

DEDICATION

Pedigrees of Some of the Emperor Charlemagne's Descendants VII 1974

This book is the fruition of the dream and hope of Aileen Lewers (Mrs. William Carroll) Langston when she was President General of the Order of the Crown of Charlemagne in the United States of America. She was dedicated to the work of the Order, spared herself not at all and it is possible her untiring efforts contributed to her untimely death on the fifteenth of August in 1971. The Order appreciates her contributions and appropriately dedicates this work to her.

At the meeting of the Order in November 1970, Mrs. Langston asked James Orton Buck, Jr., of New York, to work with her in the compilation, knowing his active interest in several societies and his competent interest in genealogy; being near source material and having Timothy Field Beard as consultant has been a help. After her death Robert George Cooke, Count de Royalton, as President General, asked Mr. Buck to continue the work and when the former retired as Honorary President General, January first of this year, Mr. Buck, falling heir to the mantle has worked unsparingly to bring the work to conclusion. It has been a real undertaking as the Order's watchword as always has been accuracy in matters genealogical.

The Order presents this unique and valuable book knowing it will be of interest to students of history and to genealogists, professional and amateur, an inspiration.

Hiram Kennedy Douglass
Chaplain General

Florence, Alabama
26 December 1972