Mr. Aldrich Could Be Sir Winthrop in Britain

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As an American citizen, Ambassador Aldrich is not permitted to use that prefix of respect even though he has been a Knight Grand Cross of the British Empire for four years and is entitled to wear a handsome six-pointed star bearing the inscription, "For God and the Empire.

The order, which is limited to 70 men, was conferred upon Aldrich by British Socialist Ambassador Sir Oliver Franks, in the embassy in Washington in 1938 for his work in obtaining Yankee money to shore up Britain's sagging economy. And, in addition to the knighthood, Aldrich holds the first king's medal authorized by the late King George VI for service to the empire.

Then the 67-year-old financier, former chairman of the board of the Chase National Bank of New York and a warm friend of President Eisenhower, will occupy the highest position in Britain of any American ambassador since the Revolution. By contrast, his predecessor, Walter C. Gifford, managed only an honorary fellowship in the Middle Temple, a sort of lawyers' guild, during his two-year tenure in London.

Mrs. Aldrich was made a Dame Grand Cross of the British Empire at the same time her husband was knighted.

Honorably speaking, Ambassador Aldrich is standing on the top rung of the ladder. Most ambassadors tell for years in the international goodwill industry and garner nothing more impressive than a few honorary degrees from various universities. (This is an old American custom, too.) One of our recent ambassadors to Britain, Lewis Douglas, was the degree champ. He collected eight of them and a ninth is waiting for him at the University of Sheffield. They won't mail it to him.

It's a fine thing that the British hold our new ambassador in such esteem, but the disturbing thought must occur to Aldrich that the honor could have grave political consequences. Suppose he's telling one day with some of his fellow knights and one of them inadvertently calls him Sir Winthrop with: Just think what the Democrats could do with "Sir Winthrop" out in the grassroots in 1960!

AFTER SCHOOL HOURS

By W. E. Hill

Why school bus drivers age prematurely. Fights and rowdy housemen are as program. The air is thick with skittles and curls.

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When Barrymore Winthrop, Mr. Aldrich presents his em- phasis on the new direction. The production, in Jewel, could, quite properly from the British viewpoint, give him as the Winthrop. The work, however, because to so might create what the dramatists call a heretic.

Mr. and Mrs. Winthrop Aldrich.

Law Blots Out Tear-Gas Pen

PFAF... A woman who was a victim in a newspaper has said she and husband are too low to be seen talking about the tear-gas pens at night. She has a tear-gas pen in the shape of a false lead.

Millionaires Few And Far Between

Barbara's in town and but 20 men are trying to gain her. She is a tall girl who has been seen with a tear-gas pen, and says everyone wants to get her. She is a model for the given names of Barbara and Marion. She is a millionaire with no name. 

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