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On January 17, Garrett Commandery, unassisted, conferred all three Orders on a splendid class of eight. This was the first time they had done this and I feel sure they will think twice before doing so again with out assistance from our Sister Commanderies. It is a real job since most of the Sir Knights who worked took part in all three Orders.

The Order of Red Cross was conferred in full form using the banquet scene and with lighting effects and music. Those taking part:

E. H. Ackley, Sov. Master	Allen J. Terrill	Persian Guard
CE Cason, Jr. Pr. Chancellor	L. Stockweather	" Asst
D.E. Miller Pr. Master Palace	C. M. Henry	" "
C.C. Creekmore Master Cavalry	Lloyd Kimble	Warder
Don Monnett Master Infantry	J.K. Todd	High Priest
E.H. Ackley--Lecture	C.E. Cason, Sr.	Mights & Music

MALTA

Jas. K. Todd	-	Prior	C. M. Henry	-Ban. No. 1
E. H. Ackley	-	Lt. Commander	Tom Partridge	2
Lynn Stockweather	-	Sapt. General	Tom Wright	3
Jack Hefner	-	Chaplain	Don Monnett	4
Dale Miller	-	Marshall	John Slaughter	Table in the West
Allen Terrill	-	Capt. Out Posts	Jack Perrot	Ban. No. 5
Lloyd Kimble	-	Ban. St. John	Ned Hurley	-Banner of Malta
		C.E. Cason, Sr.	Music	

ORDER OF THE TEMPLE

Lloyd Kimble	-	Commander	C. E. Cason, Sr.	-	Recorder
Dale Miller	-	Generalissimo	C.M. Henry	-	Standard Bearer
Allen Terrill	-	Capt. General	Lowell Maxon	-	Sword Bearer
L. Stockweather	-	Sr. Warden	John Slaughter	-	Warder
J. K. Todd	-	Jr. Warden	Ned Hurley	-	Hermit & Guard
Rev. Thos. (Kenneth) Prelate			Gerald Bradshaw	-	"
C.C. Creekmore	-	Treasurer	Ed. Wells	-	"
		C.E. Sason, Sr.	-		Film and Music

We were honored with the presence of our R.E. Grand Commander, Sir Knight Arch M. Dullnig, Sir Knight Harry B. Tuer, R.E. Past Grand Commander and Grand Recorder and Sir Knight H. Jack Hefner, E. Grand Senior Warden.

A delicious buffet dinner was enjoyed by all; the Grand Commander was introduced and spoke briefly. We had plans to receive him official but he was unable to remain and asked that we not change any plans as our day had been full.

A very tired but zealous group of Sir Knights put out the lights about 11:10 P.M. and went our several ways and I am sure none needed a sleeping pill for a night of rest.

February 6: Sir Knight Elmer E. Watkins, Grand Captain of the Guard inspected Garrett Commandery and result of 4 highest scores were:

Commandery	Tactics	Ritualistic
Dallas Commandery No. 6	985	996
Tancred Commandery No. 82	952	992
Garrett Commandery No. 103	986	997
Denison Commandery No. 24	1000	991

Garrett lost the Kidd Plaque but retained the Gilbough Banner.

TEAR SCOP NO. 66-13P U.S.A.

May we refer back to January 17 and call special attention to the fact that Sir Knight and Rev. Kenneth Thomas took the Prelate's part in the O.T. for his first time and did a splendid job which was most impressive. We compliment a man off his calling who will take the time to learn and do this beautiful part of our Order.

On February 11 the Equipment Committee and the three Officers in the East met and examined our equipment and ordered 6 new chapeaux and 7 new belts for the use of our officers and others who might care to work.

March 29 EASTER SUNDAY The three Commanderies of Dallas held Easter Observance on Easter Sunday morning at seven o'clock in the East Dallas Christian Church. The Rev. Sir Knight Welch, Pastor of the Church brought the sermon. We did not have as many Knights present as we usually do.

March 31, Garrett Commandery conferred a Masters Degree in the Lodge Room of Vickery Lodge in uniform. Our own Sir Knight Creekmore is Secretary of this good Lodge. Those taking part in the degree:

W.L. Crowdus, Sr.	W.M.	Roy Daugherty	J.R D.
M. L. Cowan	S.W.	J.R. Davenport	Lecture
L. Stockweather	J.W.	L. Stockweather	Apron
Jack Hefner	S.D.	C. E. Cason, Sr.	Music and Slides

Others present

C.C. Creekmore	Wm. G. Liggett
W.E. Glidewell	Ned Hurley
Geo. Crowdus	Gerald Bradshaw
John Slaughter	S. J. Stevens

A very fine degree was conferred on the son-in-law of S.K. S.J. Stevens.

April 12 (Sunday) Grand Conclave at Tyler, Texas. The Commander drew for place in Ritualistic competition set of Monday morning. After swapping abit he came up with position number 2. All our Sir Knights marched in the parade from Headquarters Hotel to the Church for the Divine Service and Memorial.

On ~~Monday~~ <sup>fourth</sup> Monday morning or maybe afternoon the Officers of Garrett Commandery cameout ~~second~~ best in the competition. Sir Knight Jake Beard was presented a SCROLL by our Commander, this taking place in the lobby of the Carleton Hotel.

There were six "A" Teams and two "B" Teams in competition. Sir Knights Dale Miller and Jack Hefner filled in on Ascension No. 25 "B" Team.

Gilbough PLAQUES were presented this time in lieu of the Banners.

April 14: Ascension Commandery No. 25, Host Commandery was opened by its Officers who used the following Sir Knights from Garrett Commandery as linesmen: E. H. Ackley, Geo. R. Crowdus, Allen J. Terrill, Lyn G. Stockweather, John Slaughter and Lloyd S. Kimble. After the Grand Commandery was convened Sir Knight Hefner, E. Grand Senior Warden asked the same Sir Knights who were linesmen for Ascension Commandery to serve as linesmen for the Grand Commandery in the reception of distinguished Sir Knights of Texas and Visitors. This was a very nice compliment which Garrett Commandery appreciated.

On the evening of April 14, the Officers and Knights present presented a beautiful radio to Sir Knight Jack Hefner on his 64th. birthday. This was a very well planned presentation and the recipient was truly surprised and elated. A finer group of Knights does not exist.

April 20: We were saddened by the death of our R.E. Past Grand Commander, Sir Knight William D. Miller, of Houston, Texas.

It was on the afternoon of May 2 that Garrett Commandery conferred the Order of Malta for Dallas Commandery No. 6, K.T. in their Asylum. The following Sir Knights formed this team and conferred a beautiful Order.

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James K. Todd	-	Prior	Lloyd S. Kimble	- -	Banner St. John
A. M. Dullnig	-	Lt. Commander	Alex D. Fraser	- -	2 Malta
C. C. Creekmore		Capt. General	C. M. Henry	-	" No. 1
H. Jack Hefner		Chaplain	E. H. Ackley	-	" 2
Dale E. Miller		Marshall	W. H. Douglass	-	" 3
Douglas Reid		Table in West	Tom Wright	-	" 4
Geo. Crowdus		Capt. Out Posts	Scott Hines	⊕	" 5

C.E. Cason, Sr. -Music

MAY 16, 1959 It was with great concern we learned that our beloved Past Commander ~~XXXXXX~~ Sir Knight Eli Hastings Ackley had been hospitalized due to a heart condition. He was in Baylor Hospital and could not receive any visitors.

May 23 A. C. Garrett YORK RITE DAY.

The Lodge opened in the early morning and conferred E. A. Degrees up until noon. Lunch was served and after this fine repast the Royal Arch Chapter opened and conferred a Royal Arch Degree after which the Council conferred the Council Degrees. After dinner the Commandery was opened and the Order of the Temple was conferred upon one candidate. Sir Knight Dale E. Miller, P.C. conferred this beautiful Order and Sir Knight H. Jack Hefner was Prelate.

- May 28: A. C. Garrett Lodge No. 1216 honored one of our fine Sir Knights whose name is Lewis C. Korn. Sir Knight Korn is a Past Master of Garrett Lodge and deserved every honor that could be conferred upon him.

June 12; Biffett dinner and a membership meeting of the Commandery. It was good to see 36 interested Sir Knights who wanted to be of assistance in enlarging this Christian Order. Cards with names and addresses of prospective candidates were passed out to those who would take them with the view of personal contact resulting in favorable opinion of the Commandery and better still signed petitions.

June 15: Sir Knight Floyd E. Taylor, one of our Charter Members, passed to his heavenly reward. Sir Knight Taylor was a Past Master of the Lodge and Past High Priest of our Chapter. We will all miss Sir Knight Floyd.

June 20: District Conclave known as Grand Commander's Day was held in the Asylum of Indivisible Friends Commandery No. 13 in Sherman, Texas. Garrett Commandery was gracious enough to take their beautiful robes and equipment to Sherman for this occasion. The Order of Red Cross was conferred by Sir Knight Harry B. Tuer, R.E. Past Grand Commander and present Grand Recorder assisted by Sir Knight Arch M. Dullnig, R.E. Past Grand Commander from Tyler as Prince Chancellor, Sir Knight Sydney A. Verinder, Past Commander of Dallas Commandery No. 6 and R.E. Grand King of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Texas was Companion Conductor and did a splendid job. Sir Knight Hal Burnett, Grand Standard Bearer and Sir Knight Elmer Watkins, E. Grand Warder together with other Knights of various Commanderies assisted in this fine Order. All Commanderies in the District were represented with the exception of McKinney No. 34. The Order of Malta was conferred by Garrett Commandery with Sir Knight Todd as Prior, Dale E. Miller as Marshall. Sir Knight Carlisle, R.E. Grand Commander together with other Sir Knights spoke to those assembled after all had enjoyed a delicious dinner.

Sir Knight Hefner, resident Grand Officer thanked the officers of Garrett Commandery for their kindness in bringing all their equipment and seeing to it that two most beautiful Orders were conferred.

August 8, Sir Knight Loyd German one of beloved members passed away in Waco. He was laid to rest with Masonic honors by A. C. Garrett Lodge No. 1216 of which he was a member. Sir Knight Jack Hefner conducted the funeral service and most all present were members of the Commandery.

SEPT. 19: District No. 1 School of Instruction was held in the Asylum of A. C. Garrett Commandery No. 103 beginning promptly <sup>at 4:00 PM</sup> under the Direction of Sir Knight Kaplan H. Andrew, E. Grand Senior Warden of the Grand Commandery of Texas. Garrett Commandery exemplified the opening and closing ceremonies in a very creditable manner. After a delicious dinner, Dallas and Tancred Commanderies conferred the Order of the Temple. Certainly no one went away with any question

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 unanswered if it had been made known to Sir Knight Andrew. We thought his School the very best we have ever seen in this District. One little incident we recall will long remain in our memory since this is being written after the passing of our beloved friend and Sir Knight Alexander Duncan Fraser. He was Prelate for Dallas Commandery in the School and after going through the entire vow Sir Knight Andrew answered some one who had questioned a word or something -- "Does he know it? Why H HE WROTE IT". This pleased Uncle Alex as it did every one present.

It was on November 18 that Sir Knight Lynn G. Stockweather <sup>conferred</sup> HIS FIRST ORDER OF MALTA. He did a very splendid job.

Nov. 21: Sir Knight Virgil R. Dodson passed to his heavenly reward.

Dec. 3 : Garrett Commandery assisted Dallas Commandery No. 6 in conferring the Order of the Temple on a class of 14, one of which was Garrett candidate.

Dec. 4: Stated Conclave and ELECTION of officers also the Order of Red Cross.

OFFICERS

ELECTIVE		APPOINTIVE	
George R. Crowdus	-Commander	Dale E. Miller	-Prelate
Allan J. Terrill	-Generalissimo	Lowell Maxon	-Std. Bearer
Lyn G. Stockweather	-Capt. General	Richard Cook	-Swd. Bearer
James K. Todd	-Sr. Warden	Gerald Bradshaw	-Warder
Claude C. Creekmore	-Jr. Warden	M. C. Henry	-Third Guard
E. H. Ackley	-Treasurer	Lloyd Harrell	-Second Guard
C.E. Cason, Sr.	-Recorder	Pat Monaghan	-First Guard
		Roy C. Daugherty	-Sentinel

Dec. 11 Public Installation of the Officers was held in the Asylum. The wives of the officers assisted in the installation which added greatly to the beauty of the ceremonies.

Sir Knight H. Jack Hefner, E. Grand Generalissimo as Installing Officer  
 Sir Knight Harry B. Tuer, R.E. Past Grand Commander as Installing Marshall  
 Sir Knight W.L. Crowdus, Sr. (Father of the Commander) Asst. Marshall  
 Sir Knight Vance K. Miller, R.E. Past Grand Commander, Prelate

The Very Rev. and Sir Knight Gerald G. Moore Past Grand Prelate spoke most interestingly regarding his recent visit to the Holy Land.

Mrs. Percy Forke, aunt of the installed Commander and Mrs. rendered special music which was thoroughly enjoyed.

Miss Edith Pavey and Mrs. Ella Standifer, in their usual fine manner, served delicious refreshments in the banquet room.

DEC. 25-CHRISTMAS: The Christmas Observance was held in the Asylum of Dallas Commandery with Tancred and Garrett Commanderies co-hosts. 120 Sir Knights were present at this service which began at 10 A.M. and closed promptly at 11 A.M. We were honored by having our R.E. Grand Commander Sir Knight Carlisle Garlitz present on this occasion. Garrett's own Sir Knight and Reverend J. E. Detweiler brought a most wonderful message.

Thus closes another year of Templary in Garrett.

Creations	23	Deaths	3	Membership Dec. 31, 1958	-395
Affiliations	<u>3</u>	Demitted	<u>1</u>		
	26		4		
				Membership Dec. 31, 1959	<u>417</u>

Affiliations:  
 E. G. Hudel  
 Jack M. Newman  
 Lewis Tate

Deaths:  
 V.R. Dodson  
 Loyd German  
 Floyd E. Taylor  
 Demitted  
 Wm. A. Werderman