

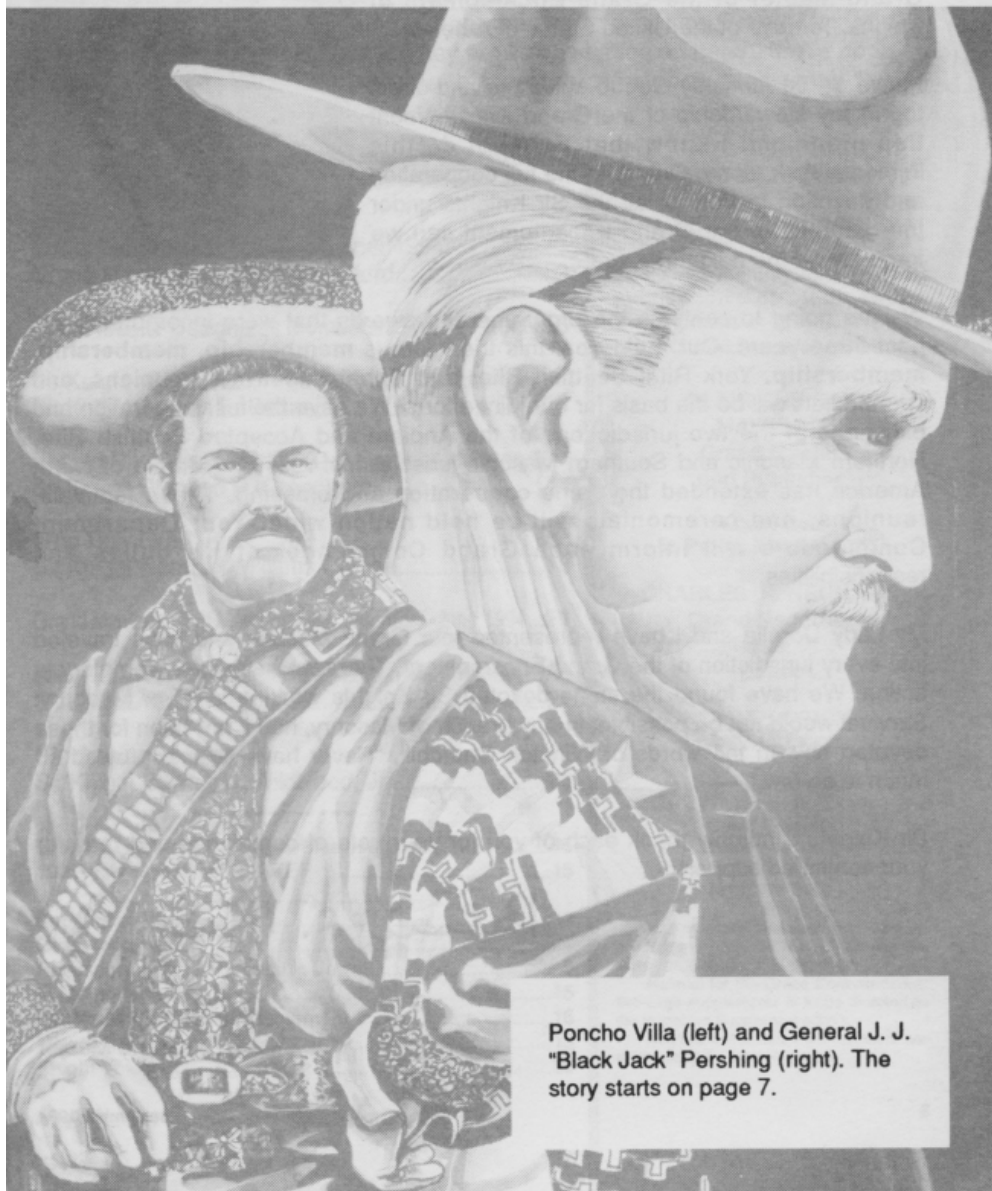


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Poncho Villa (left) and General J. J. "Black Jack" Pershing (right). The story starts on page 7.

Grand Master's Page—September 1994

Hindsight and Foresight

As the 59th Triennium comes to a close and the 60th begins, it is with great humility and a deep sense of pride that I enter upon the duties of the Grand Master of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America.

I have asked Almighty God to guide me and direct me in my stewardship of the Grand Encampment this triennium. I know that I cannot do this immense task alone. Only with the full cooperation and devotion to duty of all the Sir Knights under the umbrella of the Grand Encampment can we forge ahead the next three years.



We are going to continue the programs and awards that were incorporated the past three years. Our main goal this triennium is **membership, membership, membership**. York Rite, Scottish Rite, and Shrine - festivals, reunions, and ceremonials will be the basis for our joint efforts. We have the full cooperation and blessings of the two jurisdictions of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, Northern Masonic and Southern Masonic jurisdictions. Also, the Shrine of North America has extended the same cooperation and blessing. These festivals, reunions, and ceremonials will be held nation wide. Your Department Commanders will inform each Grand Commander of his duties and responsibilities.

My Lady Dorella and I have represented four Grand Masters and have traveled into every jurisdiction of the Grand Encampment. There we have seen Templary in action. We have found the same devoted Sir Knights working in all of Masonry. Survival would not be possible, in any branch of Masonry, had it not been for these devoted few, in the words of Winston Churchill, "Never have so many owed so much to so few."

Sir Knights, I humbly thank each of you for your vote of confidence and pray for your continued support.

A handwritten signature in dark ink that reads "Blair C. Mayford". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Blair Christy Mayford Grand Master

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

SEPTEMBER: Please, do not miss Grand Master Mayford's message and the short news article on page 5. The priority for this triennium is **membership, membership, membership.** Our cover pictures the participants in our lead story, Sir Knight Joseph E. Bennett's saga of Sir Knight "Black Jack" Pershing. Congratulations to all the Grand Master's Club members of the last year. They are listed starting on page 25. We hope you enjoy all our offerings for this month, and good luck to all the Commanderies as they begin a new year.

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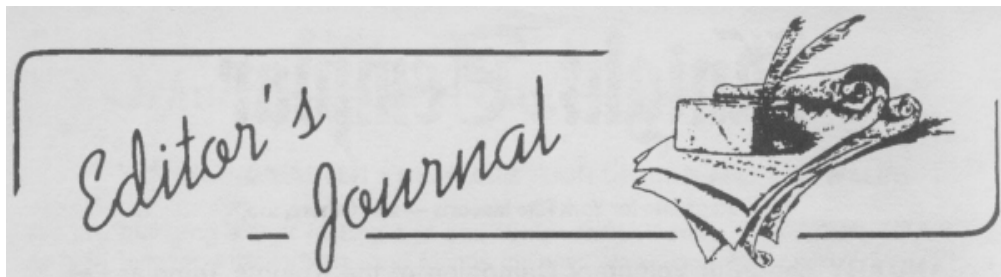
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Announcement: The Grand Encampment continues a program of Honors, which has two levels: Knight Grand Cross of the Temple and Knight Commander of the Temple. This program gives the Grand Encampment a way of honoring Sir Knights who have distinguished 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.

Complimentary for Widows: Widows of Knights Templar are eligible to continue to receive our magazine as long as they desire. To retain or reinstate the mailing, simply instruct your local Recorder or the Grand Encampment of your wishes.

Announcing: The Widow's Pin - to commemorate those who were active Templars: The Grand Encampment continues a program to honor widows of Knights Templar. A Green pin is for widows of those below the rank of Commander, and a Red Templar Cross pin is 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 or special 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.

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, Past Grand Preceptor of the Grand College, HRAKTP, 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.

There is no limit on orders: \$1.50 each under 100 copies; \$1.00 each over 100 copies, plus shipping and handling. Write your checks to and mail to the Grand Encampment, Knights Templar; 5097 N. Elston Avenue, Suite 101; Chicago; IL 60630-2460.

A Pilgrimage Path: Freemasonry and the Religious Right: This is John J. Robinson's last book, and it is now available as a hardbound copy. Every Mason should want this intriguing and educational book in his library.

The book is available for \$15.00 each, plus \$2.50 shipping and handling. Please make checks payable to the Grand Encampment, and send them to the Grand Recorder; the Grand Encampment, Knights Templar; 5097 N. Elston Avenue, Suite 101; Chicago; IL 60630-2460.

Born In Blood: The exciting book by John J. Robinson is available at the price of \$16.00, including S & H. • **Dungeon, Fire and Sword: The Knights Templar in the Crusades.** This history of the Knights Templar by the late John J. Robinson is now available for \$20.00 each, plus \$3.00 shipping and handling. 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; IL 60630-2460.

Grand Master Designates Membership The Number 1 Priority

Sir Knight Blair C. Mayford, Most Eminent Grand Master, has issued a challenge to every Grand Commander to make membership his number 1 priority in the next three years. The responsibility for implementation rests with the Grand Commander of each jurisdiction.

The membership effort is to include the York Rite, Scottish Rite, and Shrine festivals and the working together wherever geographic locations and circumstances permit. The goal of increased membership will be achieved by having reunions, ceremonials and festivals nation wide. This is not to replace normal conferral practices in the Commanderies but is to be an additional effort. The other Masonic bodies will be

interested in "growing their memberships."

All Grand Commanderies, under the direction of their Grand Commanders, will follow the guidelines established for nationwide festivals, reunions, and ceremonials. Reports are due bimonthly in the office of the Chief of Staff, Sir Knight James S. DeMond, through the chain of command from the Grand Commander to the Department Commander, to the Assistant Chief of Staff assigned, and then to the Chief of Staff, who reports to the Grand Master.

The number of Master Masons who are eligible to join York Rite, Scottish Rite, and the Shrine is an unlimited source of prospective members that we must not overlook.

Recipients of the Grand Encampment Membership Jewel

104. Clifford L. Duncan, St. Elmo Commandery No. 13, Batesville, AR. 6-29-94.
105. Leonard Strobel, Ascalon Commandery No. 16, Brainerd, MN. 6-29-94.
106. Dinwiddle Lampton, Jr., Louisville-DeMolay Commandery No. 12, Louisville, KY. 7-14-94.
107. Richard P. Naegele, Crusade Commandery No. 5, Perry Hall, MD. 7-14-94.
108. David P. Miller, Bethel Commandery No. 36, Palatine, IL. 7-19-94.
109. James Noel Higdon, San Antonio Commandery No. 7, San Antonio, TX. 8-1-94.



DeMolay International Elects Officers

DeMolay International held its 75th Anniversary Celebration in conjunction with its annual International Supreme Council and DeMolay Congress Session in Kansas City, Missouri, on June 22-26, 1994.

The Order of DeMolay, with its positive fraternal atmosphere, builds young men into better citizens and leaders while providing them the opportunities to participate in community service, develop management skills, travel, develop leadership skills, participate in sports activities, and develop organizational skills.

Dale V. Sandstrom was installed as Grand Master of the Order of DeMolay. A member of the International Supreme Council for fifteen years, Sandstrom is a justice of the North Dakota Supreme Court. He became DeMolay Executive Officer of North Dakota in 1979, a position in which he served for seven years.

He became a member of DeMolay when he joined the H. C. Plumley Chapter in Fargo, North Dakota, where he is a Past Master Councilor. He is also a Past State Master Councilor of North Dakota and has served the Fraternity as a delegate to two International DeMolay Congresses.

He has also served on various International Supreme Council committees, including three years as Chairman of the Jurisprudence and Legislation Committee. Dale has been honored with the Degree of Chevalier, Legion of Honor and Cross of Honor of the Order of DeMolay.

Sandstrom is a Past Master of Lewis & Clark Masonic Lodge. He is a member of the North Dakota Grand Lodge Youth Committee, the Grand Lodge Centennial Committee, the Scottish Rite, York Rite, and the Shrine.

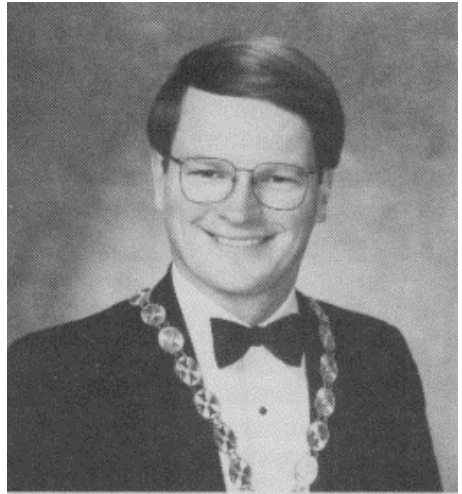
Joe R. Williams of Tulsa, Oklahoma, was installed as Grand Senior Councilor. He is a Past Executive Officer in the jurisdiction of Oklahoma and has been a member of the International Supreme Council since 1979.

E. John Elmore was installed as Grand Junior Councilor. John, Executive Officer in the jurisdiction of North Carolina, has been an International Supreme Council member for seven years.

Joe R. Manning, Jr., of Oklahoma, will continue to serve as Grand Secretary. He is a Past Grand Master of the Order of DeMolay and a Past Grand Master of Masons in Oklahoma.

Dan G. Loescher of Rockford, Illinois, will continue to serve as Grand Treasurer. He has been a member of the International Supreme Council for over ten years.

Elected as officers for the International DeMolay Congress were Chad E. Northcutt of Oklahoma, who was installed as International Master Councilor, and Sean S. Kimball, who was installed as International Congress Secretary.



*Dale V. Sandstrom, Grand Master
International Supreme Council
Order of DeMolay*

Sir Knight "Black Jack" Pershing and Pancho Villa

by Sir Knight Joseph E. Bennett, KYCH, 33°

During these waning days of the 1900s, the history of both the 19th and the 20th centuries is battered by revisionists and often tainted by hyperbole. Happily, the passage of time has a way of underscoring enough salient facts for us to appreciate the cause and effect of a few blips along the historical highway. Some of us are fortunate enough to extract a lesson from the recorded facts; or at least, we are able to appreciate the influence they have exerted on civilization. Certainly, most of the old-timers in Columbus, New Mexico, think so.

A case in point is a relatively minor incident in American history, which occurred in that little border town on March 6, 1916. Two players on that small stage profoundly influenced history because of the events of that day, and thousands of human beings were touched by the results. The players in question were Sir Knight and Brigadier General John Joseph "Black Jack" Pershing and Francisco "Pancho" Villa. The date in question marks Pancho's invasion of the territorial United States, an occasion which triggered the "Punitive Expedition" into Mexico with Black Jack in command.

The events leading up to Villa's abortive "invasion" of the sleepy border town are so convoluted that a short concise account is impossible in this restricted space. Suffice it to say, Pancho was caught up in political turmoil in Mexico, which from time to time erupted into military coups. Those often ended with an assassination. When Pancho

launched his career as a bandit and killer, he was a hunted outlaw. In 1966, some forty-three years after his own assassination, he was declared "A Hero of the Revolution" by the Mexican government.

Villa was born in the Hacienda Rio Grande in the State of Durango on June 3, 1878. His parents were Augustin Arango and Micaela Arambula, a couple living together on the estate of Don Lopez Negrete. Micaela's husband deserted her, and she took up residence with Augustin. She eventually bore him five children, the eldest being Doroteo.

Young Doroteo grew up wild and rebellious, not emulating the demeanor of his peon father. Augustin submitted obediently to the harsh discipline of the feudal system imposed by Don Lopez. Obedient or not, Doroteo frequently tasted the whip during his boyhood, like every other peon working the land for Don Lopez. He bore the scars to his grave.

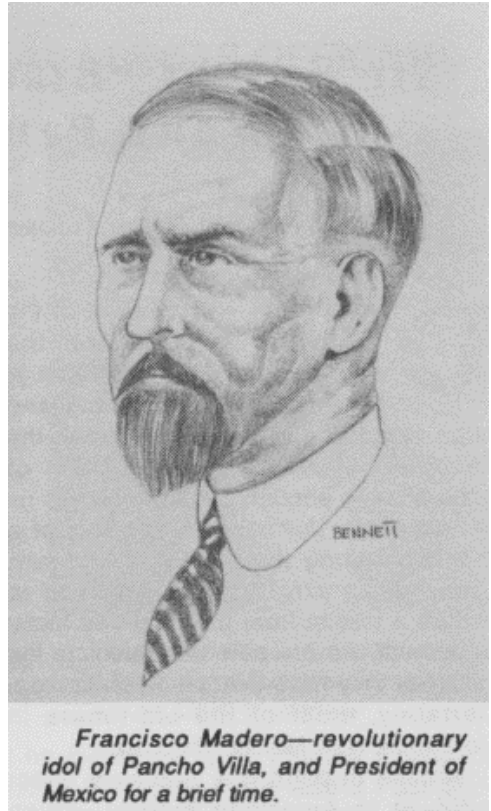
Legend maintains that Doroteo escaped the tender protection of the Negrete hacienda when he killed Don Lopez's son for raping his sister, Mariana. Busily engaged in eluding capture by the Federalistas in the Sierra Madre Mountains, he met and joined the outlaw band of the notorious bandit, Parra. Doroteo was an apt and willing pupil, and soon distinguished himself in that dubious vocation. He assumed the name of Francisco "Pancho" Villa, a famous, long-dead outlaw. Within a few decades, he added far more renown to his sobriquet

than the original owner had given it. In the course of a botched payroll robbery, young Pancho took command when Parra was killed and managed to escape with the loot. This success elevated him to permanent leadership of the gang.

Pancho devoted about a dozen years to life as an outlaw chieftain before he found a worthy "cause." During those years as an outlaw, he established a firm reputation as a ruthless killer and a genuine scoundrel. Robbing, looting, and kidnapping for ransom yielded a great amount of money for Villa, and he spent it lavishly. When the political regime of Porfirio Diaz toppled in 1910, Pancho discovered a mission worthy of his vast talents - one that would get him out of the bandit's trade. He enlisted under the banner of Francisco Madero and his idealistic schemes for land and human rights reforms for the oppressed citizens of Mexico. Villa's original manpower contribution to Madero's ragged army was forty riders, but as time passed he recruited peons by the thousands. Pancho was a crude illiterate, able to write nothing but his signature, but he was a brilliant tactician with military horse sense and inborn craftiness. Although his personality ran the gamut from childlike naiveté to terrifying killing rages, his military talent made him a legend of the revolution.

A few months before Pancho was recruited to Madero's service, he took a bride in the city of Chihuahua. The date was October 17, 1909, and her name was Luz Corral. She was the favorite of all his four wives and the one with whom he spent his final years.

Villa and his forty men were assigned to General Pascual Orozco, where his military ability and assistance became major factors in winning the presidency for Francisco Madero. On March 19, 1911, Pancho received extensive newspaper coverage in El Paso for routing government forces at Chocolate Pass. This event followed Orozco's capture of Juarez ten days earlier, but the darling of the military triumphs was



Villa. The colorless Orozco seethed at the publicity the flamboyant Villa received. By mid-summer, Pancho returned to Chihuahua City a hero, and opened a butcher shop, which he stocked with a few head of rustled beef.

Madero took office as president on November 5, 1911. The hoped-for reforms did not occur, and the administration of the new president was doomed. In March 1912, General Orozco revolted against Madero in the State of Chihuahua. Villa rushed to Mexico City to confer with Madero and was ordered to report to General Victoriano Huerta headquartered at Jimenez. Huerta hated Villa as much as Orozco had, so he contrived to arrest Pancho for stealing a horse and to sentence him to death for the offense. Only a frantic telegram from

Huerta's headquarters by Madero's brother, Raoul, requesting clemency, aborted the execution. An enraged Huerta humiliated Villa publicly before ordering the firing squad to lower their weapons. Pancho was sent to the penitentiary in Mexico City, where he escaped before long with assistance from supporters. He fled to El Paso and lived quietly for a time under his real name, Doroteo Arango.

On February 24, 1913, El Paso newspapers carried the story that Madero had been killed by the forces of General Huerta. Villa, enraged, vanished from El Paso, reappearing in Mexico a few weeks later with a 3,000-man peasant army. He refused to join General Venustiano Carranza from the State of Coahila, who was mounting an offensive against Huerta. Huerta had declared himself the head of government.

Pancho's army swept through the villages in the State of Chihuahua quickly, gathering recruits at each one. General Orozco was headquartered in the city of Chihuahua, so he was beyond Pancho's reach for the moment. He turned his attention to the city of Juarez and captured it, against light resistance, on November 14, 1913. Villa extracted fearsome revenge in Juarez against scores of captives, executing many personally while in a blind rage. On December 3, he arrived at the city of Chihuahua with 4,000 men, and overwhelmed it easily. With the capital of the northern state in his hands, he became the absolute dictator of Chihuahua.

Villa made a genuine effort to implement reforms in the State of Chihuahua. He parceled out large estates, making them into small farms which were given to the "peones." Schools were started to educate the children, and the Catholic Church was allowed to function without interference. The savage treatment of Pancho's prisoners and enemies had earned him the title of Tiger of the North," but for a

brief time he laid that image aside and lived a life of luxury and benevolence. Among the many amenities he allowed himself were a luxurious private rail car and a variety of expensive new automobiles. Pancho's instruction to his brother, Hippolito, who served as purchasing agent, was to "buy the best, and plenty of it."

Pancho organized his famous "Dorados," his "Golden Ones," in 1913. They served as his elite bodyguard, a force comprised of three squadrons of

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100 each. The Dorados also were the spearhead of his assault forces, capable of driving to victory when the opposition was fierce. Villa had need of his Golden Ones when he attacked the city of Torreon on March 19, 1914. Torreon was the last barrier to overcome before taking Mexico City. It was also a prize that General Orozco had not yet been able to capture.

Torreon was the bloodiest battle Pancho had ever fought. He threw 50,000 men into the fray, which lasted fourteen days, and cost 7,000 casualties before the city was taken. In Mexico City, Huerta raged and worried. With Carranza and Villa both converging on the capital, Huerta's regime was tottering. When a handful of U.S. Marines, on shore leave in Vera Cruz, were detained, it turned into an international incident. About the same time, a German ship appeared at Vera Cruz to off-load arms and ammunition.

The United States seized the cargo, and threatened military action if necessary. World War I had started in Europe, and the ongoing problems with Mexico had the U.S. in an uproar. In the midst of all the international activity, General Carranza contacted U.S. authorities and represented himself as the military head of Mexico. To the surprise of all, the United States agreed to support Carranza as president of Mexico and withdrew their troops from Vera Cruz.

The pace quickened politically after Carranza negotiated recognition. On July 16, 1914, President Huerta fled by ship to Cuba, and eventually to Europe. A pro tern president was seated for a period in Mexico City. He was Eulalio Gutierrez, approved by Villa, but not by Carranza. During November, Pancho spent some days with the new pro tern president, declining the office himself. When Carranza formed an alliance with General Obregon to overthrow the pro tern government, Villa hurried to Juarez to whip his army into shape. It was now April 15, 1915. The new American President, Woodrow Wilson, had been inaugurated, and rumors were abroad that he would recognize Pancho Villa as the head of the government of Mexico. It was what Villa hoped for, and he swung into action to help his own cause.

General Obregon had his army at Celaya, north of Mexico City. Against the advice of his subordinates, Villa attacked. He suffered a stinging defeat at Celaya and retreated to Torreon, then to the city of Chihuahua. On October 12, 1915, the announcement was made that Wilson had extended recognition to President Carranza, followed with an arms embargo against Mexico. Pancho was furious, and swore revenge against the gringos. His star had declined and now he experienced a long series of defeats, with his army dwindling rapidly until only a few faithful remained. When the United States permitted Mexican government troops to

travel by train from El Paso to Douglas, Arizona, enabling them to defeat Villa at Sonora, it was the last straw for Pancho. He lived to revenge himself against the United States.

Villa and his faithful followers became hunted fugitives taking refuge in the rough Sierra Madre Mountains. Speculation

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about the possibility of a border raid was rampant. On March 8, 1916, the *El Paso Times* carried a story that 300 to 400 Villistas were encamped near Columbus, New Mexico, poised for a strike. Colonel Herbert J. Slocum, commanding Camp Furlong, at Columbus, paid no heed. Only 120 of the 13th Calvary were on duty at the camp. The weapons, except for those of a few perimeter guards, were locked in the armory.

At 4:00 A.M. on March 9, 1916, a column of Pancho Villa's forces crossed the border three miles west of the international gate at Las Palomas, while a second column spilled over east of the town of Columbus. They converged on the town and Camp Furlong simultaneously. The screaming, shooting Villistas stormed into Columbus firing at everyone in sight. The Commercial Hotel was set afire and the guests were shot as they tumbled out of the building. Among the casualties was

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Should Ritual be a Part of 21st Century Masonry?

by Stephen H. Greenberg, KYCH, 33^o

Since the inception of Masonry over two hundred years ago, the usage of ritual has been considered a landmark of fraternal life. In its primitive form, at a time when the Craft had the status of a trade union, simple obligations, easily learned, were the order of the day for initiations of new members. In England and Scotland, the want of literacy among the populace necessitated the transmission of Masonic ritual from mouth to ear. Memorization was fundamental to achievement.

With the introduction of public education, literacy was materially extended. The written word, with the advent of printing, began to replace verbal learning. Nevertheless, the memorization of Masonic ritual continued because our early Brethren recognized the impact of ideas and concepts delivered flawlessly by the tongue without recourse to the printed page.

Lodges of instruction were increasingly sanctioned by the Grand Masters during the 18th century in the confines of Britain. The Articles of Union of the two former Grand Lodges of England written in 1813, contain the admonition, "There shall be the most perfect unity of obligation, of discipline of working the lodges, of making passing and raising, instructing and clothing Brothers; so that but one pure unsullied system, according to the genuine landmarks, laws and traditions of the craft shall be maintained, upheld and practiced throughout the Masonic world from the day and date of said union until time shall be no more."

This admonition has rung down through the years and across the world not only for Craft Masonry, but as well for the appendant fraternal bodies.

Masons have always striven for perfection in the teaching and delivery of ritual. Schools of instruction in the Lodges, Chapters, Councils, and Commanderies around the world have made monumental contributions to this endeavor. Many Masons take deserved pride in being commissioned as Grand Lecturers with empowerment to teach others in the Craft.

Until the present, Masonry and its appendant bodies have benefited by the interest and dedication of its adherents; its ranks continued to swell. Like times and conditions no longer exist in this modern world. The competition of other interests, of family, and of economics has weighed heavily upon the Craft.

Qualified new members are no longer plentiful. Many of our Brethren, once faithful in their attendance and ritualistic support, have drifted away; many have passed on and many others have found for themselves other interests.

All areas of fraternalism are now confronted with new questions, challenges once believed impossible to exist. Many key facets of ritual can no longer be adequately filled during degree ceremonies. The impact from the great fraternal lessons, so germane to everything in Masonic being, is no longer reliably present.

Candidates and members, too, are being deprived of the real values of the

greatest Fraternity in the world.

As the Craft approaches a new century, there is an ever-increasing need for fresh ideas to halt the loss of members and interest in things Masonic.

There are those who believe that the demands of ritual learning are excessive in this busy age. Extensive degree ceremonies, the learning requirements placed upon each new candidate, presumed through the years to be

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necessary for Masonic education and to set the Craft apart from other worldly organizations, must now be reconsidered in the light of ever-changing lifestyles. Many Masonic jurisdictions have already made drastic alterations in ceremonies, lectures, and learning requirements.

The ultimate question facing our Fraternity in the coming century, but a brief seven years away, is this, "Should Masonic ritual be eliminated in the form, so long established?" Should we enroll our future members only by accepting their fees?

The answer to this query was provided two hundred years ago by William Preston in his great work, *Illustrations of Masonry*. Here he states, "The attentive ear receives the sound from the instructive tongue and the sacred mysteries are safely lodged in the repository of faithful breasts."

Masonic ritual must never be lost. It constitutes a sacred trust that will endure until time is no more. Our distinguished Brother, C. F. W. Dyer, in the "Prestonian Lecture" delivered in 1973, tells us that ritual practice is an emotive subject for most Masons. The Fraternity in this modern world may encounter much variety among different Lodges working in different areas of different lands, but the central themes of Masonic ritual bind together all of our Brethren across the world. Such a medley is good and should be reexamined from time to time to maintain its relevance to the times in which it exists.

Sanctioned changes in ritual hold much potential for the future; a relaxation of the strict concepts of the past may form a significant factor in successfully bringing our Fraternity into a new century and a new world.

In sum, the carefully considered streamlining of Masonic ritual, preserving always the basic tenets of the total Craft, cannot but help in an effective transition to the new and challenging 21st century - remembering always that it is not how fast we are moving, but in what direction we are traveling that really matters.

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The Holy Grail

by Sir Knight Norman Williams Crabbe

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What?
A skull,
some bones and some armor scattered
about?

Shall I sit and contemplate this ghastly
sight? Perchance,
is this the remains,
of Sir Galahad the Knight?

Why doth he rest here so forlorn?
Sleeping thus, his
duty abandoned,
his armor all worn.

Get up Sir Knight your duty is still
bound, your search is not over, till
the last trumpet sounds.

'Twas a Cup, Sir Knight, that I
recall, sent you into peril's way.
The search for the light of lights,
the bright light of day.

What!
Have you given up the quest?
Here you lie thus,
your skull now empty,
once filled with your lust,
for pride, power and envy,
the vain search of all men,
the Holy Grail to win,
Gods Holy Cup,
that removes all sin.

And low,
you of all,
once flesh and life
flowing, with laughter
abounding, now lie in
the dirt,

your soul carried off,
no more to be hounding.

What say you Sir Knight!
Did you find it?
Was it where it was lost?
Me thinks that you know,
since losing your head,
that one must find
Holiness, inside you
instead.

Look closely.
How these hollow eyes stare back,
with a hint of the secret,
these sockets must know.
Even in death,
these eyes are alight.

The Truth"!!
They have seen it!

No doubt even now,
if this skull,
once alive,
could shout it would yell,
Yes I Know!!
I have found it!
with a blood curdling scream,
as the head is detached from the body
below.

For only at death,
will the Soul,
truly find:
If life's
knowledge gained,
will hold up under the test.
Will the Holy Grail be found?
Will there be an end to the quest?

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Only death will seal the pact with the
soul. Only then will a man truly
discover his role.

But alas,
Sir Galahad sleeps.
His lips are sealed,
his eyes growing
black.

My hopes are dimmed,
my search is just
starting, while his ever
done.

I shall lay your skull
back, where I have
found it. Hoping that
another,

will properly ground it.

But as I replace it,
my mind starts to think;
is it true what I felt?
Is there truly a link?
Was the power of the Grail,
within my arms reach?

I think better of it and turning,
I scratch my own head.
The Grail must be somewhere.
But where can it be?
Not giving a thought;
The Holy Grail is in Me.

Sir Knight Norman Williams Crabbe is a
member of Palestine Commandery No. 7,
Annapolis, Maryland, and resides at 77
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Indiana Eastern Star Supports Knights Templar Eye Foundation

For the past two years, the Eastern Star in Indiana has selected the Knights Templar Eye Foundation to benefit from their charitable fund-raising efforts. Over that time, they have made contributions to the Eye Foundation well in excess of \$20,000 in the name of the Grand Commandery of Indiana. Indiana finished in ninth place in this year's Voluntary Campaign, due in no small measure to the Eastern Star's support.

At ceremonies held recently at Taylor University in Upland, Indiana, the Eastern Star was presented with two Knights Templar Eye Foundation Golden Chalicees. The Eye Foundation awards a Golden Chalice to any contributor of a least \$10,000. Receiving the Chalicees were Joyce L. Small, who was Worthy Grand Matron in 1992-93, and Bonnie S. Allinder, who served in the office the following year.

We thank the Eastern Star in Indiana for their generous support of this most worthy cause.

In Memoriam



W. Bush Walden
Missouri
Grand Commander-1970
Born April 4, 1908
Died July 17, 1994

Knights Templar Eye Foundation, New
Club Memberships

Grand Commander's Club

No. 100,188-James E. Stratton (NC)
No. 100,189-Franklin C. Boner (OH)
No. 100,190-S. L. Dennison (TX)
No. 100,191-Timothy C. Forche (MI)

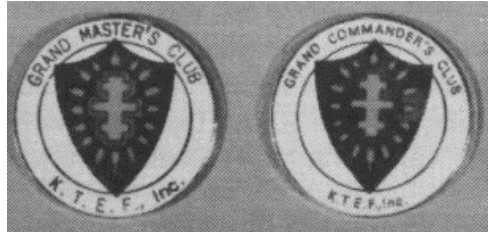
Grand Master's Club

No. 2,272-James E. Stratton (NC)
No. 2,273-Kenton D. Morgan (CA)
No. 2,274-Edward F. Armstrong (CO)
No. 2,275-Johnnie Wayne Fritz (TN)
by Lookout Commandery No. 14
No. 2,276-41 memory of Rudolph Boeschlin
(OH) by Mrs. Margaret K. Boeschlin
No. 2,277-Joseph J. Bass, Jr. (NC)
No. 2,278-Lawrence M. Jensen (IA)

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: Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc., P.O. Box 579, Springfield, IL 62705, (217) 523-3838.

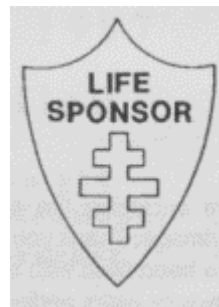
Grand Master's Club and Grand Commander's Pins

Grand Master Mayford is pleased to announce that, for all who became members of the Grand Master's and Grand Commander's Club after July 1, 1992, new pins will be issued at no charge to the recipients. If you became a member of either club prior to that date and would like a pin for yourself, send a \$10.00 donation to the Eye Foundation in Springfield and you will receive one.



Life Sponsorship Pins Available

This very attractive pin in the shape of a shield is available for a donation of \$7.00 each or \$5.00 each in lots of twenty. Show your Commandery members that you are a Life Sponsor of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation by ordering yours today. Pins are available to any Knight Templar who already has purchased a Life Sponsorship or who intends to do so. Contact: Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc., P.O. Box 579, Springfield, IL 62705, (217) 523-3838.



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History of the Grand Encampment

CHAPTER XXIII BIOGRAPHIES OF THE GRAND MASTERS (Continued)

George Mayhew Moulton
Twentieth Grand Master
1904-1907
(Continued)

He was exalted in Corinthian Chapter No. 69 on May 13, 1875, and served as High Priest in 1886. The next year he was elected Grand Master of the First Veil in the Grand Chapter of Illinois and Grand High Priest in 1895. He received the Order of High Priesthood in October 1886.

He was greeted a Royal and Select Master in Siloam Council No. 53 on August 7, 1875, later affiliating with Chicago Council No. 4 of which he became Thrice Illustrious Master in 1884 and again in 1893. He was elected Grand Master of the Grand Council of Illinois in 1889.

In the Scottish Rite, Sir Knight Moulton received the 32° in Oriental Consistory on June 4, 1880. He was crowned a Sovereign Grand Inspector General 33^o of the Northern Jurisdiction on September 20, 1887, at Providence, Rhode Island.

Sir Knight Moulton attained distinction in the Order of the Red Cross of Constantine. He was created a Knight of the Red Cross in the Grand Imperial Council of Illinois in 1875. He served as Sovereign of St. John's Conclave No. 1 in 1894, and subsequently as M.I. Grand Sovereign of the Imperial Council, Empire of the West in 1899. Later he severed his connection with the Imperial Council and became an active member of the Supreme Grand Chapter of the Grand Cross of Constantine of which he was elected Grand Sovereign. He received the

Order of the Grand Cross in 1899.

Sir Knight Moulton was a member of Medinah Temple, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of the Royal Order of Scotland, and of Queen Esther Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star. He was one of the incorporators of the Illinois Masonic Orphans Home and served as its president for five years.

He was created a Knight Templar in St. Bernard Commandery No. 35 of Chicago on September 1, 1875, and served as Eminent Commander in 1883. In 1885 he was elected Grand Sword Bearer in the Grand Commandery of Illinois and in 1890 Grand Commander.

At the Twenty-fourth Triennial Conclave of the Grand Encampment held in Washington in 1889, he was appointed



George Mayhew Moulton
Twentieth Grand Master, 1904-1907

Grand Standard Bearer, and in 1904 was elected Grand Master.

From 1905 until his death he was a Trustee of the Grand Encampment Permanent Fund, and Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Grand Encampment. He was present at every Conclave from 1889 to 1925. In 1904 he was appointed Knight Commander of the Holy House of the Temple by Earl of Euston at the Conclave held in San Francisco.

Sir Knight Moulton lived a life crowded with activity and accomplishment. With indomitable will and tireless perseverance, he achieved success in every line of endeavor to which he directed his talents. He always gave his best, and the record of his life bears testimony to the success of his creed and ideals. He was always ready to extend a helping hand to those who came to him for encouragement or assistance. For more than half a century he devoted himself unselfishly and wholeheartedly to Templarism.

Henry Warren Rugg
Twenty-first Grand Master
1907-1910

Henry W. Rugg was born in Framingham, Massachusetts, on September 3, 1833. He received his early education in the public schools of his native town and at Mount Hollis Seminary at Holliston, Massachusetts. He became a school teacher at nineteen, and while in Worcester began the study of theology.

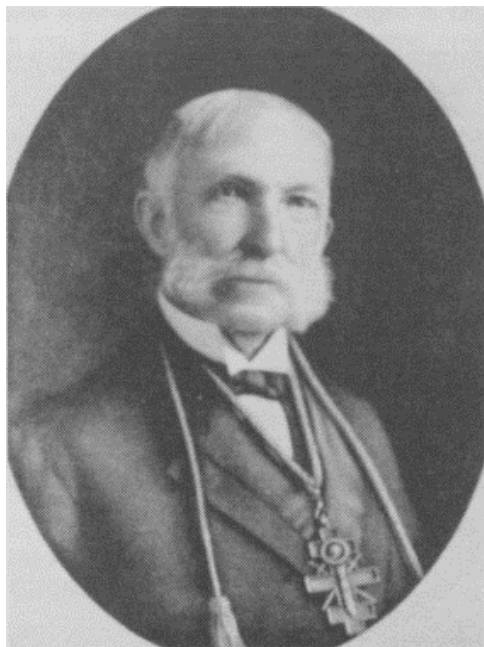
In 1854 he was ordained a Universalist minister and was called to the pastorate of a parish in South Dennis, Massachusetts, where he spent several years. In 1856 he took charge of Sea View Seminary in Hyannis, Massachusetts, and the next year became pastor of a church in East Cambridge. In 1860 he moved to Bath, Maine, but ill health caused him to resign in 1864 and seek a milder climate.

He became Chief Clerk in the Finance Bureau at the Post Office Department in Washington. He continued in that position until August 1866, when he resigned to accept the pastorate of the Second Universalist Church of the Mediator in Providence, Rhode Island, where he remained for nearly thirty years.

In 1877 he was elected a Trustee of Tufts College, and in 1899 was elected Secretary of the Corporation of Tufts College. The degree of Doctor of Divinity was conferred upon him by this college in 1878.

He was a prolific writer. Among his published books are: *History of Freemasonry in Rhode Island*, *The Lives of the Presidents*, *Christ and His Church*, and *Our Word and Work for Missions*. For nearly a quarter of a century he was editor of a monthly magazine, *The Freemason's Repository*.

Sir Knight Rugg married Miss Abby Nelson Havard on December 25, 1853, at Milford, Massachusetts. They had one daughter, Mrs. Gertrude Rugg Field.

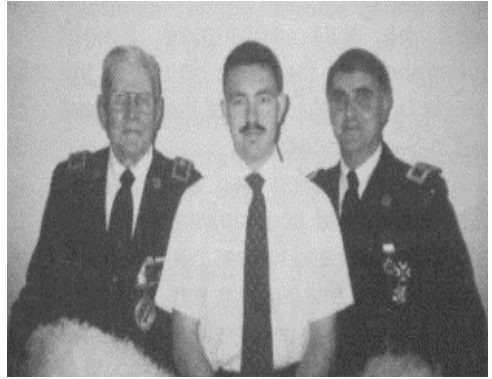


Henry Warren Rugg
Twenty-first Grand Master, 1907-1910

Newsfront...

Knighting Is A Family Affair In North Dakota

On April 16, 1994, Tancred Commandery No. 1 Bismarck-Mandan, North Dakota, conferred the Illustrious Order of the Red Cross, the Knight of Malta, and the Order of the Temple on Troy D. Eck, the son of Sir Knight Donovan J. Eck, Past Grand Commander, and the grandson of Sir Knight George J. Toman, Past Grand Commander and present Grand Prelate of the Grand Commandery of North Dakota. Sir Knight Donovan served as Prior and conferred the Knight of Malta upon Troy. He also participated in the fifth libation. Sir Knight Toman assumed the role of Generalissimo for the Knighting.



Left to right in the photograph are: Sir Knights George J. Toman, Troy Eck, and Donovan J. Eck. Over sixty years of Templary are represented.

Maryland Commandery Honors Artist's One Hundredth Birthday



In the picture at left, Sir Knights Howard Graham (left), Recorder of Jacques DeMolay Commandery, and Charles E. Hartman (right), Grand Commander, Grand Commandery of Maryland, as representatives of Jacques DeMolay Commandery No. 4, honor Miss Helen Smith on her one hundredth birthday. The photo they presented is of a scene she painted in the Commandery's Ascension Room in 1930. When Sir Knights Hartman and Graham arrived, Miss Smith was working in her studio. She told them that she does all her own housework but loves to go into the studio to paint.

George Washington Masonic National Memorial Handicapped Ramps Project

One of the major concerns of the George Washington Masonic National Memorial is compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, which requires removal of any physical barriers to handicapped persons entering the public areas of the building.

Wheelchair ramps will be required to be installed at the Memorial by January 25, 1995. The nucleus of a designated fund to pay for having these ramps installed has been started. The York Rite bodies in Louisiana have contributed about \$500.00 to start the fund. A concerned Mason in Texas contributed \$100.00. \$2,500.00 each was contributed by the Supreme Councils of the Northern and Southern jurisdictions of the Scottish Rite for the ramps. A budget estimate was received which indicates the ramps will cost \$30,000.00 to be installed.

Due to the many stairways within the memorial, the handicapped ramps included in this project are only designed to allow the public access to the major display areas in the memorial. Wheelchair lifts will have to be installed for handicapped members to be permitted to attend meetings in one of the two Lodge meeting rooms in the memorial.

Anyone wishing to contribute to this project should send their contributions to the George Washington Masonic Memorial at 101 Callahan Drive in Alexandria, Virginia 22301. All contributions should be designated for the "ADA Ramps Project" and are tax deductible.

Past Grand Commander Winterhalter, MA/RI
Presents Eye Foundation Grants to Promising Doctors

On July 12, 1994, Sir Knight Robert P. Winterhalter, Past Grand Commander of Massachusetts/Rhode Island, was honored with representing the Knights Templar Eye Foundation and presenting two research grants to two young doctors in his jurisdiction.

The picture on the left was taken at the Biology Laboratories of Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts, during the presentation of a check to Dr. Ellen A. Schmitt (second from left). On left is Dr. John E. Dowling, Dr. Schmitt's study leader and a member of the Eye Foundation's Professional Advisory Board. On the right is Dr. George A. Hyatt, a recipient of a grant from the Eye Foundation in 1992 who now carries on his research with a grant from the prestigious National Eye Institute.

The picture on the right was taken in the laboratory of Dr. Eric Pierce (left) at the Children's Hospital, Boston, Massachusetts, during the presentation of his grant. Dr. Pierce's laboratory is newly furnished, thanks in part to the Eye Foundation, in a recently completed research building on the hospital campus.

Past Commander Winterhalter writes: "I was very impressed, as was our selection committee apparently, with the enthusiasm and integrity of these two young doctors. They will certainly be an asset to our program."

Each of the Eye Foundation grants was for \$20,000.00.



Order of the Purple Cross Steak Fry - West Virginia

Sir Knight J. Nelson Deakin, Jr., Deputy Grand Governor of West Virginia, submitted the following news report: "Members of the Order of the Purple Cross of West Virginia met on June 4, 1994, at noon in Wheeling for their Annual Steak Fry. Ten members from a total of fifteen attended from throughout West Virginia. The meeting was conducted by Companion Knight James E. Winzenreid, Grand Governor of West Virginia, assisted by Companion Knight J. Nelson Deakin, Jr., Deputy Grand Governor. The condition of York Rite Masonry in West Virginia was discussed and several ideas were brought to light. Both Colleges in the state were represented, namely Fort Henry York Rite College No. 61, Wheeling, and Charles W. Wise College No. 137, Wayne. At this time they were able to nominate candidates for the Order of the Purple Cross for 1995. Also they recommended a name for the York Rite Sovereign College Service Award. The meeting was very informative and enjoyed by all Companion Knights in attendance. In the picture are the attendees: front row: Harold Vitalie, P.G.G.; Edward Laas, Past Sec.; Ophir Vellenoweth, P.G.C. and Regent Emeritus; back row: Winford Hays, P.G.; Calvin Matzke; Nelson Deakin, P.G.; James Winzenreid, P.G., G.G.; Elden Perry; Lonnie Carpenter, P.G.; and Enoch Sanders, P.G. Several of these members are planning to attend York Rite Sovereign College in Toronto, Canada. Plans are being made for another steak fry next year."



Beauceant Member Shively Performed At Easter Sunrise Service

(Mrs. Michael H.) Betty Carole Shively, a Past President of Melrose Assembly No. 204, Houston, Texas, Social Order of the Beauceant, was invited to participate in the Easter Sunrise Service by then-Grand Master William H. Thornley, Jr. Her selection, "The Holy City," was requested by Sir Knight Thornley, Jr. She was accompanied by her daughter, (Mrs. Paul E.) Becky Wunsche, also a Beauceant member. The Easter Sunrise Service, as usual, took place at the George Washington Masonic National Memorial in Alexandria, Virginia.

Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc. Grand Master's Club Memberships, July 1993-June 1994

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| No. 2,006-Richard W. Williamson (CA) | No. 2,050-Cliff Lathen (ID) |
| No. 2,007-William Monroe Roach (GA) | No. 2,051-Robert C. Webster (MO) |
| No. 2,008-Carl W. Dohn (GA) | No. 2,052-Wallace D. Mays, M.D. (GA) |
| No. 2,009-John T. Lambert (GA) | No. 2,053-Mrs. William Chant (CA) |
| No. 2,010-T. Ronald Lowry (GA) | No. 2,054-Joseph C. Nelson, Jr. (IN) |
| No. 2,011-Francis A. Chaitier (GA) | No. 2,055-J. C. Sutherlin (NM) |
| No. 2,012-James H. Bates (GA) | No. 2,056-Mrs. Dan Oppenheimer (TX) |
| No. 2,013-Glenn A. Sdiano (GA) | No. 2,057-Monroe Dodd Crull (KY) |
| No. 2,014-Ernest M. Moore (GA) | No. 2,058-in memory of Richard W. Peterson by
Bartholomew Conclave, R.C.C. (IA) |
| No. 2,016-Anna O. Guttendorf (PA) | No. 2,059-Jay E. Jewell (TN) |
| No. 2,017-Robert Guy Bollander (MA) | No. 2,060-John W. McNaughton (IN) |
| No. 2,018-Larry Paul Gilliland (GA) | No. 2,061-William A. Eastman, Jr. (WA) |
| No. 2,019-Witham Lee Fergus (AR) | No. 2,062-Robert E. Giauque (CT) |
| No. 2,020-Clayton T. Cox (AR) | No. 2,063-James W. Dunnell (MA) |
| No. 2,021-Bryant Hendon (AR) | No. 2,064-Jesse Peters (IL) in honor of John D.
Deetz, G.C. of IL |
| No. 2,022-Edwin G. Hughes (OH) by Rodney W.
Lutz | No. 2,065-Thomas S. Perry (GA) |
| No. 2,023-Edgar C. Wollenberg (WI) by Mrs.
Edgar C. Wollenberg | No. 2,066-Frederic J. Brenner (PA) |
| No. 2,024-James B. Phillips (GA) | No. 2,067-Nelson C. Johnson (IN) |
| No. 2,025-Herbert H. Maurer (OH) | No. 2,068-Leroy A. Giglio (MI) |
| No. 2,026-William H. Thornley, Jr., G.M. (CO) | No. 2,069-Phillip K. Crumm, Sr. (CA) |
| No. 2,027-Eugene R. Baker (IL) | No. 2,070-Ray Walker Smith (TX) |
| No. 2,028-Kermit Kenneth Schauer (NM) | No. 2,071-Warren M. Young (FL) |
| No. 2,029-John Cal Woody (TX) | No. 2,072-William Hugh Lewis (GA) |
| No. 2,030-George W. Pickrell (AZ) <i>Numbers 2,031
through 2,041 are compliments of Jasper
Commandery No. 48, Jasper, Alabama</i> | No. 2,073-Thomas Sigmon Hutcherson (GA) |
| No. 2,031-McMurray L. Griffith (AL) | No. 2,074-Stanley C. Buz (PA) |
| No. 2,032-Anthony V. Jannett III (AL) | No. 2,075-Stanley C. Buz (PA) |
| No. 2,033-Joe D. Lee (AL) | No. 2,076-Stanley C. Buz (PA) |
| No. 2,034-Robert Daniel Maddox (AL) | No. 2,077-Stanley C. Buz (PA) |
| No. 2,035-Clay Edwin Sanderson (AL) | No. 2,078-Stanley C. Buz (PA) |
| No. 2,036-Wayland Smith Sharer (AL) | No. 2,079-William R. Squire (PA) |
| No. 2,037-T. C. Marriott III (AL) | No. 2,080-in memory of Paul Allard Bonney by
Jean Allard Bonney (MA-RI) |
| No. 2,038-Terry Stripling (AL) | No. 2,081-in memory of Carlton E. Allard, by Jean
Allard Bonney (MA-RI) |
| No. 2,039-LeRoy Williamson (AL) | No. 2,082-Harry Minges, Sr. (PA) |
| No. 2,040-William T. Dodson (AL) | No. 2,083-Richard L. Mossman (PA) |
| No. 2,041-Wiley Houston Brown, Sr. (AL) | No. 2,084-Glenn L. Knapp (KS) |
| No. 2,042-Anonymous | No. 2,085-Raymond G. Bagley (VT) |
| No. 2,043-Robert Jerry Hunter (TN) | No. 2,086-in honor of Eleanor Harrer McColly by J.
Clark McColly (MT) |
| No. 2,044-Henry Doherty (MS) | No. 2,087-Paul Gory (DC) |
| No. 2,045-Joe C. Foster (TN) | No. 2,088-Paul Gory (FL) |
| No. 2,046-John C. Wilson (TX) | No. 2,089-Paul B. Ethendge (TN) |
| No. 2,047-Stanley C. Buz (PA) | No. 2,090-Oliver D. Mereness (NY) |
| No. 2,048-Don Louis Kapeller (OH) | No. 2,091 <i>through No. 2,097 by Pilgrim
Commandery No. 21 of West Virginia</i> |
| No. 2,049-Melvin Horsmann (WI) | No. 2,091-Larry Wayne Bates (WV) |
| | No. 2,092-Edwin Judson Booth (WV) |
| | No. 2,093-Kevin Mark McClure (WV) |

- No. 2,004-Howard Kenneth Watson (WV)
 No. 2,095-Jeffrey Parker Wood (WV)
 No. 2,096-Harry Lester Armentrout (WV)
 No. 2,097-Victor Henry Rigglesman (WV)
 No. 2,008-Henry C. Doherty (MS)
 No. 2,099-Donald J. Flood (PA)
 No. 2,100-Thomas D. Branscomb (OH)
 No. 2,101-Ervin W. Whittaker (FL)
 No. 2,102-Walter David Hanisch (CA)
 No. 2,103-Edwin Stanley Lukemire (TN)
 No. 2,104 through No. 2,106 by Ivanhoe
 Commandery No. 24 of Wisconsin
 No. 2,104--Buntell T. Roble (WI)
 No. 2,105-David Lee Preston (WI)
 No. 2,106-Gail John Wussow (WI)
 No. 2,107-Rev. Olin E. Lehman (AZ)
 No. 2,108-Fred R. Prell (NE)
 No. 2,109-John L. McKie (TX)
 No. 2,110-Leroy B. McNally (MI)
 No. 2,111-Robert A. Dove ((AL)
 No. 2,112-Dr. Wallace D. Mays (GA)
 No. 2,113-George W. McCoy, Jr. (PA)
 No. 2,114--Robert Neal Leggett (GA) by Jasper
 Lodge No. 50
 No. 2,115--Kurt Legait (KY)
 No. 2,116--James E. Stratton (NC)
 No. 2,117-James E. Stratton (NC)
 Nos. 2,118-2,124 were Grand Commander's Club
 memberships completed by the Mollie S.
 Moseley Trust of Georgia
 No. 2,118-Elizabeth H. Miller (GA)
 No. 2,119-Ted H. Hendon (GA)
 No. 2,120-Hugh L. Smith (GA)
 No. 2,121-Mrs. Hugh L. Smith (GA)
 No. 2,122-Raymond E. Keen (GA)
 No. 2,123-Otis Lee Medley (GA)
 No. 2,124-Joe Turner (GA)
 No. 2,125-John L. Taylor (GA)
 No. 2,126-Howard K. Phillips (NV)
 No. 2,127-Jack H. Furst (MN)
 No. 2,128-Cad H. Elliott (IN)
 No. 2,129-John Robert Fiers (IN)
 No. 2,130-Harold F. Juckett(OH)
 No. 2,131-John A. Frednchsen (OR)
 No. 2,132-Karl Schuhle (FL)
 No. 2,133-Henry G. Law (DE)
 No. 2,134-4n honor of William C. Brower (WA) by
 Eugene C. Maillard of Escondido, CA
 No. 2,135-Charles R. Livingston (MD)
 No. 2,1364n memory of Rosie Winbeny Rose by
 James P. Rose (TN)
 No. 2,137-Dale T. Prewitt (CO)
 No. 2,138-Dr. Wallace D. Mays (GA)
 No. 2,139-James C. Bentley, Jr. (GA)
 No. 2,140-John C. Copes III (LA)
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 No. 2,146-Arthur F. Ingram (NM)
 No. 2,147-George S. Derry, Jr. (FL)
 No. 2,148-Louis E. Herrick (TX) by James N.
 Higdon
 No. 2,149-George W. Fieser (PA)
 No. 2,150-Thomas McKelvie (CO)
 No. 2,151-0. Max Leach (VA) by Bayard
 Commandery No. 15 in
 memory of Babe and Sidney Louis
 No. 2,152-William W. Longworth (VA)
 No. 2,153-to honor Robert C. Stewart by Ivanhoe
 Commandery No. 24 (WI)
 No. 2,154-to honor Thomas K. Rosenow by
 Ivanhoe Commandery No. 24 (WI)
 No. 2,155-to honor Charles R. Neumann by
 Ivanhoe Commandery No. 24 (WI)
 No. 2,156-Curtis A. Gibson (OH)
 No. 2,157-Calvin C. Snow (AL)
 No. 2,158-to honor Richard H. Palm-G.C. club
 membership completed by St. John's
 Commandery No. 20 (OH)
 No. 2,159-to honor Charles M. Collins, M.D. (NM)
 by Mr. and Mrs. Lee P. Tolman, RI
 No. 2,160-Edward M. Block (NV)
 No. 2,161-Douglas E. Kurth (MI)
 No. 2,162-Walter F. Lynch (NM)
 No. 2,163-M. D. Cwll (KY)
 No. 2,164-M. D. Crull (KY)
 No. 2,165-Rodney J. Van Houten (VA)
 No. 2,166-Paul A. Gilmore (VA)
 No. 2,167-Robert R. Renkel (OH)
 No. 2,168-Bruce B. Shafer (PA)
 No. 2,169-to honor Ernest I. Teter (ID) by Idaho
 Commandery No. 1
 No. 2,170-George M. Fulmer (DC) by Grand
 College of America, HRAKTP
 No. 2,171-Leon Saville (VA)
 No. 2,172-Gordon Frith, M.D. (IN)
 No. 2,173-Ruth E. Heuss (NH)
 No. 2,174-to honor Walter B. Pearce (PA)
 No. 2,175-to honor J. Willard Register (GA) by St.
 Aldemar Commandery No. 3
 No. 2,176-L. Bruce Austin (TN)
 No. 2,177-Betty S. Butterfield (IL)
 No. 2,178-Robert E. Rodewald (PA) by Duquesne
 Commandery
 No. 2,179-Michael L. Grenesko(PA) by Duquesne
 Commandery
 No. 2,180-Joel C. Bingner (OR)
 No. 2,181-Robert A. Clapp (KS)
 No. 2,182-LJllard E. Payne (LA)
 No. 2,183-James O. Potter (IL)
 No. 2,184-Clifford L. Bull (PA) by Baldwin II
 Commandery
 No. 2,185-Raleigh B. Flanders (CO)
 No. 2,186-Laban Craven Baucom (NC)
 No. 2,187-John D. Millichamp (MI)
 No. 2,188-John A. Habel, Jr. (PA)
 No. 2,189-Charles E. Wisherd, Jr. (CO)
 No. 2,190-Harry R. Houston (WA)

- No. 2,191-Hugh F. Watson (GA)
 No. 2,192-Daniel R. Bolgert (PA) by Duquesne
 Commandery
 No. 2,193-Edward E. Wilson (MO)
 No. 2,194-Ray O. Plaster (GA)
 No. 2,195-William L. Geunn (GA)
 No. 2,196-Thomas Jackson Mortimer (MD)
 No. 2,197-Austen V. Forwood (MD)
 No. 2,198-H. Kenneth Day (OH) in memory of
 Helen A. Day
 No. 2,199-Gordon G. Moeller (IA)
 No. 2,200-to honor H. C. Robason (TX) by Abilene
 Commandery No. 27
 No. 2,201-,J. Fred Wetzsteon (MT)
 No. 2,202-Lyman E. Smith (MT)
 No. 2,203-Samuel J. Chapman (MT)
 No. 2,204-William E. Criss (MO)
 No. 2,205-James E. Stratton (NC)
 No. 2,206-Ronald E. Wood, Jr. (MO)
 No. 2,207-Antonino M. Gennaro (Italy)
 No. 2,208-William M. Peterson (VA)
 No. 2,209-Donald R. Fisher (KS)
 No. 2,210-Thomas M. Lowery, Sr. (TN) by St.
 Elmo Commandery No. 4
 No. 2,211-Earl R. Little (LA)
 No. 2,212-George Haron McLendon (GA)
 No. 2,213-Eugene V. Herrmann (PA)
 No. 2,214-Charles Thomas Bobbins, Jr. (NC)
 No. 2,215-Wayne H. Garrett (GA)
 No. 2,216-Theodore G. Cooper (FL)
 No. 2,217-John H. Pigott (GA)
 No. 2,218-S. L. Dennison (TX)
 No. 2,219-Hiram H. Plunkett (GA)
 No. 2,220-Anthony ft Smith (GA)
 No. 2,221-James A. Huey (PA)
 No. 2,222-Arthur S. Abrams (OH)
 No. 2,223-Martin A. Compton, M.D. (IL)
 No. 2,224-Seth K. Walworth (FL)
 No. 2,225-i, memory of Sidney Asbury Ellison (TN)
 by Millington Commandery No. 39
 No. 2,226 in memory of George E. Jones (GA) by
 Mrs. Cora A. Jones
 No. 2,227-Richard L. Gooding (CO)
 No. 2,228-Thomas E. Lee (GA)
 No. 2,229-Hugh T. Crawford (GA)
 No. 2,230-John W. Sisk (GA)
 No. 2,231-Waymon E. Ragan (GA)
 No. 2,232-R. Eugene Anderson (GA)
 No. 2,233-William C. Burgess (GA)
 No. 2,234-Frank Grice (GA)
 No. 2,235-William Montee Newsome, Jr. (AL)
 No. 2,236-Robert E. Raynor (PA)
 No. 2,237-Eben A. Winslow (MA/RI)
 No. 2,238-Robert R. McKinney (AZ)
 No. 2,239-Harold T. Stalker (AZ)
 No. 2,240-Mrs. Becky Arthur (TN)
 No. 2,241-John L. Winkelman (PA)

The Last Crusade: A Sonnet

Come ye at last into the blaze of His light,
 'Tis time to let the hearts be brave,
 and armor purest white.
 No greater glory knows the mind,
 Than taking stand for what is right.
 No greater story tells the lips
 Than that of valleys flooded bright.
 Thine eyes have only seen with sight
 But this thou seest by faith and might.
 Oh, let thy heart become contrite,
 Oh, rid its chambers full of spite
 And for thy Savior stand and fight!

Let the triumph of goodness at last be made
 As the earth prepareth for the Last Crusade.

Virginia-Anne Edwards
 3051 N.E. 45 Street
 Lighthouse Point, FL 33064

Miss Edwards is a freshman at Florida Atlantic University.

Joint York Rite - Scottish Rite Evening at Burlingame, California

Almost enjoyable, and perhaps "first-ever," kind of event was held at the Burlingame, California Scottish Rite Valley on June 13, 1994. The Scottish Rite 27th Degree, entitled "The Knight Commander of the Temple," was conferred by a team of all Knights Templar. Included in the degree team were a Past Grand Commander, Grand Junior Warden, six Commanders or Past Commanders, and the Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of California, Sir Knight John Cooper, 32°, KCCH. Very Worshipful Brother John was the instigator of the evening and deserves credit for the idea as well as much of the preparatory effort.

Ladies were included in the evening which began with a delicious roast beef dinner served by the local Assembly of Rainbow for Girls. After dinner, the ladies were entertained by a speaker, including a demonstration of medieval art. During that time the men enjoyed the conferral of the degree on a class of eight candidates. (One member of the class was Sir Knight and Reverend David Brown, Grand Prelate of the Grand Commandery of California.) It was the general consensus of all present that the ritual was among the best seen, and all were extremely impressed with the preparation of the work.

The opening section of the degree was performed in full Knight Templar uniform, under dispensation from Sir Knight W. Don Cochran, Grand Commander. The Knight Templar uniform and Commandery sword work added to the impressiveness of the ceremony. The second section was

performed in appropriate costume with the final section in battle dress. Each candidate was individually Knighted by the Venerable Master of the evening.

A beautiful cake was enjoyed by everyone after the ceremony, and the evening was completed with a talk on Knighthood, Romance, and Chivalry" by Sir Knight W. Bruce Pruitt, 32°, Past Grand Commander. A certificate of appreciation was presented by Sir Knight Pruitt and Sir Knight Cooper to Brother Al Koula, 33°, Personal Representative of the S.G.I.G. for Burlingame. This certificate was signed by the Grand Commander and Grand Recorder of California, and expressed appreciation to Brother Al for his role in promoting this York Rite-Scottish Rite cooperative event. The degree team was:

Venerable Master: W. Bruce Pruitt, 32°, Past Grand Commander of California

Sub-Master: Carlos A. Chavez, 32°, Commander, Golden Gate Commandery No. 16

Preceptor: Lyle P. Bird, 32°, P.C., Palo Alto Commandery No. 47

Hospitaler: Roy Linn, 32°, Warder, Golden Gate Commandery No. 16

Chaplain: Calvin Lessing, 32°, P.C., Palo Alto Commandery No. 47

First Lieutenant: Donald Briggs, 32°, KCCH; P.C., Palo Alto Commandery No. 47; Illustrious Past Grand Master, Cryptic Masons of California

Second Lieutenant: Ralph Nikolaus, 32°, Captain General, Palo Alto Commandery No. 47

Captain of the Guards: Corrado DeMartini, 32°; Junior Warden, Golden Gate Commandery No. 16

Constans: Burton Rhodie, 33°; P.C., Golden Gate Commandery No. 16

Officer: Edgar Fenturn, 32°; Commander, Palo Alto Commandery No. 47

Chief Retainer: Fred Waldrop, 32°; Grand Senior Warden, Grand Commandery of California

Monk: John Cooper, 32°, KCCH: Senior Warden, Golden Gate Commandery No. 16

All attendees agreed that this was a really outstanding Masonic event. They hoped that it would be repeated or that similar events would occur often.

The picture below shows the degree team in their colorful dress.

Sir Knight W. Bruce Pruitt, P.G.C. of the Grand Commandery of California, is a member of Palo Alto Commandery No. 47, Palo Alto, California, and resides at 14101 Manuella Road, Los Altos Hills, CA 94022



The degree team for the joint York Rite-Scottish Rite evening in Burlingame, California, were, left to right: front row: Cal Lessing, John Cooper, Burton Rhodie, Bruce Pruitt, Alberto Chavez, and Fred Waldrop; second row: Corrado DeMartini, Roy Linn, Lyle Bird, Ralph Nikolaus, and Don Briggs.

"Packaging" Masonry

by Sir Knight Edward J. Wildblood, Jr., 33^o KYCH

In recent years volumes have been written about the serious problems of our Fraternity in the areas of membership, attendance, and community relations. A variety of reasons for these concerns have been advanced ranging from antipathy, to television, to our inability to accept change. Elements, both within and outside of the Fraternity, have questioned the relevance of Masonry in the present age of computers, space exploration, and instantaneous communication. In spite of wise and appropriate counsel by writers such as Allen E. Roberts and John J. Robinson, little progress has been detected in our ability to turn the situation around and restore Masonry and our various appendant bodies to the status that they enjoyed some fifty years ago.

In reading the latest literary effort of Michael Bargent, Richard Leigh and *Henry Lincoln*, *The Missianic Legacy*, who also authored the controversial *Holy Blood, Holy Grail*, a paragraph contained in the Epilogue" struck me as being quite applicable to the aforementioned problems' of Masonry. Although I'm not an advocate of the basic theme expounded by these authors, I find myself intrigued by some of their discussions. In the following quoted passage they are not referring to Masonry, but it certainly could, and perhaps should, be applied as a possible remedy to some of our current concerns:

"...politics today is very much a matter of effective packaging. If it is packaged effectively—packaged, that is, in such a way as to assuage anxieties and elicit trust—chivalry can make a potent appeal to the modern mind. It can offer ritual,

color, pageantry and spectacle to a world increasingly denuded of those things and increasingly haunted by their absence. It can offer a sense of continuity to a world which feels cut off from the past and rootless. It can offer dignity and grandeur to people ever more oppressed by the conviction of their own smallness and insignificance. To individuals chafing against their helplessness, loneliness and isolation, it can offer the prospect of belonging, of community, of participation in a lofty fraternal enterprise. It can cater to most people's secret desire to partake of an elite," unfashionable though that world itself may currently be. It can offer a hierarchy of values and a code of conduct which are not arbitrary or haphazard, but which rest on a hallowed traditional foundation - a foundation held to reflect some intimation of a divine pattern or plan. It can offer a ritualized, and so sanctioned, channel for emotional expression. Thus chivalry can be made to constitute a principle of coherence and a repository for trust and meaning. In the appropriate circumstances, trust can be reposed in it, and meaning obtained in return..."

The Grand Lodge of Vermont in an effort to celebrate its bicentennial during 1994 has found itself engaged in the process of repackaging" Masonry within the Green Mountain State. A public relations committee, composed of professionals in that field, was organized:

- An insert was distributed via all daily papers in the state.
- Feature articles concerning Masonry have been published in several papers.
- Appearances have been made on radio talk shows" throughout the state.

- Public service announcements have been produced and distributed to all radio stations.
- Ladies' nights and open houses are being held in all local Lodges, with participation by all appendant bodies urged.
- Periodic "round table" discussions including representatives from all members of the "Masonic Family" are periodically held by the Grand Master to discuss problems of mutual concern.
- Lodges are urged to participate in local community events.
- Masonic education is being revitalized and updated.
- Task forces are to be sent from Grand Lodge to address resolution of local Blue Lodge problems.
- The possibilities are unlimited!

Having reached the halfway mark in our bicentennial year, we are beginning to see some positive results from our efforts at this "repackaging." We are not so naive as to expect overnight remedies, and we realize that it took us many years of decline to our present status. But we also realize that correction of these problems will not occur by just sitting back and

waiting for the pendulum to swing back in its upward arch. We must get up and make things - good things - happen! Every member of our Fraternity can make his contribution to this "repackaging" effort merely by talking openly and freely about Masonry. Of course, it is essential that our members first know what Masonry is all about! Ritual and tradition are important *but* knowledge and understanding are essential!

There is no need to wait for your bicentennial - or tricentennial - to begin "repackaging" Masonry. Each of us should begin now.

Make an individual effort. We have a great and worthwhile "product." Let's do everything possible to "market" that product to the benefit of our Fraternity, our community, and our nation.

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Sir Knight Glen L Bower Of Illinois Is Honored

Sir Knight Glen L. Bower, a member of Gorin Command" No. 14, Olney, Illinois, received a Certificate of Recognition for Community Service at the recent annual meeting of the Illinois State Bar Association. The award was presented "in recognition of meritorious community service" by Sir Knight Bower over the course of years. His service as co-chair of the State of Illinois Organ and Tissue Donor Advisory Board and his membership on the board of directors of the Southern Illinois University Foundation were specifically recognized. Sir Knight Bower was reappointed a member of the Section Council of the Employee Benefits Section Council of the Illinois State Bar Association, to serve for the following year. He has been a member of the council since 1991. He was also recently reelected to the Executive Committee of the National Association of State Bar Tax Sections and currently serves as chairman of the U.S. Railroad Retirement Board by appointment of the President of the United States. Sir Knight Bower resides in Effingham, Illinois.

W. T. Richie, owner of the hotel. His daughters were observed trying to drag his obese body away from the flames shortly thereafter. Several members of the military band were guests at the hotel, and they saved the girls. They were firing within a few minutes.

The battle raged in the town for two hours, as men from Camp Furlong arrived after gaining access to weapons. The Ravell brothers mercantile, the town's largest business, was looted and in flames, along with the Dean Grocery Store. Owner J. T. Dean was killed. After recovering from the initial shock of the raid, citizens joined the soldiers in firing at the invaders. The Villa forces finally began to fall back, suffering heavy losses. At 6:15 AM., they were gone. Major Frank Thompkins and a detail of some fifty troopers followed the retreating Mexicans. They continued for about fifteen miles until a strong rear guard thrown out by Villa stopped further pursuit. Abandoned loot and dead Villistas marked the path of the retreat.

It was time to tote up the score. Seventeen Americans had died, eight soldiers and nine civilians. Approximately 125 dead Mexican bodies were gathered up, along with eighteen prisoners. The Mexican corpses were piled in the square at Columbus and burned. Nine of the prisoners were hanged at Deming, the Luna County seat, and the other nine were remitted to prison in Santa Fe. The business district of Columbus, a town of about 300 souls, was in ruins. The uproar following news of the raid was heard across the entire United States, and the army sprang into action. On March 15, 1916, Brigadier General John J. Pershing and a command of 4,800 troops crossed into Mexico with orders to pursue and capture Pancho Villa. Reports varied as to whether Villa had been present at Columbus, but it was unimportant. He was most certainly in charge of planning

and executing the entire operation.

At this point in our narrative, Masonry is added to the mixture in the person of Black Jack Pershing. Early in his career, he became a member of Lincoln Lodge No. 19, where he was Raised on December 22, 1888. He was on leave at his parents' home in Lincoln, Nebraska, at the time, and took advantage of the opportunity to become a member of the Craft. Masonic relationships touched his life from that time on, beginning with a distinguished member of his own Lodge, William Jennings Bryan.

It was a capricious turn of fate which selected Pershing to command the pursuit for Pancho Villa. It might well have been one of a number of military figures available to the army General Staff at that time. Pershing, however, had been transferred from the Precidio in San Francisco to Fort Bliss in El Paso, for the explicit purpose of strengthening defenses against possible Mexican activity at the international border.

Black Jack was given command at Fort Bliss, and charged with guarding the border from Sierra Blanca east of El Paso to Columbus, New Mexico, in the west. He arrived in Texas in April 1914. When President Wilson decided to mount a punitive expedition into Mexico, Pershing was ready.

His initial force of 4,800 soon grew to 10,000. Included in the column that trekked south were elements of the 7th Cavalry, 10th Cavalry, and a battery of the 6th Field Artillery Battalion; plus a convoy of fifty-four trucks, a number of Dodge staff cars, and thirteen crated airplanes. The trucks were 1½-ton vehicles with chain drive and hard tires, primarily Jeffery and White models. They were operated and maintained by a cadre of civilians who accompanied the column. The aircraft were JN2s under the immediate command of Captain Benjamin D. Foulois, one of the true aviation pioneers in the U.S. Army.

Pershing established his base camp at Colonia Dublan, a Mormon settlement on the Mexico Northwestern Railroad, some 150 miles southwest of El Paso. From this jumping-off point, armed reconnaissance was launched to locate and capture Villa. Although General Carranza's government had agreed to the expedition into their country, they resented the gringo army and offered no help. The sullen, recalcitrant villagers, sympathetic to Villa, provided virtually no information. As Pancho's command scattered into the rugged Sierra Madres, they became almost impossible to follow.

Few face-to-face skirmishes were fought during the course of the frustrating campaign. Colonel George Dodd and elements of the 7th Cavalry did engage 500 Villistas in the village of Guerrero on March 29, 1916, killing an estimated thirty Yaqui Indians, but Pancho was not among the group. Again, on May 4, Major Robert Howze and six troops of the 11th Cavalry skirmished with Villistas in a twenty-minute engagement near the town of Cusi with no American losses. Again the main body escaped with only twenty-one Villista casualties. Later in May, Lieutenant George Patton, soon to gain fame as a tank expert, killed two high-ranking Villistas on separate scouting details. For the most part, though, it was a fruitless exercise with nothing accomplished militarily.

The campaign dragged into fall with the most significant event being the promotion of Jack Pershing to the rank of major general on September 25. As the winter of 1916 set in, the long thin line of supply was a constant concern to Pershing. His maximum penetration into Mexico had taken the force to Parral in the State of Durango, some 500 miles from his jumping-off point at the international border. The elusive Pancho Villa was still safe in the mountains.

Back in Washington, interest in the Punitive Expedition had dwindled as

World War I threatened to draw the United States into the European conflict. Black Jack was recalled, and crossed the border at Columbus on February 5, 1917. He and his staff formed the vanguard of the column. All that remained was to assess the results of eleven difficult months.

It didn't take much military expertise to conclude the expedition had accomplished nothing in regard to its military objective. Villa was still free. It had been invaluable in that it taught two other important military lessons. It was very apparent that the mechanized age for America's army had arrived. The value of motorized equipment to transport supplies and troops was indisputable. The day of the horse and mule were gone forever. Even though the lumbering trucks were beset with mechanical problems, it was abundantly clear they could do the job.

Aircraft for military use were first employed by U.S. forces during the expedition. Although the resourceful Benjamin Foulois was hounded by impossible conditions in the Sierra Madres, he proved the value of aircraft for reconnaissance. Most of the eight Jennies crashed in the extreme altitudes of the mountains, which were beyond their capability. Still, their niche in military planning had been established. Few, however, except Foulois, had any concept of how aircraft would eventually figure in the conduct of war.

Don't miss Part II: Sir Knight "Black Jack" Pershing and Poncho Villa in the October 1994 issue!

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A beautiful Knights Templar certificate is a great gift idea. 11"04", blue parchment, paper certificate with five colors. The gold arch-ways are embossed, and 80% of the letters are raised letter. There are six shadow figures. The cast of this lovely certificate is \$8.00 each, including shipping and handling. Net proceeds will benefit the Eye Foundation. This is a limited edition of only 2,500 certificates. When ordering this certificate, please refer to it by its name, "What Is Templar?" Certificates will be mailed out twenty-one days after I receive the order. If ordered in amounts of ten certificates or more, I can provide a discount. Send orders to: Stanley C. Buz, P.O. Box 702, Whitehall, PA 18052. Please include check or money order and your telephone number with your order.

This first, limited edition, Masonic Knights Templar stein will benefit the Eye Foundation. This stein is the first in a series representing different Masonic bodies that will be produced over the next eight years. Each stein is 20-oz. with custom-made, brown body with a lid and shell handle, and includes nine pieces of artwork on the body. Each is hand-painted in 22c gold and platinum, and fired for seven days. Then three other colors (black, dark brown and red) are added to make up the beautiful five-color effect of this Masonic stein. Each stein is numbered for the limited edition; this series contains one thousand pieces. The cost of this stein is \$45.00, which will include shipping and handling, and of this amount \$10.00 goes to the Eye Foundation. Each contains a certificate of authenticity. This will make a great gift for Christmas, or any gift occasion, for a Sir Knight. If interested, please send check or money order to: Stanley C. Buz, P.O. Box 702, Whitehall PA 18052. Shipment will be in approximately twenty-one days after receipt of order. Phone number: (610) 770-9416.

For sale: Commandery hats to help KTEF. They are black with white lettering (gold for P.C.) and have Commandery name and number with cross and crown. One size fits all: \$10.00 each. Please include \$2.50 for S & H. \$2.00 of each sale goes to KTEF. Send check to Malta Commandery No. 10, P.O. Box 560, Derby, VT 05829.

For sale: six Sir Knights swords. These are old swords in very good condition. Three have ivory grips. One sword is a short type, 33". All have names on the blades that can be changed. Robert E. Ferguson, 1084 East Church St., Marion, OH 43302, (614) 389-2026. The best time to call is 8:00 to noon, E.S.T.

York Rite belts from the Grand Commandery of New Hampshire are still available, and will be kept in stock as long as the response calls for it. We have met your demand and have sent Out over 1,200 since the first ad in 1993. Its an easy way to advertise your pride in being a York Rite Mason, and obtain some petitions!

The belt is made from a black, military type belt with a woven ribbon sewed on. Woven into this ribbon are the three York Rite emblems and the names of the three bodies in gold letters. The colors are gold, silver, and red, and these are repeated several times around the belt. It comes in a standard 51-inch length, but longer can be supplied if needed. A brass buckle completes the fine looking belt. Proceeds go to the Knights Templar Eye Foundation and the Holy Land Pilgrimage program. Checks or money orders for \$12.00 to Frederick H. Heuss, P.G.C.; 6 Vernon Avenue; Rochester; NH 03867.

For sale: C.P.O. coats, poly-wool, summer weight: sizes 44 short, 44X long, and 46 short. \$23.00 includes shipping and handling. 10% of all sales will be donated to KTEF. General Merchandise Company, 13690 Broad Street, S. W; Pataskala; OH 43062; (614) 927-7073.

Fundraiser for Benton Lodge No. 521, F. & AM., Fowler, Indiana: official Swiss Army knives with silver alloy inlaid square and compass on a blue handle. Each contains scissors, tweezers, toothpick, and nail file. Knives were custom made for this fund. raiser. High quality, tough, and small enough to be carried in slacks. Available for \$18.95 plus \$2.00 shipping per knife. Bruce Creek, PM.; R.R. No. 1, Box 229; Remington; Indiana 47977; (219) 297-3.305 for further info. These are beautiful pieces.

The Grand Lodge of Vermont is celebrating its bicentennial during 1994. A commemorative coin has been struck to mark the occasion, and several mementos including the coin are currently available: commemorative coin, \$5.50; money clip, \$9.00; paperweight (coin incased in Lucite, \$13.50; clock and coin (incased in Lucite), \$33.00; bicentennial pin, \$3.00; unique Vermont covered bridge pin, \$3.00. Prices include postage and handling. Grand Lodge of Vermont, 431 Pine St., Burlington, VT 05401.

George Washington Lodge No. 585, located at Vicenza, Italy, is commemorating its 37th anniversary as the first American military Lodge in Italy. This memorable event is being honored by a limited edition, fine porcelain plate, 13" diameter. It has square and compass In powdered gold along with outline of Italy and the Lodge insignia. All profits go toward purchase of a permanent Lodge home. Cost is \$25.00 each, including S & H. Make checks or money orders payable to Ole F Olson, CMR 427/Box 2494, APOAE 09630. Checks or money orders only.

Marzuq Drum Corps at Tallahassee, Florida, is forming up. We need: a bass drum, snare drums, fife mouth pieces (metal or other O.K.). Contact George Lundrigan, Ph.D.; 609 Terrace Avenue; Tallahassee, FL 32308; (904) 222-2251 (24 hours). Advise as to condition and price wanted.

For sale: beautiful jeweled Shrine fezes from Khiva, Amarillo, Texas: one special events, one captain greeters (both size 7^{1/8}), 2 Khiva, only size 7—\$35.00 each. R. M. Wiser, P.O. Box 3886, Lubbock, TX 79452, (806) 747-4442.

Wanted: Texas Shriners' Convention of 93 doll, 8" MME. Alexander. Mint in box. Please call (708) 554-3311 or write Mrs. Thomas Pennington, PG. Box 523, Oswego, IL 60543.

Newly published: a book containing the names of members of the Masonic Fraternity who have received our nation's highest military award for bravery, the Medal of Honor. Also, Contains congressional citations which accompanied the awarding of the medal and a brief history of same plus the name of the Masonic Lodge of which the recipient is a member. Cost is \$9.95 ea., plus \$3.00 S & H. CT residents please add 6% state sales tax. 10% of profits will be donated to KTEF. Check or money order to The Weidner Publishing Group, 490 Cornwall Avenue, Cheshire, CT 06410. Sorry, no COOS.

Masonic watches: These old-time, mechanical pocket watches with Masonic symbols instead of numbers on the dial are clean and running, either yellow or white gold—in several sizes, ranging in price up to \$250 plus postage and insurance. Get a presentation watch for that special Mason in your life, be ready for the next installation in any body, or just pamper yourself. Send a SASE to Texas Coast Lumber Co., P.O. Box 3026, Corpus Christi, TX 78463-3026 for a currently available list or call (512) 882-5974 and ask for The Professor for a verbal description. You'll be glad you did.

Wanted: Tennessee Masonic Chapter pennies and other related medals. I am working on a book listing Tennessee tokens which were used by drug stores, general stores, bakeries, confectionaries, lumber and coal companies and other businesses, plus I am adding Chapter pennies. Joe C. Copeland, P.O. Box 4221, Oak Ridge, TN 37831, (615) 48.2-4215.

Wanted: Masonic Chapter pennies by avid collector. I have been building this collection for 23 years, and still need many pieces as I am collecting all varieties. These one day 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 will buy your collection. If you collect, I will gladly exchange. Any assistance will surely be appreciated. I will answer all letters. Maurice Storck, Sr.; 775 W. Roger Road, No. 214; Tucson; AZ 85705; (602) 888-758.5.

Let a real watchmaker take care of your docks and watches! Graduate of the German watch making school has 35 years of experience - repair and restoration. A percentage of profits to go to KTEF. The Clockmaker, 218 Sand Shore Road, Budd Lake, fLI 07828, (201) 691-8960.

Attention, Brother Masons: a fellow Mason wishes to purchase for his collection German and Japanese military souvenirs, helmets, uniforms, hats, swords, daggers, medals, books, or any other military item. Cad H. Faust, Box 2141, Setauket, NY 11733, (516) 751-55.56.

A must for the 33rd Mason: 10K, yellow gold Masonic band ring with the 33rd emblem plus seven other Masonic emblems encircling the entire ring: excellent condition, size 8; sells new for approx. \$450.00; will take \$175.00. Price includes insured postage delivered to you. Call anytime after 6:30 P.M. Bill Havens, Mobile, AL, (205) 342-0894.

My Thoughts on Freemasonry by Sir Knight Albert O. Arnold, Jr., Grand Secretary Emeritus of Kansas. This book is a collection of articles for general reading, 101 pages. Ideal for a gift or Lodge presentation. \$9.00 includes first class postage. Through the author: A. O. Arnold, Jr., P.O. Box 1184, Topeka, KS 66601-1184 or the Grand Lodge of Kansas, P.O. Box 1217, Topeka, KS 66601-1217, (913) 286-1239.

For sale: my collection of 642 postally used envelopes and cards, all with Masonic significance. Most are cacheted. Over five hundred are mounted on Masonic pages and are housed in seven three-ring binders. There are a few duplicates in the unmounted. Suggested price: \$500.00. Call or write: Howard W. Cantwell, 2412 Lakewood Road, Baltimore, MD 21234, (410) 665-1599.

I have available the first edition, hard cover History of the 96th Infantry Division of WWII Pacific operations. Free for postage. Must be a veteran of the 96th Division and make a donation to the KTEF. Jack Wood, (313) 277-0953 or 21726 Olmstead, Dearborn, MI 48124.

I want to buy books by Rider Haggard, single volumes or collections. Malcolm A. Watson, 32 Piggott Road, Medford, MA 02155.

Wanted: 1940s and 1950s neckties. Collector will pay cash for old ties and premium for hand painted, photographic and Dali designs. I pay postage even if I don't buy the ties. Phil Williams, 1-800-912-7754 or (704) 452-9511, 126 Felmet Street, Waynesville, NC 28786.

Mount Emblem Cemetery, Elmhurst, Twilight section-3 lots, \$3585 value for \$1650 or best offer. Call collect, (704) 891-8962 after 5 p.m.

For sale: four choice side-by-side grave sites located at the Open Bible in the Greenlawn Cemetery, Richlands, Virginia. Value, \$4,480; will sacrifice, \$3,200. Gordon Belcher, Castle Hayne, NC 28429, (910) 675-2741.

For sale: in Nassau Knolls Cemetery, Port Washington, L.I., N.Y., originally a Masonic section, plots No. 236 and 265, site for 4 graves—below original asking price. W. Mannell, 71 Elm Avenue, River Edge, NJ 07661, 262-4125.

We are researching the King family history starting with John King of Harwich, Massachusetts; born about 1660s, died 1753 (?). Would like to get in touch with any King related to this John King. Orlando I King, P.O. Box 23, Steuben, ME 04680

Attention, Brother Masons: This Brother will buy old baseball gloves or any other bit of baseball memorabilia. Mike Gonsolin, 242 La Pera Circle, Danville, CA 94526, (510) 838-0361.

Reunion: U.S.S. Shamrock Bay (VC-42, VC-94 and VC-96), fifth annual reunion on September 15, 16, and 17, 1994, downtown, Holiday Inn, Portland, Oregon. For info. Contact Fred H. Griggs, 1989 Dandy Road, Dallas, GA 30132, (404) 445-4770 or George VanBurskirk, 3333 104th Avenue, S.W.; Olympia, WA 98512, (206) 943-4479.

Reunion: 6147th Tactical Control Group, "Mosquito's," Korea, November 2-6, 1994, Destin, Florida. Guy "Hap" Smith, PG. Box 27, Niceville, FL 32588, (904) 897-4849.

Serenity isn't gray resignation. It's a golden, smiling quality. To possess it is to be armed against what, I suppose, is the hardest-to-accept, most unchangeable fact of life - the process of leaving it. I pray daily, not to be resigned to old age, not to yield supinely to its limitations, but to accept with a cheerful serenity what remains to me of accomplishment and experience.

Serenity

I. A. R. Wylie