Triennial Conclave—Just Around the Corner!

This is a last request that you get your registration in NOW for the 60th Triennial Conclave. The date, August 9, 1997, is, as the heading above states, 'Just Around the Corner."

Remember that Southwest Airlines is our official airline for the 60th Triennial Conclave of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America. To receive the special airfare, call the Airlines Group Desk at 1 (800) 433-5368, and use the identity code R3907 when ordering your tickets. To get this special airfare offer, be sure to order five days prior to your travel date.

No matter what airline you use, there is a shuttle service, Airport Express, that offers round-trip service from Lambert St. Louis International Airport to the Adams Mark Hotel for $15.00 a person. Southwest Airlines arrives at the airport's East terminal. They have a desk at the foot of the escalator in the baggage area, where you can make arrangements for transportation. Should there be no attendant at the desk, call telephone number 429-4950 (Airport Express), and make your arrangements. If you arrive at the main terminal, Airport Express has a desk at carrousels 1, 2, and 5.

Refer to page 19 through 21 of this issue in regard to the program of the 60th Triennial Conclave.

The Triennial Committee is hard at work putting the finishing touches upon every facet of the Conclave. Their every effort is to make every Sir Knight and his lady feel at home in the "Show Me State," and to make sure they enjoy the warmth and hospitality we have to offer.

It is fitting and proper that we pause for a moment to pay due respect to our forefathers, who gave their all so we can enjoy the many privileges that exist today. With Memorial Day just behind us and the 4th of July just ahead of us, we have a lot to be thankful for. Masons everywhere have pledged their lives in the defense of our great nation. They are on the rolls of every war that we have fought from the American Revolutionary War through our policing of Bosnia.

My Lady Dorella and I wish for all of the Sir Knights and their families a most joyful summer and safe travels. We look forward to seeing and greeting many of you in St. Louis at the Triennial in August.

Meet Me In St. Louie, Sir Knight And Lady Louie

Blair Christy Mayford
Grand Master
JULY: The results of the 29th Annual Voluntary Campaign for the Knights Templar Eye Foundation are in! Read all about thorn on pages 5 through 14. Grand Master Blair C. Mayford has his parting words concerning preparations for the 60th Triennial Conclave on page 2, plus we offer an up-to-date schedule of events for the Triennial, and that starts on page 19. The Sir Knights and ladies are planning another Pilgrimage to the Holy Land for this November. Get the details on page 22, and be sure your don't miss this one! Last but certainly not least, we are again blessed with an intriguing baseball story by Sir Knight Joseph E. Bennett, accompanied by this talented Sir Knight's original artwork. Brother Herb Pennock's story starts on page 23.

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Important Announcement: Due to automation, the Post Office is requiring us to make changes to many addresses that we have on file; therefore, you may begin noticing these changes on your mailing label; whether subtle or drastic, we had to do it!

Announcement: Knight Commander of the Temple Award: All nominations for the Knight Commander of the Temple award should be made to a HOLDER of the award in the state of the nominee. These nominations will be reviewed by the holders and then forwarded to the Grand Encampment. NO nominations will be accepted if sent directly to the Grand Encampment office. Any further questions should be directed to the Grand Recorder of the Grand Encampment.

Attention: all Grand Commanders and all Deputy Grand Commanders who will be in office as Grand Commanders on November 1, 1997; or 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, 1997. 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 state on the back of the photograph. Photos are requested by September 10, 1997. After that date, it may not be possible to include them in the November magazine.

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). Honor your widows at regular or special programs of your Commandery. Order in lots of 10 at $5.00 apiece, payable to the Grand Encampment, and send to the Grand Recorder; Grand Encampment, Knights Templar; 5097 N. Elston Avenue, Suite 101; Chicago; IL 60630-2460.

Sir Knights, Attention!: An Important and invaluable booklet entitled The York Rite of Freemasonry - A History and Handbook is available. It is authored by Sir Knight Frederick G. Speidel. 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. There are 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, plus shipping and handling; $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.

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.
Critique of the 29th Annual
Voluntary Campaign

by Sir Knight John L. Winkelman, P.D.C. (Northeastern)
and Chairman of the 29th Annual Voluntary Campaign

The final results of the 29th Annual Voluntary Campaign of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation have been compiled, and the news is not good. The total for the Campaign was $818,744.10, which is $93,463.76 below last year's total and far, far below the goal of $2,000,000.00.

Although the results had virtually caught up to the 27th Annual Voluntary Campaign at the end of the 21st week, they never caught up to the results of the 28th Annual Campaign. Actually, the results also fell far behind the 27th Annual Campaign by the final accounting of May 15th as is depicted in the chart below.

One additional grand jurisdiction, the Grand Commandery of Colorado, and one additional subordinate jurisdiction, Canaan Commandery No. 1 of the Virgin Islands, have met the goal of $10.00 per member in the final tabulation. There were thirteen jurisdictions reporting numbers between $5.00 and $10.00, but unfortunately, there were nine jurisdictions reporting numbers less than $1.00 per member. Here are some other analyses:

1. Twenty-eight grand jurisdictions had contribution totals less than their 28th Annual Campaign totals. The overall percentage of decline reported by these twenty-eight Grand Commanderies was 30% ($152,008).
2. Twenty grand jurisdictions had contribution totals more than their 28th Annual Campaign totals. The overall percentage of increase reported by these twenty Grand Commanderies was 21% ($74,768).

3. The subordinate jurisdictions reporting had contribution totals of $9,525.00. Comparing this number to the reported totals for the 28th Annual Voluntary Campaign, we find an increase of 91% ($4,542).

4. The miscellaneous contribution category, which contains receipts from individuals and organizations that for some reason can't be credited to a specific constituent Commandery and are therefore credited to a Grand Commandery, amounted to $19,321. This is a decrease from the 28th Annual Voluntary Campaign of 52% ($20,769). Hopefully, this is due to your supplying better identification data by way of using proper forms and returns. The KTEF office in Chicago also spent considerable time tracking down some of the Sir Knights' affiliations when they were not indicated.

Finally, Sir Knights, a downward trend is obvious in the results of the last three Annual Voluntary Campaigns. If they are adjusted so that they are all on the same basis, we find the 27th Annual Campaign's total at $934,315, the 28th's at $912,208, and the 29th's at $818,744. Each year, many factors influence the totals in the individual jurisdictions, but one factor may be a common thread. That factor is declining membership in our beloved organization. That being true, the jurisdictions must rely less upon the contributions of the individual Sir Knight and more upon the fundraising event concept, which the recent Voluntary Campaign Chairmen have been emphasizing. It is five months until the start of the 30th Annual Voluntary Campaign. Use the time wisely, plan new fundraisers, reschedule old fundraisers, and check local charitable foundations for possible contributions. Above all, don't adopt an attitude that no effort needs to be expended because everything will be O.K. if it is given enough time to get back on track.

Please, don't wait until the last minute to turn on your thinking processes. Start NOW, and improve your chances for success in the forthcoming Campaign.

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Discount Air Fares To Triennial In St. Louis

Southwest Airlines is offering a discount on most of its already low fares, for travel to and from the 60th Triennial Conclave of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar, U.S.A. Call (or have your professional travel agent call) the Southwest Airlines Group and Meeting Desk at 1 (800) 433-5368, Monday through Friday, 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M., and refer to I.D. Code R3907. Call no later than five days prior to first date of travel to take advantage of this offer, but remember, It Is best to call right away as fares are subject to terms and availability.
Eye Foundation Campaign Closes

The Knights Templar Eye Foundation reports a contribution total for the 29th Annual Voluntary Campaign of $818,744.10, $93,463.76 less than last year. The total is far below our goal; however, some Commanderies did an outstanding job as you can see for yourself from the following listings. Thanks to all those who worked so hard. A total of 1,070 Commanderies participated in this year’s campaign, 33 less than last year.

Georgia, Montana, and Alabama are 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.

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

Plaques and seals are being prepared for the 171 constituent and subordinate Commanderies that reported contributions of $10.00 or more per member. 132 Commanderies contributing $5.00 to $9.99 per member will receive certificates. These Commanderies are listed on the following pages.

Top Grand Commanderies On A Per Capita Basis

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Top Subordinate Commanderies On A Per Capita Basis

Solo Di Aruba No. 1, Aruba, Netherland Antilles
$86.36 per member Total: $41,900.00

Anchorage No. 2, Anchorage, Alaska
$12.55 per member Total: $3,300.00

Canaan No. 1, St. Croix, Virgin Islands
$10.61 per member Total: $350.00
Top Grand Commanderies In Dollar Totals

No. 1 PENNSYLVANIA
   Errol V. Hawksley, Chairman
   Total: $90,269.26

No. 2 TEXAS
   Kurt J. M. Swanda, Chairman
   Total: $63,954.10

No. 3 GEORGIA
   William D. Miles, Chairman
   Total: $63,695.25

Top Subordinate Commanderies In Dollar Totals

Anchorage No. 2, Anchorage, Alaska
   Total: $3,300.00

Heidelberg No. 2, Heidelberg, Germany
   Total: $2,300.00

Solo Di Aruba No. 1, Aruba, Netherland Antilles
   Total: $1,900.00

Top Ten Commanderies In Dollar Totals

1) PENNSYLVANIA
2) TEXAS
3) GEORGIA
4) MISSOURI
5) TENNESSEE
6) OHIO
7) VIRGINIA
8) FLORIDA
9) COLORADO
10) MASSACHUSETTS/RHODE ISLAND

Top Ten Commanderies In Per Capita Totals

1) UTAH
2) NEVADA
3) COLORADO
4) VIRGINIA
5) WYOMING
6) PENNSYLVANIA
7) DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
8) NEW HAMPSHIRE
9) WASHINGTON
10) CONNECTICUT

Constituent Commanderies Reporting $10.00 Or More Per Member

ALABAMA: Anniston No. 23, Anniston

ARIZONA: Columbine No. 9, Safford; Yuma No. 10, Yuma; Apache No. 16, Mesa

ARKANSAS: Osceola No. 32, Osceola

CALIFORNIA: Auburn No. 52, Auburn; Merced No. 69, Merced.
COLORADO: Denver-Colorado No. 1, Denver; Central City No. 2, Central City. Pueblo No. 3, Pueblo; Georgetown No. 4, Georgetown; Mount of the Holy Cross No. 5, Leadville; Pikes Peak No. 6, Colorado Springs; Gunnison No. 8, Gunnison; Glenwood No. 20, Glenwood Springs; Temple No. 23, Grand Junction; Jefferson-Highlands No. 30, Denver; St. Bernard No. 41, Denver.

CONNECTICUT: Clinton No. 3, Norwalk; St. Elmo No. 9, Meriden

DELWARE: Trinity No. 3, Wilmington.


FLORIDA: Fort Myers No. 32, Fort Myers; Winter Haven No. 37, Winter Haven.

GEORGIA: St. Omer No. 2, Macon; Coeur do Lion No. 4, College Park; DeMolay No. 5, Americus; William Tracy Gould No. 6, Forsyth; Ivanhoe No. 10, Fort Valley; Plantagenet No. 12, Milledgeville; St. Johns No. 19, Dalton; Alexius No. 22, Jackson; Hebron No. 23, Carrollton; St. Bernard No. 25, Covington; Mount Calvary No. 28, Moultrie; Charles Martel No. 29, Chickamauga; Bethlehem No. 30, Thomasville; Arnold de Troye No. 31, Buford; Rhodes No. 34, Hawkinsville; Griffin No. 35, Griffin; Blue Ridge Mountain No. 37, McCaysville; Douglasville No. 40, Douglasville; Amicalola No. 41, Jasper; Costal Plain No. 42, Tifton.

ILLINOIS: Joliet No. 4, Joliet.

IOWA: Siloam No. 3, Dubuque; Damascus No. 5, Keokuk; Kenneth No. 32, Independence; Zerubbabel No. 68, Albia; Ascension No. 69, Ames.

KENTUCKY: Paducah No. 11, Paducah; Mayfield No. 49, Mayfield.

LOUISIANA: Plains No. 11, Baton Rouge; Bethlehem No. 20, Winnfield; C. A. Everitt No. 29, Slidell.


MARYLAND: Maryland No. 1, Baltimore.


MICHIGAN: Romeo No. 6, Romeo; Escanaba No. 47, Escanaba; Redford No. 55, Dearborn.

MISSOURI: Hugh de Payens No. 24, St. Joseph; Excalibur No. 5, Hannibal; Ivanhoe No. 8, St. Louis; St. Omer No. 11, Sedalia; St. Graal No. 12, Columbia; Ascalon No. 16, St. Louis; Mary No. 19, Warrensburg; Crusade No. 23, Mexico; Tancred No. 25, Moberly; Prince of Peace No. 29, Jefferson City; Temple No. 38, Fayette; Ascension No. 39, Joplin; Olivet No. 53, Boonville; Cape Girardeau No. 55, Cape Girardeau; Rolla No. 59, Rolla; Havre do Grace No. 63, Marceline; Poplar Bluff No. 67, Poplar Bluff; Malta No. 72, Shelbina; St. Charles No. 73, St. Charles.

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

NEVADA: Do Witt Clinton No. 1, Reno; Malta No. 3, Las Vegas; Lahontan No. 7, Fallon; Edward C. Peterson No. 8, Carson City.
NEW HAMPSHIRE: Trinity No. 1, Manchester; Mt. Horeb No. 3, Concord; St. Paul No. 5, Dover; Palestine No. 11, Rochester.

NEW JERSEY: Delta Damascus No. 5, Union; St. Johns No. 9, Carteret

NEW MEXICO: Las Vegas No. 2, Las Vegas.

NEW YORK: Hudson River No. 35, Newburgh; Norwich No. 46, Norwich; Otsego No. 76, Cooperstown; Tonawanda No. 78, Tonawanda.

OHIO: Cache No. 27, Conneaut; Highland No. 31, Hillsboro; Holyrood No. 32, Berea.

OKLAHOMA: DeMolay No. 7, Chickasha.

OREGON: Oregon No. 1, Portland; Ivanhoe No. 2, Eugene; Temple No. 3, Albany; Eastern Oregon No. 6, La Grande; Bruce No. 17, Corvallis.

PENNSYLVANIA: Pittsburgh, No. 1, Pittsburgh; Mountain No. 10, Altoona; Jerusalem No. 15, Phoenixville; Melita-Courde Lion No. 17, Scranton; Allen No. 20, Allentown; Baldwin II No. 22, Williamsport; Packer No. 23, Jim Thorpe; Hutchinson No. 32, Norristown; Mary No. 36, Philadelphia; Calvary No. 37, Danville; Prince of Peace No. 39, Ashland; Knapp No. 40, Ridgway; Constantine No. 41, Pottsville; Reading No. 42, Reading; St. Alban No. 47, Springfield; Kensington-Kadosh No. 54, Jenkintown; Trinity No. 58, Bradford; Warren No. 63, Warren; Huntington No. 65, Huntington; Mt. Calvary No. 67, Greenville; Nativity No. 71, Pottstown; Mt. Vernon No. 73, Hazelton; Gettysburg No. 79, Gettysburg; Samuel S. Yoho No. 81, Stroudsburg; Bethany No. 83, Du Bois; Mt. Hermon No. 85, Sunbury; Lincoln No. 91, Monroeville; Mizpah No. 96, Doylestown; Bethel No. 98, Hanover; Nazarene No. 99, Montrose; Holyrood No. 100, Kittanning.

SOUTH DAKOTA: Dakota No. 1, Spearfish; Damascus No. 10, Aberdeen.

TENNESSEE: Paris No. 16, Paris; St. Omer No. 19, Bristol; Kingsport No. 33, Kingsport; Millington No. 39, Millington.

TEXAS: Abilene No. 27, Abilene.

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

VIRGINIA: Lynn No. 9, Marion; Graham No. 22, Bluefield; Arlington No. 29, Arlington; George W. Wright No. 31, Martinsville; Penn-Neck No. 33, Urbanna.

WASHINGTON: Temple No. 5, Ellensburg; De Molai No. 6, Montesano; Hesperus No. 8, Bellingham; St. Helens No. 12, Chehalis; Cowlitz No. 29, Longview.

WEST VIRGINIA: De Molay No. 11, Grafton; Pilgrim No. 21, Elkins

WISCONSIN: Ivanhoe No. 24, Milwaukee; Galilee No. 38, Hartford.

WYOMING: Immanuel No. 3, Laramie; Constantine No. 9, Cody; Clelland No. 12, Douglas.

Subordinate Commanderies Reporting $10.00 Or More Per Member

SOLO DI ARUBA NO. 1: Aruba, Netherland Antilles
ANCHORAGE NO. 2: Anchorage, Alaska
CANAAAN NO. 1: St. Croix, Virgin Islands.

Commandaries Contributing $5.00 To $9.99 Per Member

ALABAMA: Lee No. 45, Phenix City.

ARIZONA: Arizona No. 1, Tucson; Phoenix No. 3, Phoenix; Mohave No. 13, Kingman; Burning Taper No. 15, Sierra Vista.
ARKANSAS: Hugh de Payens No. 1, Little Rock; Jacques de Molay No. 3, Fort Smith; Trinity No. 33, Malvern; Christian Friends No. 35, Clarksville; Saint John's No. 36, Huntsville.

CALIFORNIA: California No. 1, San Francisco; Pacific No. 3, Sonora; San Jose No. 10, San Jose; San Gabriel Valley No. 31, Rosemead; Orange County No. 36, Anaheim; Hanford No. 46, Hanford; Whittier-St. Johns No. 51, Whittier.

COLORADO: Ivanhoe No. 11, Durango; Longs Peak No. 12, Longmont; DeMolay No. 13, Fort Collins; Oriental No. 18, Trinidad; Coronal-Ascalon No. 31, Denver; Delta No. 34, Delta; Sterling No. 35, Sterling; J. E. Abbott No. 40, Englewood.

CONNECTICUT: Washington No. 1, East Hartford.

FLORIDA: Bartow No. 15, Bartow; Trinity No. 16, Sarasota; Emmanuel No. 36, Deland; Springtime No. 40, Clearwater.

GEORGIA: St. Aldemar No. 3, Columbus; Atlanta No. 9, Atlanta; Tancred No. 11, Newnan; Godfrey do Bouillon No. 14, Athens; St. Elmo No. 21, Brunswick; Constantine No. 26, Marietta.

IDAHO: Lewiston No. 2, Lewiston; Idaho Falls No. 6, Idaho Falls.

ILLINOIS: Mt. Olivet No. 38, Paxton; St. Elmo No. 64, Chicago; Chicago Heights No. 78, Lansing.

INDIANA: Muncie No. 18, Muncie; Bedford No. 42, Bedford; H. W. Matthewson No. 66, Rensselaer.

IOWA: Palestine No. 2, Iowa City; Siloam No. 3, Dubuque; Beausoant No. 12, Decorah; St. Omer No. 15, Burlington; Coor de Leon No. 19, Osage; St. Johns No. 21, Centerville; Apollo No. 26, Cedar Rapids; Azotus No. 65, Spencer.

KENTUCKY: Frankfort No. 4, Frankfort; Louisville-Do Molay No. 12; Louisville; Newport No. 13, Newport.

LOUISIANA: Jacques do Molay No. 2, New Orleans; Payen No. 16, Lafayette

MAINE: Dunlap No. 5, Bath.

MARYLAND: Jacques de Molay No. 4, Frederick; Palestine No. 7, Annapolis; Beauseant No. 8, Cockeysville; St. Bernard No. 9, Hagerstown; York No. 16, Camp Springs.

MASSACHUSETTS/RHODE ISLAND: Milford No. 11, Milford; Trinity No. 32, Marlboro; Athol-Orange No. 37, Athol.

MICHIGAN: Ithaca No. 40, Alma; Mount Clemens No. 51, Mount Clemens.

MISSOURI: Ely No. 22, Kirksville; Calvary No. 28, Fulton; DeSoto No. 56, Bonne Terre.

MONTANA: Black Eagle No. 8, Great Falls.

NEBRASKA: Mt. Lebanon No. 6, Grand Island.

NEVADA: Winnemucca No. 4, Winnemucca; Elko No. 5, Elko.
NEW JERSEY: Melita No. 13, Butler.

NEW MEXICO: Santa Fe No. 1, Santa Fe; Sangre do Cristo No. 16, Los Alamos.

NEW YORK: Cyrene-Monroe No. 12, Rochester; Malta No. 21, Binghamton.


OHIO: Mt. Vernon No. 1, Columbus; Reed No. 6, Dayton; Shawnee No. 14, Lima; Miami No. 22, Lebanon; Logan No. 78, Logan; Willis No. 82, London.

OREGON: Malta No. 4, Ashland; Melilla No. 8, Grants Pass.

PENNSYLVANIA: St. Johns No. 8, Carlisle; Hugh de Payens No. 19, Easton; York-Gethsemane No. 21, York; Lewistown No. 26, Lewistown; St. Andrews No. 27, Susquehanna; Mt. Olivet No. 30, Erie; Dieu Le Veut No. 45, Wilkes Barre; Duquesne No. 72, Pittsburgh; Chartiers No. 78, Carnegie; Beauceant No. 94, Allentown.

SOUTH CAROLINA: Aiken No. 14, Aiken; Hampton No. 23, Hampton.

TENNESSEE: St. Elmo No. 4, Memphis; Coeur de Lion No. 9, Knoxville; Chevalier No. 21, Oak Ridge; Morristown No. 22, Morristown; Cyprus No. 23, Knoxville; Dickson No. 41, Dickson.

TEXAS: San Felipe do Austin No. 1, Galveston; Temple No. 41, Temple; Kilgore No. 104, Kilgore.

UTAH: Malta No. 3, Midvale; Ivanhoe No. 5, Provo.

VIRGINIA: Richmond No. 2, Richmond; De Molay No. 4, Lynchburg; Portsmouth No. 5, Portsmouth; Appomattox No. 6, Petersburg; Luray No. 19, Luray; Moomaw No. 27, Lexington; Blacksburg No. 32, Blacksburg.

WASHINGTON: Seattle No. 2, Seattle; Vancouver No. 10, Vancouver; Columbia No. 14, Wenatchee.

WEST VIRGINIA: Wheeling No. 1, Wheeling.

WISCONSIN: Wisconsin No. 1, Milwaukee; Janesville No. 2, Janesville; Crusade No. 17, Stevens Point.

WYOMING: Hugh de Payen No. 7, Lander; Mt. Lebanon No. 11, Thermopolis; Platte No. 17, Wheatland

PUERTO RICO: Porto Rico No. 1, San Juan.

GERMANY: Heidelberg No. 2, Heidelberg.

ITALY: Ugo de Payns No. 6, Genova.
Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc.
Twenty-ninth Voluntary Campaign

Campaign report by Grand Commanderies for KTEF Officers and Trustees for the week ending May 15, 1997. The total amount contributed is $818,744.10.

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No. 100,675-Jeff Moms (TN)
No. 100,676-James W. Prairie (IN)
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No. 100,678-Donald R. Douglass (CO)
No. 100,679-Samuel A. Sidoni (FL)

Grand Master's Club

Out of sequence

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No. 2,801-Dr. Samuel P. Wallace (PA)
No. 2,802-W. Robert Semethy, Jr. (PA)
No. 2,803-in honor of Mildred Hinds by Earl A. Hinds (TX)
No. 2,804-in honor of James Buford Cox, PC by James Paul Rose (TN)
No. 2,805-Robert L. Dempsey (KY)
No. 2,806-Alan K. Baker (CO)
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No. 2,808-Jasper Hinmon Oglesby (TN)
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No. 2,819-Leland H. McLean (ME)
No. 2,820-in honor of Ronald Ham Ronald and Ann Ham (CO)
No. 2,821-James W. Prairie (IN)
No. 2,822-Chester L. Herrington (MO)

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 Commandery credit given for participation. Information is available from: Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc.; 5097 N. Elston Avenue, Suite 100; Chicago; IL 60630-2460; (773) 205-3838.
In Memoriam

W. J. J. "Jack" Fleming, P.G.C. (WV)  
R.E. Department Commander, East Central - 1970-1973  
1901-1996

Sir Knight Jack Fleming was a 73-year Mason and a 72-year Knight Templar, and he remained active in his Commandery until leaving for Richmond to live with his son, Sir Knight George Fleming, also a member of Huntington Commandery No. 9.

On Sunday, October 6, 1996, this man truly worthy the name of Sir Knight, William John Josiah Fleming, Past Grand Commander of West Virginia, was called to his great reward, just one week short of his ninety-fifth birthday.

Born in Manchester, England, he was educated there and came to the U.S. in 1921. Upon arrival in Huntington, West Virginia, he entered employment with Emmons-Hawkins Hardware Company. Years later he retired as president, treasurer, and chairman of the board of Emmons-Hawkins.

In 1931 he was united in marriage to Helen May Brown, and to this union a son, George David Fleming, was born. Jack was active at First Presbyterian Church in Huntington, and served as elder, trustee, and treasurer, plus he was treasurer for Presbyterian Manor and Riverside Manor as well.

Initiated in Cabell Lodge No. 152, A.F. & A.M., Huntington, he was raised a Master Mason in 1923; Worshipful Master, 1926; trustee numerous years and President of the Board of Trustees of Grand Lodge of West Virginia; Past Junior Grand Deacon and Grand Representative to Grand Lodge of England.

Exalted a Royal Arch Mason in Huntington Chapter No. 6, R.A.M., 1924; High Priest, 1962; Treasurer Emeritus; and Representative to Grand Chapter of Colorado.

Created a Knight Templar 1924, Huntington Commandery No. 9; Eminent Commander, 1944; more than fifty years a Prelate and trustee; and P.G.C. of West Virginia, 1963. M.E. Grand Master Roy W. Riegle honored him by appointing him East Central Department Commander for 1970-1973.

Other affiliations: Red Cross of Constantine, Puissant Sovereign; 32° Scottish Rite Mason, Past Commander; P.V.M. of Lodge of Perfection; P.W.M. Rose Croix, 33° Scottish Rite; Beni Kedem Shrine, Charleston; Past Sovereign Grand Master, A.M.D.; member Grand College of Rites; KYCH; Royal Order Scotland; O.E.S., Order of Bath, and many more.

Jack was well respected and admired, and his death is regretted by many.
Chapter 1

Are Freemasons Templar Progeny?
(continued)

"In return, Freemasonry has been the target of more angry papal bulls and encyclicals than any other secular organization in Christian history. Those condemnations began just a few years after Masonry revealed itself in 1717 and grew in intensity, culminating in the bull Humanum Genus, promulgated by Pope Leo XIII in 1884. In it the Masons are accused of espousing religious freedom, the separation of church and state, the education of children by laymen, and the extraordinary crime of believing that people have the right to make their own laws and elect their own government according to the new principle of liberty...

More than six hundred years have passed since the suppression of the Knights Templar, but their heritage lives on in the largest fraternal organization ever known. And so the story of those tortured crusading knights, of the savagery of the Peasants' Revolt, and the lost secrets of Freemasonry becomes the story of the most successful secret society in the history of the world."2

(from pages xiv - xix of the introduction to Born In Blood)

"Testing the Templar hypothesis against the religious aspects of Freemasonry, however, it was clear that nothing about the Masonic beliefs was contrary to the attitudes to be expected of a group that had been broken and cast aside by the Roman church, and that the Old Charges of Masonry clearly indicated a mutual protection society that not only permitted but provided shelter for those at odds with the established church. More specifically, while we had seen other group-destruction by the church on the continent in its domestic crusades against heresy, no group other than the Knights of the Temple had received that treatment from the church in Britain, and until after 1717 there is no evidence of Freemasonry anywhere other than in the British Isles.

"That geographic isolation of Freemasonry for many generations was in itself a Masonic mystery supportive of the hypothesis of Templar origins because the Templars in Britain alone had been given the advantage of three months warning of their impending arrests, and Britain, with its unique attitudes toward the Church of Rome, had never permitted the Inquisition to set up shop on its side of the channel.

"There remained another mystery, and that was the significance of the period centered on the year 1717. Why had Freemasonry not declared itself fifty years earlier, or fifty years later? Conclusions that Templar based Masonry had been kept alive by men at odds with the established Roman church needed that final test for validity. Something important had to have happened in the few years before 1717 that deprived Freemasonry of its need for secrecy, and perhaps even of its very purpose."3

(pages 267-268)

"As William arrived on Guy Fawkes Day, November 5, 1685, the support for James II fell away. It was just thirty-two
years before Masonry would make itself known in London in 1717.

"Sixteen years later in 1701, a law was passed that excluded from the throne all except members of the Church of England, and a religious settlement was reached to guarantee limited freedom of religious worship to non-Anglican Protestants (the 'non-conformists'). Significantly, this was the end of the divine right of kings in Britain. It was clear now that Parliament would decide who occupied the royal seat."

Upon the death of William, Anne, Protestant daughter of James II, was chosen to succeed him. When Anne died in 1714, the son of Sophia, a granddaughter of James I, who was the wife of the elector of Hanover, was invited to establish the Hanoverian dynasty and become George I of Great Britain. A year later the Jacobite rebellion was launched and failed miserably in less than a year. "...The Jacobite cause, the struggle to return Britain to the Roman church, was effectively broken - just two years before four Masonic lodges in London decided to reveal themselves to the world. Now, indeed, Freemasonry had no more need for secrecy, no reason to hide from the establishment, or to plot against the establishment. Freemasonry had become the establishment."5

"Today, tourists in London are sometimes confused when their concierge tells them that the china shops they seek are on Beecham Place,' which they walk right by because the sign on top of the road reads 'Beauchamp.' The Templars, too, furnish an example in their extensive property in Linconshire which was known as Temple Bruer." (See Appendix S for pictures and detailed information on Temple Bruer.) "In medieval French, bruor (pronounced Broo-Ay) meant 'heath.' Gradually, some of the locals began pronouncing the name from its spelling, then the spelling changed to match the new pronunciation, so that today some maps of the area identify that location as 'Temple Brewer,' and the conclusion is often drawn that this is a place at which the Templars made beer.

"...Seeing its various distortions in other English words, we could accept that 'tail/our' (one who cuts) could evolve into 'tyler' (which is just exactly how the Londoner pronounced 'tailor'). In practice, 'the cutter' seemed a perfectly acceptable designation for a man who stands outside the door (or in the woods) with a drawn sword in his hand."6

"Once again the French language produced a sensible solution in the word couonne (pronounced koo-WAHN). Its meaning is an 'ignoramus' or 'bumpkin,' so it is possible that the word was indeed applied to an unskilled laborer in Scotland, but its use was by no means limited to that application, nor was it limited to Scotland. Further, this derivation supported by the French couarde (koo-ard), which came into English as 'coward.' The tyler, then, was protecting the lodge meeting against the ignorant (cowans) and the curious (eavesdroppers).

"The term due-guard, the sign a Mason gives to identify himself in any craft degree, was also there in French, in a term that had been truncated over the years. The French term for a protective gesture is geste du garde, which gradually shortened to due garde, with the spelling anglicized to 'due-guard.' "7 (page 226)
In Memoriam
Boundless Love and Generosity
Eugene Charles Maillard, KTCH-1902-1997
Honorary Trustee of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation

Sir Knight Eugene Charles Maillard, KTCH, of Pasco Commandery No. 21, Washington, passed away on February 25, 1997, in Bonsall, California. He was ninety-five years old when he was taken to his Home Above, that House not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

Sir Knight Maillard was an engineer and inventor, who loved Freemasonry and was a generous contributor to its many causes. He was cited twice in the Allocution of the Grand Master at the 57th Triennial Conclave for his generosity and his desire to work for all the York Rite.

He began a program to aid in our membership problems and give to the Eye Foundation by awarding a membership in the Grand Master's Club to any Knight Templar who was a topline signer on five or more petitions. During the period that this was done, more than 375 Sir Knights were given the award and more than 2,000 petitions were received by Commanderies all over the U.S.A.

In 1988 Sir Knight Maillard was made an Honorary Trustee of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation for his unselfish work. For his love of the York Rite, he was given the title "Mr. York Rite Mason."

We thank God for the life of this good man and for the gifts he gave to others.
Following is the schedule for the 60th Triennial Conclave to be held in St. Louis, Missouri, at the Adam's Mark Hotel.

We have tried to put together a Triennial that everyone will enjoy, and it is the hope of the Triennial Committee that everyone will do so. Directly following the schedule of events is a note concerning the Honors Breakfast to be held Tuesday, August 12, and the ladies' luncheon to be held on Monday, August 11.

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5:00 P.M.  Social Hour (Pre-45ers)  St. Louis Ballroom (A, B)
5:30 P.M.  The Forty-Fivers’ dinner  St. Louis Ballroom (A, B)
8:00 P.M.  Grand Master’s Reception  Promenade Ballroom (A, B, C, D)

THE GRAND ENCAMPMENT OFFICE IS LOCATED IN DIRECTOR’S ROW 44

MONDAY, AUGUST 11, 1997

7:00 A.M. to 8:00 A.M.  Southern Breakfast  Rose Garden Room
(Admission by ticket only)
8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.  Registration  Promenade Precon South
9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.  Information Booth  Promenade Precon South
8:15 A.M.  Grand Encampment and distinguished guests assemble  Promenade Ballroom
Flag Bearers and Escort assemble  Promenade Ballroom
9:00 A.M. sharp  Grand Encampment opening ceremonies  Promenade Ballroom
(Ladies and guests invited)
12:00 NOON  Ladies’ luncheon and entertainment  St. Louis Ballroom
(Admission by ticket only) (A, B, C, D)
1:30 P.M. to 5:00 P.M.  Grand Encampment business session  Promenade Ballroom

MONDAY EVENING IS OPEN FOR STATE DINNERS.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 12, 1997

7:00 A.M.  Honors Breakfast  St. Louis Ballroom
(Admission by ticket only) (A, B, C, D)
8:00 A.M. to 10:00 A.M.  Registration  Promenade Precon South
9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.  Information Booth  Promenade Precon South
9:00 A.M. to 12:00 Noon  Grand Encampment business session  Promenade Ballroom
1:30 P.M. to 5:00 P.M.  Grand Encampment business session  Promenade Ballroom
6:00 P.M.  Social hour (Pre-Banquet)  St. Louis Ballroom
6:15 P.M. sharp  Grand Encampment officers and distinguished guests assemble  Rose Garden Room
7:00 P.M.  Grand Master’s Banquet  St. Louis Ballroom
(Admission by ticket only)
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 13, 1997

9:00 A.M.  Grand Encampment business session
           (If required)  Promenade Ballroom

9:00 A.M. to 11:00 A.M.  Information Booth
                        Installation of officers
                        (Open to guests)  Promenade Precon South

10:30 A.M.  Knights Templar Eye Foundation meeting  Promenade Ballroom

12:00 NOON  Incoming grand officers' and committee
            chairmen's meeting  Director's Row 24

3:00 P.M.  Director's Row 28

TICKETS AVAILABLE AT INFORMATION BOOTH

DRESS FOR VARIOUS FUNCTIONS

Saturday evening ............. (Informal) business suit
                         Officer's uniform: fatigue with cap

Sunday morning
                         Divine Service ............ Class "A" uniform, less sword
                         Ladies: dress or suit

Sunday evening .......... Officer's class "A" uniform, less chapeau
                         (dress or business suit)

Monday business session .... Class "A" uniform, less sword—business suit

Tuesday business session .... Class "A" uniform, less sword—business suit

Tuesday evening
                         Grand Master's Banquet . Class "A" uniform, less sword/chapeau
                         —business suit
                         Ladies: semi-formal or formal

Additional Badges, Commemorative Medallion, and Souvenir Program Book
May Be Ordered at the Information Booth!

URGENT REMINDER!—TRIENNIAL TICKETS

To facilitate the ordering of food, persons desiring to attend the ladies' luncheon to be held on Monday, August 11, or the Honors Breakfast to be held on Tuesday, August 12, should send for their tickets in advance to: Lionel J. Goede, P.O. Box 1132, Fenton, MO 63026-1132. Make checks payable to: 60th Triennial Conclave. This notice is not intended for persons who have already ordered tickets for these events.

ORDER FORM

_________________ Ladies' Luncheon, Monday $22.00_________________

_________________ Honors Breakfast (men only) $15.00 Tuesday_________________

Total with check for ________________________________
Don't Miss This Trip to the Holy Land for Sir Knights and Ladies!

Depending on the number of persons who will take the trip leaving from Newark, New Jersey, the price will range from $1,770 per person (41-49 persons) to $1,640 per person (120-129 persons). Add $80 from/to Chicago, and $212 from/to Los Angeles. For single room supplement add $325. Discount for seniors, age 60+; spouses, 55+: Newark gateway, deduct $60; Chicago gateway, deduct $53; and Los Angeles gateway, deduct $46. Not included are departure taxes, $35.95 and gratuities to guide, driver, and hotel staff. Contact: AM! Travel - Pilgrimages to the Holy Land, 3525 W. Peterson Avenue, Suite 120; Chicago; IL 60659; telephone: (312) 267-5555 or Fax: (312) 267-5052.

Itinerary for the Holy Land Pilgrimage—November 17-26,1997

November 17, Monday, Day 1: We depart the USA on our way to Tel-Aviv, Israel.

November 18, Tuesday, Day 2: We arrive at Ben-Gunon Airport, where our representative greets us and gives us an introduction about the forthcoming trip; then, we proceed to our hotel in Galilee for an overnight stay.

November 19, Wednesday, Day 3: Today we tour the Sea of Galilee and visit Capernaum and Simon Peter's house, the Mount of the Beatitudes, and Tabgha, the site of the feeding of the multitudes. Then, we take a boat ride across the Sea of Galilee and enjoy a St. Peter's fish lunch in Tiberias. Afterwards, it's back to our hotel for the overnight stay.

November 20, Thursday, Day 4: Today we drive through the Golan Heights via Tel Dan, the northern-most limit of Jesus' travels, to Baras, known as Caesarea Philippi, at the foot of Mt. Hermon, where one finds a source of the Jordan River. Then, we continue to Katzrin, capital of the Golan Heights, and prepare for our evening celebration, complete with a barbecue and entertainment on the shore of the Sea of Galilee. We stay overnight in Gajilee.

November 21, Friday, Day 5: This morning we drive to visit Cana, the site of Jesus' first miracle, and it's on to Nazareth to visit the magnificent Church of the Annunciation, built on top of the Virgin Mary's house. We cross the Valley of Armageddon and continue along the coast to Caesarea, where Paul was imprisoned and Cornelius was baptized, and visit the Roman Theatre, the Aqueduct, and the Crusader city. Afterwards, we ascend to Jerusalem for the overnight stay.

November 22, Saturday, Day 6: This morning we drive to Bethlehem, where we experience the ancient Church of the Nativity, visit Manger Square, and view the beautiful Shepherds' Fields. Back in Jerusalem we walk into the old city to experience the Christian, Jewish, Muslim, and Armenian quarters of the old city. Then, it's on to our Procession of the Fourteen Stations of the Cross, along the Via Dolorosa to the sacred Church of the Holy Sepulchre. We stroll through the many bazaars of the old city; continue to the Mt of Olives, the Garden of Gethsemane, the Garden Tomb (Gordon's Calvary), and then on to Mt. Zion to see David's Tomb and the room of the Last Supper. Later that evening we enjoy a unique Roman-style celebration in the Cardo of the old city of Jerusalem. Our overnight stay is in Jerusalem.

November 23, Sunday, Day 7: The day is spent at our leisure. Our guide directs us to places we may visit at our own pace, or we may participate in worship services in the various churches of the city with our overnight stay in Jerusalem.

November 24, Monday, Day 8: This morning we walk to see the Temple ruins, the Western Wall, the Temple Mount, and King Solomon's quarry, located next to the Damascus Gate. Later we drive to the hest point on earth, the Dead Sea area (1300 feet below sea level). Next, it's on to the Qumran Caves, where the Dead Sea Scrolls were found, and later, we continue our journey to Massada, site of the Jewish zealots’ last stand against the Romans. We check into our Dead Sea spa resort hotel, and later that evening we enjoy a Bedouin toast evening; complete with camel rides, authentic food, and a belly dancing show.

November 25, Tuesday, Day 9: This morning we experience floating on the salty waters of the Dead Sea or stay at our hotel spa for optional mud bath, floating in the therapeutic waters, and rejuvenation treatments, complete with mineral hot water pools. Later in the afternoon, we drive to Jaffa to visit St Peter's Church and the House of Simon the Tanner. We enjoy our farewell dinner and transfer to the airport for our late flight back to the USA.

November 26, Wednesday, Day 10: We arrive back in the USA.
Philadelphia, the City of Brotherly Love, is prominent historically as the home of the Quakers, more formally addressed as the Religious Society of Friends. The city happened to be founded there because the English King Charles II assigned that particular tract of land to William Penn for his "holy experiment." It became the colony of Pennsylvania. By virtue of the grant, the British monarch discharged a debt the crown owed to William's father, the celebrated Admiral Penn. The intrepid admiral was the conqueror of Jamaica during the reign of Oliver Cromwell.

William Penn was converted to the doctrine of the Society of Friends in 1675. Shortly thereafter, he embarked on a quest to establish a persecution-free home for the Quakers in America. The grant from Charles II made it possible. When Penn and his followers disembarked from the good ship Welcome in the fall of 1682, it was without the presence of one-third of their company. They had perished from smallpox during the hazardous voyage.

One of the satellite settlements west of Philadelphia was the town of Kennett Square. Today, the population numbers approximately five thousand souls. Over the long years since it was founded, the town has continued to be a predominately Quaker community, providing the United States with many worthy citizens. One of those was Herbert Jefferis Pennock, who earned great fame as a baseball superstar and eventually had his name emblazoned posthumously on the rolls of the Hall of Fame at Cooperstown, New York. It is the Pennock story on which we focus here. The family Pennock was one of substance and distinction in Kennett Square well before Herb was born. His great grandfather, Moses Pennock, was a farmer with great inventive ability. He directed his talents to bringing agriculture into the machine age and made strides in that effort. In 1822, Moses patented the revolving hay rake and two years later, a greatly-improved discharging rake.

Moses' son Samuel, Herb Pennock's grandfather, continued the tradition when he patented an improved wheat drill. A little later, Samuel invented the first American mowing machine with a cutter bar. He included a feature which enabled one to raise and lower the cutter bar from the operator's seat. Sam Pennock's talents extended to road-paving equipment. He invented the first practical machine for construction and paving, christened the "Pennock Road Machine." The generations of inventive Pennocks enabled the family to live affluently as farmers on the original acreage purchased from William Penn.

Theodore Pennock was Samuel's son and Herb's father, a farmer and a member of the Quaker persuasion. He fathered three sons. Herbert was born on February 10, 1894 on the family farm near Kennett Square and grew up loving the soil. Herb had three siblings, a sister Mary, born in 1889; brother George, born in 1892; and a brother who died during the influenza epidemic in 1917-1918. The Pennock children grew up in conventional Quaker surroundings and attended a Society school. When they were high school age, Herb...
and George attended the Friends' School of West Town. They had already developed a liking for baseball.

In order that they could continue playing ball, both boys transferred to Cedar Croft, a prep school near Philadelphia. Herb played first base, while George was a pitcher. When George quit the team, Herb took over the pitching duties, beginning a career that would forever change his life. Herb's close friend Albert Aloe was the team catcher, and they became lifelong friends, a genuine Mutt and Jeff combination. Herb was tall and slender, while his battery mate was short and compact. When Aloe informed the coach that Pennock was incapable of throwing a pitch that didn't break, his interest in the young Quaker left-hander increased dramatically. Herb quickly established himself as a potential pitching star.

By the fall of 1910, sixteen-year-old Herb was enrolled at the Wenonnah Military Academy, in preparation for planned matriculation at the University of Pennsylvania. He was also the academy's star pitcher. During that year, Pennock's pitching success came to the attention of the great Connie Mack, owner-manager of the Philadelphia Athletics. Connie encouraged Herb to play summer ball the summer of 1910 for a semipro team in Atlantic City, an opportunity the youngster seized immediately.

Mack's son Earle was the catcher for the Atlantic City team and obviously reported Herb's progress to his father. Herb continued to attend Winonnah and play ball in Atlantic City during the summer. In the spring of 1912, Connie invited young Pennock to work out with the Athletics during spring training. His performance convinced Mack that Herb should be on the roster, and he offered a contract. The young left-hander gave up his college plans without hesitation. His heart and soul were dedicated to baseball. Nevertheless, the decision to make the jump from semi-pro ball to the major leagues meant difficult days ahead. Herb needed experience against first-rate hitters, and minor league experience, which normally provided it, was by-passed.

Some explanation might be helpful at this juncture, since some may wonder why a young Quaker would be attending a military academy. The Society's pacifist reputation is well known among those with only a casual knowledge of their doctrine. Actually, the parameters of the Friends' belief permits substantial latitude in self-determination. Although silence, circumspection, austerity, and charity are pillars of their traditions; many decisions are left to the individual. As early as the American Revolution, the matter of military service became a personal option if one's motive was sufficiently compelling. The same was true during the Civil War. The Society members were ardent Abolitionists, and many participated in the Underground Railway, while others served on active military duty. That mindset has been reconfirmed over the years and prevailed during World War II. Herb displayed an inclination toward military training rather early in life.

As an eighteen-year-old rookie with the Athletics, Herb saw limited service. He worked thirty innings in seventeen games in 1912, completing the season with one loss against two wins. The A's in 1912 were a powerful club and a perennial contender for the American League pennant. That made it even more difficult to get into the lineup. During his first days with the Philadelphia club, Herb was befriended by the star second-baseman, Eddie Collins, one of the
game's immortals. His protective attitude made life infinitely easier for the young Quaker and cemented a lifelong friendship. Eventually, Herb's daughter Jane and Eddie Collins, Jr., were married, an event which might never have occurred without the close relationship of the parents.

The celebrated Cherokee, Charles "Chief" Bender, one of the As pitching stars, also took a liking to the youngster. The Chief taught Herb the screwball, an elusive breaking pitch which enhanced his pitching arsenal considerably. Herb was not a fast ball pitcher but rather one who relied exclusively on breaking balls, which he threw both overhand and sidearm. Eventually, his pinpoint control made him one of the most successful left-handers of his time. In 1912, all the youngster needed was experience. Connie Mack was fond of his young prospect and looked forward to Herb developing into a great pitcher.

During the 1913 season, Pennock was again used sparingly because of his youth and inexperience. He worked only six games, posting a record of two wins against one loss over thirty-three innings. The following year Herb was given more assignments on the mound and concluded the 1914 season with eleven wins and four losses in a total of twenty-seven games worked. He was improving steadily, and in the 1914 World Series action, he was called in relief of Athletic pitcher, Bob Shawkey, behind 3-1 in the fourth game. Pennock contributed three shutout innings, but the game was already lost, as was the series. The Boston Braves were the world champions, and Shawkey was the losing pitcher of record. Connie Mack was so disenchanted with Herb because he did not follow pitching instructions during a game, and the veteran owner abruptly terminated his contract through the waiver process. Boston signed Pennock immediately. After five games, the Red Sox optioned the young pitcher to Providence, Rhode Island, in order that he would have adequate work on the mound. During the balance of the season with Providence, Herb won six games, while losing four. In later years, "During the balance of the season with Providence, Herb won six games, while losing four. In later years, Connie Mack would declare that his biggest mistake in baseball had been to let Herb Pennock get away from the Athletics." Connie Mack would declare that his biggest mistake in baseball had been to let Herb Pennock get away from the Athletics.

At the end of the 1915 baseball season, Herb returned to Kennett Square to enter into a more binding contract. He was married on October 28, 1915, to Esther Mae Frick, a girl he had known since childhood. The wedding took place in the Episcopalian Church of the Advent at Kennett Square. Detailed descriptions of the elaborate wedding have survived in local news archives and include a glittering array of baseball personalities in attendance. In the years following World War I, the Pennocks became parents of three children. The first, Jane Elizabeth, was born in 1919; Herbert, Jr., died at birth; and the youngest,
Joseph Theodore, was born in 1925. Jane married Eddie Collins, Jr., many years later, as previously mentioned.

Pennock went to spring training with the Red Sox in the spring of 1916 and worked nine games of the regular season. They optioned the left-hander to Buffalo, New York, of the International League for more experience. He completed the season with Buffalo, posting seven wins against six losses. His earned-run mark was impressive at 1.67. Herb started fifteen games. At the end of that year, the Boston management decided their young pitcher had received enough seasoning to warrant a regular berth on the Red Sox club. He began the 1916 schedule at Boston and never again saw service in the minor leagues.

At the completion of the 1917 season, his first full one with the Red Sox, Herb's performance read five won - five lost. He was not one of the team's regular starters yet, but he had earned high league status. Although entitled to military exemption on account of marital status, Herb decided to enlist in the U.S. Navy at the end of the season. He reported for duty on January 2, 1918 as a seaman second-class and was assigned to a destroyer. While steaming toward Gibraltar in the summer of 1918, Pennock received orders transferring him to London. He was assigned to pitch a baseball game for a Navy team playing against the U.S. Army. The game was played on July 4, 1918, at the Chelsea Soccer Stadium in London, before forty thousand spectators. The assembly included King George V and Queen Mary of England. Herb contributed a sparkling 2-1 performance in bringing a sample of American baseball to the British Isles.

Herbert Jefferis Pennock returned to big league baseball in 1919 with World War I behind him. Behind, too, were the years of preparation to assume a rightful place as a fully-matured, professional pitcher. Herb possessed a baffling assortment of breaking-ball pitches, consistently thrown with pinpoint control. Endowed with a respectable fast ball, he used it only as an off-speed pitch, when the batter least expected it. One of the most valuable weapons in his arsenal was being constantly underrated by his opposing batter. Many of them were of the opinion that Herb's "stuff" was so slow and predictable that he would be easy to hit. A case in point would be the mindset and remarks of a Detroit Tiger batting star of the early thirties.

The player was Bob "Fats" Fothergill, a talented right-handed hitter, watching Herb warm up before a game. Fats boasted to the Tiger batting coach, the great Harry Heilmann, that no left-handed pitcher in baseball could get him out. When the game was over, hitless Fothergill, asked, "What happened?" Heilmann responded, "You weren't batting against a southpaw. You were batting against Herb Pennock."

Pennock was in the Red Sox starting rotation in 1919 for the first time. He worked in thirty-two games and garnered seventeen wins against eight losses. His earned-run record made him one of the most effective pitchers in the American League. Just when it seemed that he had...
settled into a career groove with a championship team, the club owner, Harry Frazee, found himself in deep financial trouble. In a move to alleviate his money problems, Frazee sold two of the teams established stars, George "Babe" Ruth and Carl Mays, to the New York Yankees.

Colonel Jacob Ruppert, the scion of a brewery empire with the honorary title of "colonel" bestowed by the New York governor, was the owner of the New York Yankee baseball club. Ruppert was obsessed with the ambition to construct a baseball dynasty which would dominate the American League. He had the financial resources to make his dream come true. With the acquisition of Babe Ruth and Carl Mays from Boston, he was on his way toward fielding the sort of team which would be a perennial winner.

Babe Ruth had filled a dual role in Boston. He was a world-class pitcher and had built an impressive record by his exploits on the mound - even if he had never picked up a bat. However, the Babe's ticket to immortality was in his booming bat. He was destined to become the greatest home-run hitter the game had ever known, and he had already demonstrated his potential impressively in Boston before he became New York property.

Carl Mays was a striking antithesis of the ebullient Babe Ruth. The fun-loving Babe seldom had a serious moment, while Mays was consistently recalcitrant and withdrawn. Nevertheless, Mays was a truly gifted pitcher and mainstay of the Boston pitching staff. He would continue his winning way with the Yankee club, firmly entrenched on the road to pitching immortality, when a tragic accident scarred his career.

During a game between the Cleveland Indians and Yankees on August 16, 1920, Mays unleashed a steaming underhand fast ball to the Indian's batter, shortstop Ray Chapman. The pitch was high and inside, and for some unexplained reason, Chapman failed to pull back from the sizzler. The ball struck him on the side of the head with a sickening thud, and he crumpled to the ground. Chapman never recovered consciousness. The fatal accident shocked the baseball world. When the stolid Mays failed to exhibit outward remorse for the accident, the sports world condemned the Yankee thrower as a heartless, uncaring individual. Although Carl continued to be a winning pitcher for another nine years, the dazzling submarine thrower never recovered his popularity. Mays died in 1971 without ever being considered for baseball's Hall of Fame - a selection he richly deserved.

With the departure of Ruth and Mays, the load on Herb Pennock was increased dramatically. During the 1920 season, he was worked in thirty-eight games, ending the season with a record of sixteen wins and thirteen losses. The potent bat of Babe Ruth was sorely lacking in the collapse of the Red Sox offense. However, at the conclusion of the season, Pennock looked forward to a matter of personal importance. He had decided to become a Freemason.

The slim pitcher petitioned Kennett Lodge No. 475 in his hometown of Kennett Square. His petition from the archives of
the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania bears the date of October 14, 1920. It was quickly accepted, and on Armistice Day (November 11), Herb received his Entered Apprentice Degree. It was the second anniversary of the end of WWI. Pennock was passed to the degree of Fellowcraft on December 9, and ultimately was Raised a Master Mason on January 13, 1921. He remained a devoted and revered member of the Lodge for the balance of his life. In 1995, when Kennett Lodge celebrated their 125th anniversary, the handsome commemorative booklet marking the occasion bore the photograph and story of their most celebrated member.

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The next two years were disappointing ones for Pennock. Even though his pitching was brilliant, his efforts were not enough to offset the failure of the team's anemic offense. Over two seasons in sixty-four games, Herb was able to win only twenty-two contests against thirty-one losing efforts. On January 30, 1923, Pennock was rescued from his plight when owner Frazee sold him to the Yankees. Herb swapped his red stockings for pinstripes and prepared to take the mound in Colonel Ruppert's new baseball yard. The sports world called the new Yankee Stadium the "House that Ruth built." The steady exodus of players from Boston to New York continued with the list eventually including shortstop Everett Scott, catcher Wally Schang, third-baseman Joe Dugan, and three other pitchers. They were Waite Hoyt, Sad Sam Jones, and Joe Bush. Colonel Ruppert completed the destruction of the Boston Red Sox organization by luring their manager, Ed Barrow, to New York and making him the Yankees' general manager. The little colonel had purchased himself a winning baseball club.

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The boys in pinstripes made a determined charge for the pennant once again in 1924, but they were temporarily derailed by the surging Washington Senators, who amazed the entire country when they nosed out the Yankees to take the pennant. Pennock made his usual fine effort for the Yankees' cause during 1924, by winning twenty-one games, and losing only nine. The New Yorkers continued to struggle in the 1925 season, once more failing to curb the Washington Senators, who picked up their second pennant in as many years. An important factor in the failure of the Yankees' vaunting batting attack was Babe Ruth's poor performance. That was the year of his "big bellyache," which caused his average to slip to a mediocre .290. In a valiant losing season, Herb was personally disappointed with his own record of sixteen wins against seventeen losses. When he returned to the farm in Kennett Square that fall, he was seriously considering retirement from baseball.

Pennock was financially independent without ever playing another inning of baseball. In addition to his farming interests
he owned a very profitable fur business at home. He raised foxes for their pelts on a thirty-three-acre tract established for that purpose at Kennett Square. He also loved gardening, raising flowers and tomatoes, an eloquent testimony to his love for the good earth. Herb was also an avid hunter, particularly "riding to the hounds. He enjoyed hunting the wild fox as well as breeding the tame variety. In every respect, he was the epitome of an American country squire, with a affluent lifestyle in no way dependent on professional baseball. Herb's decision alarmed Colonel Ruppert, who came running with check book open. He offered the Quaker hurler $20,000 for the 1926 season, a handsome stipend for a pitcher in those days. The prudent Pennock agreed.

Pennock came roaring back in 1926, supported by the revitalized Yankees. Ruth had regained top form, and they were the Yankees Ruppert envisioned. Herb's fine record of twenty-three wins against eleven losses helped propel the New York club to another pennant that year. They were matched in the World Series with a strong St. Louis Cardinal team, managed by the great Rogers Hornsby. Herb took the first game of the series with a sparkling three-hit performance and added another win in the fifth contest. In spite of great hitting by Babe Ruth and the rest of the Yankee squad, the series was lost to the Cardinals in the seventh game. Aging Grover Cleveland Alexander ambled to the mound in the seventh inning in relief of St. Louis starter, Jess Haines, to protect a one-run lead. The crafty thirty-nine-year-old Alexander stopped the rally cold by fanning the Yankees' sensational rookie second-baseman, Tony Lazzeri, with the bases loaded. 'Old Pete' preserved the game by holding New York scoreless in the final two innings. He had already posted two wins prior to his feat in the seventh and deciding game.

The Yankees truly came of age in 1927. Their team that year is considered by many experts to be the finest ever to take the field. In that memorable season, Manager Miller Huggins and his fearsome Yankees filled Colonel Ruppert's cup of ambition to overflowing. Babe Ruth hit sixty homeruns in 1927, a record which endured until 1961 when Roger Mans, a Yankee of a later generation, registered a total of sixty-one. The New York club fielded their most fearsome lineup of batters in history, a roster which included Babe Ruth, Earl Coombs, and Bob Meusel in the outfield. Lou Gehrig at first base, Tony Lazzeri at second, Mark Koenig at shortstop, and Joe Dugan at third comprised the infield with Bill Dickey behind the plate. That season the remarkable Herb Pennock collected nineteen victories with only eight defeats.

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Vernon "Lefty" Gomez, another Yankee pitching star, tries his hand at a new game while Herb Pennock looks on. Photo courtesy of Mr. Joseph Pennock.
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We lift your banner high,
And send the bells for freedom
Pealing out across the sky!

But let them also ring for peace.
And give them triple worth
By letting freedom's hopes ring out
For every man on earth.

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