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General Ely Parker:
Indian Patriot and Sir Knight



Message from C. Fred Kleinknecht, Sovereign Grand Commander Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, S.J., U.S.A

They are enthusiastic and grateful. They are the specially chosen ministers coming back from the Holy Land Pilgrimage program sponsored by the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States.

Freemasonry has many charities and philanthropies. Since 1955, for instance, the Knights Templar Eye Foundation has provided research funding, surgical treatment, and hospitalization for children, as well as adults, suffering eye diseases, injuries, and conditions such as strabismus (cross-eyes). Like the Scottish Rites Childhood Language Disorders Program, the Knights Templar Eye Foundation is serving Americas children and creating a brighter future for our nation.

The Knights Templar Holy Land Pilgrimage program is another notable Masonic endeavor. It effectively bridges the gap which unfortunately can develop between Freemasonry and some churches. Thus, I am particularly pleased to accept the gracious offer of Blair Christy Mayford, Most Eminent Grand Master and good Masonic Brother, to provide a comment in the *Knight Templar* magazine.

I wish to use this opportunity to commend you for doing so marvelous a thing! Every year, Sir Knights working in committees locate ministers of promise in their local Christian congregations of every denomination. Generally, these are young men and women early in their ministries. They are dedicated, outgoing people who, because of academic or other obligations, have never had the opportunity to visit the Holy Land and thus experience firsthand the world in which Jesus of Nazareth walked and taught.

To follow, literally, in His footsteps - What a feeling that is! So many of these honored recipients have told of the new sense of reality 'that comes to their understanding of the Scriptures from having visited Jerusalem, Bethlehem, the Sea of Galilee, and the many other biblical places which now 'come alive' as they study Scripture and preach its lessons. I know these ministers are profoundly grateful for the wonderful experience allowed them by the Knights Templar Holy Land Pilgrimage program.

I doubt these ministers will ever fall into the hands of anti-Masonry. They know what Masonry is because they have experienced its outreaching hand. Freemasonry, in recently responding as one to the challenge of the small but effective anti-Masonic faction within the Southern Baptist Convention, has shown that our Craft and Christianity are more than compatible. In truth, Freemasonry strengthens and enriches one's personal faith. No other Masonic endeavor demonstrates this fact more conclusively than the Knights Templar Holy Land Pilgrimage program. Congratulations and best wishes for continued success!



A handwritten signature of C. Fred Kleinknecht in cursive script. To the left of the signature is a Masonic symbol, a cross with a circle in the center. To the right is another Masonic symbol, a triangle with the number 33 inside, surrounded by a sunburst.

C. Fred Kleinknecht, 33^o Sovereign Grand Commander
Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, S.J., U.S.A.

In behalf of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America, I wish to express our many thanks to Illustrious and Sir Knight C. Fred Kleinknecht, 33^o Sovereign Grand Commander, Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of the United States of America, Southern Jurisdiction, for his taking the time and effort to write the above editorial for this issue of Knight Templar magazine.

Blair C. Mayford, Grand Master

Knight Templar

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

JULY: The 27th Annual Voluntary Campaign raised over a million dollars, after all: See Grand Master Mayford's explanation in "Editor's Journal on page 4. The Grand Master's guest writer on page 2 is C. Fred Kleinknecht, Sovereign Grand Commander of the Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, S.J., U.S.A. The results of the corrected Eye Foundation Campaign start on page 5. Also included are an overview of the Easter celebration and an essay examining the ups and downs of Templar membership by Past Grand Master Smith. Also enjoy a complete Joseph Bennett story including his art. In fact, the cover art by Sir Knight Bennett remembers a famous Sir Knight and patriot.

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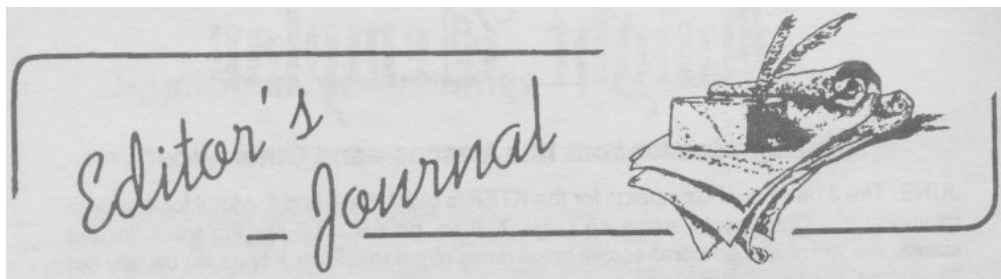
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Congratulations, Sir Knights! We Did It—Over One Million Dollars!

It has been called to my attention that the Grand Commandery of Florida did not receive credit for a will during this campaign.

As the books are closed for this campaign, we want all to know, including Florida, that I apologize for any hardship this has caused and give the Grand Commandery of Florida full credit for this \$12,000.00. Murphy's Law somehow got into the act.

Our total for the 27th Annual Voluntary Campaign is \$1,005,673.01.

Congratulations to Sir Knight Donald H. Smith, Past Grand Master of the Grand Encampment and Chairman of the 27th Voluntary Campaign, and congratulations to the Sir Knights of the Grand Encampment.

Blair C. Mayford, Grand Master and President of the KTEF

The Tenth Crusade to the Holy Land

Closed: Reservations are filled for the Grand Encampment and Grand Master Mayford's Tenth Crusade to the Holy Land, scheduled for this fall. Another trip at a similar time will be planned for 1996 and will be announced as soon as details are available.

Wanted: The Grand Encampment is in need of a copy of *History of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America* by Francis J. Scully, M.D. for its library. If you have a copy to donate or sell, please contact the Grand Recorder; Grand Encampment, Knights Templar; 5097 N. Elston Avenue, Suite 101; Chicago; IL 60630-2460.

Attention: All Grand Commanders and all Deputy Grand Commanders who will be in office as Grand Commanders on November 1, 1995; and Grand Recorders: In the upcoming November Issue, *Knight Templar* magazine will again present pictures of those Sir Knights who are Grand Commanders on

November 1. Please provide us with a photograph of yourself in uniform by September 10. If your installation will be in late September or October, order your photo NOW or it will arrive too late for inclusion in the November Issue.

Photos may be of any size (they will be reduced as in previous years), preferably black and white of good, clear quality. Color is acceptable. Do not send Polaroid prints as they do not reproduce well. We only use head shots and jewels of office do not appear.

Indicate your name and stab on the back of the photograph. Photos are requested by September 10. After that date, it may not be possible to include them in the November magazine.

Complimentary for Widows: Widows of Knights Templar are eligible to continue receiving 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.

Eye Foundation Campaign Closes

The Knights Templar Eye Foundation reports a contribution total for the 27th Annual Voluntary Campaign of \$1,005,673.01, \$74,495.71 less than last year and exceeding our \$1,000,000 goal by \$5,673.01. A total of 1,051 Commanderies participated in this year's campaign.

New Hampshire, Georgia and Montana remain the only achievers of 100% Life Sponsorship - every Sir Knight in these Grand Commanderies is now a Life Sponsor. Although many more Commanderies have achieved this goal, their entire Grand Commandery has not.

Kansas has taken the lead in total dollars contributed, with Pennsylvania in second position and Georgia third. A listing of top Grand Commanderies on a per capita basis finds Kansas first, followed by Utah and Colorado, second and third respectively. The top Subordinate Commandery on a per capita basis is Solo Di Aruba Commandery No. 1., Aruba Netherlands Antilles, and the top Subordinate Commandery for total dollars contributed is Anchorage No. 2, Anchorage, Alaska.

Plaques are being prepared for the 151 Constituent and Subordinate Commanderies that reported contributions of ten dollars or more per member. These Commanderies are listed on the following pages.

Top Grand Commanderies On A Per Capita Basis

No. 1 KANSAS	\$24.49 per member	Total - \$135,793.68
Martin A. Reed, Chairman		
No. 2 UTAH	\$16.32 per member	Total - \$9,810.83
Gerald J. Everett, Chairman		
No. 3 COLORADO	\$11.55 per member	Total - 424,400.63
Wallace A. Techentien, Chairman		

Top Subordinate Commanderies On Per Capita Basis

Solo Di Aruba No. 1, Aruba Netherlands Antilles
\$63.64 per member Total - \$1,400.00

Anchorage No. 2, Anchorage, Alaska
\$15.19 per member Total - \$4,100.00

Alaska No. 1, Fairbanks, Alaska
\$11.70 per member Total - \$1,100.00

Top Grand Commanderies In Dollar Totals

No. 1 KANSAS	Total - \$135,793.68
Martin A. Reed, Chairman	
No.2 PENNSYLVANIA	Total - \$91,750.64
John M. Lewis, Chairman	
No.3 GEORGIA	Total - \$67,986.48
Clarence E. Home Chairman	

Top Subordinate Commanderies In Dollar Totals

Anchorage No. 2, Anchorage, Alaska
Total-\$4,100.00

Heidelberg No. 2, Heidelberg, Germany
Total-\$1,659.80

Solo Di Aruba No. 1, Aruba Netherlands Antilles
Total-\$1,400.00

Constituent Commanderies Reporting \$10.00 Or More Per Member

ALABAMA: De Molay No. 14, Decatur; Anniston No. 23, Anniston; Lee No. 45, Phenix City.

ARIZONA: *Columbine* No. 9, Safford; Yuma No. 10, Yuma; Crusade No. 11, Chandler; Mohave No. 13, Kingman.

ARKANSAS: *Olivet* No. 20, Blytheville; Osceola No. 32, Osceola. **CALIFORNIA:** Merced No. 69, Merced.

COLORADO: Central City No. 2, Central City; Georgetown No. 4, Georgetown; Mt. of the Holy Cross No. 5, Leadville; Pikes Peak No. 6, Colorado Springs; Mt. Sinai No. Boulder; Ivanhoe No. 11, Durango; Glenwood No. 20, Glenwood Springs; Temple No. 23, Grand Junction; Jefferson-Highlands No. 30, Golden; Coronal-Ascalon No. 31, Denver; St. Bernard No. 41, Denver.

CONNECTICUT: New Haven No. 2, New Haven; Clinton No. 3, Norwalk; Cyreno No. Middletown; St. Elmo No. 9, Meriden; Crusader No. 10, Danbury.

DELAWARE: *Trinity* No. 3, Wilmington.

FLORIDA: Winter Haven No. 37, Winter Haven; Springtime No. 40, Clearwater.

GEORGIA: St. Omer No. 2, Macon; St. Aldemar No. 3, Columbus; Coeur de Lion No. 4, College Park; Ivanhoe No. 10, Fort Valley; Plantagenet No. 12, Milledgeville; Malta No. 16, Valdosta; St. Elmo No. 21, Brunswick; Alexius No. 22, Jackson; St. Bernard No. 25, Covington; Charles Martel No. 29, Chickamauga; Arnold do Troye No. 31, Buford; Griffin No. 35, Griffin; Blue Ridge Mountain No. 37, McCaysville; DeKaib No. 38, Decatur; Amcalola No. 41, Jasper; Coastal Plain No. 42, Tifton.

ILLINOIS: Galesburg No. 8, Monmouth; Cyrene No. 23, Vandalia; St. Elmo No. 64, Chicago.

INDIANA: Noblesville No. 61, Noblesville; St. Anseim, U.D., Indianapolis. *IOWA*: Palestine No. 2, Iowa City; St. Johns No. 21, Centerville.

KANSAS: Mt. Olivet No. 12, Wichita; Coeur de Lion No. 17, Parsons.

KENTUCKY: Paducah No. 11, Paducah; Louisville-Do Molay No. 12, Louisville; Mayfield No. 49, Mayfield.

LOUISIANA: *Indivisible* Friends No. 1, New Orleans; Plains No. 11, Baton Rouge; C. A. Everitt No. 29, Slidell.

MARYLAND: Jacques de Molay No. 4, Frederick; St. Bernard No. 9, Hagerstown; St. Elmo No. 12, Hyattsville.

MASSACHUSETTS/RHODE ISLAND: St. Johns No. 1, Cranston, R.I.; Newburyport No. 3, Newburyport, Mass.; St. Bernard No. 12, Boston, Mass; Haverhill No. 14, Haverhill, Mass.; Athol-Orange No. 37, Athol, Mass.; Quincy No. 47, Quincy.

MICHIGAN: Redford No. 55, Dearborn.

MISSOURI: *Hugh* de Payens No. 4, St. Joseph; Mary No. 19, Warrensburg. *MONTANA*: Golden West No. 24, Shelby.

NEBRASKA: Mt. Calvary No. 1, Omaha; St. John No. 16, McCook; Gethsemane No. 21, Columbus.

NEVADA: Edward C. Peterson No. 8, Carson City.

NEW HAMPSHIRE: *Trinity* No. 1, Manchester; St. Paul No. 5, Dover; Palestine No. 11, Rochester.

NEW JERSEY: Helena No. 3, Palmyra; Palestine No. 4, Trenton; Delta Damascus No. 5, Union.

NEW MEXICO: Santa Fe No. 1, Santa Fe.

NEW YORK: Norwich No. 46, Norwich; Otsego No. 76, Cooperstown; Tonawanda No. 78, Tonawanda.

NORTH CAROLINA: Griggs No. 14, Elizabeth City.

OHIO: Shawnee No. 14, Lima; Highland No. 31, Hillsboro; Coeur do Lion No. 64, Lyndhurst.

OKLAHOMA: De Molay No. 7, Chickasha.

OREGON: Ivanhoe No. 2, Eugene; Temple No. 3, Albany; Do Molay No. 5, Salem; Eastern Oregon No. 6, La Grande; Bruce No. 17, Corvallis.

PENNSYLVANIA: Pittsburgh, No. 1, Pittsburgh; Jerusalem No. 15, Phoenixville; Allen No. 20, Allentown; Baldwin II No. 22, Williamsport; Packer No. 23, Jim Thorpe; Ivanhoe No. 31, Mahanoy City; Hutchinson No. 32, Norristown; Mary No. 36, Philadelphia; Calvary No. 37, Danville; Knapp No. 40, Ridgway; Constantine No. 41, Pottsville; Reading No. 42, Reading; Kensington-Kadosh No. 54, Jenkintown; Trinity No. 58, Bradford; Lawrence No. 62, Now Castle; Warren No. 63, Warren; Huntingdon No. 65, Huntingdon; Mt. Calvary No. 67, Greenville; Nativity No. 71, Pottstown; Duquesne No. 72, Pittsburgh; Mt. Vernon No. 73, Hazleton; Gettysburg No. 79, Gettysburg; Samuel S. Yohe No. 81, Stroudsburg; Mt. Hermon No. 85, Sunbury; Lincoln No. 91, Monroeville; Damascus No. 95, Lansdale; Bethel No. 98, Hanover; Nazarene No. 99, Montrose; Holyrood No. 100, Kittanning.

SOUTH DAKOTA: Dakota No. 1, Lead.

TENNESSEE: St. Elmo No. 4, Memphis; Kingsport No. 33, Kingsport; Millington No. 39, Millington.

TEXAS: Abilene No. 27, Abilene; Taylor No. 85, Gun Barrel City.; Kilgore No. 104, Kilgore.

UTAH: Utah No. 1, Salt Lake City; El Monte No. 2, Ogden; Ivanhoe No. 5, Provo.

VIRGINIA: Dove No. 7, Danville; Lynn No. 9, Marion; Bayard No. 15, Roanoke; Moomaw No. 27, Lexington.

WASHINGTON: Seattle No. 2, Seattle; Hesperus No. 8, Bellingham; St. Helens No. 12, Chehalis.

WEST VIRGINIA: Pilgrim No. 21, Elkins. *WISCONSIN:* Ivanhoe No. 24, Milwaukee.

WYOMING: Immanuel No. 3, Laramie; Hugh de Payen No. 7, Lander; Constantine No. 9, Cody.

Subordinate Commanderies Reporting \$10.00 Or More Per Member

FAIRBANKS, ALASKA: Alaska No. 1

ANCHORAGE, ALASKA: Anchorage No. 2

NETHERLANDS ANTILLES: Solo Di Aruba No. 1, Aruba

Top Ten Commanderies In Dollar Totals

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|-----------------|----------------|
| 1. KANSAS | 6. TENNESSEE |
| 2. PENNSYLVANIA | 7. FLORIDA |
| 3. GEORGIA | 8. OHIO |
| 4. TEXAS | 9. ILLINOIS |
| 5. INDIANA | 10. CALIFORNIA |

Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc.
Twenty-seventh Voluntary Campaign

This is the final report. Campaign report by Grand
Commanderies for KTEF Officers and Trustees for
the week ending May 12, 1995. The total amount
contributed to date is \$993,673.01

Alabama	\$16,100.21
Arizona	11,563.13
Arkansas	7,111.82
California.....	26,268.99
Colorado	24,400.63
Connecticut.....	18,007.60
Delaware.....	2,890.80
District of Columbia.....	1,472.00
Florida	38,804.54
Georgia.....	67,986.48
Idaho	6,141.24
Illinois	27,860.33
Indiana.....	40,676.35
Iowa.....	15,438.47
Kansas	135,793.68
Kentucky.....	19,556.55
Louisiana	10,793.40
Maine.....	5,593.51
Maryland	14,027.25
Mass./R.1.....	22,682.80
Michigan	14,923.16
Minnesota.....	4,436.50
Mississippi	3,884.00
Missouri	12,198.05
Montana.....	11,907.98
Nebraska	11,582.75
Nevada.....	6,805.00
New Hampshire.....	6,846.55
Now Jersey	11,506.75
New Mexico	7,852.33
New York	8,033.55
North Carolina	15,223.00
North Dakota	708.00
Ohio.....	31,702.79
Oklahoma	3,161.65
Oregon	18,445.34
Pennsylvania.....	91,750.64
South Carolina	16,871.50
South Dakota	2,044.00
Tennessee	38,853.63
Texas.....	48,033.45
Utah.....	9,810.83
Vermont	2,260.25
Virginia	20,783.00
Washington	8,954.64
West Virginia.....	12,699.00
Wisconsin	6,574.00

Wyoming.....	7,339.29
Honolulu No. 1, Hawaii.....	440.00
Alaska No. 1, Fairbanks	1,100.00
Porto Rico No. 1	750.00
Anchorage No. 2, Alaska.....	4,100.00
Ivanhoe No. 2, Mexico	190.00
Heidelberg No. 2, Germany	1,659.80
Solo di Aruba No. 1.....	1400.00
Miscellaneous	47,671.80

Knights Templar Eye
Foundation, Inc. New Club
Memberships

Grand Commander's Club

Correction:

No. 100,237-John P. Thomas (MD)

New:

No. 100,317-Richard A. Erath (OR)
No. 100,318-John L. Winkelman (PA)
No. 100,319-David M. Dodd (PA)
No. 100,320-Charles W. Sinsel (WV)
No. 100,321-John E. Bower (NV)
No. 100,322-Matthew D. Dupee (PA)
No. 100,323-Thomas E. Mason (AR)
No. 100,324-Dennis Hall Woody (AR)
No. 100,325-Clayton T. Cox (AR)
No. 100,326-Richard W. Harrington (FL)
No. 100,327-John P. Thomas (MD)
No. 100,328-in honor of Viola M. Reese (PA) by
Edward G. Reese
No. 100,329-Frederick L. Johns (PA)
No. 100,330-Robert B. Woodside (MD)
No. 100,331-Michael Bennett (FL)
No. 100,332-Bruce L. Davis (FL)
No. 100,333-Howard W. Hobson (FL)
No. 100,334-Samuel Richard Petry II (OH)
No. 100,335-Samuel R. McHenry, Jr. (PA)
No. 100,336-Charles A. Hall (OH)
No. 100,337-John T. Holt (GA)
No. 100,338-Arthur F. Hebbeler III (MO)

Grand Master's Club

No. 2,407-in honor of Billy J. Boyer (MO) by
Elizabeth J. Boyer
No. 2,417-Donald A. Ray (WV)
No. 2,418-M. D. Crull (KY)
No. 2,419-M. D. Crull (KY)
No. 2,420.-4n honor of Luther Leckie Hill (PA) by
Mt. Vernon Commandery No. 73, PA
No. 2,421-Burton Eugene Jones (GA)
No. 2,422-Timothy M. Taylor (GA)
No. 2,423-Gerald Wayne Nuckolls (GA)
No. 2,424-David Frank Abbott (GA)
No. 2,425-Alan K. Baker (CO)
No. 2,426-Gerald Heagney (CO)
No. 2,427-Robert W. Prewitt (OH)
No. 2,428-John M. Robertson (GA)
No. 2,429-Albert H. Getchell (CT)
No. 2,430-M. David MacCallum (CA)
No. 2,431-Henry G. Betz (CT)
No. 2,432-G. Carlton Stevens (VA)
No. 2,433-Ved A. Stuart (CO)
No. 2,434-Edwin L. Stephenson (TX)
No. 2,435-Walter Edward Ford, Jr. (TN)
No. 2,436-John Homer Collins (TN)
No. 2,437-David J. Pelphrey (OH)
No. 2,438-Bernard E. Rothman (MD)
No. 2,439-Donald W. Kling (NC)

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 of \$100 or more 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 Club Pins

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.

100% Life Sponsorship Knights Templar Eye Foundation

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Oriental Commandery No. 12
Chagrin Falls, OH

Gettysburg Commandery No. 79
Gettysburg, PA

Cyprus Commandery No. 23
Knoxville, TN

Paris Commandery No. 16
Paris, TX

Hugh De Payen Commander)' No.7
Lander, WY

Where Have They Gone? Facts and Figures!

by Past Grand Master Donald H. Smith

As a member of the Grand Encampment Committee on History, one often finds some facts that should be told to all Templars in the light of our present situation. Membership loss has been one of the most serious problems we have encountered in the past twenty years. In order to give all of our Fratres an idea of this condition, I want to put it in a historical context.

Where do we stand today in regard to our population of Templars in the Grand Encampment? The latest figure as of April 1 1995, was 227,758. Using that as our base, let us put it into Templar perspective.

I will use an eighty-year cycle, because the great majority of Knights Templar were born during that period of time. We will, therefore, begin with the 1915 Grand Encampment total of 237,340 as our base. There were 1,413 chartered Commanderies at that time.

In 1927, we achieved the highest number of Knights ever with a total of 453,836 in 1,693 Commanderies. In 1943, we fell to the lowest point in these eighty years with only 219,368 in 1,596 Commanderies. In just sixteen years the Grand Encampment had lost over 50% of its membership and ninety-seven Commanderies. We can attribute that tremendous loss to that unfortunate period in our history known as the Great Depression.

With the end of World War II, the Fraternity as a whole began to grow, and Templary grew with it. 1960 was the year we attained our highest number since World War II with a total of 398,564 in 1,629 Commanderies.

In the thirty-five years since 1960, we have lost a total of 170,806 Knights and almost 150 Commanderies. We have lost a Knight Templar every two hours for these thirty-five years. Where have the Templars gone? As time goes on, we know that about half of them have passed on to that eternal reward in heaven. Where have the others gone?

The dreaded words that go with every consideration of our great losses are demit and suspension. These are words that we can work with. The Committee on Membership in the Grand Encampment has presented several ways that a Commandery can work to reduce these losses and to gain new members. Publications on this subject are available for the asking.

As of this day, our membership is almost ten thousand **less** than it was eighty years ago. The population of these United States is about 140,000,000 **more** than it was in 1915.

What can we do about it? There are at least 2,500,000 Freemasons in this broad land who are eligible to become York Rite Masons. Pump up the enthusiasm, illuminate the ritual, and perform it well in your Conclaves. Ask, **seek, and you** shall find!

Sir Knight Donald Hinslea Smith, Most Eminent Richmond Commandery No. 19, Richmond, Past Grand Master of the Grand Encampment Kentucky. He resides at 1041 Idylwild Drive, and P.G.C. of Kentucky, is a member of Richmond, KY 40475.



Easter Revisited

by Sir Knight Richard B. Baldwin, P.D.C. (H.)
General Chairman, Committee on the
Easter Memorial Sunrise Service

On Sunday, April 16, 1995, Easter arrived as advertised. It was a little overcast but otherwise a really fine morning. Several changes were instituted this year, all of which seemed to work out very well. A large number of Sir Knights and their ladies took advantage of the package deal offered by the Hotel Washington. Financially, it is a very good arrangement for the members, and the hotel was likewise pleased with the results.

The Saturday luncheon was attended by some three hundred, and again all the comments we heard were positive, and everyone there seemed in a holiday mood.

Easter morning saw the parade form at the top of Shooters' Hill at the George Washington Masonic National Memorial. Our Grand Master Blair Christy Mayford, together with his elected progressive line officers, joined Past Grand Masters Dull and Fowler, five Department Commanders, sixteen Grand Commanders, the Supreme Grand Master of the Great Priory of Canada, and over four hundred Sir Knights in uniform. The total attendance was about 1,000. It was a handsome sight. A few did not get programs, and that problem will be "fixed" next year! Our Grand Master, in making his welcoming remarks, noted that this was his sixteenth year of continuous attendance and invited those having the same or more years of attendance to get in touch with him.

The service was conducted much as in previous years and was refreshing and exhilarating. My thanks to the Shrine Band; the DeMolay; Sir Knights Richard Webb and John Steele, our soloists; the committee members; and to all those (especially Sir Knights from Virginia and the District of



Columbia), who worked so hard to make this a memorable affair.

A good crowd of about three hundred was present for breakfast, although we would like see the number larger.

The Grand Commandery of Ohio was recognized as having the largest contingent of uniformed members present, and the Grand Commandery of Delaware was recognized as having the highest percentage of its membership present. In the future, I think, we will expect the Grand Commanderies so recognized to have a delegation at the breakfast.

There were delegations from the following Grand Commanderies: Ohio, Delaware, Canada, Massachusetts! Rhode Island, New York, Virginia,

Vermont, New Hampshire, Kentucky, Maine, Pennsylvania, Indiana, Michigan, Illinois, Wisconsin, New Jersey, Maryland, West Virginia, North Carolina, Florida, the District of Columbia, and South Carolina. Our hearty thanks to all who made this a memorable occasion.

In 1996, Easter falls on April 7. I urge all of us to start thinking now about attending this unique weekend in Chivalric Masonry. Let's get some good old competition going for the Grand Commanderies with the largest

number and highest percentage of members present! Above all, let's have a festive and happy time at this major holiday on the Christian calendar!

Sir Knight Richard B. Baldwin, General Chairman of the Committee on the Easter Sunrise Memorial Service, P.G.C. of Virginia and P.D.C. (honorary), is a member of Arlington Commandery No. 29, Arlington, Virginia, and resides at 5400 Bromyard Court, Burke, VA 22015

Maundy Thursday Services



The Grand Commandery officers attended Maundy Thursday services in our nation's capital

Highlights

Elbert H. Gary Commandery No. 57 Merrillville, Indiana

At 7:00 P.M. on Maundy Thursday, April 13, 1995, sixteen Sir Knights in uniform assembled in the foyer of the First Presbyterian Church of Merrillville. The Sir Knights then marched to the front of the church, where they knelt and recited "The Lord's Prayer" in unison. After prayer, the Sir Knights were seated in seats of honor at the front of the church for a superb service celebrated by Reverend Scott Paczkowski, who participated in the 1994 Grand Commandery Holy Land Pilgrimage. Following Communion, the Sir Knights repaired to the social area of the church, where they were greeted by the congregation.

Texas Sir Knights Help Students

In the picture are members of Weatherford Commandery No. 51, Weatherford, and students from the local P.A.S.S. school with Mrs. Hazel Nesbit, whose house was



used for work for the Christmas in April program. Shown are: kneeling, left to right: A. R. Clary, Junae Floyd, Tony Longerbone, and Bill Stapelkemper. Standing are, left to right: A. L. Hayter, Jerry Baird, Amy Pruitt, Miwon Kang, Laura Pamplin (P.A.S.S. teacher), Mrs. Nesbit, J. D. Mooney II, Jim Manley, and Margret Clary. No shown are Gary Wells, Beverly Wells, and Jackie Larance.

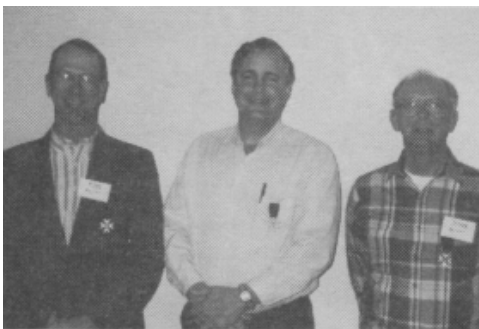
Illinois York Rite Day



On April 22, 1995, Beauseant Commandery No. 86, located at Carbondale, in conjunction with Marion Chapter No. 100, held a York Rite Day with ten candidates in attendance. The day was named in honor of Sir Knight Clifton Kirby, who is ninety-six years old and has been a active member of the Commandery for sixty-six years.

Grand Spring Festival in New Mexico

At the York Rite festival held in Albuquerque a rather unique event took place. Taking the degrees and orders of York Rite Masonry were one Past Grand Master, one Grand Lodge Junior Warden, and a sitting Master of a Blue Lodge. In the picture, from left to right, are Sir Knights Tom E. Payne, P.G.M.; Dan Irick, Jr. Warden of the Grand Lodge of New Mexico; and John Nelson, Worshipful Master of Sandoval Lodge No. 76 in Rio Rancho. (Photo by Sir Knight Walter D. Wyche, W.M., Sandia Mountain Lodge No. 72.)



The Freemasons of Vermont Boost The Knights Templar Eye Foundation



Charitable donations totaling \$45,662.00 were announced by the Freemasons of Vermont at their second annual Charity Awards Banquet in Montpelier. The Knights Templar Eye Foundation was one of twenty-three charities which received major contributions. In the picture, Phillip Goss, Commander of St. Johnsbury, receives check from Roderick J. Maclay, Grand Master of Vermont.

The major Vermont charity is the CARE Program for the prevention of drug and alcohol abuse in local communities. Praised by Governor Dean and other state officials, the CARE Program has been made possible by donations in excess of \$120,000.00 from Vermont's 10,000 Freemasons. Since 1987, two 3-day seminars held annually have outlined programs aimed at assisting Vermont education officials in dealing with substance abuse in local communities. Over 100 Vermont schools have attended the seminars sponsored by the Freemasons.

from the Masonic Family

Knights Templar In Connecticut Join In Scottish Rite Feast of Paschal Lamb

In the New Haven, Connecticut area there is cooperation between the York and Scottish rites. On April 11, 1995, the Scottish Rite Ceremony, Feast of Paschal Lamb, was performed in the apartments of the New Haven Masonic Temple and was shared by the Knights Templar and the Scottish Rite. Director of the ceremony, Sir Knight George C. Venter, P.C., selected Past Commanders of the area for the officers of the ceremony. Approximately 150 Scottish Rite and Knights Templar members and their families attended the ceremony. The speaker of the evening was Sir Knight Frederick H. Lorensen, Past Commander of New Haven Commandery No. 2 and the Deputy for Scottish Rite Dept. of Connecticut. Refreshments following the ceremony were served by the wives of both the Knights Templar and Scottish Rite members.

Sir Knights pictured are: front row, seated: Frederick H. Lorensen; second row: Westley Alexander, E.C.; Donald Murray, P.C.; Bruce Bellmore, P.C.; third row: Richard Smail, P.C.; Donald Robinson, P.C.; George C. Venter, P.C.; fourth row: Albert H. Getchell, V.E.D.G.C.; William Norton, H.P.C.; Edwin Dingus, G.Sr.W.; Stephen Dunn, Gen.; Richard Eppler, P.C. (Photo by K. A. Wright.)



From Dr. Francis J. Scully's...

History of the Grand Encampment

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The Grand Masters
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John Temple Rice
Thirty-Fifth Grand Master
1946-1949
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On June 22, 1917, he enlisted in the 36th division of the Texas National Guard and was assigned to the Medical Department. As a member of Field Hospital No. 141, 111th Sanitary Train, 36th Division, he served in France with the American Expeditionary Forces from July 18, 1918, to June 3, 1919. He took part in the Meuse-Argonne offensive in which the 36th Division distinguished itself.



JOHN TEMPLE RICE
Thirty-fifth Grand Master, 1946-1949

Sir Knight Rice was made a Master Mason in El Paso Lodge No. 130 on April 14, 1911, and served as Worshipful Master in 1915 and 1916. He was elected Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Texas in 1937.

He was exalted in El Paso Chapter No. 157 on October 17, 1911, and served as High Priest in 1917 and 1918. He was elected Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Texas in 1942.

He was greeted in El Paso Council No. 98 on March 30, 1912, and served as Thrice Illustrious Master in 1919 and 1920.

He received the 32^o in the Scottish Rite in the Consistory at El Paso on April 23, 1915. He became active in all the Scottish Rite bodies and on October 16, 1923, received the grade of Knight Commander of the Court of Honor. He was coronetted an honorary 33^o Inspector General on January 30, 1928. He was also a member of the Mystic Shrine and of the Red Cross of Constantine.

He received the Orders of Knighthood in El Paso Commandery No. 18 on November 29, 1911, and served as Eminent Commander in 1921. He was elected Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Texas in 1931.

At the Conclave of the Grand Encampment in 1934 he was elected Grand Junior Warden, and on October 31, 1946, he became Grand Master.

Sir Knight Rice was most active during his term as Grand Master, traveling extensively to visit the different grand Jurisdictions. His pleasing personality and affable manner made him welcome at every occasion. At each Grand Commandery, his interest in their work and his kindly words of approval and encouragement endeared him to all the Sir

Knights. The following tribute at the time he became Grand Master is most appropriate.

He brings to the exalted office of Grand Master a clear mind and rich experience of executive responsibilities. His meticulous care in all matters of detail and his sound judgment of values, his adherence to established customs and traditions and his lofty conception of the mission and dignity of Templary undoubtedly qualify him for the great responsibilities of the office of Grand Master.

Robert Brainerd Gaylord
Thirty-Sixth Grand Master
1949-1952

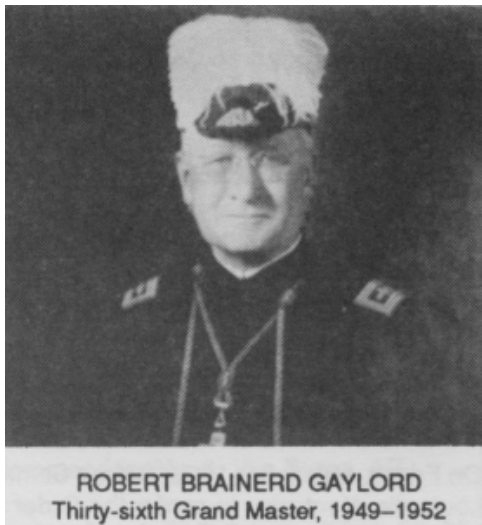
Robert Brainerd Gaylord was born in River Falls, Wisconsin, on November 29, 1876. When he was seven years old, the family moved to California and settled in San Jose. He attended the public schools there and then entered the University of California where he graduated from the Law School in 1897.

He was admitted to the bar in 1897 and began his law practice in San Francisco. He was eminently successful in his legal work, devoting his energies to an extensive civil and corporation practice. His son became associated with him. He was a member of the San Francisco, California, and American Bar Associations.

On July 17, 1901, he married Miss Harriet Brown Lumley, and two children were born to them. He did not solicit political office, but served his city on the various municipal boards. He was a member of the Baptist church.

Sir Knight Gaylord was raised in Oakland Lodge No. 188 in Oakland, California, on March 18, 1899. He served as the Worshipful Master in 1906 and was elected Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of California in 1931.

He was exalted in Oakland Chapter No. 36 in Oakland, California, on October 22, 1902. He was greeted in Council No. 12 in Oakland, California on May 31, 1903.



He received the 32^o in Oakland Consistory No. 2 on June 14, 1909, and was advanced to the grade of Knight Commander of the Court of Honor on October 22, 1929. He was also a member of St. Philip Conclave, Red Cross of Constantine; Islam Temple of the Mystic Shrine; and San Francisco Court No. 4, Royal Order of Jesters.

Sir Knight Gaylord was Knighted in Oakland Commandery No. 11, in Oakland, California on December 1, 1903. He served as Eminent Commander in 1913, and was elected Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of California in 1929. In 1934 he was started in the line of the Grand Encampment being appointed to the station of Grand Standard Bearer. He was elected Grand Master in 1949 at the forty-fourth Conclave held in San Francisco.

Sir Knight Gaylord gave generously of his time and talents to the cause of Knighthood. He was a staunch defender of the interests of Templary. In his position as Grand Master, he had an opportunity to exhibit that fine quality of leadership he had always shown in his efforts to keep the great Order of Knighthood on the high plane it has enjoyed in the affairs of men.

In Memoriam



Clifford M. Baumbach
Iowa
Grand Commander-1987
Born January 10, 1915
Died April 30, 1995

Dr. Carroll C. Arnett
Kansas
Grand Commander-1961
Born May 15, 1913
Died April 30, 1995

Alexander Nicholas Hetman
Massachusetts/Rhode Island
Grand Commander-1993
Born November 5, 1920
Died May 19, 1995

Detroit Commandery No.1 Pilgrimage To Louisville-DeMolay Commandery No. 12

On Friday, March 31, 1995, Detroit Commandery No. 1 of Detroit, Michigan, traveled to Louisville, Kentucky, to confer the Order of Malta and observe the Order of the Temple by Louisville-DeMolay Commandery No. 12.

Pictured is the Detroit Order of Malta team with Commanders John Andy Jackson of Detroit No. 1 and G. Michael Miller, Sr., of Louisville-DeMolay No. 12: front row, left to right: Thomas Garner; W. LeRoy Coughenour; Joseph Giunette; Earl Drew; John Andy Jackson, then Commander, now Past Commander; George Loesch, E.G. Prelate, K.T. of Michigan; Albert Firth, P.C.; Frank O'Boyle, Robert Mackey, P.C.; and Robert Johnson; second row, left to right: James Champane; Ralph Smith, the new Knight of Malta from Louisville-DeMolay No. 12; G. Michael Miller, Sr., Commander; Chuck Davis; and Richard Helms; third row, left to right: Richard Langs; John Mengel, P.C.; Harold Teufel; Thomas Tabor; Duane Wilson; Steve Genther; Charles Reisdrf; John Strang; and Charles Williams. Not pictured were: Russel C. Wells, then Generalissimo, now Commander of Detroit No. 1; Tommy R. Amidon, Grand Commander of Michigan; Ortis Key, Grand Commander of Kentucky; Russell P. Livermore, East Central Department Commander; Morrison L. Cooke, Past Department Commander, East Central; and Donald H. Smith, Past Grand Master of the Grand Encampment.



Recipients Of The Grand Encampment Membership Jewel

139. Marvin W. Gerhard, Springtime Commandery No. 40, Clearwater, FL. 3-27-95.
140. Romeo Sierbo, Springtime Commandery No. 40, Clearwater, FL. 3-27-95.
141. Sherman A. Herman, Crusade Commandery No. 12, Bloomsburg, PA. 3-27-95. Jewel and one cluster.
142. Howard A. Farrand, Brazil Commandery No. 47, Brazil, IN. 4-18-95.
143. Michael C. Glawson, Calvary Commandery No. 28, Fulton, MO. 4-18-95.
144. Terry L. Lemon, Sr., Crusade Commandery No. 12, Bloomsburg, PA. 4-18-95.
145. Lewis F. Polley, Jacques DeMolay Commandery No. 3, Van Buren, AR. 4-28-95.
146. James M. Higgins, St. Johns Commandery No. 4, Philadelphia, PA. 4-28-95.
147. H. Paul Florin, Malta Commandery No. 44, Benton Harbor, MI. 5-17-95.
148. James W. Cowart, Palestine Commandery No. 7, Savannah, GA. 5-17-95.
149. Clyde E. Griffin, Palestine Commandery No. 7, Savannah, GA. 5-17-95.
150. Eli Stafford, Palestine Commandery No. 7, Savannah, GA. 5-17-95.
151. Ronald W. Wolbert, Palestine Commandery No. 7, Savannah, GA. 5-17-95.
152. Grady R. Partain, De Molay Commandery No. 8, Columbus, MS. 5-17-95.
153. Robert S. Hughes, Richmond Commandery No. 2, VA. 5-17-95.
154. James W. Bolyard, De Molay Commandery No. 11, Grafton, WV. 5-17-95.
155. Lewis J. Ketchum, Cheboygan Commandery No. 50, Gaylord, MI. 6-5-95.
156. William B. Pieper, Las Cruces Commandery No. 11, Las Cruces, NM. 6-5-95.
157. Edward L. Clymer, Kensington-Kadosh Commandery No. 54, Jenkintown, PA. 6-8-95. Jewel and one cluster.



Florida Commandery Holds Observance at Chapel on the Hill



Cortez Commandery No. 44, Spring Hill, Florida, hosted a Good Friday observance at the Chapel on the Hill. Reverend Dr. Robert A. Plank, pastor of the church and Prelate of the Commandery, officiated. Sixteen uniformed Sir Knights attended with their ladies. Pictured left is Robert Collingwood, D.D.G.C. Center is Sir Knight Robert Plank, flanked by J. William Koring, E.G., and Dallas Helm, Recorder. Tampa *Tribune* picture by Fred Ballet.

Grand Commandery Of Maryland Holds Festivals

During its chivalric year, the Grand Commandery of Maryland held three festivals: Several York Rite bodies on the eastern shore held a festival in the fall. A fall festival was held in Baltimore, organized by Robert L. Foreman, V.E.D.G.C., with a full-form Order of Malta conferred. A statewide effort was held in conjunction with the Scottish Rite. All the Scottish Rite degrees, Chapter and Council degrees, and Commandery Orders were conferred in the course of the festival, and thirty-three Companions were Knighted on April 29, 1995. The Order of the Red Cross was conferred by Palestine Commandery No. 7, the Order of Malta was conferred by Crusade Commandery No. 5, and the Order of the Temple was conferred by York Commandery No. 16. At least five other Commanderies supplied some of the personnel to assist. This is the third year that the York and Scottish Rite have worked together in a joint degree program. The program was concluded on May 3 with a dinner hosted by the Sovereign Grand Inspector general of the Scottish Rite, Illustrious Bernard E. Rothman.



Excerpts From Message Of Anna Andersen Miss Kansas Job's Daughters, To Grand Lodge Of Kansas

"Job's Daughters is an organization for young women between the ages of eleven and twenty who are related to a Master Mason. We feel it prepares young women for civic, business, religious, fraternal, and social activities. We learn love for our country and its laws, for our parents and guardians, and for our elders. Most of all it helps young women through the most difficult period of their lives, their adolescence."

"Membership in Kansas has declined in recent years and we are trying hard to rebuild it. Kansas Job's Daughters is in great danger of losing their Grand Chapter if our membership does not increase rapidly. We are in need of your support to keep Job's Daughters in Kansas alive."

"The increase of Job's Daughters membership can also mean an increase for Masons. A Past Grand Master from California, while reviewing a list of Past Masters from his Lodge, noticed that over half of the Masters in the past thirty years were first exposed to Freemasonry when they attended their daughters' initiations into Bethels."

Submitted by Gerald R. Butcher, P.G.G., KCT, editor Kansas Supplement

Eli Parker: Indian Patriot and Sir Knight

by Sir Knight Joseph E. Bennett, 33⁰, KYCH

In today's politically-correct society, the term "Native American" enjoys abundant usage among those grieving over past injustices to the North American Indian. Relatively few of those sympathetic souls know, or have any interest in learning, the glorious story of that particular segment of Homo sapiens known as Iroquois.

When the first European settlers began arriving on the eastern shores of this country in the 17th century, they soon engaged in a desperate struggle with the great Indian confederacy known as the Five Nations or Iroquois Nation.

Originally, five Indian tribes; the Mohawk, Seneca, Cuyuga, Oneida, and Onandaga; banded together to form a confederacy with a community government which was administered uniformly among the various members. The tribes enumerated were concentrated primarily in New York State and around the eastern rim of the Great Lakes. Fierce and warlike, the Iroquois tribes consolidated to enhance their power among neighboring hostiles. The formidable confederacy eventually added the Tuscarora tribe to their circle, emerging as the Six Nations. As the years passed, they expanded as far west as the Mississippi River, subjugating most of the tribes in their aggressive expansion.

Details of the founding of the Iroquois confederation are clothed in legend and rooted in antiquity. The mythical Hiawatha was among their founding fathers.

The Iroquois we are most concerned with in this discourse is one Eli Parker, the last

Grand Sachem of the Six Nations, and a genuine American hero. A sachem is more than a conventional chief. He holds the most exalted position of leadership in the confederacy.

The thoroughly Anglicized name "Parker" was derived from a rather unusual source. An English officer captured by the Iroquois during the American Revolution adopted the Indian way of life and became a member of the Hawk Clan. He eventually conferred the name "Parker" on the family with whom he had established residence. One of the young sons of that Seneca family was William, father of Ely Parker, the subject of our narrative. William selected the first name "Ely" for his son to honor a distinguished citizen of Rochester, New York.

William Parker was a distinguished Seneca chief who established his residence on the falls of Tonawanda Creek, where he carved out a prosperous farm and raised a large family. William took care to see that his brood were schooled in the heritage of the Iroquois, while he encouraged them to take advantage of the white man's civilization. Parker's bloodline ran undiluted to the great Hiawatha, and his fierce pride and love for the Seneca Nation were typical of an Indian leader. Ely and all his siblings inherited the same enthusiasm for their customs and traditions.

The Iroquois, traditional allies of the British against the French, were generally hostile to the colonists during the Revolutionary War. George Washington addressed that hostility by sending Major General John Sullivan on a punitive

campaign through New York to demolish every stronghold of the Iroquois confederacy. Sullivan, a distinguished Mason, was imminently successful, laying waste to every Iroquois village west of Utica and driving his fierce enemies westward to Ohio and into the arms of the British forces around Niagara, New York. The Iroquois strength was broken as a result of Sullivan's devastating campaign, and their

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differences with the colonists were resolved in the Treaty of Big Tree in 1797. That agreement established a large reservation around Seneca Lake in New York, which eventually shrank to 6,500 acres by the time Ely Parker was born. Ely's home was on the Tonawanda Reservation, east of Buffalo, New York.

William Parker was an expert hunter and an active horse trader, in addition to his agricultural pursuits. The site of a great deal of his trading activity was Buffalo. It was on such a business trip in a farm wagon that Ely Parker was born in 1828. Elizabeth Parker gave birth to her son during the return leg of the trip to Buffalo, near the town of Pembroke in Genesee County.

Ely was raised in the old ways of the Seneca, observing all the tribal traditions. Father William was one of fourteen Seneca chieftains of the Tonawanda tribes when Ely was born. He had fought in the War of 1812 with the famous Red Jacket, a blood relative of his wife

Elizabeth and a member of her Wolf Clan. Red Jacket was a frequent visitor at the Parker home, and Ely was taught to call him "Grandfather." The controversial Red Jacket yearned for the rank of sachem, but the honor eluded him.

Young Ely enrolled in the mission school on the reservation when he was old enough to attend. He was clothed in the traditional blanket rather than a coat, and his hair was braided. Although a bright child, christened "The Reader" by his classmates, the mission school was unfulfilling for the young Seneca. With his father's permission, Ely left the reservation when he was ten years of age to join the Canadian branch of the Iroquois Nation on Grand River.

The Grand River Iroquois were under the leadership of Joseph Brant, one of the most famous Indian leaders of the early 19th century and a true ally of the British. He was a Freemason, having received his degrees in London. As a traditional Mohawk purist, Joseph Brant and his people governed their lives according to strict ancient customs. The traditional Iroquois lifestyle was a primary reason for Ely's decision to live on the Grand River. The other motive for leaving the Tonawanda Reservation was the turmoil and unrest among his Seneca tribesmen created by the shrinking acreage of their reserved lands. The fraudulent activities of the Ogden Land Company was disrupting the entire Seneca Nation in the Tonawanda Valley.

While at Grand River, Ely returned to the ancient customs of the Iroquois and dismissed every vestige of his mission-school training. He was an expert horse handler and soon secured a job as a hostler's boy. His employer's primary trading customer was the British army at Hamilton, Ontario. The taunts and racial insults from the British officers his employer dealt with soon caused young Ely to rethink his decision to abandon the white man's way of life. He decided to

return to Tonawanda and obtain an education in a white school. The missionaries at the Tonawanda school helped Ely review his studies and become enrolled at Yates Academy, a racially-mixed institution.

Two year later, in 1847 Ely left Yates Academy to enter Cuyuga Academy at Aurora, New York. In that academic setting, the young Seneca blossomed. His fine academic skills became apparent to one and all, and a rare talent for oratory proved to be one of his most prominent attributes. Young Parker developed into a strong voice for the Seneca Nation, and his glowing oratory on their behalf made him a spokesman in the halls of government. Ely made numerous trips to the state capital at Albany and to Washington, D.C. on tribal business, particularly addressing legal concerns involving land titles. His tender years did not deter him from becoming a well-known Indian advocate, or associating with many influential political figures. Actually, his first trip to Washington on behalf of his people occurred when he was fifteen years old.

Among Parker's friends was Lewis H. Morgan, who had attended Cuyuga Academy some years before him. Morgan made a deep impression on Parker, particularly with his fraternal activity in an organization called "The Gordian Knot." Its members made use of Masonic paraphernalia and lodge rooms during their secret meetings. Inasmuch as their activity was near Batavia, the center of the Morgan Incident and the anti-Masonic movement, the lodges were all dark, and their property was virtually abandoned in some instances. Incidentally, Lewis Morgan was not related to the Morgan around whom the controversy swirled.

Parker became active in the Gordian Knot Society and was eventually responsible for changing its name and mission. Under Ely's stewardship the

organization became the Council of the New Confederacy of the Iroquois with branches as far east as Utica, New York. The council's primary goal was to promote the customs and social practices of the Iroquois and to thwart the schemes of unscrupulous land developers.

Lewis Morgan became an important voice for the Seneca, too, and was eventually adopted into the Hawk Clan. A talented author, his first book in 1851 was a distinguished and authoritative story of Seneca life and culture.

Ely left school in 1848 to attend pressing Tonawanda affairs in the legal field. Before he had reached his twenty-

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first birthday, the young Indian was made a sachem of the Seneca Nation in recognition of the great service he had rendered his people. He decided to study law in order to have a better grasp of the legal problems besetting his people. Ely was able to become associated with the law offices of Angel and Rice in Ellicottville, New York, where he applied himself diligently for three years. It was only after completing his training and becoming qualified to be admitted to the bar that Parker learned he could not practice law due to the fact that he was non-white and not an American citizen. It was a blow that would have devastated

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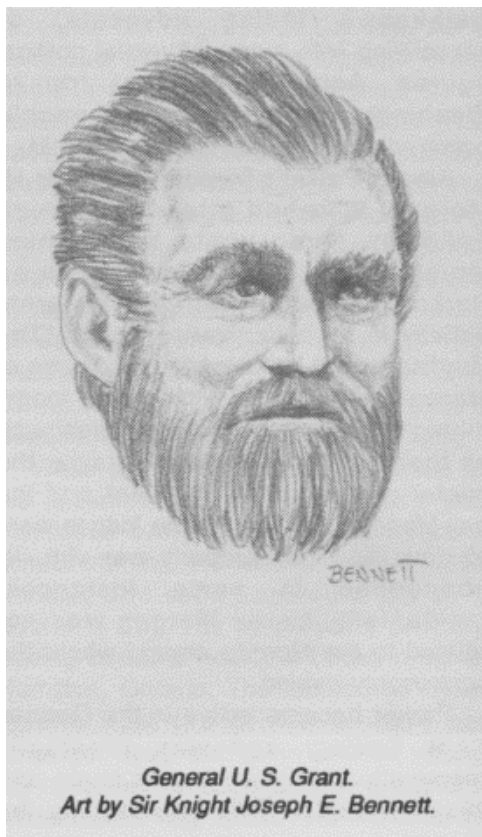
Parker enrolled at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute at Troy, New York, with the goal of becoming a civil engineer. He left Rensselaer in 1852, fully qualified to accept a position in Rochester working as an engineer on Erie Canal improvements. He divided his time between his new profession and a large farm he had procured on the Tonawanda Reservation. By 1855, Parker's stature had grown in his chosen field to the point that he was offered an appointment as chief engineer for the Chesapeake and Albemarle Canal. Not long after assuming that duty he was appointed construction engineer for the Lighthouse District on Lake Huron, Lake Michigan, and Lake Superior. It was during this phase of his life that Ely Parker became a Freemason, an organization for which he held great respect.

He was Raised in Batavia Lodge No. 88 but affiliated with Valley Lodge No. 109 at Rochester, New York, on May 6, 1850. He was later active in Galena, Illinois, becoming a charter member and first Worshipful Master of Miner's Lodge No. 273, after demitting from his New York Lodge. He served as Master of Miner's Lodge from 1858 through 1860. He also held membership in Hamilton Chapter No. 62, R.A.M., in Rochester, and was the first High Priest of Jo Daviess Chapter No. 51, in Illinois, serving from 1859 through 1861. He was Knighted in Monroe Commandery No. 12, K.T., in Rochester and received the Cryptic degrees in Elmira, New York. Finally, Parker demitted from Miner's Lodge in Galena, Illinois, in 1862, to become the first Master of Akron Lodge No. 527 at Akron, New York. Ely was elected Grand Orator of the Grand Lodge of Illinois in 1861 but was unable to be installed due to the press of duties as a government engineer. His portrait hangs today in Miner's Lodge at Galena, Illinois.

An appointment as superintendent of

construction for a custom house and marine hospital at Galena, Illinois, in 1857 led to an acquaintanceship with Ulysses S. Grant, a clerk in a local harness shop at the time Parker arrived. Grant was a West Point graduate, a former regular army officer, and a veteran of the Mexican War. He was also an extremely intelligent individual who imbibed freely in alcoholic spirits. The Indian engineer and ex-soldier became close friends in a short time, and enjoyed many long conversations. Their friendship was cemented even further when Grant rescued Parker from an embarrassing situation brought about by the consumption of alcohol during a convivial social evening. Grant was an old hand at holding his liquor, but the Seneca chief was a novice.

When the Civil War erupted in 1861,



Ely wanted to enlist. He was dissuaded not to abandon his duties on the Mississippi levees by arguments from his superiors that "the war will be over in a few months." Ely's friend Grant raised a regiment of volunteers and soon received the brevet rank of brigadier general. He gained great acclaim for his capture of Fort Henry and

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Fort Donaldson in 1862 at a time when the North was digesting a litany of defeats from every theater of operations.

Parker resigned his duties in 1862 and returned to New York to ask his father's permission to join the Union Army. This was a tradition among the Senecas, and William Parker gave his blessing to the request. However, Ely's reception in Washington was as cool and disappointing as it had been at the governor's office in the State of New York. At the capital in Albany, the governor declined Parker's request for a commission. The same rebuff awaited him in Washington where Secretary of War Edwin Stanton started, "The fight will be settled by white men alone. Go home, cultivate your farm, and we will settle our own trouble without Indian aid." Totally crushed, Ely returned to his Tonawanda farm and busied himself with agricultural duties. In the eyes of his Seneca brethren, he had suffered a great loss of face, particularly when it was noted that three hundred Senecas had already joined the military ranks.

On June 4, 1863, Parker's military fortunes underwent an abrupt change. Shortly before that date, a courier dashed onto his farm at the Tonawanda Reservation bearing a commission as a captain in the cavalry. The official War Department document carried the signature of Abraham Lincoln. The Grand Sachem of the Iroquois was delighted to accept the commission even though the elders of the tribe requested he remain and guide the destiny of the Seneca Nation. Ely reported to Assistant Adjutant General J. E. Smith and was assigned duty as a division engineer in the 17th Army Corps, a post he held until September 18, 1863, when orders came to join Major General U. S. Grant's staff at Vicksburg, Mississippi.

Shortly after reporting to Grant, Parker developed a severe fever which incapacitated him for a time. He recovered to see active duty during the Chattanooga campaign, exhibiting great coolness under fire at Lookout Mountain and Missionary Ridge. A major reason for Parker's disregard for his safety was the fact that he was totally convinced he was destined to survive the war unscathed. As it turned out, he was correct.

During January 1864, Ely suffered a reoccurrence of his fever while in Nashville and was disabled again for a short period. During his illness, his close friend, William Brady, the celebrated photographer of the Civil War, cajoled Ely about the curative powers of whiskey for the fever. Agreeing to give the alcohol cure a try, the Seneca chief suffered another embarrassing incident. His boisterous alcohol-inspired war-whoops entertained the entire camp, according to his associates. The experience convinced Parker to abstain from alcohol permanently, a personal policy from which he never deviated.

Grant received his third star as a lieutenant general in May 1864, as the Wilderness campaign was launched in

Virginia. During the preparation for that terrible conflict, Parker's total disregard for personal safety was demonstrated frequently. He was called upon to lay out a line of entrenchments in preparation for the battle, a hazardous assignment he carried out with great nonchalance. On August 10th, 1864, Parker received orders assigning him to duty as Grant's military secretary with a promotion to the rank of lieutenant colonel. Their long friendship generated a bond of complete trust between them, making Parker a particularly valuable aide and counselor to Grant. The general frequently directed Ely to compose letters which he signed without reading. Grant respected Parker's sage advice and accepted much of it in matters of tactics.

As the Confederacy became desperate over the crumbling defenses around Richmond, a number of attempts were

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made to assassinate Grant during the winter of 1864-65. All, however, were thwarted. By spring it was apparent to everyone, including General R. E. Lee, that all was lost for the South. The battle for Petersburg was over and Richmond had fallen. On April 9, Lee and Grant met in the McLean house at the Appomattox court house to discuss surrender terms. Grant dashed off the terms in an informal letter he handed Lee for approval. After the Southern commander indicated his agreement, Grant handed the letter to Ely Parker to be composed into the formal document of surrender.

During the preparation of the document, Grant took the opportunity to introduce General Lee to his staff. The commander of the army of northern Virginia was immaculately attired in a new uniform while Grant wore mud-spattered field garb. Victor and vanquished stood in striking contrast in that historic room. When introduced to Parker, Lee gazed into his face a long time appearing a little surprised. It seemed to those present that Lee first imagined Colonel Parker to be a negro, but when he finally spoke, he remarked, "I'm glad to see a real American here." Ely immediately responded, "We're all Americans."

The war in Virginia over, Parker returned to Washington with Grant. The war in the South had not yet produced a total capitulation of the Confederacy. Grant eventually traveled to Georgia to finalize the overall surrender and dictate terms. Upon arrival in Washington, a promotion to brevet brigadier general was awaiting Parker, citing him for gallantry in action and meritorious service. It was dated April 9, 1865, the day Lee signed the document of formal surrender. April also brought great sorrow to the celebration marking the end of the long and bloody Civil War. Abraham Lincoln was assassinated at Ford's Theater in Washington by John Wilkes Booth.

Parker continued on active military duty until his resignation on April 26, 1869. He underwent a profusion of rank adjustments following the war when he was mustered out of volunteer service into the regular army. He was commissioned a second lieutenant in the U.S. Cavalry and promoted to first lieutenant on June 1, 1867. Concurrent with his regular army commissions, he received brevet promotions to the rank of colonel, and then to brigadier general, U.S. Army, on March 2, 1867.

There were concerns that occupied Parker's attention other than military matters. He was alarmed at the corrupt

administration of Indian affairs in the capital, and soon became an active advocate for change. He also took time for an affair of the heart. He met, courted, and became engaged to Miss Minnie Sackett during the discharge of his military duties. They announced plans to wed on December 17, 1867, with General Grant scheduled to give the bride away. Arrangements were made for an elaborate wedding, complete with hundreds of distinguished guests and

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friends. Parker failed to arrive for the ceremony, causing consternation among the attendees. The reason was veiled in mystery, but rumors were circulated that the couple had been threatened by a rejected suitor of Miss Sackett if they went through with the marriage ceremony.

The wedding was rescheduled for Christmas Day at Washington's Church of the Epiphany. When the guests arrived, the church was locked. Ely and Minnie had married a few hours before in a small church nearby. Later, it was learned that Parker had been drugged prior to the originally-scheduled ceremony in the hope that the delay would cause cancellation of the wedding. Parker himself never discussed the bizarre incident.

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down to the agency level. During the purging process of eliminating graft and corruption from the Indian Bureau, Ely made many enemies. One of these, William Welsh, a former board member on the Commission for Indian Affairs, proved to be the most formidable. He accused Parker of fraud, misuse of public funds, and abuse of authority - thirteen allegations in all. Welsh's charges received such wide attention that Parker was tried in February 1871 before a committee of the House of Representatives.

Suffering through a public trial, which consumed many weeks, Parker was absolved of any wrongdoing. All irregularities were traced to dishonest officials still administering bureau affairs, most at the agency level. Parker, brokenhearted at the attack on his character, resigned his post in August 1871. He had invested his funds prudently over the years and was moderately wealthy at the time of his resignation. He built a summer home in Fairfield, Connecticut, and returned to civilian life.

As time passed, many of Parker's investments turned bad, and the results were extremely costly for the celebrated Indian hero. One of the disasters occurred when a bank cashier was found guilty of embezzlement. Parker had posted his bond. Although not legally required to make good on the default, under existing regulations exempting Indians from such liability, Ely felt morally obligated to cover the loss. Years later, the defaulter accumulated great wealth and regained his former status but elected not to reimburse Parker for the forfeiture of his bond.

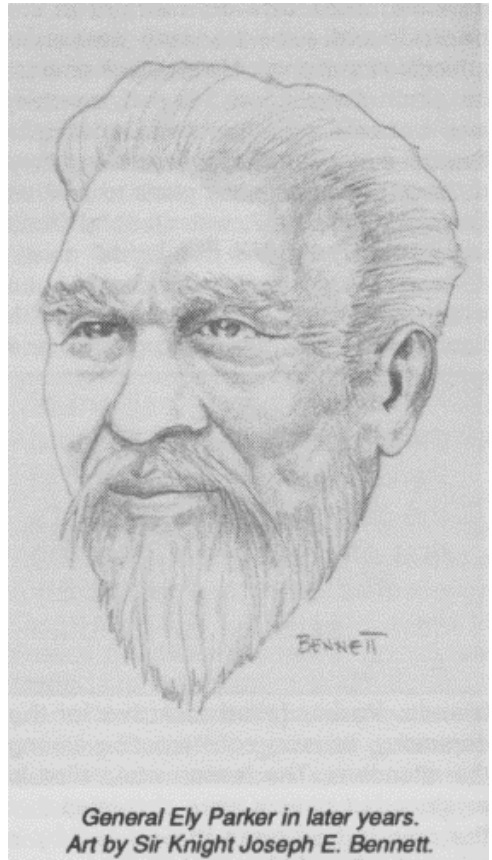
A series of other financial ventures failed, each one taking a heavy toll on Ely's dwindling funds. Among them were a bank failure, an insurance company bankruptcy, and a publishing venture that went bad. Facing middle age with an invalid wife and meager funds, Parker was forced to take a position with the city of New York.

Although still active in Indian affairs and a number of public endeavors, primarily the relocation and dedication of the remains and monument to Chief Red Jacket at Buffalo, New York, Ely continued to discharge his daily responsibilities. He still had his farm at Tonawanda to supervise and operate, too. In spite of his financial and business burdens, Parker was generous in responding to many speaking requests during this very difficult period.

During his later years, Ely's duties with New York were specifically in the office of the police commissioner, Colonel F. D. Grant, son of General U.S. Grant. During his service with the city, Parker suffered his first serious health threat. He suffered a stroke at his desk on June 15, 1893, and was transported to his Fairfield, Connecticut home to recuperate. He recovered partially, but even so, 1893 and the year before had both been sad ones for Parker.

His distinguished sister Caroline died in 1893, after an active and productive public life. Two brothers, Levi and Nicholson, both passed away in 1892. With the passing of the three siblings, Ely was the only surviving member of his immediate family. His health continued to be a problem. Varicose veins, stemming from an old ankle injury, complicated his recovery from his stroke in 1893. In his prime, Parker had been a bear of a man, standing five feet ten inches tall and with a stocky, powerful frame and incredible strength. The weight of his problems, combined with advancing years, extracted a heavy toll.

Two years after the initial stroke, Parker suffered another and passed away at his Connecticut home on August 31, 1895. His burial and obsequies were observed in the Episcopalian ritual at Fairfield with many of his Seneca brethren and a vast array of public notables in attendance. A small army of his Masonic brethren witnessed solemn, fraternal memorial ceremonies during the



funeral. Later, Ely's remains were exhumed and re-interred at Buffalo's Forest Lawn Cemetery, near the burial site and monument to Chief Red Jacket.

The list of American Indians who held membership in the Masonic Order in the 19th century is a short one. The list of those who are remembered for outstanding service is even more brief. The names of Ely Parker, Joseph Brant, and Philip Deloria were prominent among the Indian Masons. Red Jacket probably received his Entered Apprentice Degree in a British Lodge during a visit to London, but the status of the controversial chief is tenuous.

None of those named with Parker approach the stature of the last Grand Sachem of the Iroquois. His ability to distinguish himself among his Indian

peers, and achieve the same lofty recognition among the white men is unrivaled in American history. Parker led a busy and demanding life but was able to devote a full share of his time to his beloved Masonry. Had he so chosen, his station in Masonry could have been at the highest pinnacle. He was indeed qualified to wear the purple of the Fraternity. Ely Parker's accomplishments transcend any consideration of color, creed, or nationality.

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Joint Masonic Effort Successful in Utah

The Scottish Rite, York Rite, and Shrine combined efforts in a two-day event that proved very successful to all organizations involved. Planning began last November for a joint statewide Scottish Rite Reunion,

York Rite Festival, and Shrine Ceremonial that was held on April 21-22, 1995, at the Masonic Temple in Salt Lake City. The Scottish Rite Reunion and the York Rite Festival were held concurrently, and were followed by the Ceremonial of El Kalah Temple, AAONMS. The 32^o was conferred on forty-nine new Masters of the Royal Secret, the Order of the Temple was conferred on twenty-two new Knights Templar, and forty-seven new Nobles were created for El Kalah Temple. The event culminated with a "sold out" banquet which featured an address by the M.W. Grand Master of Masons in Utah, Brother James L. Murphy, 32^o. According to Sir Knight A. T. Hereim, then Grand Commander of Utah: "Masonic renewal activities in Utah have resulted in a significant increase in degree work in the Blue Lodges, and as expected, the whole Masonic family is benefiting from that effort."

Maine Visitation

Maine Sir Knight James H. Doyle (center), P.G.C. 1971, who was unable to attend his Grand Commandery's 144th Annual Conclave because of health problems, is shown at his home in Falmouth with his surprise visitors, Most Eminent Grand Master Blair C. Mayford (left) and Northeastern Department Commander John O. Bond, Sr., who were on their way to the Auburn/Lewiston Conclave.





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Two beautiful Knights Templar certificates to benefit the Eye Foundation. The costs are: *What Is a Knight*—\$8.00, and *"What Is a Templar"*—\$8.00. The certificates have 5 colors with golden archways embossed on 804b. parchment paper. Also to benefit the Eye Foundation is a Masonic Knights Templar slain honoring DeMolay for 75 years. Purchase price, \$47.00, including S & H. A picture of stains is in *Knight Templar*, January 1995. Make check payable to Stanley C. Buz and mail to P.O. Box 702, Whitehall, PA 1052.

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Thomas Jefferson