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A Report of the 68th Convocation of the Rose Cross Order

Giving a resume of the proceedings of the Convocation, together with most of the lectures that were delivered during the time of the Convocation, by the several delegates present.

Also a report of the work of Ancient Initiation in the Grove of Osiris as especially prepared for the occasion.



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For the Members of the Rose Cross Order

However, though this appears the truth, it is not the truth. The reason why it has never been cut is because the time is not yet as the cap-stone has not yet been set.

And what is this cap-stone? My reader, prepare for a shock.

When Atlantis ruled the word, that which is now America was connected with Egypt by what is now Mexico, and in Mexico, in the territory of Yucatan, there is a Pyramid in which the Fire Philosophers worshipped God as Divine Fire and Life in like manner as did the Initiates of Egypt, for the two were then one.

America is not complete, and will not be complete, cannot be complete, until Mexico is again part of America as she was in the long ago, and when Mexico is once again a part of the United States, then will the cap-stone have been set on the Pyramid and the reverse side of the United States seal will be cut.

Thus you will see that the Soul Science Primer with its drawings, is but the beginning of the article concerning the Seal of the United States, while the article on "Body, Mind, Spirit and Soul" is the finale thereof.

May it not be long until the Holy Pyramid shall be completed and may it be completed without the shedding of blood.

Lovingly given,

R. SWINBURNE CLYMER,

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Fraternitas Rosæ Crucis

The Authentic Rosicrucian Fraternity in the Americas and the Isles of the Sea

Welcome to the authentic Rosicrucian Fraternity that was first instituted in Germany in 1614. This Fraternity brought together into one organization the various associations of individuals previously known as the Hermetists, Pythagoreans, Magi, Platonists, Gnostics, Alchemists, and Paracelsians.

The Rosicrucian Fraternity existed in America prior to the First American Revolution. In 1774, the great Council of Three (the Fraternity's ultimate governing body) was composed of Benjamin Franklin, George Clymer and Thomas Paine. Thomas Paine was later succeeded by Lafayette, who, like Benjamin Franklin, was a member of the Paris Rosicrucian lodge "Humanidad." In 1842, the Great Council of Three was revitalized by the novelist, George Lippard, who rewrote the exoteric ritual, giving it a patriotic-Christian basis. During the Civil War this Great Council was composed of Paschel Beverly Randolph, General Ethan Allen Hitchcock and Abraham Lincoln.

What is the mission of the Rosicrucian Fraternity?

The Fraternitas Rosae Crucis has two missions or functions, one esoteric and the other exoteric. The esoteric mission is to serve and guide those individuals who are willing to devote themselves to a spiritual life and who are willing to take this sacred vow upon their soul. In other words, the Fraternity offers spiritual teachings to individual members who desire to develop their soul from a "slumbering ember" to a fully conscious spiritual being. The exoteric mission is to disseminate spiritual and scientific truths for the betterment of the physical, moral and intellectual condition of all humanity. The Fraternity's mission is dual- an outer work directed toward the betterment of humanity and an inner work concerning the development of the individual soul.

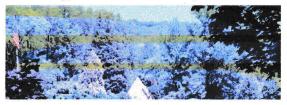
What are the fundamental teachings of the Rosicrucian Fraternity?

The Fraternitas Rosae Crucis teaches that there is one God, the Creator and source of all. That within each of us is buried a particle of the Divine element, a Divine Spark, of and from God. This celestial spark is our soul. Furthermore, God gave us the gift of free will and the opportunity to either diminish or grow this tiny spark by our mode of life; by our thoughts, desires and actions. To develop this celestial soul spark, we must transmute (change) our lower nature and increase the feeling of love within our being. The end result of our efforts is to build this soul spark into a glorious, conscious Soul that forms a direct link between the individual and God. This state of spiritual development is termed Soul Consciousness or Soul Illumination. Illumination of the Soul is symbolized by the fully bloomed rose in the center of the cross of transmutation, the Rosy Cross. The mission of the Fraternitas Rosæ Crucis is to guide individuals, one by one, on the Path toward the ultimate of their Divine Inheritance, Soul Consciousness followed by God Consciousness.



What is the character of a dedicated student of the Rosicrucian Fraternity?

He or she, is one who, because of their physical, mental and spiritual attainment, is considered qualified as a member of the esoteric Rosicrucian Fraternity. The true Neophyte in the Fraternity is first of all a seeker after wisdom and an aspirant after the deepest truths knowable to humankind. This wisdom is not sought for selfish purposes, but to enable the individual to better help their fellow mortals; to better qualify the Neophyte to serve God and humanity, and thus be better able to aid their fellow humans in their struggle to raise themselves to higher levels.



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Member, World or Great Council, Fraternitas Rosae Crucis

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President of the United States; instrument in the hands of destiny to free those held slaves in a free country; Immortalized by his noble works and the assassin's hand; Member of the *Great*, or *World Council* and *Council of Three*, of the *Fraternitas*; co-worker, friend and associate of General Hitchcock and Dr. Randolph, was born in Hardin County, Ky., February 12, 1809.

Practically without funds and without help other than his own efforts, he became one of the world's truly great men.

At the age of twenty-one he possessed only six books: The Bible, Pilgrim's Progress, Æsop's Fables, The Arabian Nights, a Life of Washington, and the Statutes of Indiana.

Lincoln's *Gettysburg Address* has a place of honor in Oxford University, England, proclaimed by literary critics as the most perfect piece of literature ever written in the English language.

It is claimed that Lincoln's writings totaled 1,078,000 words; more than are contained in the Bible; 5% more words than in the complete works of Shakespeare.

It is also said that with the exception of the Master, the Nazarene, more words were written about Lincoln than of any other man who ever lived

Lincoln accomplished all that destiny had planned for him and no man can do more. He died by the assassin's hand April 15, 1865.

Of Lincoln as of Washington, it may be said that their works are *their eternal monuments*. To say much more of them would belittle their accomplishments in a world filled with selfishness.





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