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## **Forward**

The following Proceedings of the 110th Annual Encampment of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War were prepared 9 years after the fact. While every conceivable effort has been made to present an accounting as complete as possible of the Encampment, there are many areas where information was no longer available.

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**George W. Long  
Commander-in-Chief**

George W. Long of Lancaster, Pennsylvania, joined General George H. Thomas Camp #19 in March of 1938. He is eligible through his great grandfather, John J. Staub, who served in the 75th Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, Company D and also in the 165th Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, Company G.

Brother Long has held every office in his camp. In the Pennsylvania Department he has served as Chaplain, Junior Vice Commander, Senior Vice Commander, Department Commander for two terms 1969 through 1971, and a member of the Pennsylvania Department Council.

On the national level he has served on several committees and held positions of Patriotic Instructor, Council of Administration, Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief and Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief. At the 109th National Encampment in Des Moines Iowa, he was elected to the office of Commander-in-Chief. Brother Long is currently a Lieutenant Colonel in the Sons of Veterans Reserve. He came up through the ranks in the Pennsylvania Brigade.

Brother Long is retired from Playschool toys where he worked for 45 years. His wife, Audrey, is also retired from the same company. He and his wife have been married 42 years. They have no children. George is a Lector in the Catholic Church. Brother Long's mother, father and seven brothers and sisters have belonged to the Grand Army of the Republic Allied Orders at one time or another. He is an avid bowler and serves on the Pennsylvania State Board of Directors of Bowlers.



**NATIONAL OFFICERS 1990/1991**  
**SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR**

Commander-in-Chief .....George W. Long

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief .....Lowell V. Hammer

Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief.....Elmer F. Atkinson

Council of Administration ..... Charles W. Corfman, PCinC  
..... Joseph S. Rippey, PCinC  
..... Charles E. Sharrock

National Secretary .. .....James T. Lyons

National Treasurer.. ..... Richard D. Orr

National Counselor . ..... Richard D. Orr

National Chaplain ... ..... Jonathan T. Mayhew, Sr

National Patriotic Instructor .....Nathan E. Moll

National Historian ... .....John L. Camprobst

National History Book Coordinator .....Keith G. Harrison

National Graves Registration Officer ..... Charles E. Sharrock

National GAR Highway Officer .....Alan R. Loomis

National Personal Aide .....Ivan Frantz, Sr

National Washington Representative ..... Richard C. Schlenker, PCinC

National Chief of Staff..... Norman R. Furman, PCinC

National Membership-at-Large Coordinator .....Keith G. Harrison

*Banner* Editor..... James O. Lee

**Joint Memorial Service**  
**Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War**  
**Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War**  
**Adam's Mark Hotel**  
**Indianapolis, Indiana**  
**August 11, 1991**

Musical Prelude ..... Ruth Huntington, Auxiliary National Musician  
Processional ..... *Onward Christian Soldiers*  
Lighting of Candles..... George Long, Commander-in-Chief  
..... Ora Moitoso, Auxiliary National President  
Invocation .... Jonathan Mayhew Sr, SUVCW National Chaplain  
Scripture ..... Betty J. Baker, Auxiliary National Chaplain  
Memorial to the Grand Army of the Republic..... Joseph Rippey, PCinC  
“One Vacant Chair”..... Betty J. Baker, Auxiliary National Chaplain  
Eulogy for Nellie Hawley, PNP ..... Jennie Russell PNP

**Memorial Tributes**

Past National Presidents ..... Dorris Schlenker, PNP  
Past Commanders-in-Chief ..... Richard Greenwalt, PCinC  
Deceased Officers and Members of Auxiliary..... Beatrice Greenwalt, PNP  
Deceased Officers and Members of the SUVCW ..... Clarke Mellor, PCinC  
Roll Call and Placing of Flowers ..... Department Commanders and Presidents  
Hymn ..... *Old Rugged Cross*  
Scripture ..... Jonathan Mayhew Sr, SUVCW National Chaplain  
Benediction.. ..... Betty J. Baker, Auxiliary National Chaplain  
Hymn ..... *Shalom to You*  
Extinguishing of Candles ..... George Long, Commander-in-Chief  
..... Ora Moitosa, Auxiliary National President  
Recessional. .... *Battle Hymn of the Republic*  
Postlude ..... Ruth Huntington, Auxiliary National Musician

**Memorial Banquet and Camp Fire Program  
Adam's Mark Hotel  
Indianapolis, Indiana  
August 11, 1991**

Advancing the Colors ..... Sons of Veterans Reserve  
Invocation .... Richard Schlenker, PCinC  
Pledge of Allegiance..... Margaret Atkinson, Patriotic Instructor, Auxiliary to the SUVCW  
National Anthem..... Ellen Beckman PNP, DUVCW  
Welcome and Introductions ..... Beryl McNamara, Chief of Staff, DUVCW  
Grace..... Dolores Hubbard, National Chaplain, Ladies of the GAR

**Banquet**

Introduction of National Officers ..... Gail M. Seitz, National President, DUVCW  
..... George Long Commander-in-Chief SUVCW  
..... Ora Moitoso, National President, Auxiliary to the SUVCW  
..... Kay Lawrence, Representative from Woman's Relief Corps  
Joint Memorial Service ..... National Chaplains  
Memorial Tribute to Abraham Lincoln ..... Adah M. Hayes, DUVCW  
Greetings from the Department of Indiana ..... Adah M. Hayes, DUVCW  
Letters of Greetings ..... Theda Cole Department of Indiana, DUVCW  
State of Indiana Resolution ..... James T. Lyons, National Secretary SUVCW  
Address: *Grand Army of the Republic - Our Heritage*..... Dan Mitchell, Past President  
..... Indianapolis Civil War Round Table  
Retiring of the Colors ..... Sons of Veterans Reserve  
Taps ..... Bugler



**110th Annual National Encampment  
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War  
August 12- 14, 1991**

The 110th Annual National Encampment of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War was called to order on August 12, 1991 by Commander-in-Chief George W. Long.

The following Encampment Committees and staff were appointed:

Constitution Rules and Regulations: PCinC Joseph Rippey, PCinC Charles Corfman and PCinC Norman Fuhrman

Rituals and Ceremonies: Bud Atkinson, Joe Long, Richard Smyser

Resolutions Committee: Lowell Hammer and PCinC Clark Mellor

Officers' Reports: Ivan Franz, Sr., Roger Wheeler and Gary Gibson

Brothers Alan Peterson, Jerry Orton and Ivan Frantz, Jr. were appointed as Guide, Color Bearer and Guard, respectively, for the Encampment.

The Commander-in-Chief called for a report from the Encampment Committee on Credentials. It was reported that there were 79 delegates registered, 59 present.

National Treasurer Richard Orr moved that that the Massachusetts Department delegation not be allowed to be seated with voting rights until such time as the Department was in good standing with its per capita tax payments. The delegation could be allowed to stay in room and it would also be refunded its registration fee. The motion was seconded and passed after a roll call vote of the Departments present and entitled to vote; motion passed.

Commander-in-Chief Long turned the gavel and the control of the Encampment over to Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief Hammer.

**Report of the Commander-in-Chief**

To the Officers and Delegates of the 110th Annual National Encampment, SUVCW, Officers and Brothers:

In August 1990 in Des Moines, Iowa, you elected me to the highest office of this organization. I accepted with honor. When I accepted the office, I said that I would do my best to uphold the dignity of our organization.

After the convention tour on Thursday, I left the hotel and was going to drive until dark. Well, it did not work out that way. I could not get a motel so I drove until nine o'clock the next morning before I found a place. When I did, I rested all-day and left the next morning for Lancaster, Pennsylvania.

Due to previous arrangements, I could not make the Grand Army of the Republic home in Pittsburgh for their annual banquet. Everything else changed when I received a call from a Department Commander that the Department Commander of Pennsylvania died of heart failure. So along with my personal aide, Ivan Franz, we drove to Pittsburgh for the viewing and the funeral.

September 29 & 30: I attended a field meet in Lancaster Camp 19 on the lawn of Lancaster County Historical Society. Many things were on display and the reenactors put on a good show for the public. An estimated 1000 viewed the troops.

October 13: I attended testimonial dinner for Martha Wilson, Department President of Auxiliary of Pennsylvania.

October 27: A testimonial dinner was held in my honor at the Days Inn in Lancaster. Many members of my family attended along with many of my officers and auxiliary members. All total, over a hundred attended. One big surprise was when Frank Heacock, PCinC, came in. I received many wonderful gifts and will remember each and every one as I use them.

November 8: With Joe Long, Pennsylvania Department Commander, I attended a meeting of Camp Fifty in Carlisle and its auxiliary.

November 10: I attended testimonial dinner for Ora Moitoso, the National President of the Auxiliary in Warwick, Rhode Island at the Howard Johnson Motor Lodge. November 17: attended past president's association banquet at the Holiday Inn at Gettysburg. In the afternoon, I also attended the parade and ceremony at the Woolson monument.

January 29: I went with Ivan Franz, Barb Franz, and Barb Trayer to Gettysburg to make a change for the place for our November affair. Only time will tell if we made a good selection.

February 12: I attended the Annual Lincoln Memorial Service at Washington, D.C. where I placed our organizational wreath. It was a very impressive ceremony.

February 17: I was invited to an open house in Scranton, Pennsylvania for the Civil War Museum. Joseph Long, our department commander and Ezra Given, Camp #8, are doing a terrific job to keep this museum alive.

February 28: President Bush declared Kuwait free in only a little more than six weeks. Allied forces radioed to free Kuwait and outstanding leadership and expert military ability combined to eradicate aggression. Now that almost all our troops are home to America, and we welcome them back with open arms. We thank them for a job well done. They deserve a distinction in making us at home

proud to be Americans. We as veterans remember all too well the personal sacrifice made to bring about the victory.

March 9: I attended a testimonial dinner in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania for Lois Mayhew, the National President of the Ladies of the Grand Army.

March 16: I traveled to Warwick, Rhode Island, for the department convention.

March 17: I attended a meeting of past presidents' association south central Pennsylvania in Carlisle, Pennsylvania.

March 30: I attended Appomatox Day dinner Reading, Pennsylvania. April fourteenth traveled to Springfield, Illinois to attend a wreath laying ceremony on April 15. The weather was ideal, and I was called upon to speak and kept it to the events of the day. Also lunch after was enjoyed by all, my wife, my personal aide and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Franz traveled with me.

April 26: I travel to Harpers Ferry, West Virginia, as a guest of the camp and Maryland Department for a convention on April 27.

May 22: I attended an Auxiliary to Camp #19 anniversary dinner in which I was their guest.

May 27: I attended the Memorial Day Parade and service in Gettysburg where I laid the national wreath for the SUVCW followed by a very impressive ceremony for the burial remains of the Civil War veterans to the National Museum. They were buried with full honors. A fitting resting-place followed the battle of Gettysburg. Many people gathered items left behind for the armies as soldiers of the event. Some individuals organized the relics and museum collections. Along with the artifacts, bones and bone fragments were found between 1927 and 1941 by Joseph Rosensteel, John Cullison and Howard Weikert. These human remains became a part of the Rosensteel collection at the National Museum. Relic hunting is no longer legal in the battlefield so additional remains are not likely to be added to the collection, now a part of the Gettysburg National Military Park. It was fitting that after almost 128 years these human remains of the battlefield received a proper burial. The Borough procession was conducted by the United States Cemetery, the old guard. Burial was in the National Cemetery near the Baltimore Pike entrance.

May 30: I attended the Memorial Day service in Lancaster for the rededication of the Civil War section at Greenfield Cemetery which was refurbished by the Camp.

June: I installed the new officers at the Pennsylvania Department Encampment. This was a very well attended convention.

June 21: I attended the Maine Department Encampment. Arriving on Friday, my wife and I were treated to a lobster dinner. This convention was also well attended including four past National Commanders-in-Chief. I also installed the new officers.

June 28, 29: I attended New York Department Encampment in Liverpool, New York. We were lucky to get a room that the senior Olympics was being held. We got a room about two miles down the road and in spite of this, we had a very good convention. I was given the honor there to install the new officers.

My scholarship award went to a student at Millersville University, who is having a hard time making payments for books.

Certificates of merit for members recruiting new members as of this writing go to:

Thomas Juring, Jr., Connecticut – 3 members  
Nicholas Kopp, Illinois, 7 members  
Allen Were, Indiana, 6 members  
Jerome Work, New York, 3 members  
Douglas Mitt, New York, 3 members  
Charles Sherrock, Colorado, 5 members  
Roger A. Wheeler, Sr., Iowa, 7 members  
James O. Lee, Iowa, 5 members  
John Jenkins, Pennsylvania, 4 members  
George Long, Pennsylvania, 3 members  
Joseph Long, Pennsylvania, 4 members  
Robert Yager, Jr., Pennsylvania, 3 members  
Russell Jones, Pennsylvania, 3 members  
Robert Bergen, Pennsylvania, 3 members  
Robert Schaeffer, Pennsylvania, 3 members  
Elmer Atkinson, Pennsylvania, 21 members  
Thomas Trint, Pennsylvania, 10 members  
Anthony Waskie, Pennsylvania, 8 members  
George Powell, Pennsylvania, 4 members

To my traveling partner, Audrey Long, I thank her for traveling so many miles with me and keeping me from getting lost, as she kept reading the map all the time.

To my National President Auxiliary or my associate crossed paths many times. I wish you and yours a most enjoyable convention.

To the National President, Mrs. Lois Mayhew and the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, we also passed several times and I am sure you will have a constructive convention. National President, Mrs. Gail Seitz, Daughters of the Union Veterans of the Civil War wishing for you and your officers a most harmonious convention. Now that you are meeting with three other groups this

year, I hope that all five groups can soon be together. The sooner for the better. Although the Woman's Relief Corps is not meeting with us, I wish for their National President, Mrs. Marion Morgan, great success in their convention. She is going to try to get her organization to meet with us as early as 1994. Good luck, Marion. To all that are sick, wish them a speedy recovery. To all that have lost loved ones, may they rest in peace. To keep a good relationship in this organization if I did anything wrong, come and tell me. What I did right, tell others then we'll be one happy family.

I helped to write the following with the Veterans of Foreign Wars outside of Millersville for their new members coming in:

*Am I a new member or do I just belong? I see you at the meetings but no one ever says hello. You are all busy with ones that you already know. I sit along with the members but I am lonesome. The new ones are strange to the eye and the old ones pass me by but darn it, you fellows asked me to join and talk a fellowship. You could have stepped across the room but never made the trip. Why can't you nod and say hello or stop and shake my hand? They go and sit among their friends. Now that I understand, I will be at the next meeting. Hope to have a nice time so you could introduce yourself and be friends.*

I have four recommendations, (1) That we continue the support of the national ceremonies at Remembrance Day in Gettysburg, Lincoln Memorial in Washington, Lincoln's Tomb in Springfield, and the service at the Cathedral of the Pines in New Hampshire; (2) That we continue the scholarship award to the student of the Commander-in-Chief's choice who is enrolled in a college in subject of American History; (3) That we recommend dropping the \$5.00 charge for a new member for reasons of extra burden in getting new members; and (4) That the reimbursement to Camps for life members be changed back to the \$8.00.

Yours in F., C., & L.,  
George W. Long  
Commander-in-Chief

It is moved and seconded that the report of the Commander-in-Chief and all subsequent reports be referred to the Encampment Committee on Officers'; motion passed.

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief Hammer returned the gavel and the control of the Encampment to Commander-in-Chief Long.

### **Report of the Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief**

Brothers, I will spare you the reading of the complete report here and simply go into a few highlights. I would like to highlight the following:

The Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief is in charge of that particular fund. So far this year we have taken in \$209 bringing the total amount in the fund to \$1425.42. However, we did have the expenditure for one of our advertisements of \$501.50, leaving us with \$923.92. The Treasurer tells me that he received some money directly, so prior to the final report that I make on the Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief fund, I will get with him and we will have a final tally prior to the end of the Encampment. I do have on my table some envelopes for those who would like to contribute.

One other item that I would like to comment on, that really I didn't get in here. I have listed a number of events and things that I attended:

On August 1, in my capacity of Commander-in-Chief of the Loyal Legion, I was invited to Columbus, Georgia, to bring greetings to the Military Order of the Stars and Bars. They meet together with the Sons of Confederate Veterans so I took the liberty, Brother Commander-in-Chief, of extending the greetings of the Sons of Union Veterans also. Nobody called me a carpetbagger and I was very well received.

As you recall last year, I made a recommendation and it was accepted that we encourage the publication of newsletters by camps and departments. We need excellent communications with the membership. Since that time, I have been receiving copies of the *Battlefield Dispatch* of the General George H. Thomas Camp #19 of Pennsylvania with which our Commander-in-Chief is familiar. I have been also the recipient of the *Volunteer* of the New York Department and notices and bulletins of the Camp Governor William Dennison, not really a newsletter but a lot of good information, and the *SUVCW Review* of the Department of Maryland. These are all excellent publications.

Recommendations:

1. I recommend that the Editors of the above-listed and similar publications be commended for their efforts.
2. I recommend that the Commander-in-Chief create a publications committee to provide ideas and suggestions to the *Banner* Editor with respect to content of the *Banner* and to encourage and assist Camps and Departments with publishing a newsletter.
3. You all know if you look at our purposes in the Constitution and Regulations, you will see that the first one is to perpetuate the memory of the Grand Army of the Republic. Frankly I can think of no better way of preserving for future generations these fields and the battlefields where our ancestors bled and died, than preserving them. Therefore, I recommend that during the coming year, the SUVCW, the National, the Department and Camp level make a

special effort to support the association for the Preservation of Civil War Science and similar organizations to the best of our ability.

In F., C., & L.,  
Lowell V. Hammer  
Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief

### **Report of the Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief'**

My sincere thanks for extending to me the honor of serving as Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief for this year. As Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief, it was my responsibility to increase our membership as Chairman of the Membership Committee with all Junior Vice Commanders serving with me. Our goal was to promote the Order.

I wrote two letters to all the department Junior Vice Commanders telling them and asking them for any ideas they may have. However, I encountered the same old problem that dates back 50 years or more. Not one of the Junior Vice Commanders responded to my request. The new members are out there but they do not know about our organization.

We are receiving letters from all over the United States and other countries asking about the GAR and the Sons. All letters are promptly answered with the Sons information is enclosed. Most of the time they write me back again stating that the state department never responded then asking if they could join my Camp. We now have members in 20 states and also in the country of Norway.

Nothing catches the attention of the public faster than wearing the uniform of the Civil War. Our group never passes up an opportunity to appear before the public and pass out our literature. Last year I received a letter from the Governor of the state of New Jersey asking if our unit would come over to its state fair. Our group has signed up 52 new members since the last National Convention.

After enlisting new members you must have an interesting program to keep them interested. Our Camp holds three meetings as a roundtable with a speaker of some subject of the Civil War. This meeting is open to the public. With a fourth meeting, we hold a meeting for members only, and we use the ritual and initiate all new members.

I would like to thank Richard Schlenker and his wife for the new members they have brought in over the past five years. Here is a man who's out there really pushing all the time for our organization.

I would like to make one recommendation; that a report be required from each Department Junior Vice Commanders to be sent to the Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief listing all new members in the Department. This would allow the Junior

Vice Commander-in-Chief to compile a complete list. The old saying that it pays to advertise definitely holds true for enlisting new members.

Brother Commander-in-Chief, it's been a privilege and honor. Thank you for your help and support.

In F., C., & L.,  
Elmer F. Atkinson  
Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief

### **Report of the National Patriotic Instructor**

I regret that I am unable to attend in Indianapolis, Indiana with you. I had very much wished to be there. I have attended the last four Encampments starting with the Buffalo, New York, Encampment. I had planned on being there but due to the state of Iowa being in financial crisis, I cannot be there.

I had planned a quota for my fund-raiser to be \$2,200, so that I would collect \$2,000 for the fund along with \$200 for printing of the solicitation cards. I reached this goal and hope everything is in order. I wish to thank everyone that contributed and also everyone that was unable to contribute for any reason. I did not send out thank you notices, as this would have increased postage. Thanks to all of you and have a very pleasant and fruitful Encampment. I hope to see you all soon.

Yours in F., C., & L.,  
Nathan E. Mull  
National Patriotic Instructor

### **Report of the National Counselor**

Commander-in-Chief and Brothers, without going into any specifics on the advice I provided during the year, I simply would like to report that on several occasions I did advise the Commander-in-Chief on interpretation of the Regulations. There were some inquiries from the Council of Administration during several meetings and I also had inquiries from Camps and the Departments of Ohio, Illinois, Indiana, Massachusetts, and through the Department of Wisconsin from a proposed Camp in Portland, Oregon. None of these required written decisions, as it was all verbal advice given on the intent and wording of the Constitution and Regulations.

Commander-in-Chief, it has been an honor and privilege to have served you.

In F., C., & L.,  
Richard Orr  
National Counselor

## Report of the National Chaplain

Last year in Des Moines, Iowa, I had the privilege of being asked to be your National Chaplain, which I considered an honor. Over the year I have attended many functions. The following is a list of the places I have been:

August 25, I brought greetings to the 100th anniversary of the Ladies of the Grand Army Republic in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania and left that same evening for Evansville, Indiana for the funeral of my brother-in-law. This was the same day the Department Commander of Pennsylvania was laid out and I had to be with my family first.

The next place was Gettysburg in November for Remembrance Day.

February 10, I attended the Lincoln Dinner at the GAR home in Pittsburgh where I brought greetings again.

February 11, I drove to Washington, D.C. to stay over night.

February 12, I attended the ceremony at the Lincoln Monument and the luncheon.

February 13, 14, 15, I drove to Florida.

February 16, I attended the Florida Ladies of the GAR convention at the home of Ted and Bonnie Blouse; I had a wonderful time visiting with some old friends from school days, as well as with Richard and Lois Smyser, Ohio Department SUVCW Commander and Ohio Department President of the Ladies of the GAR.

March 9, I attended testimonial dinner for my wife and gave the invocation and benediction.

May 28-29, I drove to New Hampshire for the Memorial Day services at the Cathedral of the Pines, which was a very impressive ceremony and a very beautiful place, one, which I shall remember for a long time. We were the guests of Sylvia Thompson and her daughter and son-in-law.

June 13-14 I attended Pennsylvania Department Encampment.

June 15-16, I attended part of the Ohio Department Encampment where I brought the greetings of Commander-in-Chief, George Long and my own personal greetings as George was finishing up Pennsylvania's Encampment.

I have had a wonderful year as your National Chaplain.

In F., C., & L.,  
Jonathan T. Mayhew, Sr.  
National Chaplain

## Report of the National Secretary

This has been a busy year for your National Secretary, both in pursuit of the work of this office and the handling of some special projects and other duties. We have enjoyed some success, some disappointments, some periods of anxiety and occasional frustration but on balance, this has been a great and productive year.

One of the brightest aspects of this year has been our improving membership picture. I am pleased to report that for the second year in a row, we have shown a net membership increase. This year's figure is 125 new members more than we had last year. Our usual pattern over the past years has been to have a net loss. Membership recognition awards will go to the following Departments:

1. The Holland Award goes to the Department of Pennsylvania this year for 104 new members.
2. The Grand Cup will go to the Department of California and Pacific, they had a 160 percent membership gain this year.
3. The Under the Age of 40 Recruiting Award goes to the Department of New York. They recruited 15 new members under the age of forty. With regard to the recruiting of new members, special mention should also be made that Pennsylvania recruited 12, and 11 were signed up as Members-at-Large at the national level.

This has been a great point of focus for us. The advertising program continues to produce new prospects. This year we ran another ad in the January-February issue of *Civil War Times Illustrated*. It has continued to produce responses up to this time. Total response for this year was 450 as opposed to last year when we had 337.

The program operated as it did last year with form letters going to each person responding to give them contact information for the department in their state. A list of prospects was sent to the departments for follow up. Some departments have done a great job on this and they have grown. Unfortunately, during the past year I have received a number of letters from respondents who have not been contacted by departments. Their efforts to get a response by contacting department officers have not been successful. They write back to me asking what to do next.

This is a program that requires the department to follow up and to "close the sale." There needs to be some personal contact and an offer to assist, answer questions, and extend greetings of the camp that he will join.

Another important task on this year's schedule has been the program to raise money for the advertising program through the sale of tickets for a print donated by Dale Galon, artist and resident in Gettysburg. The money raised will be

credited to the Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief's fund and will be used for membership promotion and as of noon we have \$380 raised on this particular project to go to the Senior Vice Commander's fund.

We are nearing completion of the effort to republish the Constitution and Regulations. Material has been put on computer disk. We should be able to have copies to departments by early September. Computer work on this has been done at no cost to the Order.

The development of a national membership file is progressing. Arrangements have been made to have these records put on a computer, again at no cost, for easy cross-reference, members to ancestors and vice versa. Form 22 will be sent with first quarter per capita report forms. Two copies will be sent for each camp reported by the department plus a few extras. Both copies should be returned to the department secretary by the installing officer with all information completed. The department secretary will retain one copy for his file and send the second copy to the National Secretary with a per capita report.

One project that we did not get off the ground this year was the business of gathering information from the departments regarding the location and background information on the camps within the department. This will be a top priority project this year.

The preparation of the publication of the proceedings of past National Encampments was delayed again due to funds not being available. Work continues on getting the material ready for publication, however. This work is being done again at no cost to the order. I now have two people with desktop publishing capability who will prepare the copy for printing. As funds become available, proceedings will be published in the order previously established and that was to publish the current year first then the oldest then the next newest then the next oldest, working from both ends towards the middle.

Another project, which needs to get under way, is the effort to locate the GAR records that are still in existence. Last year we approved this project but to date no one has requested information or indicated an interest in getting started. This project cannot be delayed much longer if we are going to do this important work.

There are several recommendations that I would like to offer as part of this report:

1. It is my recommendation that we continue to expand this extremely effective program of advertising and explore ways in which it can be expanded further.
2. It is my recommendation that the job of responding and following up be done by the Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief. It has been suggested that the

- responses continue to come to the address of the National Secretary but that they then be sent to the Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief for action.
3. The national application fee of \$5.00 has produced a total of \$945.00 this year and has been credited to the Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief's fund for membership promotion. This fee should be continued if we are to continue and expand the advertising program.
  4. A Committee needs to be appointed to develop the means of implementing the program approved last year to seek out and identify the location of surviving GAR records and other materials.

I've enjoyed serving under Brother Long.

In F., C., & L.,  
James T. Lyons  
National Secretary

### **Report of the National Treasurer**

Commander-in-Chief, Officers and Brothers, this past year has been one of many trials and tribulations. Before I get into the Financial Report, I want to first express my own appreciation and that of my family for condolences on the passing of my father and also to concerns that were expressed about my own personal health. I can assure you that I am fully recovered from both surgeries that I underwent immediately before the last National Encampment and shortly after the last National Encampment.

During the past year I have spent an average of 15 - 20 hours per week conducting the business of our Order. Many of the hours were taken up addressing questions from our auditors about financial records from prior years and I finally convinced the auditor that I cannot give them information that was in the hands of past National Treasurer or past Commander-in-Chief and our Department Brother, Chester Shriver. Some of the records could not be located, some have been guesstimated at by the auditor working backwards from figures he had, to try to get beginning balances and in the end both the auditor and myself concluded that three of the years of the records that have not been audited cannot be and never will be audited simply because the information isn't there. The auditing firm agreed to start with the 1989-1990 year, take the ending figures which can be provided by the banks of all the accounts that we, take all the information which I had for the year and work back to a starting figure.

There will be a comment on the audit to that effect so, therefore, for the years 1987, 1988, it is not possible to conduct an audit on those because everything isn't there. I've also dealt with numerous requests for information pertaining to both membership, organization of camps and general questions. Much of the

time was also spent reconstructing life membership records. I have enjoyed the past year as National Treasurer and found it a fulfilling job in serving our Order. I also want to express my appreciation to Bud Atkinson, who Commander-in-Chief Long re-appointed Assistant National Treasurer, for his help. Bud, once again, took on the responsibility for preparing and shipping all the supplies and as liaison for Simon Brothers, the manufacturer of our medals.

I'd like to turn to the financial reports, which have been passed out and preface it with saying we are in much better financial condition than we were last year at this time. Our expenditures did not exceed our income for the first time in four years.

As we go through the financial report, you will see that this is not cause for celebration yet. The first page of the report title on the top Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Incorporated, statement of assets, liabilities and fund balances for fiscal year ending June 30, 1991.

This is a summary of our total assets, liabilities and fund balances. On June 20, 1991 we had no outstanding liability for the statement of assets is also the statement fund balance. The financial statement shows our total assets to be \$78,020.54. While this may appear to place us on sound financial ground, we must, as last year, look at the facts and realize that this is a misleading figure as the overall financial health of the organization.

Of that total amount, \$56,100 and I've rounded these numbers off, of the \$78,000 is in inventory and the permanent fund. The inventory doesn't pay our bills, it doesn't turn into cash until we sell it. Only the income generated by the permanent fund may be used to pay our expenses. The principal of the permanent fund is untouchable.

In actuality we have approximately \$20,000 useable to pay our obligations. Of this \$20,000, \$14,500 is in the GAR Fund and \$990 is in the Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief's fund that is designated for specific purposes, leaving us with \$6, 281 in the general fund.

Summary of revenues, expenses paid and changes in the fund balance will delineate where we are this year as compared to last year. These are actual monies and does not include the inventory, which is why the difference between this total here of \$63,700 versus the \$78,000. We began the year with little over \$2,600 in the General Fund. We had revenues of \$22,635.58. Expenses equaled \$18,979.51, leaving us with a fund balance of \$6,281.65. The GAR Fund began the year with \$13,486.35. Revenues equaled \$3,073.29 and expenses equaled \$2038.11, leaving a balance of \$14,521.52.

The beginning balance of the Permanent fund \$36,484.57. Revenues equaled \$6,828.18. Expenses, and that's nearly all reimbursement to the camps and

departments for life members equaled \$1,378.50. This leaves a balance of \$41,934.25.

The Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief fund began the year with \$1,013.50 through June 30. We had revenues of \$478. We did pay \$501.50 for the ad and leaving a balance of \$990 on June 30. Also, the majority of the \$5.00 membership fees were only received after July 1 with the second quarter 91 per capita tax reports and is not shown in here. This leaves us with a total in cash of \$63,727.42.

The income in the general fund, I feel it is important to point out, is primarily due to not spending money that had been budgeted. We did not issue the fourth edition of the *Banner*.

In F., C., & L.,  
Richard Orr  
National Treasurer

#### **Report of the National Historian**

*(No Report)*

#### **Report of the National History Book Coordinator**

*(No Report)*

#### **Report of the National Graves Registration Officer**

*(Copy of Report not available)*

#### **Report of the National GAR Highway Officer**

I would like to submit a brief report concerning progress in returning GAR memorial highway signs to U.S. Six from Massachusetts to California. During the past year I was able to find and copy the resolution passed by the Indiana legislature in 1937 making this designation within Indiana. The attempt to find Congressional legislation that logically should have preceded any action by the individual states through which U.S. six passes was not successful. Several phone calls from Indiana to Washington, D.C. and various departments of the SUV were unsuccessful in finding any solid information about this legislation. Attempts at finding this legislation in the federal statutes, particularly through the 1930's also proved unsuccessful.

It is recommended that once the information is found, that it be distributed to each department through which U.S. 6 passes and combined with state

legislation to be submitted to the proper state officials for replacement of the signs.

In F., C., & L.,  
Alan Loomis  
National GAR Highway Officer

## **Report of the National Personal Aide**

This report of the Personal Aide to the Commander-in-Chief will not make any historic declarations for the Good of the Order. Over the years it was my pleasure to serve the SUVCW in appointee offices and to serve on committees at the Department and National levels.

Now to report on some of my activities. Last fall Commander-in-Chief Long and I had the new experience of attending a court hearing relative to the removal of burial remains, including a Civil War Veteran, to another location nearby. The judge did rule that the burial remains could be moved, listing several restrictions and instructions for said relocation.

Early November we journeyed to Detroit, Michigan for the Testimonial to the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War National President, Gail Seitz.

Remembrance Day and the Dedication Day dinner activities at Gettysburg have always been a annual labor for our several organizations for over 35 years.

My wife and I were happy to accompany Commander-in-Chief Long and his wife to Washington, DC on February 12, 1991, for the Annual Ceremonies at the Lincoln Memorial. This was George's first time to attend this affair. My wife and I have been there several times over the past 30 years.

In March, the fours us traveled to Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania for the Testimonial Dinner for Mrs. Mayhew, Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic National President.

In April, we went to Springfield, Illinois for the Annual Wreath Laying Ceremonies at the Lincoln Tomb. This was a first time experience for the four us.

Other work done on behalf of the National Organization was as Department Junior Vice Commander. This past year, 28 letters were mailed to the persons making inquiries to our ad in the *Civil War Times*. Data were given each person as to which SUVCW Camp was near to them and also a name of a person/persons to contact was given each.

It was my pleasure to be part of Commander-in-Chief Long's team this past year. Next month, September, many years ago in 1941 I was just a young kid who

became a member of Captain Edgar M. Ruhl Camp #33, York, Pennsylvania. I am pleased and happy to be here at this Encampment with brother-in-law George Long and my two sons, Ivan, Jr. and Karl.

In F., C., & L.,  
Ivan E. Frantz, Sr.  
National Personal Aide

### **Report of the Washington Representative**

*(Copy of Report not available)*

### **Report of the National Chief of Staff**

*(No written Report)*

### **Report of the National Membership-at-Large Coordinator**

At the beginning of the reporting period, July 1, 1990, the National Membership-at-Large stood at 271 Brothers, 234 Members, 34 Life Members and three Associates. During this year, a total of 46 new Members, 43 by initiation and 3 by reinstatement, joined the Membership-at-Large. A total of 36 Members, 24 were lost by nonpayment of dues and 12 by transfer to existing departments.

Therefore, as of June 30, 1991, the National Membership-at-Large stood at 281 Brothers, which is composed of 245 Members, 36 Life Members and no Associates. Of the 43 Brothers who were brought into the Order, all but two were the direct result of the National Organization's recruitment advertisement in the *Civil War Times*. I greatly appreciate the opportunity to have served. Thank you.

In F., C., & L.,  
Keith G. Harrison  
National Membership-at-Large Coordinator

### **Report of the *Banner* Editor**

During the year 1991, members of the SUVCW receipt of the *Banner* increased 5.6 percent, from 2516 to 2637. Individuals and institutions that pay the yearly subscription fee of \$4.00 increased 550 percent from eight to 44. The bag of 412 *Banners* misplaced by the U.S. Post Office in Philadelphia in the spring of 1989 was found and delivered in 1991. Three issues of the *Banner* were printed during the 1991, a fourth issue was planned but canceled due to lack of funds. The budget for the *Banner* was under spent by \$1,708.

The current mailing list is 90 percent complete. Letters were sent out to all departments and camps at large commanders by James Lyons and myself in March and May of this year requesting up to date membership lists. The

Departments of Illinois, Massachusetts, New Hampshire and New Jersey were the only departments that did not reply to these letters. The number of *Banners* returned for incorrect addresses has stayed at a 190 per issue for the first two issues mailed out during the 1990-1991 year.

The last issue of the *Banner* was sent out by bulk rate and by UPS. The Departments and Camps at large who received their *Banners* by UPS are Florida Camp at large, Department of Massachusetts, New Jersey and some camps in the Department of Pennsylvania.

The first proposal to the Council of Administration is to send the first issue of the *Banner* by first class mail to every department who is not complying with the Commander-in-Chief's general orders. This would save the national organization about \$0.52 per *Banner* for each returned *Banner* plus the Editor of the *Banner* would receive a complete up to date mailing list for the first issue from all these departments and camps at large.

The second proposal, which was not approved, was to change the percentage that the Council of Administration has set for return of Banners down to five percent from 10 percent to coincide with the U.S. postal service new allowable error percentage of five percent.

The third proposal, which was approved, was that any correspondence that the Editor of the *Banner* mails out to the different departments or camps at large secretaries will also be mailed out to the department commanders or camps at large commanders.

The fourth proposal, which was not approved, was that all life members of the Sons of Union Veterans will receive their Banners by first class mail.

In F., C., & L.,  
James Lee  
Editor of the *Banner*

## **Encampment Resolutions and Communications**

The resolutions and communications were read and referred to the appropriate Encampment Committee for review and reporting back to the Encampment.

### **Massachusetts Delegation Resolution**

It was reported that the delinquent per capita tax from the Department of Massachusetts has been paid. A motion was made and seconded that the Massachusetts Department delegation be seated with voting rights; motion passed.

### **Report of the National Committee on Military Affairs**

Following the untimely death of Brigadier General Chester Shriver on July 26, 1989, who commanded the Sons of Veterans Reserve (SVR) with dignity and

honor since 1967, a meeting was called of the Military Affairs Committee. Chairman of the Committee Richard Schlenker resigned for his own personal reasons and in his place Lowell Hammer was appointed Chairman of the Military Affairs Committee. He appointed Richard Schlenker to be Brigadier General of the SVR. I was appointed by the Chairman of National Military Affairs Committee by Commander-in-Chief, Charles Corfman. It was then my duty to select a new Commander of the SVR. A meeting was called of the National Military Affairs Committee in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania and another at Des Moines, Iowa and without regard to geographic location after considering the number of candidates for the National Military Affairs Committee as Brigadier General, PCinC Corfman was selected after considering other candidates and he received approval of all the other members of the committee. Under his command and outstanding leadership with dignity, honor and integrity, now there are over 650 members in the SVR.

The SVR is now in good condition and is growing as is evident from the attached report from Brigadier General Corfman. This is our best chance of gaining new members for the SUVCW. The SUVCW, Sons of Veterans Reserve is undoubtedly the showpiece of our Order. The publicity gained by our Order by the SVR throughout the year has no doubt brought to the foreground what the SUVCW stands for. This perpetuating the deeds and sacrifices before the public is a reminder of what the GAR members looked like during the Civil War times, 1861 - 1865. It is also a way of keeping our younger members interested in our Order. There is something about a uniform that seems to thrill the younger generation. The turnout of hundreds of SVR members in their different uniforms at parades, Memorial Day, Remembrance Day at Gettysburg and the Lincoln Tomb Ceremony at Springfield, Illinois, all with a gain to notice by the public. On all of these occasions, the SVR is without a doubt advertisement to gain new members for SUVCW.

In F., C., & L.,  
Forrest Altman, Chair  
National Committee on Military Affairs

Dear Brother Altman

Having been appointed Commander of the Sons of Veterans Reserve (SVR) at the 109th Annual National Encampment at Des Moines, Iowa, Command was immediately assumed. The change of command ceremony took place Wednesday, August 15th with the assistance of aides. Said appointment was made by the Committee the 1989 -1990 National Military Affairs Committee, Forest Altman, with the approval of the members of the committee and confirmed by Commander-in-Chief, George W. Long, in accordance with SUVCW regulations, Chapter four, Section three and SVR Standard Operating Procedure, Article two, Section one. While I had hoped that General Schlenker would stay in office for another year or two, he pointed out that he had doubled membership from 250 to 500 and it was now time for a younger person. This leaves the SVR with two generals.

Fortunately, General Schlenker remains active as an executive officer and is an invaluable staff member. He, along with Lieutenant Colonel Foight and Colonel Elmer F. Atkinson, make

up the main working part of the general staff. Colonel Frank A. Foight, III, has done an outstanding job of updating records and with the help of his new assistant, Major Harold Kuwat, has the records under control.

Membership has increased to over 650. Last year's membership was 500 and two years ago it was 250. The Adjutant General also has financial records up to date and with a request for audited information from previous Adjutant Generals we have cleared up everything from the last meeting.

Staff assignments have been revised and subsequent changes made as requested in public. Along with the National SVR GAR Remembrance Day Committee, preparations were immediately begun for the 34th Annual GAR Remembrance Day. Details included parade participants, invitations, parade permits and insurance, park service assembly permits, SVR and Commander meetings and military ball arrangements. Remembrance Day appears to become a larger event each year as more and more military units come to Gettysburg to parade together and then separate to hold their own observances at various battlefield sites. In 1990, approximately 3,000 troops participated. Commemorative streamers were presented to participating units.

It is hoped that our parent Order at its 110th annual Encampment will consider the national attention that Remembrance Day is receiving and will provide the much needed increase in funding as opposed to the alternative curtailing some of the events and services. In 1990, we had to ask for contributions from other units. It is hoped that this will not be necessary this year. Remembrance Day has outgrown the facilities of Holiday Inn. Last year's military ball had to be limited to 250 due to space and fire regulations. This year we are moving to Ramada Inn, which has capacity for 650 in the hall for the ball. Efforts continue in holding Annual National Encampments for the Reserve. The 18th national encampment was held at Shepardstown, West Virginia, July 19, 20, 21, 1991. With the cooperation of second military district commander Colonel Elmer Atkinson, Adjutant General Lieutenant Colonel Frank A. Foight, III a fine event was hosted in spite of temperatures that hit 100 degrees. Considering the number of conflicting events in summer evening July, we hope to announce at Indianapolis that the 1992 SVR National Encampment will be held on City Island, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, September 26, 27, 28.

The First military district containing New England states remains inactive. The Second military district under Colonel Atkinson reports the most active units. Company C of the 28th Pennsylvania in Philadelphia and the 148th New York Volunteers of Waterville, New York have shown excellent records. The Third military district commanded by Lieutenant Colonel Greenwalt shows the 16th and 19th regiments very active in Ohio. The Fourth military district commanded by Colonel Ernst VonFrankenburg continues to grow. His efforts in working with units in Oregon and California has paid off by establishing new units and allowing us to reactivate the Sixth military district. Fifth military district remains in limbo under control of the Adjutant General. The Sixth military district while still under the leadership of the Adjutant General shows promise of going on its own in the near future. The First, Fifth and Sixth military districts remain under control of the Adjutant General until such time as qualified district leadership can found. The Commander of the SVR is pleased to report that we find the Reserve in good condition, with good growth potential, excellent leadership and above all, and most valuable...to its parent order, SUVCW. I encourage you all to be one of the best recruiting tools available.

In F., C., & L.,  
Charles Corfman, Brigadier General.  
Commanding Officer  
Sons of Veterans Reserve

## **Report of the National Committee on Constitution and Regulations**

The Standing Committee on Constitution and Regulations has the honor to present this, the Report of the Committee.

The men who have proposed the increase in the per capita tax to be forwarded to the national organization has engendered expected consternation on the part of some departments and camps and members but most have come to realize that time and tide wait for no man. Such an increase was not only justified but also inevitable and they adjusted their own finances to accommodate it.

A matter needing attention in the regulations is a clarification of the per capita tax on life members. It is stated that no per capita tax shall be paid to the national organization on life members. This has been predominately interpreted to mean that no such tax shall be paid by the camps to the departments, as well. It is stated that the annual interest on the proceeds of life memberships shall be paid...during the life of such member in lieu of his dues the amount so paid is variable and usually will not agree with the camp's established dues. The camps and departments need funds for their own purposes. Your Chairman has personally always paid his camp dues in full notwithstanding that he is a life member, but this is not intended to be an example to others. Perhaps the subject should have the attention of the Encampment or a committee appointed to study the same.

There has been proposed for consideration of the Encampment that adopted sons over the age of 14 years be entitled to full membership in the Order as many young descendants through their parents. This is not possible due to the provision in the Congressional Charter that eligibility for membership shall be limited to male blood relatives. The subject of the rights, privileges and duties of Associates has come up repeatedly as distinct from regular members. Your Chairman has distributed some observations on this too lengthy to be included in this report but will be discussed with anyone who requests.

It was arranged at the final Council of Administration meeting after the conclusion of the 1990 National Encampment that your Chairman would prepare a compilation of the Act of Incorporation by the Congress of the United States and of the Constitution and Regulations for submission to and use by the National Secretary in producing duplicates for distribution to members of our Order entitled and this was done.

To list and comment on all items brought up by the several orders would consume much time and burden you unduly but your Chairman and the members of the committee are available for their studied advice at any time for the asking. This year is now about to expire. It has been a most interesting one and speaking for the Committee, we appreciate the opportunity of serving our Order.

In F., C., & L.,  
Joseph S. Rippey, Chairman  
National Committee on Constitution and Regulations

A motion was made and seconded to accept the committee's recommendation ad seriatim; motion passed.

The Encampment concurred with the National Committee on Constitution and Regulations' recommendation to not allow adopted sons to become full members.

### **Report of the National Committee on Legislation**

Your Committee appointed to study legislation of interests and concern to members of our Order begs leave to submit the following report to you to the officers and delegates attending the 110th annual National Encampment.

Earlier this year we reported that S1770, the Shenandoah Valley Civil War Sites Study Act had not been acted upon in the House of Representatives prior to the adjournment of the 101st congress. While that is factually correct, further study for preparation of this report reveals the substance of that measure has become law by means of an amendment to the Arizona Wilderness Act of 1990, which became law as Public Law 101-628 on November 28, 1990. Title 12 of that act provides for a study of the Shenandoah Valley battle sites to include an assessment of their condition and prospects for preservation with a report due in one year. Of even wider significance, the act establishes a 13 member Civil War sites advisory commission and authorities it to make a study of historically significant Civil War sites and structures other than those located in the Shenandoah Valley with a report to be made in two years. These provisions were the essence of S1770. In addition, a third relevant provision of the act, Titled 6 mandates a study of underground railroad operations with the intent of authorizing the National Park Service to preserve and interpret that phase of our historical development prior to the Civil War. Legislation introduced in the 102nd Congress with respect to specific Civil War battle sites includes S17, the Battle of Corinth Study Act and S80 to establish a national military park at the site of the Battle of Corinth. Both measures are sponsored by Senator Trent Lott, Republican Mississippi. S 225 and HR 4024 would expand the boundaries of the Fredericksburg and Spotsylvania County Battlefields Memorial National Military Park. These measures are sponsored by Senator John Warner, Republican of Virginia and representative Dee French Slaughter, Republican of Virginia, respectively. HR 2370 sponsored by Representative Bart Gordon, Democrat of Tennessee, would expand the boundaries of the Stones River national battlefield park in Tennessee. On June 3, 1991, the House passed and sent to the Senate HR 990, which would authorize additional appropriations for land acquisition at Monacasey National Battlefield Park in Maryland.

Status of Monday holidays. At least two measures would restore Memorial Day to May 30<sup>th</sup>. Senator Daniel Inoway, Democrat of Hawaii has introduced S 115 in the Senate and Representative Phil Crane, Republican of Illinois has introduced HR 1105 in the House. In remarks about his bill, Representative Crane said to have the dates remain unchanged, we successfully destroyed the meaning of the

holidays by equating them to business and profits. Indeed, a brief look at the Congressional Record during the 1968 debate illustrates this fact. The arguments that carried the day were those that lamented the money which industries lost in absenteeism and in closing down and start up costs resulting from the holiday. Since 1971, when Monday holidays first took effect, the meaning of the special days has become increasingly more obscure. An editorial in the *New York Times* on February 9, 1971 noted this fact and suggested that since we were honoring the dollar over the holidays by moving the dates of observation, why not do away with the name altogether and simply number the holidays. Both measures are currently languishing in their respective committees. Representative Frank Horton, Republican of New York has introduced HJR 172 to designate Memorial Day May 27, 1991 as a day to recognize members of the armed forces serving in the Persian Gulf.

Commemoration of historic dates. On May 29, 1991, the House passed HJR 72 designating December 7, 1991 "National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day." That measure is now in the senate judiciary committee. On March 11, 1991, President Bush signed PL 102-0 to designate March 4, 1991 as Vermont Bicentennial Day.

On June 3, 1991 the House passed HR 1642, which would authorize an increase in acreage for the PalAlto Battlefield National Historic Site in Texas. That site commemorates the first engagement of the Mexican War fought on May 8, 1846, and is the only unit under the National park Service that preserves and interprets the era of the Mexican War. The measure awaits action in the Senate.

HR 396 would authorize land acquisition for the Andrew Johnson National Historic Site in Tennessee. S 628 would authorize a study of historic forts in New Mexico. The companion bill, HR 1710 has been introduced in the house. Included in the provisions of the bill are Fort Craig, built in 1854 and Fort Stanton, built in 1855. Both forts figured in the battle of Glorietta fought in 1862, which established federal supremacy in the New Mexico territory and ended hopes that it would join the Confederacy.

S 989 would authorize a study of frontier cavalry posts in Kansas as would a companion measure in the House HR 2337. These studies are intended to determine the feasibility of site preparation and interpretation by the National Parks Service as a means of making the public more aware of selected aspects of our military heritage.

On June 24, 1991, the House passed legislation to rename the Custer battlefield national monument as the Little Bighorn Battlefield National Monument and to set up a process for building a memorial on the site to the Indians who died there. The cemetery where U.S. army soldiers who died at last stand hill would be named the Custer National Cemetery. In debate on the bill, Representative Pat Williams, Democrat of Montana said "this legislation reaches back 115 and builds

a bridge between the races yet properly recognizes both vanquished and the victors,” but Representative John Mingle, Democrat of Michigan opposed the bill and remarked that the measure “makes it appear the soldiers’ behavior was improper” when they “served their nation right to the last moment of their lives.”

The original bills on the subject HR 770 and 847 were sponsored by Representative Ben Nighthorse Campbell, Democrat of Colorado, the only American Indian in the Congress. The measure now goes to the Senate, which passed similar legislation in the last Congress.

Status of Gun Control Measures. Both the House and Senate have passed separate versions of the so-called Brady Bill designed to control the purchase of handguns. In May of this year the House passed a bill calling for a seven day waiting period during which a records check of the prospective purchaser could be made. The House version did not include a provision for a computerized record checking system and did not provide for a phase out of the waiting period. On June 28, 1991, the Senate passed an amendment to an omnibus crime bill under consideration. That amendment calls for a five-day waiting period with a provision for a phase out after minimum of two years once a national instant background check system is in place. The Senate bill would spend one hundred million dollars to computerize state criminal records and set up the national background check. The Senate measure would apply the five-day waiting period to handgun purchases only but the computerized check would apply to all gun purchases. After the July 4th recess, the Senate is expected to take up the omnibus crime bill with the Brady Amendment as a part of it.

Recommendations for 1991 - 1992: Brothers are urged to give consideration to the issues and proposals discussed in this report, as well as other measures that may come to their attention and convey their views to their elected officials as appropriate.

The following recommendations are offered on behalf of the Committee on Legislation for the review and support of the delegates at this Encampment::

1. That we support legislation designed to preserve Civil War battle sites, particularly those threatened by development and encourage a meaningful role for government at all levels and private philanthropy in achieving this goal.
2. That we applaud the efforts of Senator Daniel Inouye and Representative Philip M. Crane in calling for a return of the observance of Memorial Day to May 30th and urge support for the legislation.
3. That we support the lawful use of personal firearms and oppose any infringement to the second amendment to the Constitution while being mindful to the problems encountered in many of our urban areas.

4. That we urge departments in those states effected to work with their state legislature to highway departments to ensure the erection of and maintenance of the GAR Highway markers along the route of U.S. 6.

In F., C., & L.,  
Thomas L.W. Johnson, Chairman  
National Committee on Legislation

A motion was made and seconded that the Order support the Committee's recommendations 1 through 4; motion passed.

### **Report of the National Committee on Americanism and Education**

Through research it has been discovered that this committee was founded in World War II with express purpose of setting a goal for Americanism through the support of an event or observance by each and every Camp of the order each month throughout the year. We thank Past Commander-in-Chief Schlenker for this information.

Part of the endeavor of the chairman in recent years has been to better define and implement the role of this committee. Now that the original design has been revealed, it is intended to reintroduce the program as originally intended. It is coincidental and also a sign of the times that from the attack of the gunboat on patrol in national waters in 1937 until the end of World War II in 1945, when this Committee was founded, was approximately one hundred months during which the United States forces were engaged in combat for over fifty percent of the time.

In this past year during the Persian Gulf War, the events span little more than six months. United States forces were engaged in combat for one hundred hours. The enclosed Americanism calendar is to be published for the use of all Department and Camp Commanders for the balance of 1991. All Commanders and the members of the Americanism Committee are asked to submit their suggestions for each month of calendar year 1992 by November 15 to me for consideration included in a 1992 calendar to be published in December of this year.

In F., C., & L.,  
Frank Foight, Chairman  
National Committee on Americanism and Education

### **Report of the National Committee on Fraternal Relations**

As chairman of the Fraternal Relations Committee I have received no written communications. However, while traveling to the Department Encampments of Iowa, New Jersey, Maine and New York, I have been asked questions by members who usually attend the National Encampment and also by sisters in our

Auxiliary. Questions dealing with this year's Encampment included in particular, is it true that one must attend the Sunday night banquet in order to attend the Campfire program? It seems there was perhaps misinformation regarding this, which caused a great deal of confusion. The changing of the person to whom reservations were to be sent for the Tuesday night Chief of Staff Banquet, and which is usually one of the highlights of the Auxiliary encampment, was another great concern. Perhaps to some extent this was not important to some people but to some, the station to those who had served as Chief of Staff, this was very important.

Of much greater significance was getting bombarded with questions about future National Encampments. Their duration and the agenda of what will be kept and what will be eliminated, the time schedule of the shortened encampments. Many felt that the job of the National Sites Committee and the host committee is to see to it that there is a suitable hotel with adequate accommodations to provide for an Encampment befitting the needs of our Organization as to the number of days necessary as determined by each organization for their programs. Perhaps the National Program and Policy Committee will shed some light as to what the Sons will need to eliminate or what is going to be consolidated to meet the shortened encampment time schedule.

Also, the Council of Administration report of any actions that they have taken since last year's Encampment regarding the subject of shortening Encampments should be done officially. At last year's Encampment I understood that the Auxiliary and the Ladies of the Grand Army were to be informed as to the Sons' plans to shorten their National Encampment. It seems that this was not done. I have tried as chairman of Fraternal Relations Committee and as past Commander-in-Chief to ensure those who ask that the Sons are not going to be dictators regarding Encampments of the Grand Army family and that they, in the future, plan their national Encampment programs as their organization desires ... I hope that I have been able to smooth some of the ruffled feathers and that all will work towards the same so that we can keep the Allied Orders of the Grand Army allied.

In F., C., & L.,  
Richard L. Greenwalt, PCinC, Chairman  
National Committee on Fraternal Relations

### **Report of the National Committee on Lincoln Tomb Observance**

Your Committee appointed to conduct the annual death day ceremony held on April 15, 1991 begs leave to submit the following report.

The 35th Annual Lincoln Tomb Ceremony sponsored by our Order with the active assistance of the Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States and of the Lincoln Death Day Association, Incorporated recorded the attendance of

more than 50 organizations that presented commemorative wreaths and nearly 100 persons who gathered at the Lincoln Plaza Hotel for the luncheon following the rites. As a part of the ceremony, addresses were given by the Commander-in-Chief, George W. Long and by Lowell B. Hammer, Commander-in-Chief of the Loyal Legion. Thomas L.W. Johnson presided at both the ceremony and the luncheon program.

At the luncheon following the ceremony, Doctor Wayne C. Temple, Chief W. DeArcivus for the state of Illinois and a noted Lincoln authority, spoke on the recent discovery and authentication of the 2nd of the 6th draft of the Gettysburg Address and observed that Mr. Lincoln never spoke in quotes off the cuff on substantive matters but always prepared his remarks with care.

The 114th Illinois Volunteer Infantry Regiment provided its colors and honor guard and bugler and drummer under the command of Colonel Robert M. Graham. The unit also carried the colors of the Commander-in-Chief this year. Ronald Clark of the 114th infantry officiated as Chaplain at both the ceremony and the luncheon.

Among the dignitaries present representing the National Auxiliary President was National Chief of Staff Joanne Wheeler, Mrs. Lowell B. Hammer, represented the National President of Dames of the Loyal Legion of the US. The Grand Army family was represented by Mrs. Marion Morgan, National President of the Woman's Relief Corps, Mrs. Gail M. Seitz, National President of the Daughters of Union Veterans 1861 - 1865, and Mrs. Lois Mayhew, National President of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic. National officers present from our Order in addition to the Commander-in-Chief were the Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, Lowell B. Hammer, National Secretary, James T. Lyons, Council of Administration Member, Charles W. Corfman, Alan R. Loomis, GAR Highway Officer, and Ivan Franz, National Personal Aide.

The ceremony received excellent media coverage with television and radio recording the event for later broadcast. The *State Journal Register* of Springfield carried a color picture and an interpretive article in its April 16 issue.

Departments of our Order that presented wreaths were Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Michigan, Ohio, and Wisconsin. Department Auxiliaries taking part were Illinois, Iowa, and Wisconsin. In addition, Camps from Indiana, Iowa, and Illinois took part, as did local Auxiliaries from Springfield, Illinois, Des Moines, Iowa and Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Your Committee is deeply appreciative of the fine sport and generosity of the National Organization in providing the funds necessary to sponsor this ceremony each year. Without that commitment, the ceremony could not have developed and grown as it has over the years...In this regard we wish to acknowledge the invaluable contributions made each year by Edward G. Pree in obtaining the

services of an outstanding luncheon speaker. By Past National President, Eleanor K. Johnson, in her role as a special consultant, and by members of Auxiliary #200 of Springfield, led by Auxiliary President, Marlene Carnbelt.

In 1976, the National Organization appropriated \$350 dollars and added the sum of \$50 to meet in "unexpected contingencies. Beginning in 1977, the amount authorized was set at \$400 annually. In the intervening years, your Committee has not requested an increase in that appropriation. Rather, in an effort to meet the toll of inflation, your Committee has been fortunate to be able to draw upon the resources of the Lincoln Death Day Association, Incorporated which receives limited financial support from the trust set up under the will of our late Brother, George L. Cashman. That trust was established to assist with expenses that could not be met by the appropriation from the National Organization. For the 1991 ceremony just concluded, the "essential or core" expenses needed to be met, i.e. printing and mailing of invitations, printing of programs, chair rental and bus hire, totaled \$550.50. While your Committee would not expect to recover all of that expense from its annual appropriation, it does seem reasonable for the first time in 15 years to consider an increase in the amount of fund authorized by the National organization.

Recommendation. In consideration of the standards established and maintained over the years and in grateful recognition of the contributions made by our National Organization and by the Death Day Association, respectively, your Committee recommends an increase in its appropriation in the amount of \$100 to make a total of \$500 for the conduct of the 1992 ceremony. In return, your Committee pledges a renewed effort to contain its expenses.

In F., C., & L.,  
Robert M. Graham, Co-Chairman  
Thomas L.W. Johnson, Co-Chairman.  
National Committee on Lincoln Tomb Observance

It was moved and seconded to increase the current allocation of \$400 to \$500 for 1992; motion failed.

### **Report of the National Committee on Remembrance Day**

*(No Report)*

### **Report of the National Encampment Site Committee**

It gives me great pleasure to bring greetings and to present this report of the Encampment Site Committee. Arrangements have been completed and contracts have been signed at the following sites for the years noted:

1992- Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, at the Pittsburgh Airport Marriott for the dates

August 14 to 17, 1992. Room rates will be \$70 single, \$73 double, \$76 triple, and \$79 quad. Rates will apply for early arrivals on Thursday and carry through Sunday for late departures.

1993 - Portland, Maine, at the Ramada Inn and Conference Center, for the dates August 13 to 15, 1993. Rates will be \$72 per room, any occupancy. The rates will hold for early arrival and late departure.

1994 - Lansing, Michigan, at the Holiday Inn - South/Convention Center for dates August 12 to 14, 1994. Rates will be \$59 single or double.

1995 - We are pleased to report that the Department of Ohio has extended an invitation.

The National Encampment is a program made up of many pieces, and a variety of people are involved in implementing aspects of this activity. We have had some difficulty this year in getting some of these individuals to recognize their role within the larger operation and the need to abide by terms of the contract we have with the hotel.

As we approach the shorter format for the Encampment, it becomes increasingly important that all elements of the team responsible for putting together this event work together in harmony.

Two things will be essential to success in this endeavor. Pre-registration will be a must in order to meet the timetable with regard to notifying the hotel of necessary counts in a timely fashion. The second item is that Officers and Committee chairmen will need to submit reports prior to the Encampment.

I wish to take this opportunity to congratulate Alan Loomis and the Department of Indiana for staging an excellent Encampment. It has taken much work and effort, at times under difficult circumstances, but they got the job done.

It has been a pleasure to serve the Order in this capacity again this year and I wish to thank the Committee members for their efforts. This year's Committee included PCinC Clark Mellor and Jim Lee.

We hope that you will approve of the arrangements that have been made for the next few years and will look forward to seeing you all there.

Recommendations:

1. That the invitation from the Department of Ohio be accepted, and
2. That a meeting of the Chairman of the Site Committee and the Chairman of the Host Committee, the Auxiliary Chief of Staff, the Conference Chairman for

the LGAR and any others necessary, for the purpose of reviewing the terms of the contract and establishing the ground rules for operation, take place before the end of the Encampment, in preparation for the next.

In F., C., & L.,  
James T. Lyons, Chairman  
National Encampment Site Committee

It was moved and seconded that the recommendations from the National Encampment Site Committee be accepted; motion passed.

### **Report of the National Committee on Program and Policy**

In October of last year it was noted that the Sons of Confederate Veterans were conducting a fund-raiser by the means of a raffle. The prize was a print by Civil War artist Dale Galen of Gettysburg, Pennsylvania. Mr. Galen was contacted and was more than happy to make the same donation to our organization.

To date, \$450 has been realized in the form of cash donations to this fund. As to the program, fundraising for the Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief fund; otherwise known as advertising and promotional fund. The fund was originally established as a special fund for special programs in observance of our 100th anniversary in 1981. Until last year this fund remained dormant except for contributions going into it. The National Organization decided that this fund should be used for the promotion of our Order. Advertisements in *Civil War Times Illustrated* were purchased and substantial results realized. Being desirous of continuing this, more funds are needed.

Proposed Policy. It shall be the responsibility of the Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief to initiate a campaign upon his election and secure donations for his fund. To this end the following shall be guidelines for him to meet his objectives:

1. The Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief shall secure from a Civil War artist the donation of a print depicting some event or action from the American Civil War preferably depicting the Union army.
2. The Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief shall rotate the selection of the artist.
3. The Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief shall obtain the print for donation by the artist. The National Organization being a not for profit corporation shall in turn present the artist with a tax deductible receipt in the amount of the retail value of said print.
4. The Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief shall cause tickets to be printed to said fund-raiser at the expense of the national Organization.

5. The Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief shall be responsible for the collection of said funds and tickets and keep an accurate account of same.
6. The drawing shall be held during the annual National Encampment.
7. This fundraising program does not necessarily need to be an annual event. It shall be the decision of the Council of Administration at the conclusion of each Encampment whether or not it shall be carried out during the ensuing fiscal year.
8. By a vote of the National Encampment this fund and method of fundraising shall be transportable to another cause as it sees fit.

In F., C., & L.,  
Gary L. Gibson, Chair  
National Committee on Program and Policy

A motion was made and seconded that the recommendations of the Program and Policy Committee be tabled and be sent forward to the forthcoming Committee on Program and Policy for its review with the incoming Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief serving as chairman; motion passed.

### **Report of Encampment Committee on Resolutions**

Resolution #1 deals with the need to produce a new brochure for the Order. As far as the Resolution is concerned, the Committee concurs with the need to produce a new brochure subject, however, to the availability of funds. In addition, the item will need to be taken up by the Council of Administration when it considers the budget. **The Committee's concurrence and subsequent recommendation was sustained by the Encampment.**

Resolution #2 comes from the Ohio Department and recommends that the application form be revised to include additional information such as for the ancestor, the birth date, place of death, death date. There was also the recommendation that the quarterly report should be revised since it doesn't have a place for reporting life member fees. The Committee concurs, however, it recommends that the individual who works with these forms prepare revisions to be presented at the next National Encampment. In addition, it is recommended that all the current stock of the old forms be used up. **The Committee's concurrence and subsequent recommendation was sustained by the Encampment.**

Resolution #3 comes from the Ohio Department and concerns the application fee of \$5. Basically, their recommendation was to reduce the application fee from the \$5 to \$2 dollars in order to prevent the loss of potential new members. On this particular item the Committee recommended that this subject be considered on the floor and voted on by the entire Encampment in terms of whether that fee should be retained, reduced or

kept. **It was moved and seconded to keep the application fee at \$5.00; motion passed.**

Resolution #4 comes from the Department of Iowa and recommends that all actual sons, that is real sons, of Union Veterans of the Civil War be granted all rights and full benefits of full membership and that all fees, including per capita, be waived by Department and National organizations. Since the actual number is so small, the Committee concurs with the recommendation. **It was moved and seconded that real sons be granted all rights and full benefits of full membership and that all fees, including per capita, be waived by Camps, Departments and the National Organization; motion passed.**

Resolution #5 comes from the Department of Iowa and recommends that adopted sons over the age of 14 years of age be entitled to full membership. The Committee does not concur given the ruling from the National Committee on Constitution and Regulations. The Committee's nonconcurrence was sustained by the Encampment.

Resolution #6 comes from the National GAR Highway Officer. It recommends that the SUVCW and the Auxiliary to the Sons petition each state through which the highway passes to erect signs identifying it as the GAR Memorial Highway for both the current highway and for the route of the highway at the time of its designation as the GAR Highway. The Committee concurs with the resolution as far as the SUVCW's role is concerned. **The Committee's concurrence was sustained by the Encampment.**

Resolution #7 does not come from within the Organization and is concerning the change of the name of the Custer Battlefield National Park. We agree with the gentleman who asked us to consider this resolution; however, we do not recommend that the Organization passes a resolution to be forwarded on. We do recommend that individuals can write to the Senators and representatives. **The Committee's decision was sustained by the Encampment.**

### **Report of Encampment Committee on Officers' Report**

Commander-in-Chief:

Recommendation that the Order continue the support of such ceremonies as Remembrance Day, Wreath laying at the Lincoln Memorial and at the Lincoln Tomb in Springfield, Illinois and services at the Cathedral of the Pines and Arlington Cemetery for the Civil War Unknown. The Committee concurs. **The Committee's concurrence was sustained by the Encampment.**

Recommendation that the Order continue the scholarship award of Commander-in-Chief's choice. The Committee concurs. **The Committee's concurrence was sustained by the Encampment.**

Recommendation that the Order drop the \$5.00 charge for new members. This was already handled by a motion. No action is required.

Recommendation that the Order change back to the \$8.00 in annual dues on Life Membership to the Camp. This Committee has been informed and has known for some time that this is action taken by the Council of Administration. No action is required.

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief:

Recommendation that a letter of thanks be sent to those Camps that have a newsletter editor such as the *Battlefield Dispatch* of General Thomas Camp #19 of Lancaster and a Camp up in New York edited by Jerry Orton. The Committee concurs. **The Committee's concurrence was sustained by the Encampment.**

Recommendation that we create a Publication Committee The Committee concurs. **The Committee's concurrence was sustained by the Encampment.**

Recommendation we still support Association for Civil War Preservation. The Committee concurs. **The Committee's concurrence was sustained by the Encampment.**

Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief:

Recommendation that the Department Junior Vice Commanders be required to submit an annual report to the Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief. The Committee does not concur. **The Committee's nonconcurrence was sustained by the Encampment.**

National Secretary:

Recommendation that the Order continue and expand our advertising campaign. The Committee concurs. **The Committee's concurrence was sustained by the Encampment.**

Recommendation that the job of responding and following up in the advertising that is put in *Civil War Times* be done by the Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief, however, the inquiries do come to Secretary and will be passed on to the Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief for his action. The Committee concurs. **The Committee's concurrence was sustained by the Encampment.**

Recommendation that the Order continue the \$5.00 fee to National from the application fee as received by the Camp. The Committee concurs. **The Committee's concurrence was sustained by the Encampment.**

Recommendation that the Order seek out and identify the location of surviving GAR records and other materials. This has already been taken care of by motion. A committee needs to be appointed to develop the means of implementing the program approved last year.

National Treasurer:

Recommendation that any proposal for the expenditure of money be accompanied by a proposal for raising the revenues to offset expenses. The Committee concurs. **The Committee's concurrence was sustained by the Encampment.**

Recommendation that an allocation of \$1000 be made for the membership recruit program. The \$1000 to come from the Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief fund and the remaining revenue to come from the admission fee. The Committee concurs. **The Committee's concurrence was sustained by the Encampment.**

Recommendation that all applicants for the life membership reimbursement must be received by June 30, the end of the fiscal year in which they are payable or the monies will not be paid. The Committee concurs. **The Committee's concurrence was sustained by the Encampment.**

Recommendation that all expenses and claims for payment must be submitted to the National Treasurer by June 30, at the close of the fiscal year. The Committee concurs. **The Committee's concurrence was sustained by the Encampment.**

### **Report on the Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief's Fund**

With respect to the Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief fund, I personally have received from the time of the last National Encampment, the amount of \$244 and after we deducted the \$501.50 for the advertisement, I personally have the account at \$958.92. Now, the situation has changed from previous years because we have the funds coming in for the ticket sale, and also the Treasurer has received monies directly from the application fee. So in checking with him, we have an approximate figure of anywhere from \$1,800 to \$1,900 and depending upon the sales here, we may end up with about \$2,000 in the Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief fund which is considerably much better than ever before. So that's the Report of the Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief Fund.

In F., C., & L.,  
Lowell V. Hammer  
Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief

### **Report on the National Patriotic Instructor's Fund**

Funds received to date include: California/Pacific \$45.00, Colorado Wyoming \$25.00, Illinois \$25.00, Indiana \$85.00, Iowa \$265.00, Maine \$25.00, Maryland \$290.00, Massachusetts \$70.00, Michigan \$90.00, New Hampshire \$5.00, New

Jersey \$95.00, New York \$108.00, Ohio \$155.00, Pennsylvania \$379.00, Vermont \$10.00, Wisconsin \$80.00, Camps-at-Large \$40.00, and outside donations \$580.16. This totals \$2,422.16.

In F., C., & L.,  
 Presented by Joseph Rippey, PCinC  
 On behalf of Nathan Moll  
 National Patriotic Instructor

It was moved and seconded that due to the circumstances of Brother Nathan not being here, due to the fine reports he turned in at this Encampment, that our Secretary sends him a letter of appreciation for a job well done; motion passed.

**Old Business**

*(There was no Old Business)*

**New Business**

It was moved and seconded that the Order establish a goal of 4,000 members by 1995 and a goal of 10,000 members by 2001; motion passed.

It was moved and seconded that the National Secretary send a resolution expressing appreciation to Department of Indiana for its hosting of 110th National Encampment and expressing appreciation to the Adams Mark Hotel for providing the accommodations and facilities; motion passed.

**Report of the Encampment Committee on Budget**

A motion was made and seconded to adopt the following budget for 1991/92; motion passed.

	General Fund	G.A.R. Fund	Permnt. Fund	Sr.Vice Fund
Revenues				
Per Capita Tax 2200 @ \$10.00	\$22,000.00			
National Encampment Registration Fee	\$ 300.00			
Sale of Supplies	\$ 5,500.00			
Auxiliary Gift	\$ 500.00			
Transfer Of Int. From Permanent Fund	\$ 800.00			
New Camp Application Fee	\$ 100.00			
Interest Income	\$ 300.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$3,000.00	
Now Member Registration Fee 100 @ \$5.00			\$ 500.00	
National Patriotic Instructor		\$2,500.00		
Life Membership Payments		\$1,000.00		
Honor Roll Contributions		\$ 100.00		
Uncommitted Funds MAL	\$ 250.00			
Allocated from G.A.R. Fund	\$ 3,355.00			
Miscellaneous Revenue	\$ 50.00			\$ 250.00
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Total Revenues	\$33,155.00	\$3,500.00	\$4,100.00	\$ 750.00

	General Fund	G.A.R. Fund	Permnt. Fund	Sr.Vice Fund
<b>Expenses</b>				
Commander-in-Chief's Expenses	\$ 2,500.00			
National Secretary's Expenses	\$ 1,000.00			
National Treasurer's Expenses	\$ 1,000.00			
Purchase of Supplies	\$ 4,500.00		\$ 375.00	
Printing, Stationery, Postage, Telephone & Office Supplies	\$ 2,300.00		\$ 25.00	
Printing of Proceedings **	\$ 6,430.00			
National Encampment Expenses	\$ 300.00			
Transcribing Proceedings	\$ 2,000.00			
<i>Banner</i> 3 issues	\$ 8,500.00			
Past Commander-in-Chief Jewel	\$ 450.00			
Audit 1989, 1990	\$ 3,500.00			
Printing C & R	\$ 475.00			
Membership Drive				\$1,000.00
Student Scholarship		\$ 500.00		
Lincoln Memorial Ceremony		\$ 75.00		
Lincoln Tomb Ceremony		\$ 400.00		
G.A.R. Remembrance Day		\$ 400.00		
Memorial Cathedral of the Pines		\$ 25.00		
Sons of Veterans Reserve		\$ 500.00		
G.A.R. Campfire Program		\$ 400.00		
Fraternal Relations Committee		\$50.00		
Patriotic instructor Appeal Forms		\$ 200.00		
National Historian Expenses		\$ 50.00		
Life Member Payments			\$1,400.00	
Allocated to General Fund		\$3,355.00	\$ 800.00	
Miscellaneous Expenses	\$ 200.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 100.00	
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$33,155.00</b>	<b>\$6,105.00</b>	<b>\$2,700.00</b>	<b>\$1,000.00</b>
<b>Not Gain (Loss)</b>	<b>\$ 0.00</b>	<b>(\$2,605.00)</b>	<b>\$1,400.00</b>	<b>(\$ 250.00)</b>

Total decrease in assets \$1405.00

The number of proceedings actually printed and transcribed will on the availability of funds.

### **Final Report of the Encampment Credentials Committee**

The Credentials Committee reported that 80 delegates were registered, 14 not present for a voting strength of 66.

### **Nominations and Election of Officers for 1991/1992**

A motion was made and seconded that in the case of only one candidate is nominated, that a ballot be cast unanimously electing the candidate to the office; motion passed.

The following Brothers were nominated:

Commander-in-Chief - Lowell V. Hammer

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief – Elmer Atkinson

Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief - Charles Sherrock; Allen W. Moore; and Roger Wheeler. Upon an Encampment vote, Roger Wheeler was elected as Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief.

Council of Administration Member for two years – Peter Dixon and Keith Harrison. Upon an Encampment vote, Peter Dixon was elected to the Council of Administration.

**Installation of Officers**

Commander-in-Chief elect Lowell V. Hammer, Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief elect, Elmer Atkinson, Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief elect Roger Wheeler, Council of Administration member elect Peter Dixon and the below listed appointed National Officers were installed by Richard Schlenker, PCinC.

National Counselor ..... Richard Orr  
National Chaplain ..... Frank A. Foight III  
National Patriotic Instructor ..... James O. Lee  
National Historian ..... Jerome Orton  
National History Book Coordinator ..... Gary Gibson  
National Graves Registration Officer ..... Charles Sharrock  
National GAR Highway Officer ..... Alan Peterson  
National Personal Aide ..... Peter Dixon  
Washington Representative ..... Richard Schlenker, PCinC  
National Chief of Staff..... Norman Furman, PCinC  
National Membership-at-Large Coordinator ..... Keith Harrison

A motion was made and seconded to disband the Encampment Committees and to express appreciation for a job well done; motion passed.

A motion was made and seconded that upon publication, these minutes become the official record of the Encampment; motion passed.

**Adjournment**

The 110th National Encampment of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War was adjourned by Commander-in-Chief Hammer at 11:00 A.M., August 14, 1991.

## Appendix 1

National Council of Administration Meeting  
August 11, 1991  
Adam's Mark Hotel  
Indianapolis, Indiana

The meeting was called to order at 1:10PM by the Commander-in-Chief Long on Sunday afternoon, August 11. Meetings of the November 18, 1990 meeting were read and accepted as read.

The roll showed that all officers were present as were past Commanders-in-Chief, Greenwalt and Schlenker. The *Banner* Editor, James Lee, was also present.

The Treasurer's Report was presented indicating that the Order was in somewhat better condition than it was last year. There some minor adjustments made to the proposed budget that was presented by the Treasurer.

Brother Richard Orr reported that the life membership operation was finally sorted out, caught up and current.

The National Secretary presented the report on the current membership status. It was recommended that follow up on the advertising be returned to the office of Junior Vice Commander for action.

The past-unpublished Proceedings were discussed. It was noted that funds have not been available to do the publishing and, secondly, the National Secretary has had other duties, such as the management of the , advertising campaign, that has diverted time away from the proceedings.

There was some discussion regarding the seating of a past Commander-in-Chief and some reports that had not been filed and whether that individual could be seated; there was no resolution.

There was question on the appointment of an audit and budget committee and following some discussion it was agreed that because the bulk of the books are at the office of the auditor, it would be extremely difficult to do a spot audit and so an audit committee was not appointed.

The meeting was adjourned.

In F., C., and L.,  
James T. Lyons  
National Secretary



## Appendix 2

National Council of Administration Meeting  
August 14, 1991  
Adam's Mark Hotel  
Indianapolis, Indiana

Commander-in-Chief Lowell V. Hammer called the meeting to order at 1:20 p.m.

Past Commander-in-chief (PCinC) Richard Schlenker offered the opening prayer.

Those present were:

Commander-in-Chief	Lowell V. Hammer
Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief	Elmer F. Atkinson
Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief	Roger A. Wheeler, Sr
Council Member	George W. Long, PCinC
Council Member	Joseph S. Rippey, PCinC
Council Member	Peter A. Dixon
National Secretary	James T. Lyons
National Treasurer	Richard D. Orr

Others present included PCinCs Richard Greenwalt, Richard Schlenker, and Charles Corfman, and *Banner* Editor, James Lee.

The following matters were presented, discussed and acted upon:

The National Membership-at-Large Coordinator's report had been presented and accepted on the floor of the Encampment. Copies were provided for the Council members.

The other item was a letter from Ralph Shadel of McLaughlin Camp #12, Department of Ohio, requesting a ruling on a matter concerning a Camp member. There was some discussion, and PCinC Corfman indicated that there had been a meeting of several members and that Council Member Rippey will respond in writing to Brother Shadel.

The goal of the National Patriotic Instructor was set at \$2500.00.

Life member reimbursement was set at \$6.00.

Membership-at-Large (MAL) dues were set at \$15.00.

James O. Lee was elected editor of the *Banner*.

Keith G. Harrison was elected MAL Coordinator.

The National Secretary and Council Member Rippey will complete the update of the Constitution and Regulations for presentation at the 1992 National Encampment.

The National Treasurer reported that designated officers have been bonded. There was discussion on bonding those on the signature list for the checking account. Treasurer Orr will review and report at the November Meeting.

The National Secretary provided a review of the various National Encampment proceedings with regard to their readiness for publication.

Holders of the National property do have riders on their homeowner's policies.

There was a brief discussion on microfilming of records by the Church of Jesus Christ of Later Day Saints.

Brother Schlenker continues his review of proceedings in the preparation of a history of the Order.

The position of Registrar was discussed. This function is performed in the Camps by Camp Secretaries. The job description of the National Historian includes gathering and maintaining such records. Application copies are being sent to the National Secretary. It is projected that information from these applications will become part of a computerized database for easy retrieval.

The cost and method of replacing the flag of the Commander-in-Chief was discussed.

There was some discussion of "advertising" in the *Banner*. It was reiterated that "in house" or organizational advertising was acceptable and should be handled with restraint. The Editor will review proposed ads with the Commander-in-Chief.

Editor Lee displayed a sheet of 20 labels, with logo, that he will make available at \$3.00 per sheet.

Support for Association for Preservation of Civil War Sites was urged. An item on this will be placed in the *Banner*.

The next meeting will be Sunday, November 17, 1991 at 9:00 at Gettysburg, Pennsylvania.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:25 p.m.

In F., C., and L.,  
James T. Lyons  
National Secretary

## Appendix 3

### General Orders of the Commander-in-Chief, Series 1990/1991

George W. Long  
Commander-in-Chief  
222 Lincoln St.  
Lancaster, Pennsylvania 17603  
General Order No. 1

1. I want to thank all the Brothers who have seen fit to elect me to the office of Commander-in Chief in Des Moines, Iowa on August 15, 1990 at the 109th Encampment.
2. The Department Commander David Orr of Pennsylvania had a heart attack en route to the Encampment. He was returned to his hometown hospital in Pittsburgh where he passed away on August 23. All Camp Charters are to be draped for thirty days.
3. All Departments are reminded about their per capita tax and quarterly reports. These should be sent to the National Treasurer Richard Orr, 153 Connie Drive, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15214, within 10 days of the close of each quarter.
4. Requests for supplies are also to be sent to the treasurer, with checks in the proper amount.
5. All non-monetary correspondence should be sent to the Commander-in-Chief or the National Secretary, James T. Lyons, 411 Bartlett St., Lansing, Michigan 48915.
6. All Department Secretaries are being advised under separate mailing the change in PER CAPITA tax, LIFE MEMBER, and New MEMBER changes.
7. James O. Lee, 1609 S.W. Leland Ave., Des Moines, Iowa 50315-4946, was again appointed Editor of the *Banner*. Send name changes, address changes and any news to him.
8. I have appointed my new committees, previous members are discharged with thanks.
9. National Patriotic Instructor Nathan Moll, 2017 Delaware Ave., Des Moines, Iowa 50317, will need any kind of assistance you can give him to meet his goal of \$2,000.00.
10. Lowell V. Hammer, 12312 Espalier Place, Potomac, Maryland 20854, also will be looking for some help for his fund. These contributions are tax deductible.
11. Please get your dates to the Commander-in-Chief of your Department Encampments so that he can make up his visitation list.
12. Alan R. Loomis, National G.A.R. Highway Officer is working very hard to get U.S. Route 6 back in shape as the G.A.R. Highway. This highway crosses 14 states and should be taken care of by each state: Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Iowa, Nebraska, Colorado, Utah, Nevada, and California. For information, contact Mr. Loomis at 1310 Forest Park Ave., Valparaiso, Indiana 46383.
13. There will be a parade, dinner and Military Ball in Gettysburg on Remembrance Day, November 17, 1990. This is always a big weekend for our Organization, so all members are urged to attend and bring a friend, it could help boost our membership.
14. Any information regarding the sick, or any deaths, I want to hear about them, so that proper attention can be given.

15. The policy of appointing members as National Aides for securing three or four new members will be continued. The same for five or more, a certificate of Merit. But the Secretaries must send me their names.
16. As your Commander-in-Chief, I wish to all members of the Allied Family best wishes for the coming year: Mrs. Lois Mayhew, RD 2, Box 199C, Burgettstown, Pennsylvania 15021 National President Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic; Mrs. Ora Moitoso, 101D No. Broadway #308, Rumford, Rhode Island 02916, National President, Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War (Mrs. Ora Moitoso will have a new address in the near future); and Mrs. Gail Seitz, 21601 Sunnyside St., Clair Shores, Michigan 48080, National President, Daughters of Union Veterans. As of this writing I do not know the National President of Woman's Relief Corps.
17. With the help of all the Brothers on various committees, we can and will have a prosperous year.

By order of  
George W. Long  
Commander-in-Chief

Attest:  
James T. Lyons  
National Secretary

*(General Orders 2 – 4 were not available)*

## Appendix 4

### Delegates to the 1991 National Encampment

1. Anthony, Merrill D.
2. Ashley, Keith D.
3. Atkinson, Elmer F.
4. Atland, Forrest
5. Black, Herman
6. Booher, Ned
7. Brennan, William A.
8. Burgin, Philip A.
9. Bury, Gordon R. II
10. Colligan, Michael J.
11. Cuvey, Leslie E.
12. Dixon, Peter A.
13. Dolph, Gary
14. Eikenberry, Gayle
15. Foight, Frank A. III
16. Frantz, Ivan E. Sr.
17. Frantz, Karl J.
18. Frantz, Ivan E. Jr.
19. Funck, Charles E.
20. Furman, Norman R.
21. Gibbons, Harry E.
22. Gibson, Gary L.
23. Gill, Ronald
24. Gowen, Olen
25. Greenwalt, Richard
26. Gregory, Robert
27. Grothe, Jack G.
28. Hammer, Lowell V.
29. Harrison, Keith G.
30. Heacock, Frank M. Sr.
31. Johnson, Thomas L.W.
32. Kelley, Lyndon L.
33. Kelly, Donald L.
34. Kregerise, Paul C.
35. Krieser, Edward J.
36. Lancaster, Ivan
37. Lee, James O.
38. Lipp, Francis L.
39. Long, R. Bradley
40. Long, George W.
41. Long, Joseph Jr.
42. Loomis, Alan
43. Lowe, Charles
44. Lufkin, Richard P.
45. Lyons, James T.
46. Macomber, Wallace J.
47. Marley, James G.D.
48. Mayhew, Jonathan T.
49. Medert, David R.
50. Mellor, Clark
51. Mills, Joseph
52. Moore, Allen W.
53. Moriarty, Wayne
54. Ogborn, Argus E.
55. Orr, Richard D.
56. Orton, Jerome
57. Park, J. Douglas
58. Parks, Edward
59. Peterson, Allan E.
60. Plante, Aram A.
61. Reed, David N.
62. Rippey, Joseph S.
63. Rogers, Charles A. Jr.
64. Russell, Eugene E.
65. Russell, James
66. Schlenker, Richard C.
67. Sharrock, Charles E.
68. Siglag, Harold
69. Simpson, William L.
70. Smyser, Richard H.
71. Tucker, Frank J.
72. Werkheiser, Robert
73. Wheeler, Roger A. Sr.
74. Wheeler, Kenneth T.
75. Wheeler, Danny
76. Williams, William E.



## Appendix 5

### Listing of Past Commanders-in-Chief

ELECTED	NAME	DEPARTMENT	ELECTED	NAME	DEPARTMENT
1881	*Harry T. Rowley	Pennsylvania	1936	*William A. Dyer	New York
1882	*Harry T. Rowley	Pennsylvania	1937	*William A. Dyer	New York
1883	*Frank F. Merrill	Maine	1938	*William L. Anderson	Massachusetts
1884	*Harry W. Arnold	Pennsylvania	1939	*Ralph R. Barrett	California
1885	*Walter S. Payne	Ohio	1940	*J. Kirkwood Craig	Minnesota
1886	*Walter S. Payne	Ohio	1941	*Albert C. Lambert	New Jersey
1887	*George B. Abbott	Illinois	1942	*Henry Towle	Maine
1888	*George B. Abbott	Illinois	1943	*C. Leroy Stoudt	Pennsylvania
1889	*Charles L. Griffin	Indiana	1944	*Urion W. Mackey	Michigan
1890	*Leland J. Webb	Kansas	1945	*H. Harding Hale	Massachusetts
1891	*Bartow S. Weeks	New York	1946	*Neil D. Cranmer	New York
1892	*Marvin E. Hall	Michigan	1947	*Charles H.E. Moran	Massachusetts
1893	*Joseph B. Maccabe	Massachusetts	1948	*Perle L. Fouch	Michigan
1894	*William E. Bundy	Ohio	1949	*John H. Runkle	Pennsylvania
1895	*William H. Russell	Kansas	1950	*Cleon E. Heald	New Hampshire
1896	*James L. Rake	Pennsylvania	1951	*Roy J. Bennett	Iowa
1897	*Charles E. Darling	Massachusetts	1952	*Frederick K. Davis	Wash & Oregon
1898	*Frank L. Shepard	Illinois	1953	*U.S. Grant III	Maryland
1899	*A.W. Jones	Ohio	1954	*U.S. Grant III	Maryland
1900	*Edgar W. Alexander	Pennsylvania	1955	*Fredrick G. Bauer	Massachusetts
1901	*Edward R. Campbell	Maryland	1956	*Fred E. Howe	New York
1902	*Frank Martin	Indiana	1957	*Albert B. DeHaven	Maine
1903	*Arthur B. Spink	Rhode Island	1958	*Earl F. Riggs	California
1904	*William C. Dustin	Illinois	1959	*Harold E. Arnold	Rhode Island
1905	*Harvey V. Speelamn	Ohio	1960	Thomas A. Chadwick	Virginia
1906	*Edwin M. Amies	Pennsylvania	1961	*Charles L. Messer	New York
1907	*Ralph Sheldon	New York	1962	*Chester S. Shriver	Pennsylvania
1908	*Edgar Allen, Jr.	Maryland	1963	Joseph S. Rippey	New York
1909	*George W. Pollit	New Jersey	1964	Joseph S. Rippey	New York
1910	*Fred E. Bolton	Massachusetts	1965	*W. Earl Corbin	Ohio
1911	*Newton J. McGuire	Indiana	1966	*Frank Woerner	California
1912	*Ralph M. Grant	Connecticut	1967	William H. Haskell	Massachusetts
1913	*John E. Sautter	Pennsylvania	1968	*Frank M. Heacock, Sr.	Pennsylvania
1914	*Charles F. Sherman	New York	1969	*Fred H. Combs, Jr.	New Jersey
1915	*A.E.B. Stephens	Ohio	1970	*George L. Cashman	Illinois
1916	*William T. Church	Illinois	1971	*Norman R. Furman	New York
1917	*Fred T.J. Johnson	Pennsylvania	1972	*John C. Yocum	Pennsylvania
1918	*Francis Callahan	Pennsylvania	1973	*Allen B. Howland	Massachusetts
1919	*Harry D. Sisson	Massachusetts	1974	*John H. Stark	Pennsylvania
1920	*Phelam A. Barrows	Nebraska	1975	*Clarence J. Riddell	Pennsylvania
1921	*Clifford Ireland	Illinois	1976	Kenneth T. Wheeler	New Hampshire
1922	*Frank Shelhouse	Indiana	1977	*Harold T. Bielby	New York
1923	*Samuel S. Horn	Pennsylvania	1978	Richard L. Greenwalt	Ohio
1924	*William M. Coffin	Ohio	1979	*Elton O. Koch	Pennsylvania
1925	*Edwin C. Irelan	Maryland	1980	*Richard E. Wyman	New Hampshire
1926	*Ernest W. Homan	Massachusetts	1981	*Harry E. Gibbons	New York
1927	*Walter C. Mabie	Pennsylvania	1982	Richard C. Schlenker	Maryland
1928	*Delevan B. Bowley	California	1983	William L. Simpson	Pennsylvania
1929	*Theodroe C. Cazeau	New York	1984	*Eugene E. Russell	Massachusetts
1930	*Allen S. Holbrook	Illinois	1985	Donald L. Roberts	New York
1931	*Frank C. Huston	Indiana	1986	Gordon R. Bury II	Ohio
1932	*Titus M. Ruch	Pennsylvania	1987	Richard O. Partington	Pennsylvania
1933	*Park F. Yengling	Ohio	1988	*Clark C. Mellor	Massachusetts
1934	*Frank L. Kirchgassner	Massachusetts	1989	Charles W. Corfman	Ohio
1935	*Richard F. Locke	Illinois	1990	George W. Long	Pennsylvania

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1883	*A.P. Davis	Pennsylvania
1899	*R.M.J. Reed	Pennsylvania
1939	*Horace M. Hammer	Pennsylvania
1953	*Albert Woolson	Minnesota

## SONS OF VETERANS

1881	!*Alfred Cope	Pennsylvania
1882	!*Alfred Cope	Pennsylvania
1883	!*Edwin Earp	Massachusetts
1884	!*Edwin Earp	Massachusetts
1885	!*Louis M. Wagner	Pennsylvania
1886	!*Louis M. Wagner	Pennsylvania
1887	!*Louis M. Wagner	Pennsylvania

## THE POST SYSTEM

1889-90	!*George W. Marks	New York
1890	!*George T. Brown	New York

## PAST GRAND DIVISION COMMANDER

*E. Howard Gilkey	Ohio
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\* Deceased

! Conferred by the Commandery-in-Chief

## Appendix 6

### Listing of Past National Encampments

NUMBER	YEAR	DATES	LOCATION
1st	1882	October 18	Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
2nd	1883	August 6 - 7	Columbus, Ohio
3rd	1884	August 27 - 30	Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
4th	1885	September 17 - 18	Grand Rapids, Michigan
5th	1886	September 1 - 2	Buffalo, New York
6th	1887	August 17 - 19	Des Moines, Iowa
7th	1888	August 15 - 17	Wheeling, West Virginia
8th	1889	September 10 - 13	Patterson, New Jersey
9th	1890	August 26 - 29	St. Joseph, Missouri
10th	1891	August 24 - 29	Minneapolis, Minnesota
11th	1892	August 8 - 12	Helena, Montana
12th	1893	August 15 - 18	Cincinnati, Ohio
13th	1894	August 20 - 23	Davenport, Iowa
14th	1895	September 16 - 18	Knoxville, Tennessee
15th	1896	September 8 - 10	Louisville, Kentucky
16th	1897	September 9 - 11	Indianapolis, Indiana
17th	1898	September 10 - 14	Omaha, Nebraska
18th	1899	September 7 - 9	Detroit, Michigan
19th	1900	September 11 - 13	Syracuse, New York
20th	1901	September 17 - 18	Providence, Rhode Island
21st	1902	October 7 - 9	Washington, D.C.
22nd	1903	September 15 - 17	Atlantic City, New Jersey
23rd	1904	August 17 - 19	Boston, Massachusetts
24th	1905	September 18 - 20	Gettysburg, Pennsylvania
25th	1906	August 20 - 23	Peoria, Illinois
26th	1907	August 20 - 21	Dayton, Ohio
27th	1908	August 25 - 27	Niagara Falls, New York
28th	1909	August 24 - 26	Washington, D.C.
29th	1910	September 20 - 22	Atlantic City, New Jersey
30th	1911	August 20 - 25	Rochester, New York
31st	1912	August 27 - 29	St. Louis, Missouri
32nd	1913	September 16 - 18	Chattanooga, Tennessee
33rd	1914	September 1 - 3	Detroit, Michigan
34th	1915	September 28 - 30	Washington, D.C.
35th	1916	August 30 - 31	Kansas City, Missouri
36th	1917	August 22 - 23	Boston, Massachusetts
37th	1918	August 20 - 21	Niagara Falls, New York
38th	1919	September 9 - 11	Columbus, Ohio
39th	1920	September 22 - 23	Indianapolis, Indiana
40th	1921	September 27 - 29	Indianapolis, Indiana
41st	1922	September 26 - 28	Des Moines, Iowa
42nd	1923	September 4 - 6	Milwaukee, Wisconsin
43rd	1924	August 12 - 14	Boston, Massachusetts
44th	1925	September 1 - 3	Grand Rapids, Michigan
45th	1926	September 21 - 23	Des Moines, Iowa
46th	1927	September 13 - 15	Grand Rapids, Michigan
47th	1928	September 18 - 20	Denver, Colorado
48th	1929	September 10 - 12	Portland, Maine
49th	1930	August 26 - 28	Cincinnati, Ohio

NUMBER	YEAR	DATES	LOCATION
50th	1931	September 14 - 17	Des Moines, Iowa
51st	1932	September 19 - 22	Springfield, Illinois
52nd	1933	September 19 - 21	St. Paul, Minnesota
53rd	1934	August 14 - 16	Rochester, New York
54th	1935	September 9 - 12	Grand Rapids, Michigan
55th	1936	September 22 - 24	Washington, D.C.
56th	1937	September 6 - 9	Madison, Wisconsin
57th	1938	September 5 - 8	Des Moines, Iowa
58th	1939	August 29 - 31	Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
59th	1940	September 10 - 12	Springfield, Illinois
60th	1941	September 15 - 18	Columbus, Ohio
61st	1942	September 15 - 17	Indianapolis, Indiana
62nd	1943	September 20 - 23	Milwaukee, Wisconsin
63rd	1944	September 12 - 14	Des Moines, Iowa
64th	1945	October 1 - 4	Columbus, Ohio
65th	1946	August 25 - 29	Indianapolis, Indiana
66th	1947	August 10 - 14	Cleveland, Ohio
67th	1948	September 26 - 30	Grand Rapids, Michigan
68th	1949	August 28 - 31	Indianapolis, Indiana
69th	1950	August 20 - 24	Boston, Massachusetts
70th	1951	August 19 - 23	Columbus, Ohio
71st	1952	August 24 - 28	Atlantic City, New Jersey
72nd	1953	August 23 - 27	Buffalo, New York
73rd	1954	August 8 - 13	Duluth, Minnesota
74th	1955	August 21 - 25	Cincinnati, Ohio
75th	1956	September 1 - 15	Harrisburg, Pennsylvania
76th	1957	August 18 - 22	Detroit, Michigan
77th	1958	August 17 - 21	Boston, Massachusetts
78th	1959	August 16 - 20	Long Beach, California
79th	1960	August 21 - 25	Springfield, Illinois
80th	1961	August 20 - 24	Indianapolis, Indiana
81st	1962	August 19 - 23	Washington, D.C.
82nd	1963	August 18 - 23	Miami Beach, Florida
83rd	1964	August 16 - 20	Providence, Rhode Island
84th	1965	August 15 - 19	Richmond, Virginia
85th	1966	August 14 - 15	Grand Rapids, Michigan
86th	1967	August 6 - 10	Chicago, Illinois
87th	1968	August 18 - 22	Wilmington, Delaware
88th	1969	August 17 - 21	St. Louis, Missouri
89th	1970	August 23 - 27	Miami Beach, California
90th	1971	August 15 - 19	Boston, Massachusetts
91st	1972	August 13 - 17	Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
92nd	1973	August 5 - 9	Palm Springs, California
93rd	1974	August 18 - 22	Bretton Woods, New Hampshire
94th	1975	August 10 - 14	Rochester, New York
95th	1976	August 15 - 19	Columbus, Ohio
96th	1977	August 14 - 18	Des Moines, Iowa
97th	1978	August 13 - 17	Grand Rapids, Michigan
98th	1979	August 12 - 15	Hartford, Connecticut
99th	1980	August 10 - 14	Richmond, Virginia
100th	1981	August 9 - 13	Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
101st	1982	August 14 - 18	Providence, Rhode Island
102nd	1983	August 15 - 19	Portland, Maine
103rd	1984	August 12 - 16	Akron, Ohio

NUMBER	YEAR	DATES	LOCATION
104th	1985	August 10 - 15	Wilmington, Delaware
105th	1986	August 10 - 13	Lexington, Kentucky
106th	1987	August 9 - 12	Buffalo, New York
107th	1988	August 14 - 17	Lansing, Michigan
108th	1989	August 13 - 18	Stamford, Connecticut
109th	1990	August 12 - 15	Des Moines, Iowa
110th	1991	August 11 - 14	Indianapolis, Indiana