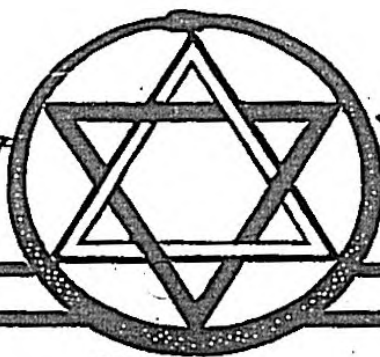




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THE TEMPLE

COSMICALLY The Temple of the People corresponds to the Temple of Humanity.

THE TEMPLE of Humanity consists of all humans who, having awakened into a knowledge of their own divinity, have undertaken to tread the Path, and of those who devote their lives to the unselfish service of mankind.

SPECIFICALLY The Temple of the People is one of the bodies or vehicles for the manifestation of the Avatar or Christos for the New Dispensation, the dawn of the New Civilization for the races of the earth. It was founded in New York State in the second cycle of the Great Lodge movement in November, 1898, by three Masters assisted by others for the laying of the mental, physical, and spiritual foundations of the coming Sixth Race.

THE OBJECTS of **THE TEMPLE** are:

First: To formulate the truths of religion as the fundamental factor in the evolution of the human race. And this does not mean the formulation of a creed.

Second: To set forth a philosophy of life that is in accord with natural and divine law.

Third: To promote the study of the sciences and the fundamental facts and laws upon which the sciences are based which will permit us to extend our belief and knowledge from what is known to the unknown.

Fourth: To promote the study and practice of art on fundamental lines, showing that art is in reality the application of knowledge to human good and welfare, and that the Christos can speak to humanity through art as well as through any other fundamental line of manifestation.

Fifth: The promotion of a knowledge of true social science based on immutable law, showing the relationship between man and man, and man and God and nature. When these relationships are understood we will instinctively formulate and follow the law of true brotherhood.

RELIGION, SCIENCE, AND ECONOMICS, these are the foundation stones of The Temple. There can be no true religion without its scientific basis, and there can be no right economic system not based on a science that is religious and a religion that is scientific.

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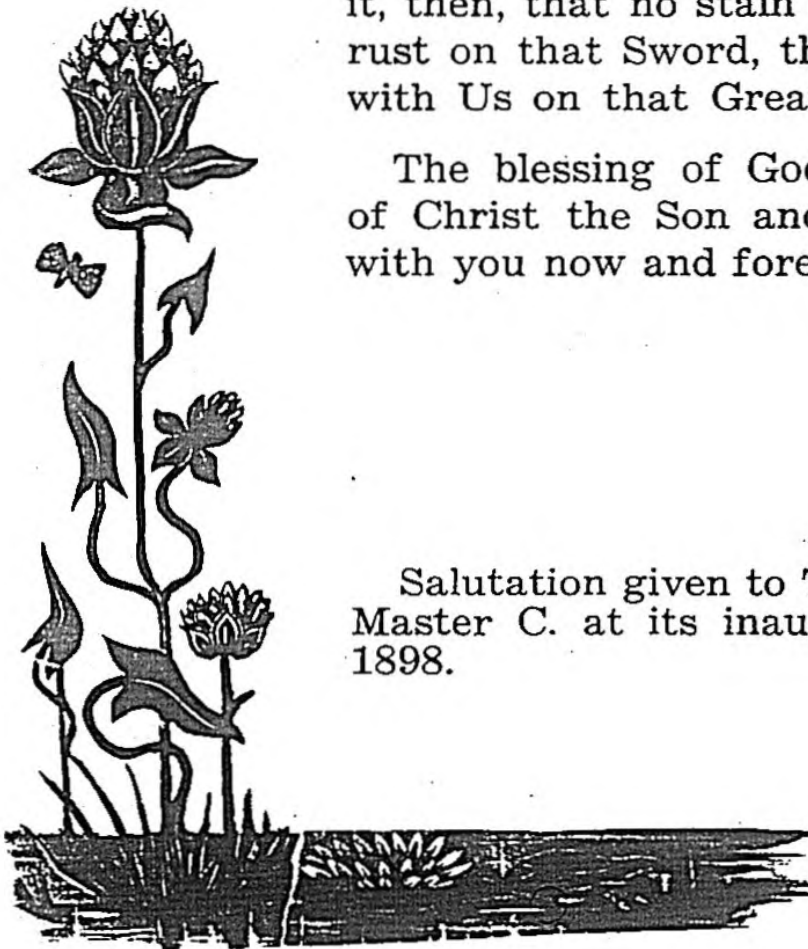
WARRIORS OF LIGHT

Warriors of Light, Warriors of Truth, I salute you in the name of the Great White Brotherhood. Go forth to battle with the Powers of Darkness, armed with the Sword of the Spirit of God, the Breastplate of Righteousness, the Helmet of Eternal Truth. See to it, then, that no stain rests on that Armor, no rust on that Sword, that ye may become One with Us on that Great Day "Be With Us."

The blessing of God the Father Almighty, of Christ the Son and of the Holy Spirit be with you now and forevermore.



Salutation given to The Temple by the Great Master C. at its inauguration, November 15, 1898.



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THE TEMPLE'S FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY

The Temple has reached a very important milestone in its history: the Fiftieth Anniversary of the Founding of The Temple on the outer plane. We celebrated this momentous occasion on November 14th and 15th, endeavoring to bring to the group the importance of this anniversary in terms of years and cycles, as well as the results of this constructive effort of the Lodge. Fifty years under Lodge guidance and protection of the Masters is an achievement of inner and outer significance, far greater than anyone can realize with the outer mind. It must be discerned by the higher intuition. It is an achievement of holding the Lodge Line intact, around which the Nucleus was formed and carried on throughout these many years, ever withstanding the many attempted obstructions of the opposing forces that tried to block the way of this Great Spiritual Movement.

Starting at its inception with the Great White Lodge impulse and continuing along that inner line, the Temple history covers many pages: the struggles, tests, trials, endeavors, successes and failures of members. While many have entered the Temple ranks over the years, some have fallen by the wayside, unable to keep up with the march of the Temple soldiers; others have climbed to greater heights and have become closer interiorly to the Masters and Their Great Work for Humanity. As living stones in the Guardian Wall they have been alive to their responsibilities in Love, Devotion, Loyalty and Service.

After W. Q. Judge passed on and the Lodge Line was disrupted, there was a time of great uncertainty and chaos; but after a brief period of wonderment Master Hilarion came to Mrs. Francia A. LaDue and told her that His cycle, as Regent of the Red Ray, had arrived and it was time to take up the Temple work. He explained the work to her and her part in it, a part which she alone could do, as all her life experiences had prepared her for this great task. He awaited her decision. At first she refused to assume so great a task because she felt her utter unworthiness and inability. The Master would not take her answer as final, but, instead, gave her three days to decide, at the end of which she consented to take up this great work for humanity. The next day the Master gave her the various directions, plans and information necessary for starting the work.

The Temple of the People was organized on the outer plane on November 15, 1898, at 8 P.M. in Hiawatha Hall, Syracuse, New York, with inner order initiations, under the direction of

Master Hilarion with the aid of six more Masters, all representatives of higher degrees.

The Master told Mrs. LaDue (Blue Star) that there was one man in her orbit that could help her with this work—William H. Dower (Red Star). Eternal was the tie that bound them together and to the Master. So the Temple work began according to the plan and directions given to Blue Star, with Red Star as Co-Agent to help carry on the new movement.

With the opening of this new cycle another great force was released in 1899. Its mission was the Announcement of the Coming Avatar, a Divine Incarnation which took place from the Godhead by a cosmical process, and which great universal impulse was released to revolutionize the world. The Announcement was given to the Temple group to help prepare the hearts and minds of the people for that Great Event which marked the inauguration of a New Dispensation. The Feast of Expectation was held around the first of August, 1899, just before the great event occurred. A week later it was officially inaugurated and has since been held the first Sunday of each month and on other important occasions throughout the years. When the fulfillment of thirty years occurred it was then called the Feast of Fulfillment. All who have had the privilege of partaking of this sacred Feast service have felt the high forces present. Being universal in scope, it has been, and is "for the help and comfort of all the races of the earth." All who attend are helped, and the impersonal forces generated help the Avatar in his universal mission.

Several years after the Temple work was organized in Syracuse the Master told the group he had selected a spot in California for the Temple's permanent home. The place was a particular zone on the Pacific Coast, a fiery zone which is under the sway of fire elementals, and this cycle being a fiery cycle it would enable the group to receive higher vibrations through fire than through the vibrations of the watery elementals on the Atlantic Coast. Blue Star was directed to go to the Pacific Coast and locate the spot, after which the land and a house were secured, and the house repaired, to accommodate the new Temple home. In January, 1903, the spot was dedicated with appropriate services conducted at high noon by Blue Star, with high and powerful forces present. The headquarters were moved there the following June and became a real landmark for the Temple group. The Master said of this location: "The selected spot is where two magnetic lines of importance meet, and at these points magnetic and electrical conditions are such that manifested life grows far more luxuriantly than elsewhere. The City already exists in thought form and it is up to the Temple Children to build externally according to this plan."

From then on up to the present time all official work has been centralized at this point, a point from which high spiritual forces of the Masters of the White Brotherhood have continued to

function ever since. The group of sincere and devoted members began the great task set before them as directed, and hard tests came immediately; but under all these adverse conditions they weathered the storms and carried on under the Master's guidance and protection.

Soon after the coming to California the Master greeted the group with the following: "I have drawn you from divers places to this point for no ordinary purpose, and whether you come reluctantly or gladly it matters not. Many centuries have passed since you stood on these shores and on this spot before. Much experience has been yours since that time. It remains to be seen how much that experience will benefit you in the end. . . . It will be your interior attitude, your love and trust in each other, in the Agents of the Lodge and in the Lodge, that will finally determine your position and the possibility of higher advancement. Work, labor, is the law of life. Do it you must in some degree. What matters it if you gain the whole world, the whole universe, and lose your Souls? Do you not realize that your Souls are not only animated by, but are the essence of Love and Faith in all that is right and true? Though I cannot prevent the trials which are a part of your development from coming upon you, I can and will be with you when those trials come." . . . "I shall hold in tender remembrance those of our brethren and sisters who have, in faith and trust, made it possible to plant once more the Tripod which symbolizes the Great Temple of Isis."

Another milestone was the dedication of the Center Stone of the Blue Star Memorial Temple, which occurred January 19, 1923. Doctor Dower, the Guardian in Chief, gave the following invocation:

"In the name of God the Father and the Holy Mother Spirit, and of Christ the Son, and in the name of Thorolf, the servant of the Christ, and in the name of Hilarion, His Son and servant, and in the names of Morya and Koot Hoomi, the servants of Him; and in the names of Helena P. Blavatsky and William Quan Judge and of Blue Star, Francia A. LaDue, servants of these Masters; and by the authority and power vested in me, and in us, we dedicate this Center Stone as the Foundation for the Altar of the Blue Star Memorial Temple, and invoke the blessings of the Masters of Light and Compassion on our labors now and in the days to come."

This Blue Star Memorial Temple, a unique and symbolic structure, triangular in shape, with curved sides, where all the religious and devotional meetings are held, was built in 1924.

The Temple is a synthetic movement in that it includes all life and shows the unity of all life. All are One in Essence, each and every one a part of the great whole—divine emanations of the Godhead dipping into matter to partake of the evolutionary law of experience and growth. The Temple stands for group consciousness, working as one, holding the line as one.

We have been told that the Temple group has been drawn together into One Hierarchial Line by karmic law and close association during many lives and centuries. The Ruling Entity of that Hierarchial Line by divine right demands allegiance of his followers on that line, which is a sacred charge and privilege. As a result of this irrevocable law of holding true to the one line, the progress, growth and evolution of these selected ones are taken care of, guided and protected on that line.

It took deep abiding faith and love in this Great Cause, undaunted courage, steady endurance and determination of will to launch the Temple movement; and the co-founders had those inner qualities to withstand the many onslaughts of the opposing forces that tried in every way to block the work. All Temple members coming in later had the way paved for them, and each and every one entering the Temple ranks can only have the deepest gratitude and appreciation for those valiant and courageous servants of the Master who served loyally and faithfully until the end.

As we mount the crest of the Fifty-Year Cycle of The Temple and step into the new fifty-year cycle and its minor cycles, the same divine laws operating on all planes will demand the same rules of conduct—devotion, loyalty and service—in even greater measure. Having been chosen from out of the multitude to love, serve, and light the torch with the fires of aspiration, righteousness, truth and justice, great is our responsibility and much is expected of us; and if one would reach the heights and win the Crown of Immortality and Selfless Love everything will depend on the sincere efforts put forth by him in this great Lodge work. The higher laws govern every step of our journey, and the course must be chosen with wisdom and love in our hearts for all creatures.

All Humanity comes under the daily experiences of life in its myriad phases, and in an occult center more is expected of the group because more is given for their help, protection and spiritual growth. As a Group under the Great White Lodge, and a vehicle or distributing center for the Lodge forces, it must keep the inner channels open for the Master's use when and wherever most needed.

As we enter the New Cycle, let us re-dedicate ourselves to continue to hold high the Banner of the Lodge and to work in ever increasing measure with the Avataric forces of Love, Harmony and Unity.

P. F. D.

TO MY BELOVED

Arouse ye! Arouse ye! Children of the New Covenant. Why stand ye in the public places idle throughout the busy day? The War of the Ages is upon thee—the strife between the Sons of Universal Light and the Brothers of the Shadow. The long list of the Sons of Betrayal, the Judas power of the accumulated ages, hath its arms about thy neck and is pressing upon thy

cheek the kiss that bringeth crucifixion. Awake, thou that sleepest! and the Logos shall shine upon thee. The Christ in thine own soul whispers: "Be of good courage, I have overcome the world."

The days of preparation are upon thee. Gird on that armor of Righteousness which is the Heritage of every Son of the Living God, and strike for the freedom of the races of the earth from the clutch of the Beast, the embodied Mammon who now holdeth in subjection the Children of Man.

Think ye that no protest rises to the seventh heaven from the murdered Abels of the long past ages? Think ye the Law hath lost its power because its judgments tarry long? Become one with the Law. Enter thou the Holy of Holies with unsaddled feet and uncovered head, that the Forces of Love, Law and Life may flow unobstructed through the Stone of Sacrifice upon which thou standest, and the return wave bear to thee the spiritual essence that shall make thee free. In freedom lies thy strength. The Sword of the Spirit shall be thy reward, and He Whom thou lovest shall lead thee to living waters, for He is the Warrior of Light, the Unconquerable, for Whom the hour shall never strike. He is thine own true Self; and when thy shadows flee away, thou shalt behold the King in His Beauty and Holiness.

(This message of the Great Master was given at the Initiation of the first Seven, on November 15, 1898.)

CHILDREN OF LIGHT

Children of Light, greetings unto you, Children of Truth, drawn together in a Chord of Love, in the name of the Brothers of Inner Whiteness, Peace Be Unto You!

You have battled well with the Powers of Darkness; you have held high the Sword, the Breastplate secure, the Helmet fast. The Armour is unstained, the Sword untarnished. May you now **BECOME ONE WITH THOSE WHO SENT YOU FORTH, ONE WITH US IN THE DAY NOW UPON US.**

As you come together in joyous victory, sheathe the Shining Blades, lift in their stead the Lily of Renunciation Purity, the Rose of Simplicity that you may go forth once more and spread them wide o'er the Fields of Humanity, again to return to Us with them thousand-fold on a **STILL GREATER DAY OF LIGHT WITH US.**

Given July, 1927.



THE WHITE BROTHERHOOD AND ITS CONNECTION WITH THE TEMPLE

The humanity of a "Manvantara" or period of creative energy, past, present or future, manifests in seven major stages or grades of evolution. These stages correspond to, and are one

with the seven degrees of Occultism into which the Great Lodge is divided. Each one of these Degrees is divided into seven minor steps, making forty-nine in all. Every human being on "The Path," or in manifestation during such a Cyclic period is in, or on, one of these steps or Degrees.

The Seventh Degree of the present Cycle is composed of all those people who have reached a certain definite point in spiritual development, and have been admitted into this Degree by the Masters without any self-conscious act on their part on the outer plane of manifestation, i.e., the Physical world.

The Sixth Degree is composed of those in the position of Teachers or Leaders of men, who are working on purely ethical lines or under some personal concept of the Infinite and Trinity thereof, but who have not yet realized their position in the Lodge or the assistance given them by higher entities because of that position.

The Fifth Degree is composed of such members of Esoteric or Exoteric Societies for Psychical Research, and students of Occultism, as are familiar with the truth of the Lodge as a fact in natural life, and who are working consciously under the direction of one or more Masters for the advancement of the human race. Many of the most noted Professional men, Scientists, and Investigators along all lines have reached this point, but do not realize the position of the Degree to which they belong in the great scale of life. Many belonging to the Masonic Fraternity, in past ages, were members of this Degree.

The Fourth Degree—The Temple—is composed of those who have come into close personal touch with the members of the White Brotherhood (the Initiates and Masters), whether they are members of the Temple Organization or not, and who are in process of preparation for more sacred Degrees, having taken a self-conscious step in evolution.

All things connected with the three Inner Degrees are very sacred and secret, membership in them leading up to conscious union with all the component parts of the Lodge. But little can be said by us of these Degrees to any but pledged members of The Temple. By earnest aspiration and rightly directed effort, we may hope, however, to reach one or all of these Degrees, the members of which are trained Occultists, Seers and Initiates. The advanced souls who constitute the higher Degrees are the Instructors or Teachers of the members of the lesser, or before mentioned Degrees. In different parts of the world there are organized bodies under the leadership of one or more of these Initiates, the members of which have no idea of the real standing of their Teachers.

It is known to be a law that no effort for good can be made without awakening an opposite pole of evil—so there are also to be found in the world groups of people under evil guidance that cast sad reflections on the term Occultism.

From "Teachings of The Temple".

THE TEMPLE IN ITS COSMIC ASPECTS

Primarily, The Temple is a cosmic organic center, the constituent parts of which are the units of collective humanity.

Coincident with the original impulse, the first emanation from the Central Spiritual Sun—the Universal Heart—came into manifestation the Father-Mother-Son, the triangular cornerstone of The Temple, upon which is rising, age by age, a geometrically perfect edifice. The cap stones to the pillar of the porch and the outer walls are now being laid, preliminary to the work of the roof builders—the humanity of the sixth great root race.

The place of each stone is determined by the law of selection, and the same law determines the different Degrees and Orders which lead to and from the great Stone of Sacrifice which rests upon the pavement of the Central Square.

The development of outer conditions, planes and personalities must keep pace with and correspond to the development of the interior man, or evolutionary force would be diverted from its proper channels.

When the Craftsman or Apprentice to any Degree has finished his term of service, and has mastered all the details of the work, he is "recognized" by the Master-Builder and raised to a higher degree, although he may never be conscious of the presence of that Master until his apprenticeship is completed and he in turn becomes a Master of a lower degree.

The Organization of The Temple, the members of which belong by evolutionary right to a certain Degree of Cosmic Life, which Degree is subdivided into seven Orders, is the continuation and expansion of the work of the Masters revived in this country in the last quarter of the past century through H. P. Blavatsky and W. Q. Judge.

To the efforts of the Masters is due the impulse which has caused the great advance in scientific, philosophical, and social endeavor, for They are the Guardians of Ancient Wisdom and Knowledge, in which lies the root of all progress; and the work of The Temple is to cultivate and embody the highest principles of all such in one stupendous living organic whole.

It is a common belief that the fires on the altars of the Ancient Temples have been permitted to die out, but "Those Who Know" say this is not true, that they are but hidden from the view of the masses, awaiting the time when the veil of ignorance and corruption hanging before the hearts of the humanity of this transitory period shall be rent asunder and the Light of the ages become manifest to all. The time is even now here when the doors of "The Temple of the Mysteries" are again swinging outward so that all those seeking the light may enter. The site of that once wonderful structure has been rediscovered, and when the Lord, the Saviour, the Elder Brother of the human race, once more reappears to claim His Own He will find a place prepared for Him by those who, having heard this call, "Come

over and help us," have faithfully responded and have taken up their share of the burden of responsibility. Are you of that number?

THE FORTY-NINTH ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE TEMPLE OF THE PEOPLE

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ADDRESS OF THE SCRIBE

At this Convention time we join in spirit the Great Souls on the Inner Spheres, Masters of the Great White Lodge who join us and give of their support for our great occasion. It is a convention for the Reunion of Spirit with the outer and inner world, to strengthen the bonds between all souls for the righteousness and Brotherhood of man in this and the next world.

For the Temple stands for the Unity of all Life: The Brotherhood of all Souls and the Centralization of all beings and forces within the Godhead.

The Great White Lodge has a definite plan worked out, a long range plan for the upliftment of all the races of the earth, the humanity of this age. What the plan is in full no man knows. But at Convention time we receive a message from our Spiritual Father and there is a great upliftment of spirit at this time. One can catch a glimpse of the picture when one feels how things ought to be. Peace and harmony among ourselves and peace and harmony among the nations is surely the first great goal for this humanity. The Temple is of first importance to aid in establishing harmony and a spirit of Brotherhood on this earth. For the Temple is a Heart Center, a spiritual Center with an established Hierarchical line with the Great White Lodge of Masters. Within this line, forces of light and truth can reach out to all people.

In the 1916 Convention Message, the Master speaks of the Great Temple, of which our Temple, this outer Temple, will one day be a simulacrum. Faith, Love and Endurance are three qualities necessary to carry on the Temple work at this time. Faith in the Temple Plan, Faith in each other, Faith in ourselves, Faith that the whole is making progress toward a definite goal, so that one day the outer Temple will be like the Great Temple on the inner plane. Obedience to Law fulfills the Law. "Lovest thou me," says the Master, "then love thy brother, for we are all one."

The great suns in space radiate their light, heat and energy in all directions, giving life and energy to all life impersonally. This is what love does. It glorifies the righteous, administers just retribution to the unjust. It is the power of love that holds man to a span of suffering for past unrighteous acts. Obedience to Love fulfills all Laws.

Endurance is that inner strength that carries one over the dis-

couraging places of life when all else fails. It has been called the invincible rock. If you hold to a certain point during the period of the operation of Law, the cycle will change and the new dawn rise, a day brighter than before. Strength to hold during discouragement is the power of endurance.

"Great is the Day we are entering, great is the Day we have left behind," says the Master. All days are great because of the Presence of the Overshadowing Christ. God the Creator has provided man with an abundance of everything, and asks but little in return at the close of each day, but that little must be of the nature of the Spirit of God, which is "clean hands and a loving heart" devoted to God and the Son of the Ever-living Light, and abstaining from darkness and destruction.

To quote from The Mountain Top:

THE PEACE OF GOD

"Gather up in one bouquet, as thou would'st gather roses rare, the loves of all the creatures of all worlds, of man, of animal, of plant, of whirling planet, sun and nebulae,—the loves that rise as perfumes to the skies. Add to these all shades, and combinations of all shades that light hath flashed to color. Then bind them with the force of every note and tone which ever gushed from throat of man, and bird, and beast, in song and praise—the chords of that sweet song, the morning stars have sung since dawn of life, the rustle of the winds, the moanings of the waves; and if thou hast no name for such a marvel, thou mayest call it God.

"Then, if thou can'st see and know the spirit of those loves, those rays of color, perfume, notes, and chords, and feel it fold thee close when one short day of time is closed, as, at the setting of the sun, the mother folds her little one and hushes it to sleep and only lays herself to rest when the great Bird of Life hath folded close its wings, then and only then, shalt thou—the offspring of that God, feel and know the Peace of God."

This article points out that if you gather all the loves that rise from all the planets and all the creatures, the loves of the perfumes and of the Light, you may call this God, for God is Love.

It seems that a good part of our effort on this earth is spent in continually going through a process of separating ourselves from darkness, a continual battle between the forces of light and darkness, that only good may prevail, that the Avatar have the earth in full. Our Temple Mantram says, "I believe that in me dwelleth every good and perfect Spirit."

We have been given here at the Center a most distinguished eminent place ensouled with the Presence of the Avatar, which is in process of full manifestation, as we are the Avatar's group, as pointed out in the last Convention Message. This Center is to be as a quiet pool through which the Avatar may manifest.

And the three qualities necessary to carry on with are: Faith, Love and Endurance.

Herman Volz

ADDRESS OF THE GENERAL SECRETARY

Beloved Comrades and Friends:

Greetings of deep love to you and to all our faithful comrades everywhere, as we are united together to celebrate our forty-ninth annual Temple Convention. It is of deepest significance in our work, surpassed only by the great convention of 1929 when the Avataric Forces, having made the descent from inner planes during the preceding 30 years, entered the aura of humanity, and, by decree of the Master, the Feast of Expectation celebrated to prepare for the Great Coming became the Feast of Fulfillment.

Since 1899, when the Temple group held its first convention, the yearly gatherings of The Temple have been mile-stones between the passing and incoming years in the work. Each yearly cycle has had its own particular keynote and vibrations in the group's unfoldment and the building of the right forces into the structure of the pattern of the divine Temple plan. This present Convention, with its high and uplifting forces so evident to us all, now marks the close of the cycle comprising the 49 conventions held during the fifty years of The Temple on the outer plane, the anniversary of which we shall celebrate on November 15, this year.

As occult students we know the symbolic significance of the number 49 as keynote of the great laws and powers ruling the universe, and thus also ruling The Temple which, as a part of the Great White Lodge, is an intrinsic part of the universe and holds its appointed place in the divine plan. As such let us mention here only the 49 divine creative Fires, and the 49 great ruling Spiritual Hierarchies of the Kosmos; there are 49 planes of manifestation, and 49 phases in the development of consciousness; and the 49 divisions and orders of the Great White Lodge, having their reflections in the 49 orders and degrees of The Temple on the outer plane. When perfected, The Temple will be an exact replica of the Great Divine Temple on inner planes. The Temple is a link between the Great White Lodge of Masters and humanity, created under cyclic law on the outer plane to help bring man back to the path of his divine destination. It is a phase of consciousness through which every human soul has to go in his higher evolution, when he comes to the recognition of his inherent divinity and unity with all Life. As the Master Hilarion has stated it in the Pledge of the Order of the 36, the Avataral Order:

"The organization of The Temple of the People as a body corresponds to the Temple of Man and the Temple of the Universe and is directly under the direction and supervision of said Initiates." (the Masters of the Great White Brotherhood.)

And one of the greatest missions of The Temple in this present era is to build up the matrix through which the Avatar will manifest.

The Temple is life itself—the true wonderful life of the Higher Self in man, the pattern for the life that humanity will lead in the New Dispensation when all past sins and mistakes have been redeemed and atoned for and the laws of Brotherhood will rule supremely over an enlightened humanity.

All the great divine powers and laws of the universe have been and are active every moment in the unfoldment of The Temple, teaching, directing, guiding, inspiring, testing and protecting the group; watching over each one of us all, over each one that ever will be drawn into the Temple work; separating the true from the false, to weld the group together in love and unity that it may become the perfect vehicle for the Masters and the Avatar to work through in this present Great Messianic Cycle.

Only the Masters Who have called us know what we have accomplished, and where we have failed to fulfill our sacred obligations towards the Lodge during the half-century of Temple work. The Master has assured us that the influence of The Temple has gone out in ways and means unknown to us. All that we know is that our love and obedience to the Lodge, the Higher Self, The Temple; our loyalty and devotion; our sacrifices and unselfish service; our faith, hope, endurance and trust; all that which we have transmuted in our lives of the lower qualities—the personality—into the eternal principles of the Higher Self; our pure aspirations—these are the materials which have been used in the building of the structure of The Temple. We are the living building-stones emplaced in the Great Guardian Wall of The Temple, and the living cells in the Nucleus of Brotherhood. We are called to be the Warriors of Light to hold the inner light toward the needs of our greater Self—humanity—in this great age of cosmic warfare for the survival of the human race.

One thing we can realize: the bonds of love and unity among and between us are strong and pure, and if we still the fluctuations of the mind, we feel the Peace and radiant forces of the Avataric Presence over and with us. This is the greatest need of The Temple and its orders, Master Morya told us: a bond of unity between all Temple children, from each Templar to every other Templar, that no outside influence can bend or break.

The functioning of the high forces of the Higher Self through the group collectively and each member individually then is the keynote of the incoming sixth ten-year cycle in The Temple. In very truth have we to be the hands and feet, the head and Heart in the work of the Avatar. So let us go forward into the new cycle, in the consciousness of our Oneness in Him, with deep love towards all, regardless of where we are on the outer

plane: "holding together as one family, one consciousness, one heart, one mind, with personality lost in the ocean of love and service for mankind," as the Master told us. "Hold fast to that which has been given you and to the purpose for which you have been brought together: that of combined, untiring, unified, selfless effort for the upliftment and enlightenment of humanity, wherever you find yourselves stationed . . . You are placed according to the demands of your own Higher Selves, the Karma of your own acts. Therefore do your best, and rise higher, attain greater and greater heights of illumination and usefulness through cooperation with the sublime, the beneficent Law of Justice and Equilibrium and perfect Love. There are no mistakes, no mischances of even a single atom in the universe. Every human being is placed by universal law where he belongs at any moment of his career. But he is individually responsible for the conditions he makes for himself in any position he holds in that scale."

In other words, where we find ourselves stationed there lies our Karmic duty to humanity. At this occasion, let us hearken back to some of the Master's helpful hints which he gave to the Temple in the beginning in regard to the outer work.

"There are myriads of both men and women under our partial guidance," the Master said, "who are engaged in preparing conditions for the carrying out of ideas looking towards the solution of particular problems, who have never heard of me and who would reject me if they would hear of me now, for they are not entirely ready to accept our guidance; but that does not alter my duty to them nor their relationship to me. Many of this particular class are doing preparatory work, in which it will be absolutely necessary for you to contact and assist, in order to perfect details for other and higher branches of the same work. Many branches of their work, with the sign manual of the Lodge—"USE"— . . . come to your knowledge almost daily. How much time or energy do you expend in getting into communication with and reaching out the right hand of fellowship to such? Suppose they do reject it for the time being; you have opened up a line between them and yourselves, and will make it so much the easier to pass power over that line at a future time."

I would like to close with reading one of the Master Hilarion's wonderful letters which he wrote to us when the group was still quite young, that His words of deep concern and His deep fatherly love may guide, help and inspire us in our work of the future: "To you, My Child:

To you who are my child, by whatever name or title you are known to others, when once you have crossed the threshold of the Temple, to you individually I say: I need you, the world needs you, millions yet unborn need you, need your devotion, compassion, and your service, and you have promised faithfully and sacredly to give what is required of you. What are you

doing to redeem that promise?

Are you reaching into every field open to you to draw into the Temple ranks those who need the message I bring? Or do you merely take what you can assimilate from that message at the moment of its receipt, and then stand idly by while millions of your fellow beings go down to mental and spiritual death, lulled by the promised security of those soul-destroying demons in human shape who now prey upon the unenlightened?

Do you catch the personal note in each message I send, the note which is sounded for you individually, or are your ears holden by your indifference, or your failure to redeem your own given word?

Are you upholding by word, thought and act the Center established by the Great Ones that you might have all it is possible for those higher than I to send to you, as well as all I may be able to give you of myself? Or are you crippling it by your unwillingness to respond to any call made upon you?

Will you share with me the reward of duty well done; share in the joy the faithful will know when the results of their self-sacrifice and willing service shall be made known? Or will you stand back in the shadow when the Beloved One shall have come to ask what you have done with the treasures entrusted to your keeping?

My child—what is your answer to these questions?"

Ella Vogtherr

WEDNESDAY

The noonday Healing Service was conducted by Patricia Mallory.

At 2:30 P.M. Mrs. Dower gave a party in her lovely garden. All enjoyed the happy atmosphere among gay flowers, lawns and shady trees. Light refreshments were served.

WEDNESDAY EVENING

At 7:30 P.M. the Temple children presented, before a delighted group of parents and friends, three amusing playlets in Hiawatha Lodge. They were: "The Pied Piper of Healthy Town," a shadow pantomime; "The Fate of Greedy Gus;" and "Low Bridge." Between the plays Jean Tedford gave several readings and a charming song, "The Little Brown Owl." Mary Louise and Herbert Lentz and Harold Forgostein arranged the entertainment.

THURSDAY

The noonday Healing Service was led by the Temple Scribe, Herman Volz.

On this day, the annual all-day picnic for Templars and friends was held at the County Park. Here, under spreading oaks, luncheon was enjoyed and games played. A feature of the occasion was a baseball game in which those of all ages participated.

In the evening those who so desired met at Hiawatha Lodge for games and dancing.

FRIDAY

On Friday evening an unusual gathering took place at the former Halcyon Sanatorium. Over fifty people arrived to say farewell to the "old San" which has recently changed hands and whose passing marks a definite turning point in half a century of Temple activity. With every room in the castle-like building lighted up for the occasion, it formed a picture not soon to be forgotten. Many climbed the stairs to the tower for a farewell tour through the memory filled rooms. Old-timers recounted many amusing anecdotes of the early days when it was the only place for people coming to Halcyon to stay, and the social gatherings and convention meetings took place in its large and beautiful parlors. Under its hospitable roof, in the pure healing Lodge vibrations, many ailing bodies and hearts regained their health, and many faithful and devoted ones joined The Temple through the open door of the old San. It was a heart-warming party in commemoration of the early days of The Temple never to be forgotten. As we bade farewell to the "San" and departed for our homes, our hearts were filled with gratitude and a few tears were shed in memory of its many years of use and service to The Temple.

On the Sunday following the Convention, during the hour of the afternoon service, the Temple Builders, children of the Halcyon Group, held their special Temple meeting in The Temple, which, as always, was very lovely as it expresses the fine forces of the child's love and devotion. During this meeting the Temple Naming Ceremony was performed by the Guardian in Chief for Daniel Eugene Parrish, son of Eugene and Helen Parrish.

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CONVENTION BLESS THE SUFFERING WORLD!

TEMPLE ACTIVITIES AND NOTICES

Radiant high Lodge forces blessed the celebration of the **GOLDEN JUBILEE** of The Temple on November 14th and 15th.

On Sunday, the 14th, at 11 a.m. the Feast of Fulfillment was held in The Temple, followed by the noonday healing meditation.

In the afternoon service, in honor of the great occasion, the Guardian in Chief's address, dedicated to the Fiftieth Anniversary of The Temple (printed in this number of the Artisan) was preceded and followed by a program of sacred Temple music on organ and piano and by the choir. The program included Blue Star's hymn, "We Praise Thee;" the Great Master C's Salutory: "Warriors of Light, Warriors of Truth," and two powerful parts from the "Cauldron" music: "The Rhythm of Lir" and "Shine Suns of Light Where the Darkness is Deep." Dr. Dower's "Holy Sephira" was sung by Monica Ting.

The beautiful service, otherwise proceeding according to the

usual Temple ritual, was closed with recitation of the Temple Mantrams and B.S.'s song, "God is in His Holy Temple," sung by the congregation in unison, followed by Blessings and Recessional.

At 6 p.m. the Temple Family reunited for dinner in festively decorated Hiawatha Lodge. Its walls were covered with branches and trees of Monterey Pine. Masses of chrysanthemums adorned the tables, which were arranged in the form of a five-pointed star around the center table, and on it the huge Temple birthday cake stood, bearing the inscription: "Creeds Disappear, Hearts Remain," and 50 lighted candles. Towards the end of the dinner, the Guardian in Chief, as hostess, cut the cake, and it was partaken of with great enjoyment by all present.

A real family reunion with visiting, music and dancing closed the happy evening.

Monday afternoon was open house in Hiawatha Lodge, where Indian relics were on display. Among the pine boughs decorating the walls were the Indian paintings of Hiawatha by our brother Harold Forgostein. Refreshments were served, and musical selections were played by Anna Courtland, and by Monica Ting who sang some of her own compositions. All had a delightful time.

In the evening a pantomime play of the "Song of Hiawatha" was given by Temple members in the Lodge. Preceding the play, Pearl F. Dower, Guardian in Chief, gave an introduction, telling of the contacts of Blue Star and Red Star with the Onondaga Indians in New York, who had a deep knowledge of Hiawatha and his great mission to the Indians and his endeavor to bring peace to the Six Nations. Their philosophy was closely associated and interwoven with The Temple philosophy. Ebba Whitney then read the message, "In the Lodge of the Red Star."

The presentation opened with a song and dance by "Ten Little Indians," given by the youngest Temple Builders and friends (Barbara Shumway, Colin Carlberg, Gary Ross, Susan and Patty Lentz, Joyce Stenquist, Cecelia and Diana Mallory, Lee Ross and Robert Shumway). A beautiful Fire Ceremony taken from an original Indian ritual followed, enacted by Roberta Shumway, with Gloria Shumway, Sheila Varian, Karen White and Mona Lee Schussman. Then came the play, a pantomime portrayal of parts of the life of Hiawatha, with readings from Longfellow's poem, musical accompaniment and artistic lighting effects. Harold Forgostein played the role of Hiawatha, and others in the cast were: Carolyn Forgostein, Herbert Lentz, John, David and Roland Mallory, Roberta Shumway, Elmer Hedin, and Lee Ross. Ebba Whitney accompanied on the piano. Gertrude Tedford read the story, and Joyce Hedin arranged the script. The presentation was under the direction of Mrs. Hedin and Mr. Forgostein. It was very impressive and beautiful.

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