

# VISIT

in San Jose'

## EGYPTIAN TEMPLE

and

## ORIENTAL MUSEUM



ADMISSION FREE



## THE EGYPTIAN TEMPLE

### A Vision of the Past



HERE, in the heart of San Jose, is located one of the most unique structures to be found anywhere in the West. It has been visited by tourists and travelers from all parts of the world, who say there is nothing exactly like it in America. It is a replica of an Egyptian temple; the architecture and decoration are of the sixth Egyptian dynasty.

### Some Interesting Features

This Temple has been reproduced as it would appear on the Sahara desert at the break of dawn. In the East the sky is illuminated by the rays of the still hidden sun. The pillars of the Temple are designed to represent the great red granite monoliths out of which the original was constructed. The flooring of the Temple, which composes an open court, consists of tile laid in geometrical design. Great statues of the ancient kings of Egypt and their gods stand in silhouette facing the ceremonial court.

Visitors to the museum may walk about in this beautiful structure and in an atmosphere of thousands of years ago, when Egypt was at the height of her splendor.

## THE ORIENTAL MUSEUM

### Modern and Ancient Art

Adjoining the Egyptian Temple is the Oriental Museum, with the largest collection of Egyptian objects to be found on the Pacific Coast. Here you can spend minutes or hours, as you please, enjoying antiques or modern pieces of rare work from various parts of the world, each of which is labeled in a manner to tell an interesting story. Part of this collection is from excavations





of temples in Egypt, donated through the Egyptian Exploration Society, with which this museum is affiliated, and some of the specimens to be found here will be found in no other museum of the world.

### **Do Not Miss These**

Here you will see the famous Benediction Stone, from the temple in Egypt, under which Moses stood when he appealed in behalf of the tribes of Israel. Human and animal mummies in an excellent state of preservation are interestingly displayed. Here, also, are scarabs of a rare and costly nature, dating as far back as two and three hundred years B. C. You will also see rare and valuable pieces of Oriental jewelry in their gold and silver settings, sacred strings of beads, fans, silk collars, temple ornaments, some rare jewels, tapestries, and other items once possessed by famous persons, such as the silk collar once owned and worn by Napoleon, in connection with his Egyptian Masonry. Here, also, you will see some modern paintings and other items of intense interest. You will be surprised at the appearance of the beautiful art work done by peoples of the Orient in ages gone by.

### **WHY WE INVITE YOU**

The Egyptian Temple and Oriental Museum are the buildings constituting the National Headquarters and administration offices of an International organization known as the Rosicrucians. This organization had its birth in the ancient mystery schools of Egypt and the Orient and became an international organization during the Middle Ages. Today it is one of the largest fraternal societies in the world devoted to research and the dissemination of knowledge helpful to every man and woman desiring to improve his or her intellectual and cultural progress in life.

The Temple is typical of one used by the Rosicrucians in times gone by, and



you will be interested in hearing the story of these ancient mystics as set forth in a souvenir book given to every visitor, without any obligation.

### Visiting Hours

The Temple and Museum are open to the public each week day from nine to five p. m., except Saturday afternoons. They are also open to the public on Monday evenings, from seven-thirty to nine. Those desiring to visit the museum on Sunday may do so between the hours of 12 noon to 5 p. m. or 7:30 p. m. to 9 p. m. (Telephone Ballard 8295.) There are *no admission fees* of any kind connected with such visits, and a guide will escort you throughout your visit *without any obligations*.

### How to Get There

San Jose is approximately one and one-half hours in point of time, or fifty miles south of San Francisco and Oakland, on the main highway to Los Angeles and southern California. It is also reached by the main railroad and bus lines.

The Rosicrucian Egyptian Temple and Oriental Museum are located on Naglee Avenue, between Chapman and Park. This is in the Hester District, about midway between the heart of San Jose and the beginning of the City of Santa Clara, just a block and a half from The Alameda. Santa Clara buses going out The Alameda will let you off at Naglee Ave. or you may take the Park Ave. bus and get off at Park and Naglee Ave. Taxi-cabs will bring you to the Museum quickly. If you come by auto, ask any San Jose gas station attendant to direct you.

No visit to San Jose is complete without seeing these Rosicrucian buildings, with the Egyptian Temple, Oriental Museum, and Rosicrucian Planetarium.

*The Rosicrucians*  
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The fourth and inner golden sarcophagus (mummy case) of King Tutankhamen of about 1350, B. C. The Cairo Museum of Egypt estimates the intrinsic value of the original as about \$250,000.00 This especially prepared exhibit is the object of considerable interest to all visitors. It stares across centuries at our modern world. It represents the splendor of the ancient Egyptian civilization, and is one of many equally interesting exhibits.



The only full size reproduction in the world of an ancient Egyptian Rock Tomb of the Feudal Age of Egypt. Tombs such as these harbored the mummified remains of great pharaohs, kings, and wealthy nobles of thousands of years ago. This tomb is declared by archaeologists, historians, and world travelers, to be complete in every detail. Its realism is startling. As you stand within it, time seems to have moved backward, and the world of today seems but a dream. The tomb is open to the public without cost or obligation.