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EVEN BEFORE WATERGATE

For Some, Museums Come First

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GWYN HAS been re-elected for five years to the unique job. Knights of Malta, as they are commonly called, have 8,000 members throughout the world. Membership usually comes after recommendations from bishops. In Carey's case, it was Cardinal Spellman when Carey managed the St. Regis Hotel in New York City.

The Knights, who at one time consisted mainly of royalty and nobles, maintain full diplomatic relations with 38 countries and have ambassadors in every Latin American country except Mexico.

Gwyn, a very with-it gentleman, is also very serious. "In this day and age we are fulfilling our original purpose of taking care of the sick and the poor." He says the word "military" is used "because we were fighting monks although primarily hospitalers and religious as propounded by our founder, Blessed Gerard in 1099. When the first crusade began we were already in Jerusalem with a 2,000 bed hospital ready for the sick and injured pilgrims."

THE KNIGHTS have one acre of ground left in Jerusalem. "A toehold" says Gwyn, adding, we are going to build something there.

He explains how an order that once had great temporal and spiritual power manages a worldwide organization without wealth. "I don't really know how we do it; call it the daily miracle. Everytime there is an emergency, a crisis, members, friends and countries come to our rescue."

The Gwyn family returns to Canada every summer for a breather. "The rest of the time I pretty well sit tight in Rome." He will go back there after side trips to Paraguay, Argentina and Brazil.

GWYN WAS at a reception at Decatur House, itself a national trust and museum.

Little Rhode Island is big in the world of arts and humanities. Sen. Claiborne Pell of that state is chairman of the subcommittee and chairman of the special subcommittee on the Smith-

Assistant Secretary of State and Mrs. Walter Stoessel had been with the Schynders in Russia in 1947, "when times were tough." The Stoessels returned there in 1963. "Things were much better."

Warnock is leaving here to become his country's ambassador to Switzerland where he has been stationed twice before. After this tour of duty comes retirement and he was given his choice of assignments. It was unqualifiedly Switzerland. He will live in Bern, although his diplomatic territory includes Austria.

"I have been very happy in the U.S.," said the witty Irishman in toasting his host, "We consider this our great colonial achievement as we do Canada; we gave up on Scotland 2,000 years ago."