlando, FL Oct. 28-31, 1993. Nick Vanderhave, 1333 Littleton Rd., Morris Plains, NJ 07950, (201) 538-7189.

Reunion: U.S.S. Ellyson (DD454/DMS19, Nov. 4-6, at Newport, RI. Contact James Galbreth, 8927 Carriage Ln., Indianapolis, IN 46256, (317) 849-3315.

In Germany, the Nazis came for the Communists and I didn't speak up because I was not a Communist. Then they came for the Jews and I didn't speak up because I was not a Jew. Then they came for the labor unionists and I didn't speak up because I was not a labor unionist. Then they came for the Catholics and I was a Protestant so I didn't speak up. Then they came for me... by that time there was no one to speak up for anyone.

quote from Reverend Martin Niemoller (1892-1984) as reported in a paper by Brother David Kane, P.M Harmony Lodge No. 18.; Toms River, New Jersey