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Allen W. Moore was elected and installed August 14, 1993 as Commander-in-Chief of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War (SUVCW) at the 112th National Encampment held in Portland, Maine.

A native of Anderson, Indiana, Commander-in-Chief Moore was educated in the public schools of that city and graduated from Anderson High School. He attended Anderson University for two years on a scholastic scholarship, and then transferred to Ball State University in Muncie, Indiana. He received his bachelor's degree from Ball State in business education and English, and a master's degree in business education. At Ball State he also completed one year of post-graduate work.

For 40 years Brother Moore taught business education and English in the high schools of Goshen, Kokomo and Indianapolis in his home state of Indiana, and for 17 years served as Chair of the Business Education Department. For more than 30 years he also taught in the adult education program in night school. In the Kokomo community, he has served as President of the Kokomo Community Concert Association, as well as a member of its Board of Directors. He completed a three-year term as Secretary of the Board of Elders of the First Church of God of Kokomo. He has taught a Sunday school class, served as church pianist, and written the history of the church.

Commander-in-Chief Moore traces his eligibility for the SUVCW to Private Cornelius F. Whitehouse, Company B., 15th Regiment, Kentucky Volunteer Infantry, who is his great-great grandfather. Whitehouse enlisted at the age of 31, leaving behind a wife and three young children. After serving about 18 months of a three-year enlistment, Whitehouse was discharged because of disability - he had contracted typhoid fever in a
march between Franklin and Nashville, Tennessee. His younger brother, Harrison J. Whitehouse, enlisted with him in the same regiment.

Brother Moore’s involvement in the Order began in June 1981 when he became a member at the Indiana Department Encampment in Indianapolis. He served as Commander of the Ben Harrison Camp No. 356, at Indianapolis for two years and has been Camp Secretary-Treasurer for six years. In 1982, he reorganized the Orlando A. Somers Camp No. 1 at Kokomo, and served as its Commander for five years. He is a life member of SUVCW. On the state level, he has served as Department Commander for two years and as Department Senior Vice Commander, Junior Vice Commander, Council Member, and Counselor.

Prior to becoming Commander-in-Chief in August 1993, he served the National Organization as Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief and Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief. He also served as Chair of the National Committees on Membership, Fraternal Relations, and Program and Policies. Additional National Committees which he served as a member include Constitution and Regulations, Grand Army of the Republic Records, 125th Anniversary Events, and Encampment Credentials.

Commander-in-Chief Moore has been married to the former Barbara E. Tiley of Clarion, Pennsylvania for 41 years. The Moores have four daughters and five grandchildren. His wife, Barbara, and three of his daughters are members of the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War. Barbara is also a member of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic. All four of the Commander-in-Chief’s sons-in-law are members of SUVCW.

He is a life member of Delta Pi Epsilon, national honorary fraternity in graduate business education, and is a past President of the Pi Chapter. Other fraternal and hereditary organizations to which Commander-in-Chief Moore belongs include Sons of the American Revolution, Society of the War of 1812, Huguenot Society of Indiana, Society of Colonial Wars, Order of Descendants of Colonial Physicians and Chirurgiens, and Society of Indiana Pioneers.

Additional interests of Brother Moore include music, genealogy, photography, travel, and collecting Civil War images.
Private Cornelius F. Whitehouse

Cornelius Flannigan Whitehouse, the great-great grandfather of Commander-in-Chief Allen W. Moore, was born August 11, 1831, in Mercer County, Kentucky (now Boyle County). He was the son of John Whitehouse, a War of 1812 veteran, and Mary “Polly” Jones.

Along with his younger brother, Harrison J. Whitehouse, he enlisted at Mt. Eden, Kentucky, for a period of three years on August 16, 1862. He was a Private in Company B., 15th Regiment Kentucky Volunteer Infantry and fought in the Battle of Perryville.

On a march between Nashville and Franklin, Tennessee, he contracted typhoid fever and was subsequently hospitalized in Hospital Number 6 at Nashville, Hospital Number 3 at Louisville and Hospital Number 6 at New Albany, Indiana. He was discharged at Louisville on December 14, 1863.

After the war, he returned to his wife, Lucinda, and his three children, Isaiah, Lon and Malinda in Shelby County, Kentucky, where he resumed his profession as a farmer. He donated the land on which the current Beech Ridge Baptist Church now stands in Shelby County. Cornelius was an ardent Republican and had great admiration for President Lincoln. During his life he served his community as township trustee and on the election board.

At the age of 82 years, Cornelius Whitehouse passed away on November 23, 1913. He was buried in the Beech Ridge Baptist Church Cemetery, near his farm.
NATIONAL OFFICERS FOR 1994-1995
SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR

Commander-in-Chief.................................................................Allen W. Moore (Indiana)
Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief........................................Keith G. Harrison (Michigan)
Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief..............................David R. Medert (Ohio)
Council of Administration.................................Joseph S. Rippey, PC-in-C (New York)
          Elmer F. Atkinson, PC-in-C (Pennsylvania)
          Andrew M. Johnson (Maryland)
          Peter A. Dixon (Maryland)
National Secretary......................................................David F. Wallace (8/1/94 - 8/14/94) (Michigan)
          James T. Lyons (8/14/93 - 8/1/94) (Michigan)
National Treasurer..........................................................Richard D. Orr (Pennsylvania)
National Counselor..........................................................Richard D. Orr (Pennsylvania)
National Chaplain....................................................Richard P. Lufkin (6/1/94 - 8/14/94) (Massachusetts)
          Rev. Richard O. Partington, PC-in-C (8/14/93 - 6/1/94) (Pennsylvania)
National Patriotic Instructor........................................Gary L. Gibson (Michigan)
National Historian............................................................Jerome L. Orton (New York)
National Graves Registration Officer..........................Nicholas Kaup (Illinois)
National GAR Highway Officer.................................Alan C. Peterson (Rhode Island)
National Personal Aide.....................................................Edward J. Kreiser (Indiana)
Washington Representative..............................Richard C. Schlenker, PC-in-C (Maryland)
National Membership-at-Large Coordinator..............J. Douglas Park (Michigan)
National Member List Coordinator..............................Richard A. Williams (Michigan)
National Camp and Department Organizer...............Vaughn J. Rawson (Michigan)
National Chief of Staff..............................................Norman R. Furman, PC-in-C (New York)
Banner Editor...............................................................Russell C. Gregory (Michigan)
The pre-113th National Encampment meeting of the Council of Administration, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War (SUVCW), was called to order at 8:47 P.M. by Commander-in-Chief Allen W. Moore. PC-in-C Richard Schlenker offered an opening prayer.

**Members Present:** Commander-In-Chief Allen W. Moore, Senior Vice Commander-In-Chief Keith G. Harrison, Junior Vice Commander-In-Chief David R. Medert, Council Members PC-in-C Elmer F. Atkinson, PC-in-C Joseph Rippey and Andrew M. Johnson, National Treasurer Richard D. Orr, and National Secretary David F. Wallace.


It was moved and seconded (Harrison/Atkinson) that the minutes of the March 19, 1994, and June 18, 1994, Council of Administration meetings be approved as distributed; motion passed (see Appendix 1).

**Reports of Officers:**

A. **Commander-In-Chief** Brother Moore reported that he had appointed a Trial Commission to handle a matter brought to the Commander-in-Chief on appeal for cause at the request of the Department. PC-In-C Richard Schlenker was appointed as the Trial Commissioner with Brothers Lowell Hammer and Richard Orr as the additional members of the Commission. The trial was held at 2:00 P.M. on Thursday, August 11, 1994.

Commander-in-Chief Moore reported that he had removed for cause the Secretary/Treasurer of the Department of Pennsylvania. In addition, he reported that he also had authorized the revocation of two Camp Charters from the Department of Pennsylvania. Brother Elmer F. Atkinson briefly reviewed the situation with the Council. Brother Moore reviewed his report and recommendations to the National Encampment. He concluded by thanking all Brothers present for their help and support during his term as Commander-In-Chief.
B. **Senior Vice Commander-In-Chief**  Brother Harrison reviewed his report to the National Encampment. He specifically commented on the concept of streamlining and computerizing as many of the Order’s existing forms as practicable. Discussion included the status of several forms and certificates and those forms being recommended for deletion. As an adjunct to the topic, Brother Orr, as National Counselor, reviewed the status of copyright provisions for the Order’s badges and symbols, with a presentation to be made to the National Encampment.

Brother Harrison reviewed the status of the Senior Vice Commander-In-Chief’s Fund for the year and briefly reviewed his recommendation to the National Encampment. He concluded by thanking all Brothers present for their assistance and support during his term as Senior Vice Commander-In-Chief.

C. **Junior Vice Commander-In-Chief**  Brother Medert briefly reviewed his report and recommendations to the National Encampment. He passed out the Recruiting Manual that he had developed during the year which is included as a supplement to his report to the National Encampment. One issue which Brother Medert felt deserved particular attention was the timeliness of the submission of reports. Past National Secretary James T. Lyons also noted that his report to the National Encampment reflects concern with this issue. After discussion of the issue, it was moved and seconded (Harrison/Orr) that any Department in arrears in filing any standard Department form as required by the Regulations will result in a notice of delinquency for those reports being published in the *Banner* with the names of the Department Commander, Senior Vice Commander, Junior Vice Commander, and Secretary/Treasurer or Secretary and Treasurer listed; motion passed.

Brother Medert concluded by thanking all Brothers present for their help and support during his term as Junior Vice Commander-In-Chief.

D. **National Secretary**  Brother Wallace deferred to Past National Secretary James T. Lyons to review the National Secretary’s report. Brother Lyons began his report by noting that the current membership is equal to that of 1965 and that the continued growth trend could result in 5,000 members by August 1995. Brother Lyons also reported that there are currently no arrearages in the submission of reports and money due from any Department. The monthly and year-end statistical reports were reviewed with the Council. Brother Lyons presented PC-in-C Schlenker and the Council with the first copy of the published 1983 *Proceedings of the Encampment of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War*.

Commander-In-Chief Moore, on behalf of the Council of Administration, expressed his appreciation to Brother Lyons for his five years of service to the Order. Brother Lyons excused himself from the meeting at this time.

E. **National Treasurer**  Brother Orr distributed and reviewed with members of the Council of Administration highlights of the audited financial statements of the Order for the year ended June 30, 1993 and preliminary financial statements for the year ending June 30, 1994.
Brother Orr continued with a discussion of a project for determining and updating specific Camp and Department Employer Identification Numbers (EIN). Current lists of EINs will be distributed to each Department. The Departments will, in turn, be required to find out all Camp EINs within the Department and return the information to the National Treasurer no later than September 30, 1994. The National Treasurer must file this report with the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) on or before October 15, 1994. Any Camp or Department EIN not reported by the National Treasurer to the IRS as being associated with the Order’s General Exemption Number will be deemed by the IRS to be inactive, and that Camp or Department will be subject to individual IRS review and action.

Brother Orr presented for consideration copies of the Order’s proposed 1995 Budget. Discussion included the Order’s status as a 501(C)(4) tax exempt entity and its potential impact on the Orders’ various funds. It was moved and seconded (Atkinson/Harrison) that the National Treasurer review the proposed 1995 budget with the 113th National Encampment, with Council of Administration action to be subject to the direction of the National Encampment; motion passed.

Brother Orr concluded by thanking all Brothers present for their help and support during the previous year.

F. Assistant to the National Treasurer  Brother Atkinson updated the Council regarding the status of current inventory and the resolution of the neck tie problem. He indicated that he had added several Sons of Veterans Reserve (SVR) items to the inventory and was recommending in his report that an SVR badge device be approved for SVR members to wear on the membership badge of the Order. Brother Atkinson also briefly discussed his recommendation for the position of National Quartermaster. Brother Atkinson concluded by thanking all Brothers for their help and support during the previous year.

G. Council Members  The Council Members present, as a group, had no report to present, but did express their appreciation to all Brothers present for their efforts and conduct in office during the previous year.

H. Banner Editor  Brother Gregory briefly discussed his philosophy of “discipline” in publishing. He also proposed that a “merchandising photo” of items in National Supply inventory be published in the Banner or another appropriate mailing. Brother Gregory proposed and the Council concurred, that an appropriate “National Officer” certificate be developed.

Brother Gregory discussed the upcoming 100th volume of the Banner and that it would be appropriate if a budgetary increase would be considered for this volume. He indicated that he could develop a proposal. He also suggested investigating whether an IRS determination can be obtained designating the Banner as a tax-exempt educational publication. Brother Orr indicated he would explore this issue. Brother Gregory concluded by thanking all Brothers present for their help and support during the year.
K. **National Member-At-Large (MAL) Coordinator**  Brother Park briefly reviewed his statistical report to be submitted to the National Encampment. He discussed the importance of the relationship between the MAL Coordinator and the National Camp Organizer. He also discussed his recommendations to update the Regulations with regard to the MAL office. Brother Park extended his appreciation to Brothers Steve Church, Russell Gregory and L. Dean Lamphere, Jr., for their assistance in completing the reissue of MAL membership certificates. Brother Park concluded his remarks by presenting the Council of Administration with a check for $3,500.00 from the MAL office with the suggestion that it be deposited in the GAR Fund.

**Old Business:**

A. **Historical Publication by Turner Publishers**  Brother Moore indicated that the representative of Turner Publications would be present at the business session of the 113th National Encampment to discuss the project and pass out available information.

B. **Proceedings**  A general discussion was held regarding the publication of remaining proceedings from previous years. Senior Vice Commander-In-Chief Harrison indicated that he was prepared to make a proposal to the Council for handling this issue at the post-Encampment council meeting. It was the consensus of those present to defer further discussion until that time.

C. **Collector's Armory**  National Counselor Orr updated the Council on the status of the unauthorized reproduction and sale of an early badge of the Order as a “Civil War collectible.” He reviewed his latest correspondence demanding that they cease and desist any further manufacture, importation and sale of the item. He also briefed the Council on his conversations with the Virginia Attorney General’s office regarding the company in question and his conversation with the United States Customs Service and Patent Office.

It was moved and seconded (Harrison/Atkinson) that the following policy regarding badges and emblems be adopted; motion passed.

**NATIONAL ORGANIZATION**

**SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR, A CORPORATION**

**POLICY ON THE USE OF PROTECTED BADGES, EMBLEMS, SEALS AND SYMBOLS**

1. No person, business, organization, government agency or other entity may use the name Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, except as provided in the Articles of Incorporation Section 17, without the express written consent of the National Organization Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

2. No person, business, organization, government agency, or other entity may manufacture, duplicate, or replicate any badge, emblem or seal, including but not limited to the 1881 membership badge, the 1893 membership badge, the 1907 membership badge, the 1922 membership badge, the current membership badge, associate badge, Camp Commander badge, Past Camp Commander badge, Department Commander badge, Past Department Commander badge, Commander-in-Chief badge, Past Commander-in-Chief badge, 50 year member badge, War Medal, miniature badges, and the various ribbons attached thereto, the coat-of-arms, seal, or otherwise perform any action which results in the manufacture,
duplication, or replication of said items without the express written consent of the National Organization of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

3. Departments and Camps may photographically or through any generally available printing means reproduce images of the badges, emblems and seals for the production of Department or Camp flags, letterhead, envelopes, newsletters, business cards and other printed material necessary for the conduct of their respective activities related to the purposes of the Order. This general authorization does not extend to any of the adopted and copyrighted forms, rituals, literature, or other items supplied by the National Organization nor to embroidering of any badge, emblem, or seal or the production of decals or other similar devices.

4. Current National, Department, and Camp officers and those entitled to “Past” honors of office may photographically or through any generally available printing means reproduce images of the badges, emblems and seals for the production of letterhead, envelopes, newsletters, business cards and other printed materials necessary for the conduct of their respective offices and related to the purposes of the Order. This general authorization does not extend to any of the adopted and copyrighted forms, rituals, literature, or other items supplied by the National Organization nor to the embroidering of any badge, emblem, or seal or the production of decals or other similar devices.

5. Departments, Camps, current officers and former officers may not authorize any non-subordinate entity to use the name Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War or reproduce, manufacture, or otherwise duplicate or replicate any badge, emblem, or seal of the Order except as specified in items 3 and 4 above except that the National Treasurer and National Quartermaster may cause such items to be produced for the National Organization Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War in the performance of the duties of their respective offices.

6. The Sons of Veterans Reserve is hereby authorized to use the name Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War in the conduct of all their business related to that Organization until notified in writing to the contrary. The National Organization Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War expressly withholds authorization from the Sons of Veterans Reserve to authorize any non-subordinate entity to use the name Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War or any of its badges, emblems, or seal. In the event the Sons of Veterans Reserve should cease to exist as it is now constituted, the above authorization shall not accrue to any successor organization.

7. The National Organization Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Inc. and its subordinate units are hereby authorized to use the name Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War in the conduct of all business related to that Organization until notified in writing to the contrary. The National Organization Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War expressly withholds authorization from the National Organization Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War and its subordinate units to authorize any non-subordinate entity to use the name Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. In the event the National Organization Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War or a subordinate organization should cease to exist as it is now constituted, the above authorization shall not accrue to any successor organization or subordinate organization.

8. The Commander-in-Chief after consultation with the Council of Administration or after an affirmative vote of the Commandery-in-Chief may authorize the use or reproduction of the badges, emblems, seals, coat-of-arms or other symbols of our Order.

New Business:

A request from the Department of Indiana to produce and market several decals, patches and hats was tabled until the post-Encampment Council of Administration meeting.
It was moved and seconded (Harrison/Johnson) that the *Banner* Editor include a discussion regarding the subject of copyright in an upcoming issue of the *Banner*; motion passed.

PC-in-C Schlenker reported on the trial held at 2:00 P.M. on Thursday, August 11, 1994, as directed by the Commander-In-Chief. He indicated that the conclusions of the Trial Commission would be recommended to the Commander-In-Chief.

PC-in-C Corfman presented updates on the 1994 and 1995 National Encampments to be held in Lansing, Michigan, and Columbus, Ohio, respectively. He also indicated that an invitation to hold the 1996 National Encampment in St. Louis, Missouri, had been received.

Junior Vice Commander-In-Chief Medert indicated that he would represent the Order at the Rededication of the Rock of Chickamauga Memorial at Rose Hill Cemetery, Chicago, Illinois, on Sunday, August 21, 1994.

It was moved and seconded (Medert/Harrison) that the Recruitment Manual developed by the Junior Vice Commander-In-Chief be adopted and offered free of charge to those Departments and Camps requesting a copy through the National Quartermaster; motion passed. The National Membership Committee was directed to develop and present a proposal with regard to a National Membership Card and National Membership Number.

Upon the recommendation of outgoing National MAL Coordinator Park, it was moved and seconded (Wallace/Orr) that Brother L. Dean Lamphere, Jr., Department of Michigan, be appointed by the Council as the National MAL Coordinator with a term expiring August 1995; motion passed.

Brother Orr informed the Council that there is no longer the necessity for an Encampment Audit Committee as the financial statements of the Order are prepared by a Certified Public Accountant issuing an audited opinion.

Commander-In-Chief Moore indicated that the next meeting of the Council of Administration will be held on Sunday, August 14, 1994, 1:30 P.M. in the Board Room, Holiday Inn South, Lansing, Michigan.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:35 A.M., Friday, August 12, 1994.

Allen W. Moore  
Commander-in-Chief

David F. Wallace  
National Secretary
The officers and delegates of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War (SUVCW) and its Auxiliary assembled at the Holiday Inn - South in Lansing, Michigan, for their traditional Joint Opening at 9:00 A.M. under the direction of Auxiliary Chief of Staff, Past National President (PNP) Isabelle Roberts, and SUVCW Chief of Staff, Past Commander-in-Chief (PC-in-C) Norman Furman.

National Auxiliary President Florence Spring and Commander-in-Chief Allen Moore were escorted to seats of honor. The National Aides saluted and the National Officers marched in and set in front of the speakers table. All PNPs and PC-in-Cs who were in attendance were then introduced. The gavel was turned over to National President Spring and the SUVCW retired to its meeting room for its first business session.

The 113th Annual Encampment of the National Organization, SUVCW was called to order in ritualistic form at 10:00 A.M. by Commander-in-Chief Allen W. Moore.

Following the opening of the Encampment, the Commander-in-Chief directed the National Secretary to call the roll of National Officers. The National Officers present were as follows:

- Commander-in-Chief: Allen W. Moore
- Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief: Keith G. Harrison
- Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief: David R. Medert
- Council of Administration Member: Joseph S. Rippey
- Council of Administration Member: Elmer F. Atkinson, PC-in-C
- Council of Administration Member: Andrew M. Johnson
- Council of Administration Member: Peter A. Dixon
- National Secretary: David F. Wallace
- National Treasurer: Richard D. Orr
- National Chaplain: Richard P. Lufkin
- National Patriotic Instructor: Gary L. Gibson
- National Historian: Jerome L. Orton (absent)
- History Book Coordinator: Danny L. Wheeler
- Graves Registration Officer: Nicholas Kaup
- GAR Highway Officer: Alan C. Peterson
The following Encampment appointments were made by Commander-in-Chief Moore:

Color Bearer: Stanley Prater
Guide: Robert Grim
Guard: Joseph Long, Jr.

Committee on Credentials: George L. Powell (Chair), Gary Dolph, Charles Funck, Alan Loomis

Committee on Ritual and Ceremonies: PC-in-C Richard L. Greenwalt (Chair), Roger L. Olsen, PC-in-C George W. Long, Douglas E. Smith

Committee on Officers’ Reports: PC-in-C Charles W. Corfman (Chair), Ivan Frantz, Sr., Stephen T. Jackson

Committee on Resolutions: PC-in-C Richard C. Schlenker (Chair), Roger L. Olsen, PC-in-C George W. Long, Douglas E. Smith

Committee on Restoration of Rank: PC-in-C Lowell V. Hammer (Chair), Andrew M. Johnson, Danny L. Wheeler

Committee on Fraternal Relations: PC-in-C Elmer F. Atkinson (Chair), Edward J. Kreiser, Floyd Blodgett, Richard P. Lufkin, Robert Wiesian

Greetings Committee to the Auxiliary: PC-in-C Elmer F. Atkinson (Chair), PC-in-C Clark W. Mellor, Commander-in-Chief Moore

Greetings Committee to the Ladies of the GAR: PC-in-C Charles W. Corfman (Chair), Peter A. Dixon, James Hilton
Greetings Committee to the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War (DUVCW): Charles Funck (Chair), PC-in-C George W. Long, Department of Michigan Delegation

Respondent to the Auxiliary: PC-in-C Richard Schlenker

Respondent to the Ladies of the GAR: PC-in-C Lowell Hammer

Respondent to the DUVCW: PC-in-C Richard Greenwalt

Respondent to the Woman’s Relief Corps: Dr. Gary Dolph

National Aide for Video Recording of the 113th Annual National Encampment: Colin Craig

RECOGNITION OF PAST COMMANDERS-IN-CHIEF


REPORT OF THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF

On August 15, 1993, at Portland, Maine, I was honored by this patriotic order by being elected and installed as Commander-in-Chief. I have considered it a real privilege, as well as challenge, to serve this organization during the past year. This has afforded me many opportunities to honor my great-great-grandfather that I would not have had otherwise. I have worked diligently to fulfill the responsibilities of this high office.

First, I wish to express my appreciation for the teamwork of the National Officers. It has been because of this cooperative effort that this organization has progressed as much as it has during my tenure. We are indebted to each National Officer for the splendid work that he has performed. Thank you very much, National Officers, for donating your time, expertise, and effort to perpetuate the memory of the “Boys in Blue.”

During the year I have received much correspondence from Brothers who have special concerns as well as from potential members inquiring about membership. I have responded promptly to every communication. I have written a total of 587 letters. Communication is vital to the success of our organization.

This year you have received five issues of the Banner containing a total of 80 pages. This is a significant increase over past years, and we commend the Editor for producing a national periodical of journalistic merit. I have advised the Editor to avoid articles of a controversial nature which might alienate any readers. We can now be proud of our
national publication. The *Banner* mailing group is also to be commended for the many
hours they have spent preparing the issues for mailing.

Not all decisions that I have had to make have been easy ones. Upon the request of
one Department, I removed for cause the Department Secretary-Treasurer. Also, upon
the request of one Department, I revoked the Charters of two Camps because of non-
payment of per-capita tax. Such duties I did not enjoy; however, they became part of
my responsibilities.

Our membership has risen to nearly 3,600 do to the recruitment advertising in national
publications along with the diligent efforts of Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief David
Medert in promptly following up on all inquiries from those ads. MAL Coordinator Doug
Park is also to be commended for his splendid work. Both recruitment and retention are
necessary for the survival and progress of our Order.

To date, I have signed Charter Applications for 19 new Camps in the states of Texas,
Maine, Utah, Oklahoma, Michigan, Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Colorado, and
Virginia. At the present time, organizers are working in other states to establish new
Camps and Departments. Such growth is indicative of a healthy organization.

This year, I have established two new awards, which I hope will motivate both individual
members as well as Camps to strive for excellence in their work to promote the memory
of the Grand Army of the Republic. The first is the Abraham Lincoln Commander-in-
Chief Plaque, which is being awarded to the most outstanding Camp. The second is the
Cornelius F. Whitehouse Plaque, which will be given to the most outstanding member.
Both plaques will be held by the recipients for one year and then be given to next year’s
award winners. I trust that these new awards will encourage more involvement in
worthy projects among our membership.

I have appointed 34 Brothers as National Aides for recruiting three or more new
members this year, and I have awarded Certificates of Merit to 16 Brothers for
outstanding service to our Order.

This year I signed a contract with Turner Publishers to write, publish, and market a
history of our organization, and I appointed Brother Gary Gibson as liaison with Turner
Publishers. Much historical material has already been gathered for inclusion in our
history. Brothers who possess historical material and photographs are urged to share
them with the publisher.

One of my goals this year was to initiate a National Headquarters Fund, which I have
done. As we look to the future, there is a dire need for a national headquarters,
preferably in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, similar to those of the Daughters of Union
Veterans of the Civil War (DUVCW) and Woman’s Relief Corps. We desperately need
a repository for artifacts, historical material, and records as well as an office address
that does not change every few years. I strongly urge my Brothers to donate to this
worthy cause while living as well as making a provision in your will to insure a national
headquarters.
Another achievement this year has been accomplished by the Program and Policies Committee. This committee is to be commended for the excellent job descriptions they have completed for Camps, Departments, and National Officers as well as suggested revisions in our application and other forms.

The following is a chronological list of activities I participated in and the duties I have performed as Commander-in-Chief 1993 - 1994:

15 August 1993 - Elected and installed as Commander-in-Chief at the 112th National Encampment in Portland, Maine.

18 September 1993 - Participated in the Rededication Ceremony at the Libby Prison Site in Richmond, Virginia. Presented a certificate for Distinguished Service to Brother Howard Bartholf, Chair of the Libby Prison Rededication Ceremony.

26 September 1993 - Participated in the rededication of 228 Union Civil War Veterans’ headstones at Rose Hill Cemetery, Chicago, Illinois.

2 - 3 October 1993 - Attended the Central Region Conference at Milwaukee, Wisconsin, where I brought greetings from the National Organization and installed the officers for 1993 - 1994. Presented Certificates for Distinguished Service to Brothers James A. Mueting, Sr., and Nicholas Kaup.

9 October 1993 - Attended the Reception/Banquet in my honor at Indiana University in Kokomo, Indiana. Awarded a $1,000 SUVCW scholarship to Amanda Munroe, a senior history major at Indiana University, and a $1,000 SUVCW scholarship to Michael Torguson, a senior social science major at Southern Oregon State College. Awarded a Distinguished Certificate of Service to Dr. Gary E. Dolph.

15 October 1993 - Attended the Gen. George A. Custer Camp No. 1 dinner meeting in Chicago, Illinois, where I awarded a Certificate of Distinguished Service to Dr. Thomas Hauff and David Bailey and National Aide ribbons for recruitment of new members to Brothers David Bailey, Nicholas Kaup, and Tim Frake. Installed the new Camp Officers.

17 October 1993 - Attended the Ben Harrison Camp No. 356 meeting at Indianapolis, Indiana.

19 October 1993 - Appointed Robert J. Eck as Camp Organizer for the Joshua Lawrence Chamberlain Camp at Roanoke, Virginia.

20 October 1993 - Appointed Leon Wilkens as National Aide for Veterans Administration Volunteer Service.


6 November 1993 - Attended the Reception/Banquet for Sister Florence Spring, National President of the Auxiliary to the SUVCW at Thorofare, New Jersey, and brought greetings from the National Organization and the Indiana Department.

13 November 1993 - Attended the Orlando A. Somers Camp No. 1 meeting at Kokomo, Indiana, and installed the 1994 officers.

14 November 1993 - Attended the Ben Harrison Camp No. 356 meeting at Indianapolis, Indiana, and initiated three new members.
20 November 1993 - Participated in the Remembrance Day Parade and wreath laying ceremony at Albert Woolson’s Monument at Gettysburg, Pennsylvania. Also spoke briefly at the Program of Tributes in the Visitor’s Center and brought greetings of the National Organization at the banquet.


27 November 1993 - Attended the charter meeting of the William T. Sherman Camp No. 93 of Dayton, Ohio, held at Xenia, Ohio. Presented the Camp Charter and installed Brother Herbert G. Webb as Camp Commander.

4 December 1993 - Attended the Marinda B. Dye Tent No. 17 Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War Christmas dinner meeting at Kokomo, Indiana.

19 December 1993 - Viewed the film “Gettysburg” at Indianapolis, Indiana, with my wife and Dr. and Mrs. Gary Dolph.

9 January 1994 - Attended the Ben Harrison Camp No. 356 meeting at Indianapolis, Indiana, and installed the 1994 officers.

15 January 1994 - Attended the Mid-winter Indiana Department Encampment at Indiana University, Kokomo, Indiana.

22 January 1994 - Attended the David D. Porter Camp No. 116 meeting at Valparaiso, Indiana, and toured the GAR Memorial Opera House.


29 January 1994 - Attended the Orlando A. Somers Camp No. 1 meeting at Kokomo, Indiana.

10 February 1994 - Read a story about Lincoln to my grandson’s first-grade class at Northwestern Elementary School, Kokomo, Indiana, (Grandparent’s Day at school).

12 February 1994 - Presented a wreath at the Lincoln Memorial Ceremony in Washington, DC. Attended the Lincoln Birthday National Commemorative Committee Luncheon at Channel Inn, Washington, DC.

13 February 1994 - Attended the Lincoln Day Observance of the Lincoln Commission at the New York Avenue Presbyterian Church, Washington, DC, and was given the honor of sitting in the Lincoln Family pew. Awarded a Certificate of Distinguished Service to Brother Peter A. Dixon at dinner held at Fort Myer, Virginia.

26 February 1994 - Attended dinner meeting of the Gen. William T. Sherman, Billy Yank Camp No. 65 at St. Louis, Missouri, and awarded Certificates of Merit to Brothers Thomas Willmering and Anthony Burk.


13 March 1994 - Attended the Ben Harrison Camp No. 356 meeting at Indianapolis, Indiana. Presented a Certificate of Merit to Brother David Frye of “Save the Colors Coalition.”

19 March 1994 - Chaired the Council of Administration meeting at Columbus, Ohio.

21 March 1994 - Sent a Certificate of Merit to Alice Heffin Abernathy of Fredericksburg, Virginia, for decorating the grave of Pvt. Jerome Pierce, 36th Regiment, Massachusetts Infantry, who is buried in the Fredericksburg National Cemetery.

9 April 1994 - Attended the Rhode Island Department Encampment at Providence, Rhode Island, installed the new Department Officers, and initiated two new members.
Attended the Rededication Ceremony of the Soldiers and Sailors Memorial, Providence, Rhode Island.

15 April 1994 - Gave an address and presented a wreath at the 39th Annual Lincoln Death Day Ceremony at the Lincoln Tomb, Springfield, Illinois. Attended the banquet and presented Certificates of Merit to Brothers Thomas L.W. Johnson, Robert Graham, and Edward G. Pree, Co-chairman of the Lincoln Tomb Observance Committee.

15 April 1994 - Visited the National Headquarters of the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Springfield, Illinois.

24 April 1994 - Participated in the 172nd Grant Birthday Commemoration held by the Oliver Tilden Camp No. 26 at the Grant Tomb in New York City and attended the luncheon at the Riverside Church afterwards.

29 - 30 April 1994 - Attended the Massachusetts Department Encampment at Chicopee, Massachusetts, and installed the new Department Officers.

1 May 1994 - Toured the Springfield Armory Museum at Springfield, Massachusetts, with Massachusetts Department Commander Roger Olsen.


13 May 1994 - Approved the Massachusetts Department Bylaws.

18 May 1994 - Approved the Connecticut Department Bylaws.

22 May 1994 - Attended the New Hampshire Department Encampment at Nashua, New Hampshire, and installed the new officers.

30 May 1994 - Attended the Memorial Day Luncheon and participated in the parade and Memorial Day Ceremonies at Gettysburg National Cemetery, Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, where I presented a wreath. Presented a Certificate of Merit to Brother William Little, General Chairman.

11 June 1994 - Attended the Indiana Department Encampment at Indianapolis, Indiana, initiated one new member and installed the new officers.

17 - 19 June 1994 - Attended the Ohio Department Encampment at Alliance, Ohio, and installed the new officers.

18 June 1994 - Chaired the Council of Administration meeting at Alliance, Ohio.

24 - 26 June 1994 - Attended the Pennsylvania Department Encampment at Kittanning, Pennsylvania.

25 June 1994 - Appointed Brother Glenn B. Knight as National Aide for Fund Development.


8 July 1994 - Appointed PC-in-C Richard Schlenker as Trial Commissioner to take testimony involving one Department.

16 July 1994 - Participated in the Civil War Days Ceremony at the Hartford City, Indiana, cemetery. Awarded a Certificate of Merit to Orville Uggen, Chairman of Hartford City Civil War Days.

In conclusion, I wish to thank the many Brothers who have been very cordial during my visits to their Camp and/or Department. I have been impressed by the strong leaders
our organization has at all levels, and they are to be commended for the outstanding programs and activities conducted during the past year. The future of our organization is promising if we will put aside petty differences and biases and focus on the real purpose of our existence - to perpetuate the memory of those boys and men who served their nation to keep it united. We, too, must be united. May God bless each member and our Order during the ensuing years! I trust my service has been of value to you and to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. Thank you for this opportunity to be your leader.

Recommendations

1. That our recruitment advertising campaign in suitable periodicals be continued as the budget allows.

2. That all responses from recruitment advertising be sent directly to the Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief.

3. That a National Headquarters Committee be established by the National Encampment for the purpose of securing a suitable National Headquarters.

4. That all members consider donating to the National Headquarters Fund and/or making a bequest to that fund in their will.

5. That each Camp adopt a project such as the restoration and/or maintenance of a Civil War monument or the graves of Civil War veterans.

6. That the Proceedings of each National Encampment henceforth be published within one year after the National Encampment.

7. The Banner be issued six times a year with the issues evenly distributed and that controversial issues be avoided.

8. That the Commander-in-Chief become the publisher of the Banner with the Editor being in charge of journalistic work and reporting directly to the Commander-in-Chief or to another National Officer.

9. That each Camp, Department, and National Officer consider the oath he takes at the time of his installation to be a sacred obligation to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

10. That the motive for holding an office of any kind be solely to fulfill the duties of that office and to perpetuate the memory of the GAR.

Respectfully submitted in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,
Allen W. Moore
Commander-in-Chief

It was moved and seconded that all Officer reports be referred to the Encampment Committee on Officers’ Reports without debate; motion passed.

Commander-in-Chief Moore presented the following Awards and Recognitions:
The Abraham Lincoln Commander-in-Chief Plaque for the most outstanding Camp as selected by the Commander-in-Chief was presented to the George A. Custer Camp No. 1 of Chicago, Department of Illinois.

The Cornelius F. Whitehouse Plaque for the most outstanding member of the Order for the year as selected by the Commander-in-Chief was presented to J. Douglas Park, PDC, Department of Michigan.

Certificates of Distinguished Service for the successful designation of U.S. 12 as the “Iron Brigade Memorial Highway” in Michigan, Indiana, Illinois, and Wisconsin, were presented to Brothers Kent Armstrong and Michael E. Nye of the Department of Michigan. The awards were accepted on their behalf by Michigan Department Commander William A. Brennan.

The Special Award for the best newsletter of a Camp or Department as selected by the Commander-in-Chief was presented to the Joshua Lawrence Chamberlain Camp No. 20 of Roanoke, Virginia.

The Outstanding Organizer Award, provided by Brother Edward J. Krieser, as selected by the Commander-in-Chief was presented to Brother Howard Bartholf for his efforts in organizing the Army of the James Camp No. 1865 of Richmond, Virginia.

The Outstanding Leadership Award, provided by Brother Edward J. Krieser, as selected by the Commander-in-Chief, was presented to Brother Thomas Willmering, Camp Commander, Gen. William T. Sherman - Billy Yank Camp No. 65 of St. Louis, Missouri. The Brothers of the Camp conferred Honorary Camp Membership upon Commander-in-Chief Moore at this time.

Recruiter Recognition Ribbons for recruiting three new members were presented to Brothers George Long, Robert Knight, Anthony Waskie, Jules Ferraro, Richard Troup and Charles Corfman.

Certificates of Merit in recognition for recruiting five or more new members were presented to the following Brothers:

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ENCAMPMENT COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS INTERIM REPORT

The Encampment Credentials Committee reported that 105 Brothers (86 Delegates and 19 Alternates) were registered. Of this, 83 Brothers were present (see Appendix 2).

REPORT OF THE SENIOR VICE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF

I am pleased to present you and the 113th National Encampment with a report of my activities as Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief and as Chair of the National Committee on Program and Policy for the period 15 August 1993 through 12 August 1994.

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief Fund - To date, I have raised $800 for the Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief fund. This figure will be even higher by the end of the National Encampment. Based on the records of the Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief’s Fund, this figure represents the single highest annual amount ever raised to date for this fund and will hopefully encourage future Senior Vice Commanders-in-Chief to raise even more funds. This figure also represents the single largest number of donations ever received for this fund in a given year (117).

National Advertising Program - National recruitment advertisements were placed into the Civil War Times, America’s Civil War, Military History, Vietnam, Civil War News and Confederate Veteran. The total cost for placement of our advertisements for the period 15 August 1993 - 12 August 1994 came to $3,065.58 (the total cost will be $3,330.36 when the last insertion takes place in America’s Civil War in November 1994). For the 11-month period of 15 August 1993 - 31 July 1994, a total of 801 applicants responded to the advertisement. As a consequence, the average cost per applicant to the Order for the advertisements was $4.16.

The advertisements which ran in the Confederate Veteran and the Civil War News were different from those which ran in other magazines (see Attachment 1). The advertisement in the Confederate Veteran specifically was targeted for those individuals who had ancestry on both sides of the conflict and who were already members of the Sons of Confederate Veterans. The advertisement which ran in the Civil War News was different in terms of its size and masthead.

While I was exploring the possibility of placing an advertisement in the Confederate Veteran, I became acquainted with the newly appointed Executive Director of the Sons of Confederate Veterans, Mr. Robert Betterton, Jr. This, I believe, was a great opportunity for our Order. During our discussions, he suggested that they would be willing to help us recruit members into our Order. He asked that we send him material which they could help distribute. I also gave him the name of our Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief, who serves as our membership chairman, as a contact.

National Committee on Program and Policy - The National Committee on Program and Policy focused its efforts on three areas this year. First, the Committee finished up and distributed the 18-page document entitled, Job Descriptions for Camp and Department Officers - Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. This document was distributed to
the Order’s Departments and Camps-at-Large in September 1993. It is also currently being ran in installments in the Banner.

The second task that the Committee completed was the development of a companion document to the Camp and Department Job Descriptions mentioned above. This second 62-page document entitled, *Job Descriptions for National Officers and Standing Committees - Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War*, was finished in May.

I have brought with me (at no cost to the Order) 70 copies of both documents for distribution at the National Encampment. A computer disk (Word Perfect 5.1/5.2) and a hard copy of both documents will be provided to the National Secretary and the Assistant to the National Treasurer.

The last task accomplished by the Committee this year was to review and revise the National Organization’s forms. Thirty of the Order’s forms were reviewed. The remaining forms of the Order will need to be reviewed next year. Of the 30 forms reviewed, no action is recommended on 17, deletion is recommended for three and proposed revisions are recommended for 10. The primary theme for the form revision process has been to create consistency in terms of format (for example moving where possible to 8 1/2” X 11” page formats) and to make the forms more pertinent to and reflective of the current operations of the Order. In all cases, the changes proposed should update, streamline and simplify the operation of the Order. With the exceptions of the letterhead and the membership form, the reviewed forms have not been keyed into the computer. Where possible, all of the Order’s forms need to be computerized with the National Secretary and the Assistant to the National Treasurer having a computer disk.

Other Activities - I attended over 50 activities and programs where I represented the Order since being elected as Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief.

Recommendations

1. Adopt and make available to the membership through National supply the September 1993 and August 1994 documents entitled *Job Descriptions for Camp and Department Officers - Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War* and *Job Descriptions for National Officers and Standing Committees - Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War*, respectively.

2. Adopt the proposed form changes, cause the creation (preferably by computer) of the new forms, and phase in the use of the new forms by the membership subject to the supply backlog of old forms.

In Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,
Keith G. Harrison, Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief
Chair, National Committee on Program and Policy

[Attachments 1 - 4 are not included in these Proceedings. Copies of the referenced Attachments are maintained on file with the National Secretary]
REPORT OF THE JUNIOR VICE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF

It is indeed a pleasure for me to report on my activities as Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief for the period August 14, 1993 to July 20, 1994. During this period I have referred 502 applicants for membership in the SUVCW to the various Departments and mailed out 976 pieces of mail. Exhibit 1 displays the breakdown of the applicant referrals by state. The ad responses were not concentrated in any one area of the country but did seem to represent the states with the largest populations which was to be expected. The Departments of Colorado, New Hampshire, Rhode Island and Vermont received the least number of referrals. Again this reflects upon the density of the population.

Exhibit 2 is a sample of the form that was sent to each Department Junior Vice Commander with a list of referrals and Exhibit 3 is a sample form that was sent to each applicant starting in August 1993. The first order of business in September 1993 was a letter to the Department Commanders and Junior Vice Commanders outlining the manner in which applicant referrals would be handled for the coming year. Exhibits 3 and 3a presents these letters. It was also stated in these letters that a quarterly report was requested to gauge the success of our advertising. If we are spending several thousand dollars on advertising, it is only good business to attempt to gauge the success of the venture. A sample of the quarterly report form is marked Exhibit 4.

The applicants referrals were sent only to the Department Junior Vice Commanders rather than to the Department Commanders and Secretaries as well. The exceptions to this were the Departments that had no Department Junior Vice or where the Department Commanders desired another course of action. Since we had been into this system the previous year, Department officers were familiar with it, and by eliminating two additional mailings to each Department, the monetary cost of the mailings were reduced.

From September 1993 through February 1994, I was receiving an average of five complaints per month from applicants who were not being contacted by anyone from the SUVCW about their membership requests. A letter was sent to all Department Commanders with a proposed plan for Departments to consider at their annual Encampments whereby each Department would send to the Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief a list of their Camps, contact officer for each Camp, dues rate and zip codes. With this system, applicants could be advised from this Office the nearest Camp to them, the dues rate and the officer of the Camp for them to contact regarding their membership. A few Departments replied with the desired information but there was no response from the others. Exhibit 5 outlines this plan.

The present procedure that has been in operation for the past few months is listed in Exhibit 6 along with the form letters sent to all applicants and Departments. Two states opted to stay with the old plan where the application will not be issued by this office and their request was respected and they will remain with the old system. Since the new plan has been put into effect the complaints have been reduced to one and I believe this one was due to a mailing problem.
Two quarterly reports were received showing a total of 62 applicants enrolled. This report also shows the feedback from many Camps is lacking and that many Departments are not aware of the status of the application. It does show, however, that referrals are being followed up on (see Exhibits 7 and 8). A cost per new member comparison with the cost of advertising is not feasible at this time due to the incomplete data being received from some departments.

The operating cost for this office from August 1993 to July 15, 1994, was $351.55. The cost of postage and printing brochures totaled $218.18 of this amount and was billed to the SUVCW. The balance of $133.37 was paid by myself.

The Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief is also the chairman of the National Membership Committee. A letter was sent out to all Department Junior Vice Commanders advising them that they also serve on this committee and requested input from them. Several states responded with good common sense recruitment ideas and all were appreciated. I published three newsletters to Departments entitled, *The Recruiter*. In this newsletter, I listed ideas received by members of my committee along with a few of my own. All three issues are listed under Exhibits 9, 10 and 11, and the letter to the Department Junior Vice under Exhibit 12.

At the request of the Commander-in-Chief, I prepared a Recruitment Manual which not only deals with recruitment but retention of members as well. It is recommended that it be reproduced and issued from supply service upon requests from the field. A copy is listed under Exhibit 13.

During the past year I have represented the SUVCW in over 55 different functions as listed under Exhibit 14 and have enrolled 34 new members into the Order as listed under Exhibit 15.

I think the most rewarding events of the year were to assist in the installation of three new Camps in Ohio that I helped to organize and the enrollment of the 34 new members. Equal to this was the opportunity that I had during the year to meet other members of the SUVCW and see the enthusiasm displayed in their dedication to increase the membership in our organization.

Recommendations

1. In order to improve the efficiency in our recruiting efforts, the contact person listed in our ads in various magazines should be the Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief in place of the National Secretary. This would give us better control over response time to the applicant and reduce some of the pressure on the National Secretary.

2. The procedure for applying for charters for Camps and Departments should be scrutinized to make it more user friendly and reduce the time it takes to activate a charter.

3. The position of Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief requires constant contact with all Departments of the Order and should always have an updated list of Department Officers. It is recommended that the National Secretary furnish the
Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief an updated list of Department officer changes as they occur so that his mailings to the various Departments will be accurate.

It has been an exciting year with many challenges and I wish to thank the delegates to the 1993 National Encampment for giving me the opportunity to serve the SUVCW in the capacity of Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief. Having a small part in seeing our Order grow has been extremely gratifying.

In F., C., & L.,
David R. Medert
Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief
Chair, National Committee on Membership

[Copies of Exhibits 1 - 15 are not included with these Proceedings. Copies of the referenced Exhibits are maintained on file with the National Secretary]

The First Business Session recessed by Commander-in-Chief Moore at 11:58 A.M.

SECOND BUSINESS SESSION
FRIDAY, AUGUST 12, 1994, 1:30 PM

The second business session was opened and called to order by Commander-in-Chief Moore at 1:30 P.M.

Commander-in-Chief Moore presented a Camp Charter to Camp No. 23, Department of Maine. Brother Peter Kane accepted the Charter on behalf of the Camp. Commander-in-Chief Moore recognized Brother Thayne LaBanta, a True Son and Past Department Commander from the Austin Blair Camp No. 7, Department of Michigan. Brother LaBanta was presented with a 65 year membership pin by the Commander-in-Chief.

[The Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War brought greetings to the Encampment. PC-in-C Richard C. Schlenker responded on behalf of the Encampment.]

[The Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic brought greetings to Encampment. PC-in-C Lowell V. Hammer responded on behalf of the Encampment.]

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL SECRETARY

At this stage of my life, I have come to the conclusion that short reports are the best reports. It does not make a lot of sense to recount all the places you have been during the past year without giving some measure of what was accomplished in the process.

We will dispense with that sort of stuff in this report and direct your attention to the statistical reports attached. It is here that you will get to the real “bottom line.” It is here that we will find the results of your combined efforts to move our Order forward.

During the five years I have served in this Office, there are a few things that have changed. Membership and growth are once again on the move, the Order is not only
solvent, but is rebuilding the reserves previously depleted. National Officers are performing their assigned duties, and things are working as they should once again. Reports are being filed in a timely fashion in most cases.

Two things stand out. One is the re-issue of the Constitution and Regulations in a format which allows updates to be made by merely replacing the page involved, thus eliminating the need to redo the whole thing to accommodate these changes. The second is the completion of a project to place all of the published and future Proceedings of the National Encampments on micro-fiche. This allows for multiple sets to be kept in a variety of places. No longer will we have to worry about the possible loss of the only complete set. Additional copies of any year may be provided at modest cost.

The great disappointment of my tenure in this office is that we have not been able to publish Proceedings of all the recent “lean” years of our operation. The Proceedings for 1983 has been printed and is now available. Initially the Proceedings were not published because the funds were not there to do the job. When a budget of $24,000.00 is projected and only $17,000.00 comes in, some cuts need to be made. At that point, the cost of Proceedings was about $4,000.00. The obvious thing happened. There have been some other problems over the years on this matter. The 1987 and 1988 Proceedings were lost and efforts continue to be made to recreate these records.

Those days are behind us now, and it is time to finish this project. Last year we approved the creation of one or more Assistant National Secretary appointments by the Commander-in-Chief. It is time to put this provision to work by appointing at least one Assistant National Secretary, with the requisite skills, for the express and specific purpose of transcribing and preparing for publication the accumulated Proceedings. There is no need to restructure things; we just need to use effectively the structure already in place.

I feel honored to have been able to serve you, my Brothers, and our Order for the past five years. I hope that you will look favorably upon that service and that lasting contributions may have been made during this time.

My service has been dedicated to the memory of my great grandfather, Erastus Ruthven Winter, Corporal, Co. H, 35th Wisconsin Volunteer Infantry. He also served as the Commander of the E.B. Wolcott Post No. 1 of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, in 1908. One of the noteworthy members of the Post at that time was General Arthur MacArthur, Medal of Honor Recipient and father of lead incorporator on the 1954 Congressional Charter.

I am also proud of my other great grandfather’s Civil War service with Company C, 21st Texas Cavalry, Confederate States of America. His name was James Marion McCaskill. Of my other great grandfathers, John Lyons, died in 1858 in Medina, Ohio, at the age of 31. The other, Wilhelm Heinrich August Linde, was still in Germany and came to this country in 1873 after service in the Franco-Prussian War.

There are two projects to which my time will be devoted now. The first is to complete the state-wide Civil War grave registration project begun several years ago. The other will be to continue the search for surviving GAR Post records in the state of Michigan.
With this in mind, I have come to the conclusion that it is time to stop trying to make the Order work and return to doing the work of the Order.

I salute you and bid you farewell.

In F., C., and L.,
James T. Lyons
National Secretary (8/14/93 - 8/1/94)

[Appendix 3 presents the membership statistical data for 1993 - 1994.]

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL TREASURER

I am happy to report that we continue to maintain our financial solvency and improve our financial health. At the close of our fiscal year 1994, the net worth of our Order was slightly more than $150,000.00. The audits of our accounts are current to date and we are in good standing with the federal government regarding our financial reports. Brother Atkinson has once again done an admirable job responding to requests for supplies and maintaining an adequate inventory to meet the needs of our membership.

Unaudited financial reports for the year ending June 30, 1994, have been provided to you. For the fourth consecutive year we have managed to live within our means and end the year with an increase in our cash funds. This is the result of the two events: (1) the increase in membership with the accompanying increase in per capita tax revenue and purchase of supplies; and (2) not incurring projected expenses for the production of past proceedings.

With your approval, we will transfer another $15,000.00 to the GAR Fund. We have repaid the monies borrowed from the GAR Fund to meet operating expenses during a number of years prior to fiscal 1990. This is an important accomplishment. As a result of an inquiry during the past year, it has been learned from the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that they consider the GAR Fund to be a restricted account which can only be used to carry out our qualified charitable purposes; i.e., educational, historical, and preservation activities. The “borrowing” of monies from the GAR Fund for general operation of the Order was contrary to federal tax laws. We have been further advised that, as a 503(C)(4) organization, only contributions directly related to the performance of our qualified charitable activities are tax deductible and that the Permanent Fund (an endowment fund for the maintenance of the organization) is specifically designated for non-charitable purposes. Therefore, contributions to the Permanent Fund, including Honor Roll contributions, are not qualified charitable contributions for federal tax purposes. I have provided a recommendation to the Committee on the Constitution and Regulations to strengthen the language regarding the GAR Fund to assure we are in compliance with the federal tax requirements.

Several Brothers have discussed the need to relieve the Patriotic Instructor from fund raising activities so that he may conduct the other duties of his office. If you approve the above transfer of funds to the GAR Fund and with the funds generously donated to the GAR Fund by the Membership-at-Large, the net value of the GAR Fund will be
approximately $62,500.00. Annual expenses from the Fund are projected at approximately $4,000.00 per year. Minimal interest rates would require a Fund balance of $100,000.00 to generate necessary income. If we continue to transfer excess General Fund revenues to the GAR Fund at the same rate we have, the GAR Fund could be self-sustaining in three to four years at which time we could relieve the Patriotic Instructor of his fund raising activities. This assumes that there are no significant standing expenses placed upon the fund over the proposed FY 1995 budget levels which will be presented at the appropriate time.

The Permanent Fund grew by nearly $9,000.00. This was due to the purchase of an inordinate number of life memberships, a fivefold increase in Honor Roll contributions, and Membership-at-Large fees. This growth is misleading. The National Organization does not benefit from Life memberships as some Brothers believe. I will attempt to explain why. A life membership purchased for $300.00 frees the Brother from ever paying the National per capita tax and requires that a given amount of funds be returned to a Brother’s Camp. The problem arises in that the National Organization loses $10.00 per capita tax but must still provide the same services to the Brother. Theoretically, the National Organization should be able to transfer interest from the earnings of the Permanent Fund in the amount of foregone per capita tax and pay the reimbursement to the Camps from the earnings as well. Last year, reimbursement was claimed for 157 life members. There are 243 living life members. If all 243 had claimed their reimbursement, the cost to the Order would have been $1,976.00 or $15.00 more than the earnings of the fund. In order for the National Organization to break even, with all reimbursements being claimed, the Permanent Fund would need to generate $4,446.00 in earnings; more than twice the current earnings. This was possible in the days of double digit interest rates, but not when five percent and six percent interest is a blessing and four percent the norm. We have been fortunate that we have not needed the foregone per capita tax to operate the organization. For this reason, I am recommending to the Council of Administration, who is charged with setting the reimbursement amount, that the reimbursement rate be decreased.

The Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief Fund is in good shape. The reserve amount in the fund fluctuates, but this is to be expected. During the past year, we had anticipated using $1,200.00 from the reserve fund to pay for the dedication page of the GAR Highway book. This proved unnecessary as only $160.00 of reserve funds were needed.

Our inventory of supplies is in excellent condition. While a few items are out of stock, they are on order and some have been received. Most items can and are restocked in a timely manner.

Since our total cash exceeded the FDIC limit for insurance coverage, some funds were deposited in other financial institutions. Additionally, at the direction of the Council of Administration, the Series EE Savings Bonds were purchased in the maximum amount permissible. These will be converted to series HH Bonds so that we are receiving current interest payments.
The IRS has requested that we update their records of our Camps and Departments. We are required to notify the IRS of any new Camps or Departments formed during the fiscal year and any lost. We are also required to provide a name and address of a current responsible officer. I have prepared computer printouts of the information currently on file with the IRS as of last March. Any information which I have received since May is not included. The printout shows EIN number, status (“in” = inactive, blank = active) the name of the Camp (if absent the EIN is assigned to the Department), the Department, and contact person. I must file these with our income tax return by October 15, 1994. Therefore, I am requesting that you update the information on the printout and return them to me by September 15, 1994. This will allow me to make changes in the database and file the report electronically. If the information is not received for a Camp or Department, I will report them inactive. Also, please note that any Auxiliary using our General Exemption Number (GEN) to register with the IRS will be denoted as a non-subordinate organization. The Auxiliary has their own GEN and each Department and local Auxiliary must use that GEN, not ours. Anyone who does not have an EIN can obtain one over the telephone. You must indicate that you are a subordinate organization to the SUVCW and use our GEN 0429 on the application.

This past March at the Council of Administration meeting in Columbus, Ohio, and at several Department Encampments which I attended, I announced that at the conclusion of my present term as National Treasurer, I would not seek nor would I accept another term as National Treasurer. I have made this known so that there is ample time for those who may be interested in seeking this office to make their interest known and, in absence of any volunteers, adequate time for a successor to be found.

Recommendation

That $15,000.00 be transferred from the General Fund to the Permanent Fund.

Richard D. Orr
National Treasurer

[All financial statements are included in Appendix 4]

REPORT OF THE ASSISTANT TO THE NATIONAL TREASURER

The growth of our Order in the last year has generated a large number of National Supply orders. As near as I can determine by my records, I sent out 1,228 orders since our last National Encampment. This is not including the supplies I sold at Department Encampments and other Order events. I had a hard time keeping in a supply of Membership Badges; there were 305 Membership Badges bought last year. Keep bringing in the new members and I will find a way to have badges for them.

The biggest problem I had last year was with ties. Three years ago, Brother Dixon bought a number of ties to sell for his National Patriotic Fund. The ties he was unable to sell were turned over to the National Supplies. At first, tie sales were slow, but after the members saw how the ties were wrinkle proof, they sold fast. I tried to buy ties of the same quality locally, but the prices were twice as much and were not as good a
grade of cloth. I contacted Brother Dixon and he phoned the company he had ordered from originally, and they quoted us the same price. The ties were ordered in November and were promised for March 1994. Now the company has notified us that it takes two companies to make our ties, and that the company that made the material was just sold. The new owners had trouble finding the pattern for the cloth of our ties, but promised to get our order out as soon as possible. Here it is August and I am still waiting with about 50 orders for ties. They have now estimated delivery for the middle of August. If I could find another company that could produce a tie of the same quality and price, I would have canceled the order a long time ago.

I have added to our supplies list SVR Collar Insignias and small SVR pins in gold to be worn on the membership badge.

I have received a large number of inquiries, either with the orders or on the telephone, asking questions on both the supplies and the Sons. I answer their questions or if I can’t, I refer them to the proper source. Members and potential members write and tell me that they can not get anyone to answer their letters, and thank me for giving the information requested.

Recommendations

1. That the job title be changed to National Quartermaster instead of Assistant to the National Treasurer. The job has increased in volume in the last few years and become very time consuming. The title of Assistant Treasurer indicates that the member holding the job would be available to take over the Treasurer’s position if it became necessary. By changing the title, it would give the Treasurer the opportunity to appoint an assistant who would be able to back him up.

2. The responsibility and the time required to do the tasks of the Quartermaster, I feel, warrant an elective National Officer slot for a three year term and inclusion as a voting member of Council of Administration.

In F., C., & L.,
Elmer F. Atkinson, PC-in-C
Assistant to the National Treasurer

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL CHAPLAIN

I am honored to serve as your National Chaplain at the National Encampment in Lansing, Michigan.

As requested, below is a listing my activities for the past year:

As Camp Commander of Sherman Camp No. 18 of Uxbridge, Massachusetts, I marched in a Memorial Day parade with other members from my Camp, who are also members of the 25th Massachusetts Civil War re-enactment unit.
As Department Junior Vice Commander, I participated with other Department members in Memorial Day services at Bourne National Cemetery on Sunday, May 29, 1994. We also put on our own service at the grave of an unknown Civil War soldier who was buried at this same cemetery in 1990. At the conclusion of the service, I placed a GAR marker on this soldier’s grave.

On Saturday, May 28, 1994, I marched with members from the 18th Massachusetts in a Memorial Day parade in Attleboro, Massachusetts.

On Sunday, May 15, 1994, I participated in my Camp Memorial Service at the GAR monument in Uxbridge, Massachusetts.

At the Massachusetts Department Encampment, which was held in Chicopee, Massachusetts, I was elected Department Junior Vice Commander.

In March of this year, I marched in the St. Patrick’s Day parade in Lawrence, Massachusetts.

In February, I represented my Camp at an indoor Civil War display at Lincoln Mall, Lincoln, Rhode Island. This was put on by the Rhode Island Department as part of a weekend commemoration to Abraham Lincoln.

In November of last year, I went to Gettysburg with Frank Tucker, Ed Parks and Ken Oakley from the Massachusetts Department to participate in Remembrance Day ceremonies.

In October of last year, I put on the second annual Civil War Living History Program at the school I work in Providence, Rhode Island. I was assisted by Norm Wheeler, a member of Camp 18 of Uxbridge, Massachusetts, and Gilbert Bagley, Commander of the Thomas Mann Camp of Plainville, Massachusetts.

This concludes my list of activities for the last year. This report may seem long, but I would feel remiss if I omitted anything.

Yours in F., C., and L.,
Richard P. Lufkin
National Chaplain (6/1/94 - 8/1/94)

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL COUNSELOR

In comparison to the previous three years, this past year has been exceptionally uneventful for the National Counselor. Few written opinions were required, copies of which are attached to this report for inclusion in the proceedings as has been done in the past. I have endeavored, as always, to provide fair and correct advice regarding the functioning of our Order when asked. Several minor requests were received and verbal information provided. As we end the current year, there are two issues to be resolved. The first involves the Department of Rhode Island. Since the Commander-in-Chief has
appointed a Trial Commissioner who is to accept testimony, in interest of permitting out judicial process to be fair to all parties, I will not report on this matter.

The second issue, which may be resolved, centers around the manufacture of one of our badges by an outside party without the approval of the SUVCW. As the Commander-in-Chief reported in his last General Orders, it is my opinion that Section 17 of our Articles of Incorporation give perpetual protection to our badges, seals and emblems, those previously used, currently in use, and those which may be adopted in the future. In order to protect our right to these items, we must take action to protect that right. Letters have been sent to the distributor of the counterfeit badges. Also, the Council of Administration, at the March 1994 meeting, adopted a policy relative to the production of any likeness of any badge, seal or emblem currently or previously used by our Order.

Commander-in-Chief, I trust we shall have a successful and productive Encampment as your term draws to a close. It has been a pleasure and an honor to serve in your administration.

Richard D. Orr
National Counselor

National Counselor Opinion 94-1

Question: If a Brother who served as Camp Commander in Camp A transfers to Camp B or served as a Department Commander in Department A and transfers to Department B, does he retain his rank as a PCC or PDC, and does he still qualify as an automatic member of the Department or National Encampment respectively? Further, does he meet the qualification to serve as Department Commander or Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief, Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, or Commander-in-Chief?

Opinion: Rank of PCC or PDC does not transfer with a Brother. That rank is only within the Camp/Department where service occurred. Therefore automatic representation at a Department or National Encampment does not exist. Said Brother may request restoration of rank through procedure specified in the C&R. He does retain rank within the granting organization.

Such is not the case for meeting the qualification for Department Commander or Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief/Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief/Commander-in-Chief. C&R requires that service as a Camp Commander or Department Commander respectively is required. No reference is made when the rank of Past Commander or Past Department Commander was obtained. As long as the Brother remains an active member he retains rank within the granting body.

This opinion is based on the case of PC-in-C Rowley who temporarily transferred from Davis Camp and the Division of Western Pennsylvania to a Camp in the Eastern Division of Pennsylvania. The above opinion was preferred at that time.

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR

This report will be in two parts, the first will be the activities of the office, the second will be the status of the Grand Army of the Republic Memorial Fund.
When I first took this office last August in Portland, I decided that my first order of business would be to find out what my actual duties were supposed to be. I consulted the Proceedings of the 1937 and 1939 National Encampments for the reports of the National Patriotic Instructor. I found that at one time, a report form for Camp Patriotic Instructors, and a chain of reporting for same through the department, and on up to the National level. Close tabs were kept on the activities of the camps, as in special programs, oration contests, relief for veterans, and Memorial Day.

This year, I decided to try something along those lines. With the assistance of National Secretary James Lyons, a survey was distributed to departments and camps in regards to Memorial Day activities. Of the 130 plus surveys sent out, 26 were returned. However, the responses were from ten different departments, and provided a good random sampling of the camps. Of the 26 responding camps: 13 observe Memorial Day on May 30, 13 on the “Monday” holiday, nine observe both dates and one DOES NOT OBSERVE MEMORIAL DAY; eight camps participate with other Allied Orders- the Auxiliary being the most common, but ALL Allied Orders were mentioned, 20 participate with other veteran organizations (Veterans of Foreign Wars, American Legion, Military Order of the Purple Heart, Vietnam Veterans of America, Marine Corps League, etc.) and three participate with the Sons of Confederate Veterans; 17 Camps place flags on graves, 16 march in parades and 17 place flowers/wreaths; and 18 Camps hold the ceremony at a cemetery, three at a church, three at a court house, one at a GAR Hall and one at a state capital.

Twenty camps report that they have a Civil War Veterans Memorial in their cities; six reported in the negative. It is interesting that the camps in two cities reported that there was no such memorial in their cities. In 1991, I was sure that I climbed several hundred steps to the top of the Soldiers’ and Sailors’ Memorial in one of those cities. Maybe I was dreaming. Of the camps with Civil War memorials in their cities, only 12 place a wreath at it.

Of the 26 responding camps, 21 report that Gen. Logan’s Memorial Day Order (General Order #11) is read at their service.

So, what does all this mean? Most camps are engaged in the work of their Order. Some do not take their oath of obligation seriously.

By participating with veterans organizations, we receive the recognition and exposure that we need. We also earn the respect of these organizations.

I encourage camps to put forth more effort in their observance of Memorial Day. This is why we exist in the first place. Would our fathers and grandfathers be proud of us in our efforts on their special day? Only each individual Brother can answer that for himself. The following Departments were represented in this survey:

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I would like to thank the many Brothers who took the time to complete the survey and return them to me.

**Grand Army of the Republic Memorial Fund** - The Grand Army of the Republic Memorial Fund was a large part of my job this year. I decided to try something different and go outside the Order for donations to this fund. My first step was to enlist the help of the Foundation Director at the Medical Center where I am employed. The assistance I received was invaluable. Through the foundation office, I had at my disposal several points of reference with which to work.

Several questions were raised as to what our Internal Revenue Service (IRS) designation really was. Apparently, our status as a 501(C)(4), as opposed to a 501(C)(3), is a factor. After much research and debate, it was found that we have special dispensation from the IRS to enable us to receive donations from outside the Order.

Much time was spent searching through volumes of foundation listings to see if we were eligible for any kind of grants. Unfortunately, and in part due to my inexperience in this field, I was unable to locate any.

I then turned my attention to a way to solicit funds from individuals outside of the Order. Due to personal commitments, such as purchasing a home and moving, I was unable to devote a lot of time to this project. I did, however, manage to draft a letter of solicitation and have my friends at the foundation offer a critique. This letter is included in the National Patriotic Instructor’s file.

As of August 1, I have raised $2,877.00, exceeding the goal by $377.00. It is interesting to note that many Brothers sent TWO contributions. A total of 179 donations was received, and thank you letters were sent to each donor.

I wish to thank all who donated to the GAR Memorial Fund. As you can see, when we all work toward a common goal, we can and do succeed.

**Recommendations**

1. That the responsibility of raising funds for the Grand Army of the Republic Memorial Fund be taken away from the National Patriotic Instructor, so that he may devote his time to what he should be doing.

2. That the Council of Administration consider the formation of the Grand Army of the Republic Memorial Foundation, for fund raising efforts and administration of the GAR Fund.

I wish to thank Commander-in-Chief Moore for placing his trust in me, and appointing me to this important office.

In F., C., & L.,
Gary L. Gibson, PDC, Michigan
National Patriotic Instructor
REPORT OF THE NATIONAL HISTORIAN

It has been an honor and privilege to serve the National Organization as historian for another year. This year was especially meaningful as my wife, Lorraine, was historian for the National Woman’s Relief Corps, Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic, Inc. Together, we worked on four projects that had some degree of success. These projects were:

1. Camp Survey (Corps Survey),
2. National Historian’s Newsletter,
3. Request to locate “Real Sons and Daughters” of Civil War veterans, and
4. Genealogical survey requested by Elizabeth Bentley of Westfield, Massachusetts.

The camp survey has been most rewarding and educational. Enclosed you shall find the replies in a notebook. It is property of the National Organization but request that it be returned to me so it may be hopefully completed with a chronological listing of all active camps. Approximately 28 camps responded. EVERYONE is thanked for their time and effort. The departments of New York and Michigan are to be singled out for the voluminous department histories. These two works are a credit to our Order and should in part be a basis for our history book.

As of this date, I have received a list of PDCs from the following departments: New York, Maine, Colorado, Wyoming, Michigan, Ohio, Connecticut, Vermont, and Iowa.

Over twenty children of Civil War veterans received certificates this past year. Rosters can be found in current issues of the Banner. Unexpectedly, a widow of a Civil War veteran was discovered. Mrs. Emily Rounckles, widow of Samuel Dinsmoor, Co. B 116th Ohio Vols., is alive and well but nonpensioned as a Civil War widow. She lives in Missouri.

On our trip to Denver, Colorado, we traveled in part on the U.S. Grant Highway (U.S. Route #20) and the Grand Army of the Republic Highway (U.S. Route #6). These two highways appear to be well marked in Pennsylvania.

While in Denver, we visited Daisy Anderson, the last pensioned Civil War widow west of the Mississippi River. Brother Charles Sharrock, PDC, was there along with Daisy’s brother and niece. At that time my wife who is charter president of Auxiliary #199 of Seneca Fall, New York presented Daisy with her Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War badge.

During the year I tried to obtain a trophy in memory of Past Commander-in-Chief William Allen Dyer, 1932-34. The company that he was part owner of is still in business. He left the company with some ill feelings and the company’s current president did not want to do anything about it. However, the grandchildren of William Allen Dyer have been approached.

A great deal of correspondence has been received. Hopefully it will get answered. Many camps have excellent newsletters which are proof that our Order is growing and is active in their communities.
The pleasure and honor of being National Historian has been very rewarding and I thank you for the honor of wearing the gold ribbon.

**Recommendations**

1. The National Organization design a certificate for camps that have been chartered for 100 continuous years. If the Encampment approves this and someone designs it, I shall pay for its printing.

2. The National Historian be required to maintain a scrapbook of Civil War, GAR and Sons of Union Veterans news items. Departments and Camps are encouraged to participate in this project.

3. The National Organization establish a permanent committee to be known as “The Real Sons and Daughters Committee.” This committee would have the responsibility at no cost to the National Organization, to locate children of Civil War veterans (North or South) and issue an appropriate certificate.

4. The National Organization seek ways to make the 100th anniversary of the Banner a premier issue. I believe the Autumn edition of 1996 of the Banner is the 100th yearly edition. It would be a crime if this issue or even the entire year were not special.

5. Upon the death of a Past Commander-in-Chief or his wife, which ever happens last, the badge of the PC-in-C be returned to the National Organization.

In F., C., & L.,
Jerome L. Orton, PDC, New York
National Historian

**REPORT OF THE NATIONAL HISTORY BOOK COORDINATOR**

I would like to start my report by saying it was an honor and privilege to serve my first year on the National Staff. I hope my effort as History Book Coordinator has met your approval.

I felt, as History Book Coordinator, if I could contribute something unique that could be a model for other Departments to see the significance of preserving our history as members of the Sons of Union Veterans for future generations, then I have succeeded.

I put together for the Department of New York a short history on our Department (the first ever); in hopes that other Departments nationally will view the book and realize that members today play an important part in our history just as our forefathers did as members of the GAR and Sons of Veterans (SV). This book is also a fund-raiser for the New York Department which will help us preserve financial success for the next generation of sons. With my completion of this book I have obtained many records from both the Department and National, along with yearbooks and other items that I believe may help others in later years. The book consists of:

1. GAR - when founded etc. with post locations;
2. SV - when founded, state proceedings and camp locations; and  
3. SUVCW - when name changed, camp locations, short history on camps now in existence, a 
complete listing of all members from New York now on the role and their ancestors with 
regiments, and Department or National Offices held.

Yours in F., C., & L.,  
Danny L. Wheeler, PDC, New York  
History Book Coordinator

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL GRAVES REGISTRATION OFFICER

My tenure as National Graves Registration Officer has been a challenging and 
stimulating experience. I believe we will lend significant progress toward making all our 
camps more aware of their role as successors to the Grand Army of the Republic. To 
that end I respectfully outline this year's accomplishments for your review.

This office has recently completed a burial inventory by local cemetery of all Union 
soldiers beginning at our camp level. Each cemetery file includes a cemetery map 
showing lot number, section as well as veteran's name, death date, and if he has a 
government stone. In addition recommendations as to stone replacement or repair can 
be noted. Such files can be copied at the Camp, Department and National levels for 
permanent record purposes. Further, periodic reports can be submitted for the purpose 
of updating, revising and expanding previously reported data.

Outlined below is a detailed procedure which has been implemented with George 
Armstrong Custer Camp No. 1 (Chicago) and the Department of Illinois for its Rose Hill 
Cemetery project of Sunday, September 26, 1993. Some variables of this project will 
only work if there are no problems with surviving heirs. Consult each cemetery as to 
their designation of National or other status or category.

1. Identify the cemetery for stone replacement.

2. Contact the cemetery manager to determine whether he will permit the 
replacement and if he will cooperate.

3. Research data for VA Form 40-1330 (U.S. Veterans Administration 
Application for Standard Government Headstone or Marker). Information 
required includes: full name, date of birth (year is essential), date of death (year 
is essential), highest military rank attained, branch of service, war in which 
served, type of stone desired (flat, upright, stone, or bronze), emblem on stone 
(Christian, Jewish, Civil War, etc.), applicant's name, address, etc. Sources for 
the above data include libraries, cemetery official records, and government 
records.

4. Select a committee and conduct meetings with cemetery officials. Set the 
date for the ceremony, allowing time for delivery of the stones. Contacting the 
VA is essential. Ask for as much as the cemetery can and will provide, 
financially as well as any other support available. Prepare a budget to include 
costs for a band, speakers, lunches, etc. Prepare a tentative program.
5. Invite your speakers, dignitaries, allied orders, service organizations allowing from 45 to 60 days advance time.

6. Use living history exhibits that are in good taste, making them a part of the service whenever appropriate.

7. Invite a military band, either a contemporary or period unit.

8. Arrange for refreshments following the ceremony. These may be provided by the cemetery of the SUVCW.

9. Be sure to send thank you letters to all concerned as soon as the event is over.

10. Contact families of the interred veterans for stories of Civil War experiences.

11. Some of the persons who might be invited are senators, representatives, governors, mayors, aldermen, federal, state, and local dignitaries, VA officials, and national officers of the SUVCW, DUVCW, and contemporary veterans organizations. Also, consider properly uniformed reenactment groups. Others to consider are Civil War Round Tables, bookstore, and magazine representatives. Be sure to send several press releases to local radio and television stations in the area. Newspapers, local, metropolitan and Civil War oriented papers. Schools, colleges, churches and retirement homes should also be invited. For schools contact their history departments especially. Be sure to take a lot of pictures, both color and black and white during the ceremonies. Use both still cameras and camcorders. Be sure above all to keep our Banner and National headquarters of the SUVCW updated and well informed.

Utilizing research information from various sources can give the researcher a wide variety of data. With the aid of such tools as the ROLL OF HONOR which is published by various states, detailed information can be acquired. In concert with the ROLL OF HONOR, our National Archives provides us with a detailed record of those who served our nation in federal service.

This office is also in the process of preparing a journal covering a monument restoration. Specifically this particular one was erected by the GAR Post Number 5 named in honor of General George Thomas. The Custer Camp is cleaning it and inscribing each member who is buried at the site. In addition, the camp is erecting a flag pole and landscaping the area surrounding the monument. A ceremony will be taking place there on Sunday, August 21st. It is our hope that other camps will provide this office with their project reports. Collectively we will offer an ongoing text that future camps can utilize.

Through monument renovation and replication, to informational research, we can further enhance and comfort the memories, works and sacrifices of those proud and loyal men who defended our nation during the Civil War.
I appreciate the trust and confidence which was placed in me and I thank Commander-in-Chief Allen W. Moore for the opportunity to serve as the National Graves Registration Officer for 1993-1994.

In F., C., & L.,
Nicholas Kaup
National Graves Registration Officer

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL GAR HIGHWAY OFFICER

Once again the Office of Highway Officer has been another busy year. We have made great progress regarding communications with those Brothers who have been named State Highway Officer from the states where Route 6 passes.

I have also made an effort to concentrate on those states where we have not had any communications and road updates; those states being: California, Nevada, Colorado and Utah. Therefore a greater concentration is needed in these states.

Although Departments name their respective Highway Officers, it often takes time for the information to reach me. When I finally learn who that person is, it may be when each Department hold their individual encampments in early spring or sometime thereafter.

I know it takes time to put things in place and for those named as Highway Officers to get into the main stream, I am not getting my reports prior to the National Encampment. This is not to say I haven’t heard from anyone, its just that I have not received final reports.

A breakdown of states is as follows:

Massachusetts: Highway well marked and maintained. Highway Officer in place.

Rhode Island: Highway marked in the Eastern part of the state, signs well maintained. No signs in the Western part of the state, have been promised some, but excuse is no money at present time for signs. Highway Officer in place.

Connecticut: Highway from Rhode Island border to Hartford has been resurfaced and sign in place. Did not observe any signs from Hartford to New York border. Highway Officer in place.

New York: No signs in place, indications that New York Department will make inquiries for signs to be erected. Highway Officer in place.

Pennsylvania: Have observed only four signs from the New York border to at least Port Allegheny, Pennsylvania. Three (3) large blue signs with no official GAR logo. One sign has FDR Highway mentioned. One official sign exists in Denton Hill, Pennsylvania. From Denton Hill to the Ohio border there does not appear to be any signs. Highway Officer in place.

Ohio: There are signs in place, in good condition and an inventory is being taken to determine if new signs are needed. Highway Officer in place.
Illinois: Last report was that an inventory was to be made to determine how many signs were needed and what condition they were in. Those needed would be replaced and new signs would be installed where there are no signs. Highway Officer in place.

Indiana: Highway in good shape, signs in place, well maintained, legislation researched. Highway Officer in place.

Iowa: No report. Highway Officer in place.

Nebraska: No report or Highway Officer in place.

Colorado: No report or Highway Officer in place.

Utah: No report or Highway Officer in place.

Nevada: No report or Highway Officer in place.

California: No report or Highway Officer in place.

As you can see, we have made some progress but are in need of help in the West. The next Highway Officer needs to concentrate on this problem as well as keeping up with our accomplishments to date.

On July 27, 1994, I attended a rededication of U.S. Route 6 in Denton Hill, Pennsylvania, put on by the Pennsylvania GAR Highway Association. In my report of last year, this highway was named as Pennsylvania’s most scenic by-way. This year it was designated as a National Recreational Trail. My role at this dedication and conference was to encourage all the business people along Route 6 in Pennsylvania to provide some literature concerning the Grand Army Highway, what it is, how it was named and why we need to keep this memory alive. If travelers are going to get back to rural America and get off the interstate they travel on vacation or business, we must be sure they are educated.

Gentlemen, there is a trend starting to take place. Remember when the inter-states were built? Everyone wanted to travel down those golden highways. Why? Well, because they were faster and more direct. According to the American Automobile Association, travelers are slowly getting back to rural America where there is much to see. There is so much to see along Route 6, our heritage, our past, and most of all our future.

Several business people from Rhode Island have been contacted for the purpose of using the name GAR or Grand Army Highway on their return addresses and advertisements. I have also inquired if they would be interested in finding out more about a Highway Association in Rhode Island as has been done in Pennsylvania. The response has been warm to say the least. Sure, the real advantage at the beginning will be to increase business of those along the highway, but the name Grand Army Highway will always be there. Massachusetts uses the name of GAR Highway in most advertising and return addresses of most businesses along Route 6.

Should I not be appointed to another term as the Highway Officer, I pledge to continue to work with the person who is appointed and assist in any way possible.
I believe we have made great progress in this area, but a lot more still needs to be done. Without the effort of each and every Brother who have an obligation to keep the memory alive of our ancestors, we will not succeed. We all need to take that extra step and apply a little more effort. If each of us here today will give an extra five to ten percent, we will succeed.

Recommendations

1. That each affected Department appoint a Highway Officer for a period of two years instead of one year.

2. That letters be sent out to Pennsylvania government officials, the GAR Highway Association for their efforts in keeping the Grand Army Highway alive and making it a National Recreational Trail.

3. That each affected Department take an inventory of their Camps to see whether financing is available to have signs made up and put in place in their respective states.

Commander-in-Chief Moore, it has been an honor to serve this great organization once again in this position. It has been a great pleasure to serve you and your administration. I also hope that I have met with your approval and the accomplishments that have been made. Thank you for your friendship and most of all your confidence in me to serve in your administration.

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

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL PERSONAL AIDE

During this year I assisted the Commander-in-Chief at the following functions and ceremonies:
Accompanied Commander-in-Chief Moore to Rose Hill Cemetery in Chicago, Illinois where the George A. Custer Camp held rededication ceremony for new headstones and SUVCW marker.

Accompanied Commander-in-Chief Moore to Milwaukee, Wisconsin for the Central Region Conference.

Attended reception and banquet for Commander-in-Chief Moore in Kokomo, Indiana.

Accompanied Commander-in-Chief Moore to Chicago, Illinois for the George A. Custer Camp banquet and initiation of new officers.

Attended Lincoln Death Day Ceremony at Lincoln’s Tomb in Springfield, Illinois and presented the Commander-in-Chief’s Colors.

In F., C., & L.,
Edward Kreiser
National Personal Aide
REPORT OF THE WASHINGTON REPRESENTATIVE

It is a great joy to be allowed to serve an organization which honors those men of yesterday who gave up their tomorrow’s that you and I may have our today’s. Those Civil War warriors who preserved for us a nation united.

Especially proud is your servant to continue such service in honor of a Pennsylvania German ancestor who survived battle and disease, returned to his family and was able to live his tomorrow, though disabled. He affiliated with the Grand Army of the Republic in a little crossroads town and was ultimately buried in his uniform in 1912.

Representing you, my Brothers, for the fourteenth year in that little company town on the Potomac, has been pleasure some and in recent years has become much easier with Lincoln-Cushing Camp in DC now numbering 156 mostly active members. Having another Past Commander-in-Chief, two members of the Council of Administration, several Sons of Veterans Reserve men and a supportive Auxiliary, most of whom participate in many ceremonials and patriotic events held there, gives our organization high visibility and elicits many inquiries.

Congress has not found it necessary to seek out your Representative for testimony or service of summons, much to his relief.

Representation and service continues in the DC Civil War Roundtable, DC Lincoln Group, Lincoln Commission, Lincoln Birthday National Commemorative Committee, National Congress of Patriotic Organizations and the National Gavel Society.

Liaison and friendly relations are maintained with the Loyal Legion and Dames, Daughters of Union Veterans, Sons of Confederate Veterans and Stars and Bars, United Daughters of the Confederacy, American War Mothers and numerous other hereditary and patriotic societies where memberships are held.

Ceremonies were attended at Lincoln, Washington and Jefferson Memorials; Fort Stevens; Arlington, Congressional, National Battlefield and local cemeteries, and at New York Avenue Presbyterian “Lincoln's” Church.

Public appearances on the lecture circuit, in company with the Washington Representative of the Auxiliary, and solo, were made on 20 plus occasions for school, museum, senior and service clubs; hobby, historical, Masonic and military groups, affording the opportunity to bring the Civil War and GAR stories to the fore.

Articles on subjects considered to be of interest to our membership regarding the history of our Organization have been submitted to the Banner frequently.

Proceedings of the first one hundred years of our Order, having been scrutinized over the past four years, are now being indexed in order to better locate the items of greater import and interest.
Political entanglements have been carefully avoided and care taken not to embarrass our Organization in any way, but that “inside the Beltway” crowd, as they are called, surely tempts one.

Endless hours, too numerous to calculate, are willingly spent on representing you and on other duties for the fraternity, all being done in grateful remembrance.

In F., C., & L.,
Richard C. Schlenker, PC-in-C
Washington Representative

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL CHIEF OF STAFF

The primary duty of the Chief of Staff is to become familiar with the duties of all the other National officers and to ensure that the work is getting done. This year the job was real easy since all the officers were doing their job. With the new job descriptions, subsequent years should be even easier. Another duty of this position has been the annual banquet. Here again, this has been easy because it has been always the Auxiliary who really do the work. I just help out. Its interesting that of all the ladies who I have worked with over the years, almost all have gone on to become the National President of the Auxiliary. You would almost think that my role has become one of training our sisters to become the National President. It really is coincidental. Commander-in-Chief, I have thoroughly enjoyed my tenure as Chief of Staff and my opportunity to serve the Order.

In F., C., & L.,
Norman Furman, PC-in-C
National Chief of Staff

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL MEMBERSHIP-AT-LARGE COORDINATOR

In this the twentieth year of the National Membership-at-Large (MAL), I wish to thank Commander-in-Chief Moore and the Council of Administration for reappointing me to the office of the MAL Coordinator for the last year.

When I first accepted the office in August 1992, the latest Quarterly Report for the MAL listed 257 members. In the past two years, while the office of the MAL has been in my care, 173 Members have been brought into the Order. Table 1 presents the activity which has been recorded. The transactions resulted in the 30 June 1994 membership being 338 members in the MAL, a net gain of 81 members in two years. Few other camps in the Order have an equivalent number of members and none operate with only one officer.

Table 1. 30 JUNE 1992 - 30 JUNE 1993 (BEGINNING MEMBERSHIP = 257)

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The MAL has been very active in promoting and working with the National Camp-at-Large Organizer, Vaughn Rawson, and camp organizers throughout the nation forming local camps and I have been pleased to transfer many MAL members into local active camps. This process continues with an additional seven members being transferred during July 1994 into the new Lone Star Camp in Arlington, Texas, which are not reflected in the figures above. We are presently working with Brothers who are working on possible Camps in Atlanta, Georgia; Montgomery, Alabama; Louisville, Kentucky; Houston, Texas; Arkansas; Durham, North Carolina; Knoxville, Tennessee; and Grand Junction, Colorado.

The two year campaign to prepare and forward a tri-color membership certificate, done in calligraphy, to each MAL has been a major undertaking and this effort would not have been possible without the calligraphy skills of Brothers Steve Church, Rus Gregory, and L. Dean Lamphere, Jr. of the Department of Michigan. To date, we have been able to put certificates in the hands of over 350 members.

Another major undertaking during the last year has been the computerization of the office and the development of a membership database. Essentially, the name, address, member status, type of member, ancestor, relationship, rank and regiment are now at our fingertips. This includes active members and members who became inactive during 1994. This information can be sorted innumerable ways and has already served to streamline the function of this office. National Membership List Coordinator Richard Williams has been very instrumental in assisting this office in this project.

Items for the Council of Administration to Consider

A. As noted in my last annual report to you, I wish to again call attention to needed changes in the Constitution and Regulations (C&R) relative to the MAL. Most were previously approved during the 1988 National Encampment and these were summarized in a letter last year to now PC-in-C Bud Atkinson. As the National Organization should direct its attention to the needs of this office and its growing pains, and as I am presently vacating this office, I would, if requested, agree to assist the C&R Committee in this area of revision and analysis.

B. As noted above, 81 MAL were dropped during the last two years, a number equal to our overall net increase in the same period. These were generally Brothers who failed to pay their annual dues. On inquiry, some indicated they were dropping their membership not from lack of interest, but from a recognition that they did not need to be a member of the SUVCW to honor their ancestor. Others have been more blunt and voiced a displeasure with the recent tenor of certain Banner editorials. Without
discussing the merits or demerits of particular articles, it must be noted that none of our camps, MAL included, can long endure the loss of 24% of their membership. Speaking only as one national officer, I cannot justify spending literally hundreds of hours away from my family building up membership only to lose members through other influences. I call on the Council to ensure our publications serve to bind rather than divide our membership.

I am pleased to present the Council the enclosed check in the amount of $3,500, representing a contribution from the MAL to the National Organization. I respectfully request this contribution be dedicated fully to the GAR Fund from which funds were borrowed in the past and for which repayment is sorely needed. As I take leave of this office, it is with the satisfaction of knowing the overall operations have been improved, the MAL has grown in numbers, the MAL has helped organize new local Camps, and a total of $5,500 has been contributed over two years to the National Organization.

Thank you again for the opportunity to have served the National SUVCW.

In F., C., and L.,
J. Douglas Park, PDC, Michigan
National MAL Coordinator

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL MEMBERSHIP LIST COORDINATOR

During the last 12 months, I performed these functions for the National Organization:

- Updated Camp Officers in the National database from Form 22’s,
- Updated Department Officers in the National database from Form 49’s,
- Wrote 145 letters to people,
- Wrote and sent quarterly address updates to Department Secretaries,
- Received over 300 letters in which I either responded or forwarded the letter(s) to others,
- Produced mailing labels for the Department of Massachusetts,
- Produced mailing label for the Banner mailings,
- Made over 450 address changes on the National Database,
- Added over 850 new members,
- Dropped over 400 members,
- Wrote my own job description, and
- Sent backup disks of the National Database to Ken Hershberger (my backup).

The printer of the last Banner does business with a mailer who accepts database files and prints the address on labels, has a machine that puts the labels on the Banner and deliver the mail to the Post Office, all for a relatively small fee. That saves volunteers for this organization lots of time.

By having the mailer accept the database file and produce mailing labels, anyone in the organization could maintain the National Database and send a computer diskette to the mailer for mailing the next Banner. We want to be in a position where anyone can maintain the National Database and send the address information to the mailer by means of a computer disk. I don’t expect to have this position for too many years, and I
want the next person to be able to pick up the process and get the work done no matter
where they live or where the *Banner* is printed and mailed.

There isn’t hardly a day that goes by that I don’t receive something in the mail
concerning the addresses of someone in the organization. If I don’t receive at least two
letters a week from Ed Parks, I get worried he may be ill or on vacation. The Post
Office returns all mail on all members who have a new address or whose mail cannot be
delivered. I accumulate them and report the changes to the Department (or Camp-at-
Large) Secretaries quarterly.

I believe the National Database is in the best shape its been in years. There are
several areas though, that we need to improve. I’ve been recording, for the past two
years, all Camp and Department officers from the forms sent by the National Secretary
(Form 22’s for Camp officers due to the Department Secretary in January each year,
and Form 49’s for Department officers due 30 days after the Department Encampment).
That information comes in sporadically and some forms are never turned in. My hope
was this information would be helpful if maintained on a regular basis so that reports
can be printed showing who was Camp Commander in each Camp for a Department. It
may also be important to have a report showing all officers in a Camp or a report with
just the Secretary, Junior Vice, etc. That type of report could be printed and distributed
to key people who have inquiries.

The same type of information could generate mailing labels so National Officers could
contact their counter parts in the Department or Camps. Mailing labels could also be
printed for Department officers to contact their Camp counterparts.

Although I talk about reports and mailing labels, the real direction we want to be
heading is to develop a National Database whose format is used by all Departments
and Camps. The theory is to have Camps send their updated databases by computer
diskette to the Department Secretary who would update their database saving the
Department Secretary from typing in any new or changed data. The Department
Secretary would in turn send the Department membership database to the National
Secretary (or assigned person maintaining the National Database) who in turn would
not have to type in new or changed information for that Department. That won’t happen
any time soon, but we need to keep the concept in mind and have a goal.

I also believe it important for the National Secretary to be the focal point for changes. A
newly formed Camp and new member names are recorded on the charter application,
but currently I never receive the information from the Department or the National
Secretary. Perhaps all Camp membership changes (Camp quarterly reports to the
Department) as well as Camp Officer and Department Officer forms should be sent to
the National Secretary for initial recording and then have the information passed onto
the assistants to the National Secretary for updating information in the National
database, Camp At Large or Members-at-Large. The return address information from
the Post Office, as a result of *Banner* mailings, should still go directly to the person
maintaining the National Database, and that person should still report quarterly changes
to Department Secretaries.
This flow of information would establish in the organization, one place for membership information to be sent. It would then be up to the National Secretary to record and then send the membership information to the proper assistant for detail processing.

Yours in F., C., & L.,
Richard A. Williams
National Membership List Coordinator

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL ASSISTANT MEMBERSHIP LIST COORDINATOR

The Assistant Membership List Coordinator serves as the back up for the Membership List Coordinator ensuring that the Order has available a back up set of current data on the membership should the original data somehow become destroyed. I do currently and will continue to ensure that this obligation is fulfilled.

In F., C., & L.,
Kenneth Hershberger
Assistant Membership List Coordinator

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL CAMP AND DEPARTMENT ORGANIZER

The following individuals were furnished with Camp Organizing materials including Letter of Instructions, Constitution and Regulations, Ritual and Ceremonials, and appropriate forms:

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General Remarks - Close coordination with the National Member-at-Large Coordinator has been effective in referring names of Members-at-Large to potential Camp Organizers. This joint effort must be continued.

Issues - To my knowledge there is no annual budget for the National Camp-at-Large Organizer. Telephone and mailing costs, as well as some document reproduction cost, have been borne by myself as a willing donation. However, future efforts to expand our
Order should be accompanied by some type of budget. The cost of the Constitution and Regulations and Rituals have been furnished by the Order.

In F., C., & L.,
Vaughn J. Rawson
National Camp and Department

REPORT OF BANNER EDITOR

An annual report from the Banner Editor is perhaps less required than a report from any other officer: Volume 97 of the Banner has been mailed to all members of Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, and it constitutes the prime report I can make.

When I agreed to edit the Banner, in a phone call from now Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief Keith G. Harrison, in November 1992, I had never seen a copy of it and, although a member of the SUVCW, did not know the Banner existed. I had exactly two numbers of the Banner as models when I started work; and they were not impressive to me. Some obvious changes have been made. Despite severe personal problems during the past year, these points may be noted:

1. Volume 97 of the Banner contains five numbers. My understanding is that these five numbers, with a total of 80 pages, constitute more than were published by my predecessors in three years before I became Editor.

2. Design, layout, photographs, and illustrations, along with stories, have gradually achieved a definition and appearance that seems sustainable and unpretentious.

3. Editorially, I continue to observe standards drawn from my lifework as editor of a daily newspaper, with the exception of greater use of the first person pronoun in the Banner. While this stance does not always please or comfort every Son, it avoids double standards and is equitable.

4. I have some regrets. The major one is that I have been unable to publish consistently the development of new Camps at chartering, in stories and photographs. This information has not been provided. Also, the Banner does not automatically receive minutes from regional meetings and the Council of Administration. Thirdly, the Banner has not had periodic updates on its own budget. This concerns me because the Banner is the largest single line item in the annual SUVCW budget.

For the record: I spend approximately 60 hours preparing a 12-page Banner and Vol. 97, No. 5, at 20 pages required 102 total hours. Summarizing other activities:

1. I wrote and Department of Michigan Encampment approved and forwarded to National, a plan for publishing Official Proceedings. The plan, which is otherwise available, contains a change in format but not in content. I urge careful consideration of the plan and I will debate it at the proper time. This plan, or any other, for starting fresh with Official Proceedings and bringing to print the arrearage, will be costly.
2. I have written or edited, set in type, pasted up, and seen through printing the General Program for the 113th National Encampment and the Campfire Program, as well as several other items.

3. I have assisted Members-At-Large Coordinator J. Douglas Park through the current SUVCW year in his project of providing every National Member-at-large with a certificate of membership.

4. Membership List Coordinator Richard A. Williams, a truly unsung major figure in the SUVCW operations, and I have investigated commercial printing and mailing arrangements, in order to eliminate the approximate 100 hours of work required to fold, staple, label, and mail each issue of the Banner. We have chosen Delta Printing of Lansing, Michigan, to handle both the printing and mailing at inexpensive prices. Total cost per number, for printing and mailing, is approximately the same as under my predecessor, with 1,000 more copies in distribution.

5. I have not performed any duties specific to chairmanship of the Publications Committee. I have not had the time to do so.

6. After some preliminary investigations and consultation with a newspaper attorney, I have decided not to seek paid advertisements for the Banner for the time being. The essential reason is not that money would not be welcomed, but rather that U.S. Postal Service regulations would immediately change, and different reporting requirements would be imposed. Until such time as SUVCW decides on a different kind of newsletter-publication, it is my opinion paid advertisements would be a burden out of proportion to reasonable expectations of income.

I would like to thank PCs-in-C Elmer (Bud) Atkinson and Richard C. Schlenker for help and moral support. Brothers Keith G. Harrison, J. Douglas Park, and Richard A. Williams here in Michigan deserve thanks and more for their help. Many other Brothers and family members also assisted in mailing four of five Banners and I thank them. Many Brothers across the nation have sent materials for the Banner. I thank them.

You, Sir, have been courteous and helpful through your term. I add my congratulations on your very busy and successful administration and my warmest thanks for your help.

Recommendations

1. Recommend that the National Treasurer inform the Banner Editor of expenditures, current and cumulative, after each number of the Banner appears and expenses are paid.

2. Recommend that Council of Administration minutes, whether approved or not, be mailed to the Banner Editor as soon as they are prepared.

3. Recommend that SUVCW secretaries and regional associations be requested to mail minutes, approved or unapproved, to the Banner Editor.
4. Recommend that the National Counselor, or the Committee on Constitution and Regulations, or both, be requested to perfect a Regulation applying the provisions of the United States Freedom of Information and Open Meetings statutes to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, such Regulation to be submitted to the 114th National Encampment.

5. Recommend that the National Counselor seek an IRS ruling that the Banner be designated as “exempt from federal taxation” as an educational newsletter-publication.

In F., C., & L.,
Russell C. Gregory
Banner Editor

REPORT OF THE LIFE MEMBERSHIP LIST COORDINATOR

We have had a significant increase in the number of new life members during the past year. The total number of living life members now stands at 239. As reported in the National Treasurer’s Report, the National Organization does not benefit from Life memberships as some Brothers believe. I will not restate the information provided in the National Treasurer’s Report. However, we must realize that the purchase of a life membership must be of mutual benefit to the Order and the Brother. Many other organizations charge far more than we for life membership. The Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States with the same annual dues as we, has a $500 life membership fee. The National Eagle Scout Association with one quarter our annual dues, charges the same life membership fee. Life membership fees of $1,000, $1,200, or even $1,500 in similar hereditary organizations is not uncommon.

Recommendation

The incoming Commander-in-Chief appoint a special committee of three Brothers, preferably with actuarial experience, to serve for one year who will review our life member fee structure and make a report to the National Encampment in August 1995, relative to the actuarial soundness of our life membership fee structure and, if there is a need to amend the fee structure, recommend changes to the fees so that they are actuarially sound.

Richard D. Orr
Life Membership Coordinator

PC-in-C Charles Corfman announced that the Sons of Veterans Reserve Breakfast will be held Saturday at 7:30 AM. Brother Corfman also updated the delegates regarding the Blue and Gray Ball to be held on Saturday, November 19, 1994, at the Ramada Inn, Gettysburg, Pennsylvania. PC-in-C Elmer Atkinson announced that a meeting of the Military Affairs Committee would take place that night.

The Second Business Session was recessed by Commander-in-Chief Moore 5:58 P.M.
THIRD BUSINESS SESSION
SATURDAY, AUGUST 13, 1994, 9:00 A.M.

The third business session was opened and called to order by Commander-in-Chief Moore at 9:05 AM.

COMMUNICATIONS

The National Secretary presented a report to the Encampment regarding communications received:

1. An acknowledgment of contribution was received from the Cathedral of the Pines, Rindge, New Jersey.

2. A request for contributions was received from the Johnson’s Island Preservation Society, Johnson’s Island, Ohio.

3. A request for contributions was received from Brother Bradley S. McGowan, Department of Iowa, regarding the preservation of the Iowa Soldier’s and Sailor’s Monument.

4. A request for contributions was received from Brother Howard Bartholf, Department of Maryland regarding the erection of a historic marker to the Union Troops which entered Richmond, Virginia.

5. A request for contributions was received from the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic Home’s “Make Room for Tomorrow” Capital Campaign. The home, which serves elderly low income individuals, is located in Swissvale, Pennsylvania.

6. A resolution from the Military Order of the Loyal Legion, Michigan Commandery, regarding the Michigan Commandery’s opposition to the proposed Disney Theme Park near the Manassas National Battlefield Park was read as a communication to the Encampment.

The National Secretary presented a report to the Encampment regarding the endorsement of candidates to National offices from the Departments:

NOMINATION AND ENDORSEMENT OF KEITH G. HARRISON
FOR COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF

WITNESSETH, THAT, WHEREAS, Keith G. Harrison, a Life Member, has served our Order with dedication and distinction in the following Camp, Department and National offices:

Curtenius Guard Camp #17 Organizer, Historian, Treasurer, Secretary and Commander;
Ulysses S. Grant Camp #101 Treasurer;
Michigan Department Chief of Staff, Senior Vice Commander, and Commander; and
National Organization History Book Coordinator, Membership-at-Large Coordinator,
National Patriotic Instructor, Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief, Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, AND

WHEREAS, During Camp Commander Harrison’s three year tenure, the Curtenius Guard Camp #17 of Lansing/Sunfield grew from a Provisional Camp of five members to become the largest within the Department of Michigan, AND
WHEREAS, During Department Commander Harrison’s three year tenure, the Michigan Department increased its membership three-fold, brought two new Camps and once again became a recognized and viable entity within the state, AND

WHEREAS, As National Patriotic Instructor, Brother Harrison more than exceeded the National’s fund raising goal in spite of *The Banner’s* then absence to help promote the program, AND

WHEREAS, As National Membership-at-Large Coordinator, Brother Harrison actively brought in new members, convinced many existing MAL Brothers to transfer to local camps and returned to the National Organization during his two year tenure over $2,000 in excess MAL funds, AND

WHEREAS, As National Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief, Brother Harrison authored a national recruitment program and referred over 700 prospective members to the Order’s Departments and Camps-at-Large, AND

WHEREAS, As Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, Brother Harrison has greatly increased the Order’s national recruitment advertising program and, as Chair of the National Committee on Program and Policy has further the streamlining of the Order’s internal operations with the creation of a guide to the duties for National Organization’s offices and committees, AND

WHEREAS, Brother Harrison has personally brought in over 150 new Brothers into the Order since becoming a member himself, AND

WHEREAS, Major Harrison also promotes and actively participates in our Order’s Sons of Veterans Reserve by serving as Chief of Infantry for the 3rd Military District and as the Organizer and Commander of the 30th Michigan Volunteer Infantry (Michigan Department SUVCW Color Guard, SVR),

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: that the Michigan Department unanimously endorse, nominates and heartily recommends to the delegates to the 1994 National Encampment, Brother Keith G. Harrison for the high and honorable position of National Commander-in-Chief of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

The above nomination of Brother Keith G. Harrison was unanimously passed in Lansing, Michigan on the 11th day of June 1994 by the Michigan Department Encampment and is hereby forwarded to the National Organization Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, with copies to all Departments and Camps-at-Large, for action at the 1994 National Encampment.

J. Douglas Park, Commander
Michigan Department

ATTEST:
Richard A. Williams, Secretary-Treasurer
Michigan Department

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The Department of Iowa at the 11th Department Encampment held in Des Moines, Iowa, on April 8 -9, 1994, voted unanimously to endorse Sr. Vice Commander-in-Chief Keith G. Harrison to the position of Commander-in-Chief.

Please read our endorsement for Brother Harrison at the 113th National Encampment in Lansing, Michigan, August 12 - 14, 1994.

Roger A. Wheeler, Commander
Department of Iowa

ATTEST:
Patrick L. Kelley, Secretary-Treasurer
Department of Iowa
During Business Session on June 18, 1994, during the Ohio Department Encampment - the following ENDORSEMENTS were made, approved, and ordered to be sent to the National Secretary to be read during the National Encampment in Lansing, Michigan, August 12 - 14, 1994:

- Commander-in-Chief: Keith G. Harrison
- Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief: David R. Medert
- Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief: Alan R. Loomis
- Council of Administration: Robert Grim

ATTEST:
Richard L. Greenwalt, Secretary
Department of Ohio

The Department of Wisconsin is pleased to endorse the candidacy of Brother Alan R. Loomis of the Department of Indiana for the post of Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War for 1994-95.

Brother Loomis has been active at all levels of our Order and has served his Camp, Department, and the National Organization with distinction. In addition, he has been a leader in the Central Region Conference of our Order and has been active in the work of historic preservation in his home community.

Brother Loomis understands the problems and concerns often associated with smaller Departments of our Order and will work to strengthen the fraternal bonds that bind us together as a patriotic organization.

Brother Loomis is a forward-looking man with a vision for the future.

Passed and Approved this 11th day of June 1994, by the 111th Encampment of the Department of Wisconsin, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War meeting at Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Thomas L.W. Johnson, Commander
Department of Wisconsin

The Department of Indiana, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, passed at its 108th Annual Encampment a resolution endorsing the candidacy of Brother Alan R. Loomis for National Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief. The Department of Indiana will nominate Brother Loomis for this high office at the National Encampment in Lansing, Michigan.

Dr. Gary E. Dolph, Commander
Department of Indiana

The Department of Michigan at its June 1994 Annual Encampment unanimously endorsed the nomination of Alan R. Loomis as a candidate for the position of Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief. The Department of Michigan at its June 1994 Annual Encampment also unanimously endorsed the nomination of David Wallace for the position of National Secretary for a period of one year.

ATTEST:
Richard A. Williams, Secretary/Treasurer
Department of Michigan
A motion was made and seconded that all communications and resolutions be referred to the appropriate Encampment committee; motion passed.

STANDING NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTION AND REGULATIONS

Your Committee on the Constitution and Regulations has been actively reviewing your governing documents as required by our charge. At last year’s Encampment the question of Junior members was referred back to the Committee for further study. Additionally, several proposals for amendments to the Regulations were submitted to the Committee. All of these have been reviewed. The Constitutional amendments adopted in Portland, Maine, last year were submitted to the National Secretary so that he could forward them to the various Departments for a ratification vote. All the amendments were ratified by more than 50 percent of the Departments and will become effective upon publication in the Commander-in-Chief’s General Orders.

As stated, the Committee has reviewed previously submitted amendments to the regulations. Presented below are the recommendations of the Committee.

A motion was made and seconded to accept, in the absence of objection from the floor, the Committee’s recommendations at the sound of the gavel; motion passed.

1. Department of Massachusetts - Refer to the Assistant National Treasurer without action.

2. Creation of Chaplain’s Badge Insignia - Do not concur.

3. Department of Michigan’s amendments as follow:
   (a) Deletion of the position of History Book Coordinator - Concur.
   (b) Redefining Patriotic Instructor’s job description - Do not concur (at this time).
   (c) Establishing a Standing History Committee - Concur (noted as not unanimous).
   (d) Establishing a Standing Graves Registration Committee - Concur (noted as not unanimous).
   (e) Historian’s duties as Chair of History Committee - Concur.
   (f) Graves Registration Officer’s duties as Chair of the Graves Registration Committee - Concur.
   (g) Suspension for non payment of dues recommendation - Do not concur.

4. Creation of the position of National Quartermaster - Concur with the recommendation that the Council of Administration appoint the position. An objection was voiced from the floor. A motion was made and seconded to sustain the Committee’s recommendation; motion was defeated 47 no to 17 yes. A motion was made and seconded to create the position of National Quartermaster with a three year term; motion passed. A motion was made and seconded to create the position as a voting member of the Council of Administration; motion was defeated 42 no to 27 yes. A motion was made and seconded to
create the position as an elected non-voting member of the Council of Administration; motion passed.

5. National Treasurer’s amendment - Concur.

6. Department Officer’s amendment - Concur.

7. National Secretary’s amendment - Concur.
   An objection was voiced from the floor. A motion made and seconded to sustain the Committee but to change the proposed amendment it to waive the chartering fee if no new charter is required; motion passed.

8. Junior Membership amendment was referred back to the Committee.
   An objection was voiced from the floor. After an impassioned presentation from the Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, the following three motions were made, seconded and passed:
   (a) To discharge the issue from the Committee to the Encampment,
   (b) To accept the language as drafted with an amendment to adopt the name “Juniors” as opposed to “Junior Members”, and
   (c) To adopt the amended Junior Membership change into the National Regulations.

A motion was made and seconded to prohibit Camps from starting the Junior program until one year after one Department Encampment; motion was defeated 44 no to 34 yes.

9. Amendment to lower minimum age - Do not concur.

10. Michigan’s Amendment on Proceedings - Do not concur.

11. Amendment to establish Proceedings Editor - Do not concur. It was the opinion of the Committee that the Commander-in-Chief has been granted the authority to appoint an Assistant National Secretary to produce back Proceedings.

12 Amendment to establish a “SVR” badge device - Concur. However, It was the opinion of the Committee that it should not continue to approve additional badge appliances.

There has been a plethora of amendments to the regulations in recent years. While this is unusual, it is a sign that Brothers are taking an interest in our governing documents. The Committee must review many proposals and often write its own amendments which are a compilation of several amendments on the same subject. This does not prevent the introduction of amendments from the delegates. However, in the interest of clarity, any amendment should specify what sections are being amended and the exact language proposed. To present an idea, adopt the idea without specific language or with vague language presents a difficult situation and at best is a charge to the Committee to return next year with specific language. The Committee respectfully requests that you give careful consideration to proposed amendments and all ramifications of the proposed amendments.
The past year has been interesting for your Committee. We appreciate the opportunity to serve our Order and thank the Commander-in-Chief for his support and trust. Commander-in-Chief, may you have a successful and productive encampment as we carry forth the business of our Order.

By the Committee,
Richard D. Orr, Chair

STANDING NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATION

Your Committee, appointed to study legislation and public policy of interest and concern to members of our Order, begs leave to submit the following report to you and through you to the officers and delegates attending the 113th Annual National Encampment.

Report of Civil War Sites Advisory Commission - In July 1993, the Civil War Sites Advisory Commission issued its report after nearly three years of study and testimony from some 150 individuals. It found that of 384 Civil War battlefields, 71 or 18 percent, have been lost to urban and commercial development and about half of the 232 battlefields in good or fair condition are threatened by development over the next decade. The commission recommended to Congress that it pass the Civil War Heritage Preservation Act and proposed spending some $70 million on federal grants to match spending by states or non-profit preservation groups to purchase land at 50 of the most significant sites threatened by development. The panel also proposed spending $17.5 million by the year 2000 to help landowners preserve historical features on privately owned battlefield properties. Finally, it proposed that the Resolution Trust Corporation (RTC) turn over historically significant tracts of land it obtains from failed savings and loans for battlefield parks. In the RTC’s inventory are 321 acres associated with the Battle of the Wilderness in Virginia and 421 acres near the Richmond National Battlefield Park.

Preservation of Battlefield Sites - A year ago we reported on the introduction of S.1033, the Shenendoah Valley National Battlefields Partnership Act, sponsored by Senators John Warner (R-VA), Charles Robb (D-VA) and James Jeffords (R-VT). On September 21, 1993, the Subcommittee on Public Lands, National Parks and Forests, chaired by Senator Dale Bumpers (D-AR), held a hearing on the measure. This spring, the full Energy and National Resources Committee, of which the subcommittee is a part, voted 17 to three to pass the bill and send it to the floor of the Senate for debate. If approved by the Senate, the bill must still be considered by the House.

On May 9, 1994, Rep. Mike Synar (D-OK) held a hearing of the House Subcommittee on Environment, Energy, and Natural Resources to review a land swap that occurred in 1990 between the National Park Service and Gettysburg College. At issue was an easement on 47 acres owned by the College adjacent to the Gettysburg National Military Park and traded to the NPS in exchange for 7.5 acres that had belonged to the Park since 1909. The land in question involved a railroad bed in the vicinity of Seminary Ridge and Oak Ridge, its northern finger and the scene of fierce fighting on July 1, 1863.
Rep. Synar was concerned that the NPS entered into negotiations with the College without adequate notice or disclosure and in possible violation of the restrictive deed and federal law governing the site. At the hearing, Roger Kennedy, director of the Park Service, said the destruction of a part of the Gettysburg landscape occurred “inadvertently”, adding that his agency “has learned from the situation” and is taking steps to make sure similar problems do not occur on other sites.

Rep. Bart Gordon (D-TN) has introduced HR4266 pertaining to the boundaries of the Stones River National Battlefield in Tennessee.

Status of Disney's America - Much ink has been spilled by editorial writers, historians, and Civil War enthusiasts generally, over the proposed theme park planned by the Walt Disney Co. in Northern Virginia near the site of the First Battle of Bull Run (Manassas). Preservationists and developers take opposite sides over the virtues of building a $650 million theme park on this 3,000 acre site.

On June 21, 1994, the Senate panel on Public Lands, National Parks and Forests held an informational hearing on the Disney proposal. Governor George Allen and other Old Dominion officials hailed the project as a boost for economic development in the area and as a magnet for tourism throughout the region. A number of preservationists led by Richard Moe, president of the National Trust for Historic Preservation, opposed the project on the grounds that it would only encourage urban sprawl and increase traffic density in an already vulnerable area. A number of subcommittee members expressed the opinion that Congress should not intervene if the host state, Virginia in this case, is supporting the project and the project does not directly encroach on the battlefield site. Although the hearing was held, there is no legislation on the matter pending before it.

The respected Association for the Preservation of Civil War Sites, Inc. (APCWS) has taken what might be termed a “middle-of-the-road” position on the project and has neither opposed nor endorsed it. It has raised some concerns and did obtain some assurances from the Disney Co. relative to the development of the site. The APCWS Board of Trustees has agreed to continue its consulting relationship with Disney. And the Walt Disney Co. has agreed to make a $100,000 voluntary contribution to the land acquisition from of APCWS to be used where needed.

The actual site of the theme park is about four miles from the Manassas Battlefield National Park and is not located at an historically significant site. The site itself has long been zoned for commercial and residential use by local authorities. At the insistence of the Disney Co., the Virginia General Assembly has approved a package of subsidies totaling about $165 million to be earmarked for interstate highway improvements and the construction of a visitor center at the future park’s main gate. Local authorities will continue to have jurisdiction over future zoning decisions that may arise.

Restoration of Grant’s Tomb - A Columbia University student, Frank Scaturro, is responsible for calling the attention of the nation to the shameful and disgraceful manner in which the tomb of President and Mrs. Ulysses S. Grant has been allowed to deteriorate in New York City. In late April a suit was filed in federal court to require the National Park Service to restore the site to the condition it was in when the NPS
assumed responsibility for it in 1959. As if in response to the threat of legal action, the NPS asked Congress for $400,000 for the current fiscal year and $450,000 for the next year to begin to refurbish and revitalize the memorial to our 18th President. In the 1994 budget, for example, only $126,000 was provided for the maintenance and upkeep of the site located on Riverside Drive. Of the six major sites supervised by the NPS in the New York City metropolitan area, the approved budget for the Grant Memorial is the smallest in size. Budgets for the other five sites range from $136,000 for the home of Alexander Hamilton to $8,718,000 for the Statue of Liberty National Monument and Ellis Island.

In May of this year, Rep. Jerrold Nadler (D-NY) introduces HR 4393 known as Grant’s Tomb National Memorial Act of 1994. Among its provisions, the bill calls for the restoration and preservation of Grant’s Tomb as a national memorial and the erection of a visitor’s center as an aid in the interpretation and maintenance of the site. There is also a provision for a 24 hour honor guard and other security measures to be undertaken.

In Illinois, State Rep. Ron Lawfer has introduced legislation in the Illinois House to provide a suitable memorial for the mortal remains of President and Mrs. Grant in the Prairie State if the NPS and other federal authorities cannot or will not remedy the present situation. Lafer represents the 74th District that includes Galena and Jo Davies County where U.S. Grant made his home just prior to the War. Prior to 1959, the Grant Memorial was the responsibility of the Grant Monument Association, a private, non-profit, fraternal organization formed in 1886 following President Grant’s death. It raised the $600,000 needed to acquire the site and construct the tomb which took six years to build. The site remained under the meticulous care of the Association until, by mutual agreement, it was turned over to the Federal Government 35 years ago.

Symbols of the Old Confederacy - In an unusual legislative maneuver, Sen. Carol Mosely Braun (D-IL) forced the Senate to reconsider a vote and reverse itself under threat of a filibuster. On July 22, 1993, that body approved by a vote of 52 to 48, a routine amendment to the President’s national service bill that authorized renewal of a patent of the United Daughters of the Confederacy (UDC) for an insignia that featured the Stars and Bars flag in its design. The amendment had been authored by Sen. Jesse Helms (R-NC) and was thought to be non-controversial. The UDC was first granted a congressional patent in 1898 and it had been renewed every 14 years thereafter. After two hours of emotional debate which was punctuated with charges of “racial symbolism” and appeals for “respect for our forefathers”, the Senate voted 75 to 23 to reverse its early action and kill the Helms amendment. In that process, 23 Senators had changed their minds.

Respect for the Flag - Rep. Earl Hutto (D-FL) has introduced H.Jt. Res. 361 that would designate 1995 as the “Year of the Flag.”

The American Legion is continuing in its efforts to gain consideration for an amendment to the U.S. Constitution that would provide constitutional protection for Old Glory and, in effect, set aside the Supreme Court’s 1989 decision in Texas v. Johnson. According to data compiled by the Legion, 43 states have passed resolutions memorializing
Congress to take up a Flag Amendment. Only seven states, Hawaii, Iowa, Kentucky, North Carolina, Oregon, Vermont and Washington have not acted. A narrowly defined amendment designed to protect free speech and the flag was introduced by Rep. Robert Michel (R-IL) and Rep. Sonny Montgomery (D-MS) shortly after the Supreme Court rendered its decision.

A decision by a federal District judge in Wisconsin permits Native Americans to superimpose a design on the flag, provided that act does not cause a breach of the peace. At issue was the arrest of two Indian treaty-rights supporters who were displaying a U.S. flag bearing the superimposed image of a Plains Indian. U.S. District Judge Barbara B. Crabb observed that constitutional law prohibits the prosecution of people for expressing political opinions, even if that means adding symbols to the flag. To support her position, the judge cited a Washington State statute that was nearly identical to the Wisconsin law and was declared unconstitutional and the Texas flag burning case as well. Judge Crabb said the flag-related arrests would have been lawful had it been demonstrated that a display of an altered flag was likely to have led to a disturbance (As a side note, we have observed Native Americans carrying a flag of this type in which the flag is accorded great respect.).

Holidays and Special Observances - Sen. Dale Bumpers (D-AR) has introduced S. Jt. Res. 161 that would designate April of 1994 as “Civil War History Month.” In March 1994, the House voted to extend the Martin Luther King, Jr. Federal Holiday Commission for five more years. The measure authorizes $2 million for the 40 member panel which was set to expire on April 20 of the year. Although the commission completed its work of encouraging a nationwide observance of King’s birthday, sponsors of the measure said there is a continuing need to promote Dr. King’s ideals of community service, non-violence, racial harmony and economic opportunity.

No action has been reported on S. 119 or HR 2269, bills designed to return the federal observance of Memorial Day to May 30.

Highway Designated - Legislation has been approved in Indiana, Michigan, and Wisconsin, to designate U.S. Highway 12 as the “Iron Brigade Memorial Highway” in honor of the famed unit composed of the 2nd, 6th, and 7th Wisconsin; 19th Indiana; and 24th Michigan Volunteer Infantry Regiments and the 4th U.S. Artillery. Markers are authorized along the route in the three states.

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.

Recommendations

1. That we support passage of the Civil War Heritage Preservation Act as proposed by the Civil War Sites Advisory Commission - Concur.

2. That we renew our support for S. 1033, the Shenandoah Valley National Battlefields Partnership Act - Concur.
3. That we support passage of HR 4393, the Grant’s Tomb National Memorial Act as a means of assuring that the final resting place of our 18th President will be accorded the honor and respect it deserves - Concur.

4. That we renew our support for a measure like the Montgomery-Michael Amendment to the Constitution, designed to protect our flag from physical desecration while safeguarding the right of free speech - Concur.

5. That we renew our support for S. 119 and HR 2269 that would return the federal observance of Memorial Day to May 30, and urge that similar legislation be passed in several states - Concur.

It is a privilege to have been associated with Brothers Forest F. Altland, Peter A. Dixon, Andrew Johnson, and Alan R. Loomis as fellow members of the Committee on Legislation and to have been able to serve our National Organization in this capacity during the 1993-94 year.

In F., C., & L.,
For the Committee
Thomas L. W. Johnson, Chair

A motion was made and seconded that the National Secretary draft the appropriate responses to Congressional and Executive representatives; motion passed.

STANDING NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON MEMBERSHIP

[Report and recommendations were presented in the Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief’s report.]

SPECIAL NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON 1999 BLUE AND GRAY ENCAMPMENT

Your 1999 Committee has been actively pursuing the potential for a joint activity with our Southern counterparts for the 50th anniversary of the last encampment of the GAR and the last reunion of the United Confederate Veterans in 1999. We have had discussions with the President of the United Daughters of the Confederacy (UDC) and several members of the Sons of Confederate Veterans. All have been receptive to the idea. It is our intention to pursue the topic further during the forthcoming year and to approach the Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States and the Military Order of the Stars and Bars. If I may be a bit presumptuous, the apparent new president of the Auxiliary to the SUVCW is very supportive of the idea and has been communicating with the President General of the UDC on this and other matters of mutual concern. Hopefully, our investigative committee will have commitments from all concerned parties and can be discharged next year and a committee appointed to develop plans for appropriate activities and an appropriate location.

This is a project of great significance to all of us and your committee is grateful for the opportunity to serve our Order in this manner. We would like to take this opportunity to
commend Brother Howard Bartholff for his efforts to bring North and South together. He has undertaken a monumental task in developing the “Blue Coats in a Gray City” memorial. He and his colleagues have been roundly criticized but have persevered nevertheless. He was also responsible for bringing about the rededication of the Libby Prison monument last September.

By the Committee,
Richard D. Orr, Chair

STANDING NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT SITE COMMITTEE

PC-in-C Charles Corfman, Committee Chair, reported the following proposed sites for future National Encampments:

1995 - Columbus, Ohio
1996 - St. Louis, Missouri
1997 - New York
1998 - Pennsylvania
1999 - Indianapolis, Indiana

STANDING NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON AMERICANISM AND EDUCATION

The Committee has responsibility for two distinct areas: (1) promotion of Americanism, and (2) improvement in the teaching of History in the Education System.

Traditionally, Americanism has been promoted by the SUVCW in three ways: (1) by display of the American Flag in public; (2) by promoting parades, ceremonies, and public events, and (3) by uniformed appearances at reenactments and ceremonies sponsored by SUVCW Camps. These have been continued this past year. However, the Banner failed to publish the list of days to make special attempts at showing the colors for the current fiscal year (1993 - 1994), so this effort produced less positive results.

The SUVCW has an Educational Endowment Fund which gives out educational grants, and is administered by the Commander-in-Chief. Members of the Committee also make personal appearances in their local schools. At the present, this is the extent of the Educational Program, other than to encourage others to give local programs in their area.

Following, is a tentative list of days to promote Patriotic Events and show the colors for 1994 - 1995:

August 1994 - 12th -14th, 1994 Encampment, Lansing, MI
September 1994 - 5th, Labor Day, show the colors
October 1994 - 10th, Columbus Day, show the colors
November 1994 - 11th, Armistice Day (Veterans Day), show colors

December 1994 - 19th Remembrance Day, Gettysburg: show colors and/or participate
January 1995 - 7th, Pearl Harbor Day, show the colors
February 1995 - 1st, New Year’s Day, show the colors
March 1995 - 12th, Lincoln’s Birthday (Lincoln Mon., D.C.)

To be announced
We hope to expand our educational efforts in 1995. Members are invited to make suggestions that might improve the program.

Yours in F., C., & L.,
Frank A. Foight III, Chair

**STANDING NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON REMEMBRANCE DAY**

Remembrance Day in Gettysburg will be November 19, 1996. The program will be similar to that of previous years with the SVR breakfast beginning at 8:00 A.M., Officers meeting at 11:00 A.M. and parade to and ceremony at Woolson monument at 2:00 P.M. We can promise a variety of weather for your attendance and possibly more than one type during the same day. That evening will be the annual Blue/Gray Military Ball at the Ramada Inn.

**STANDING NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON FRATERNAL RELATIONS**

I have been a member of this Committee a number of times. This is the first time I have been Chairman. Every year when this Committee is called on from the floor of National, the report is “no report.” I think that most members do not know what duties are expected of this committee. Webster’s Dictionary lists “fraternal” as pertaining to, becoming, or like brothers. This being the case, all members of the Sons should be on this committee.

I wrote to all Committee members and asked them to tell me what they had done for this Committee and received answers from two.

Richard Lufkin writes that he is Commander of a new Camp and they are currently working to raise money for a cannon ball that is missing from the town’s Civil War monument. The Camp held Memorial Services at the town GAR Memorial and marked the graves of Civil War Veterans in the town cemetery. On Memorial Day the Camp Members, in Civil War uniform, marched in the town’s parade.

Edward Krieser writes the Department of Indiana annually meets with the Woman’s Relief Corps and Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War and makes visits to the Indiana Soldiers and Sailors Veterans Home. They also attend the High School Graduation Commencement at the Indiana Soldiers and Sailors Children’s Home with two active groups of the Allied Orders and various veterans organizations.

My own Camp, Anna M. Ross No. 1, and our SVR Unit, the 28th Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, and Auxiliary have had a very active year, with the GAR Library open the first Sunday of each month, at which time we average 175 visitors. A very active Military History Group goes to schools, nursing homes, and other organizations and presents programs. We decorate over 2000 Veterans Graves with American Flags and
hold three Memorial Day Services. The services held at Independence Hall were started by the GAR and have been continuous for 109 years.

Recommendation

If this Committee is to continue, there should be guidelines drawn up to direct the members as to what is expected from it. Concur (It was noted that this has since been accomplished with the publication of the National Job Descriptions by the Committee on Program and Policy).

In F., C., & L.,
Elmer F. Atkinson, PC-in-C, Chair

STANDING NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON LINCOLN TOMB OBSERVANCE

Your Committee appointed to conduct the annual Lincoln Deathday ceremony held this year on April 15, 1994, begs leave to submit the following report:

The 38th 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 the Lincoln Deathday Association, Inc., recorded attendance of some 48 organizations that presented commemorative wreaths and 79 persons who gathered at the Lincoln Plaza Hotel for the luncheon following the rites.

At the ceremony, brief addresses were given by Commander-in-Chief Allen W. Moore and Edward G. Pree who represented the Commandery-in-Chief of the Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States. Thomas L.W. Johnson presided at the ceremony and at the luncheon program.

The 114th Illinois Vol. Inf. Reg., under Command of Col. Robert M. Graham, provided an honor guard and bugler and drummer. Ronald Clark, Illinois Department Commander and member of the 114th Reg., served as chaplain at both the ceremony and the luncheon. The colors of the Commandrey-in-Chief were present as was the banner of the Department of Indiana. The colors of the Wm. T. Sherman - Billy Yank Camp No. 65 were also present. The Lanphier High School band of Springfield provided appropriate musical selections.

At the luncheon, Mrs. Martha Benner, assistant editor of The Lincoln Legal Papers, spoke on the career of Abraham Lincoln as a lawyer. Her appearance marked a “first” for the luncheon inasmuch as she was the first woman speaker to have appeared on the program. Her talk was well received.

Among the dignitaries present were Florence H. Spring, National President of our Auxiliary, and Ellinore K. Johnson, Junior Vice President of the Illinois Dames Society, who represented the National President of the Dames of the Loyal Legion. In addition, Elsie M. Gould, National President of the Women’s Relief Corps; Dorothy K. Calantuono, National President of the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War; and Phyliss L. Houston, National President of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic led their respective organizations in presenting wreaths. Also present were
Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief David R. Medert and National Personal Aide Edward Krieser, as well as PCs-in-C Charles Corfman and Clark Mellor.

At the luncheon, Commander-in-Chief Moore presented Mr. Johnson with a special award of merit and citations to Mr. Pree and Colonel Graham for their work as co-chairmen of the ceremony.

Departments that participated were Indiana, Ohio, and Wisconsin, and the Department of Wisconsin Auxiliary. Camps taking part were the Gen. George A. Custer Camp No. 1 of Chicago, Illinois; Adm. David D. Porter Camp No. 116 of Valparaiso, Indiana; Gen. Greenville M. Dodge Camp No. 75 of Des Moines, Iowa; Wm. T. Sherman - Billy Yank Camp No. 65 of St. Louis, Missouri; and Col. C.K. Pier-Badger Camp No. 1 of Milwaukee, Wisconsin. In addition, Auxiliary No. 4 of Milwaukee presented a wreath.

The ceremony received good media coverage again this year with Channel 20 of Springfield recording the event for later news broadcast.

For a complete account of the 1994 Ceremony, your attention is invited to the Spring 1994 issue of the Banner.

Your Committee takes pride in being able to serve the National Organization in this manner and is very appreciative of the financial support and commitment so generously provided each year by our Order. Without that support, the ceremony would not be what it has become. We also wish to acknowledge the resources provided by the Lincoln Deathday Association, Inc., and the volunteer efforts of Edward G. Pree and PNP Ellinore K. Johnson. Working together, we believe we have provided a quality ceremony in keeping with the significance of the occasion and at a modest cost.

In its planning for 1995, your Committee pledges to do all that it can to continue to contain its expenses, bearing in mind the core expenditures required for a ceremony of this type. In anticipation of some assistance from the Deathday Association which receives limited financial support from the trust established under the terms of the will of our late Brother, George L. Cashman, the following recommendation is made:

Recommendation

That the appropriation in the amount of $400 be continued for the support of the 1995 ceremony so as to allow the development of a projected budget for the conduct of that observance. Concur.

A complete accounting of expenses incurred for the 1994 ceremony has been filed with the National Treasurer.

In F., C., & L.,
Robert M. Graham, Co-Chair
Thomas L. W. Johnson, Co-Chair
STANDING NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON PROGRAM AND POLICY

[The report and recommendations of this committee were presented as part of the report from the Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief.]

STANDING NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON MILITARY AFFAIRS

On being appointed by Commander-in-Chief Moore as Chairman of the National Military Affairs Committee, I notified members of this Committee of their appointment, and sent them a copy of our duties as listed in the C&R. I also notified them that there would be a meeting on Remembrance Day, 19 November 1993, in my room at the Ramada Inn, Gettysburg, Pennsylvania. This announcement was also sent to Brigadier General (BG) Corfman and 1993 - 94 Chair, Richard Schlenker, and the newly appointed Adjutant General Charles A. Rogers, Jr. Communications by mail and telephone were open between Committee members and any others who wished to contact the committee.

The Committee met at 9:00 P.M., Friday, 19 November 1993, at the Ramada Inn, Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, along with Commander-in-Chief Moore, BG Schlenker and Capt. Hayner. BG Corfman announced that Capt. Charles A. Rogers would not be able to take the appointment of Adjutant General due to an increased work load. He appointed Capt. Hayner as the Adjutant General. The Committee approved the appointment of Capt. Hayner as Adjutant General and approved his promotion to rank of Major as requested by BG Corfman.

There was a delay in transferring of SVR records from the outgoing Adjutant General and there was no Strength Report available at that time. The last report given was in November 1992 with 469 and the latest report given in the Spring issue of the Guidon 1994 was 430 plus. I feel sure that this figure is low. There were a lot of problems in the transfer of records and the Adjutant is working to straighten them out.

Copies of the Regulations pertaining to the National Military Department as corrected and approved by the Committee August 1993, were mailed out to all the Officers of the SVR.

Membership support at the 21st SVR Muster in McConnelsville, Ohio, 16 July 1994 was poor. There were about 20 men from Ohio, two from Washington and one from Pennsylvania.

The Committee and the Staff Officers present approved a small gold SVR pin to be worn on the membership badge instead of a SVR Membership Medal as was discussed in previous meetings. It was brought up that there is trouble in finding SVR Collar Insignias. Chairman Atkinson, being also the Supply Officer, was given the authority to secure both pins and Collar Insignias. There are now Collar Insignias in two sizes, 1/2” and 3/8” available through National Supplies for $10 per pair. The pins should be available in the middle of August at $5 each and SVR tie bars for $7 each.

The Committee congratulates the SVR for the activities at Remembrance Day at Gettysburg. The parade and the ceremonies at the Woolson Monument received
National Press coverage, and the participation of the reenactors grows each year. The Blue and Gray Ball has people looking for tickets in June, to make sure they will be able to attend. The Ball has grown to our largest major event and has earned the respect of the reenactors.

As stated in previous years, the Committee continues to think that men in Civil War uniforms are the best recruiting tools we have for the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War and recommend their use at local camps, in living history at your local school, and anywhere there is an interest in the Civil War. Start your SVR Company in your Camp.

There is the need for continuous communications from the chain of command throughout the whole SVR. Reports must be completed on time in order for the Adjutant to keep this committee and National informed. A lot of paper has to be eliminated. There is no need anymore to enlist every three years. Once you enlist, you are a member as long as you pay your dues. Two Strength Reports a year are required. We now have a new Guidon editor, David R. Medert, 16 Shawnee Drive, Chillicothe, Ohio 45601. He is looking for news items from your Company. The SVR should also make use of the Banner for a recruiting drive.

Recommendations

1. The National and all members of the Sons and SVR must go on record against Gun Control. There has been a bill introduced suggesting that all Military Weapons be banned. This will include the Civil War weapons we use for living history and reenactments. The people that are for gun control are in the minority, but they are the most vocal and the most organized and the other side is saying that they cannot believe it will happen and are not getting involved. We as an organization must make our voice heard before it is too late. An objection was voiced from the floor. The issue was referred by the Commander-in-Chief to the Resolutions Committee to draft a resolution. The following language was drafted:

   RESOLVED: That the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War oppose any action or legislation which would limit the rights of a United States citizen contained in the Second Amendment to the Constitution. A motion was made and seconded to adopt the resolution; motion passed.

2. The Committee recommends changes to the C&R to allow members of the SVR to wear a small silver SVR on the ribbon of their membership badge. Concur.

In F., C., & L.,
Elmer F. Atkinson, PC-in-C, Chair

SPECIAL NATIONAL GAR RECORDS COMMITTEE

The National Committee of GAR Records reports that locations and inventory of GAR records are coming in slowly. In most cases, we have members report that there are GAR records at a location but do not know any other information. It then takes time to write and request an inventory and the availability of the records. The members of the
committee are collecting the information and hope to start to compile it in a computer in the near future.

Recommendation

The Committee work be continued with the same men next year.

No action since the decision to appoint next year’s committee rests with the in-coming Commander-in-Chief.

In F., C., & L.,
Elmer F. Atkinson, PC-in-C, Chair

The Third Business Session was recessed by Commander-in-Chief Moore at 11:58 A.M.

FOURTH BUSINESS SESSION
SATURDAY, AUGUST 13, 1994, 1:30 P.M.

The Fourth Business Session was opened and called to order by Commander-in-Chief Moore at 1:30 P.M.

The delegation of the Michigan Department made a special presentation to the Past National Secretary, James T. Lyons, denoting his service to the National Organization.

ENCAMPMENT COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

A motion was made and seconded to accept the reports of this and subsequent Encampment Committees at the sound of the gavel if there be no objections; motion passed.

Resolution 1: Display of the Confederate Battle Flag

WHEREAS the confederate Battle Flag was, in fact, carried on the field of combat by the Confederate States of America forces during the American Civil War of 1861 - 1865 and,

WHEREAS it represented and distinguished the military forces of the rebellion from the forces of the United States of America and,

WHEREAS honorable men acting on sincere conviction fought with valor under it and,

WHEREAS no battlefield recreation of the period can be complete and accurate without the presence of the battle flags of both adversaries; now therefore be it

RESOLVED that the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War in national encampment assembled adopt the following expression of policy:

The Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War affirms that the display of the Confederate battle flag in military or naval reenactments of historic events and at other appropriate events commemorating the valor of CSA soldiers and sailors should have the support of SUVCW camps and individual members. adopted by the Maryland Department, April 1994.

Adopted by the Maryland Department April 1994.

ATTEST: Andrew M. Johnson, Secretary
Department of Maryland

Concur with Resolution #1.
Resolution 2: Preservation of Grant’s Tomb

WHEREAS General Ulysses S. Grant led the Armies of the Republic to victory in the American Civil War of 1861 - 1865 and,

WHEREAS his successful leadership preserved the Union of the United States of America and,

WHEREAS a grateful nation elected this champion of liberty to be President of the United States of America from 1869 - 1877 and,

WHEREAS the people of the United States honored this soldier and statesman with a monumental final resting place in New York City and,

WHEREAS it is the duty of a democratic citizenry to guide its government in the performance of its duties in an adequate manner and,

WHEREAS the present condition of Grant’s Tomb is unsatisfactory to the memory of President Grant and deplorable to the sons of soldiers and sailors of the great Army and Navy that he led to victory; now therefore be it

RESOLVED that the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War in national encampment assembled call upon the Secretary of the Interior to take immediate corrective actions to repair, restore and protect this monument to the military savior of the Republic and President of the United States.

Adopted by the Maryland Department, April 1994

ATTEST: Andrew M. Johnson, Secretary
Department of Maryland

Concur with Resolution #2.

Resolution 3: Adoption of GAR Name Badges and Insignia

WHEREAS, the National Organization, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War is and has been recognized as the legal heir and official representative of the Grand Army of the Republic of the United States of America, and

WHEREAS, it was the desire of the Grand Army of the Republic, our parent order, to act as same as demonstrated by the Deed of Conveyance of 1956, and

WHEREAS, the Charter of the National Organization, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, as granted by the Congress of the United States of America (Public Law 605, 1954), specifies in section 17 that the organization “shall have exclusive and sole right to use or to allow or refuse the use of, such emblems, seals and badges as it may legally adopt...”, and

WHEREAS, in the past, there have been occasions where the name and insignia of the Grand Army of the Republic has been used by those who have no connection with the Grand Army of the Republic, or any right to said name or insignia, and

WHEREAS, it being desirous to protect the name and insignia of the Grand Army of the Republic, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED that the National Organization, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, hereby legally adopt the name, badge, emblem, seal and insignia of the Grand Army of the Republic of the United States of America for the sole purpose of protection of same, and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said name, badge, emblem, seal and insignia be included in
the regulations of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War so as to be permanently
protected from outside use, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this in no way excludes, restricts, or prevents the use of
same by any of the Allied Orders of the Grand Army of the Republic to wit: National Women's
Relief Corps, Auxiliary to the Grand army of the Republic; Daughters of Union Veterans of the
Civil War, 1861 to 1865; Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic; and Auxiliary to the Sons of
Union Veterans of the Civil War.

ATTEST: Richard Williams, Secretary-Treasurer
Michigan Department

Do not concur since it was noted that these badges, emblems and symbols were
in the public domain and probably could no longer be protected.

Resolution 4: Georgia State Flag Removal from Fulton County Stadium

WHEREAS, we the members of the New Jersey Department, Sons of Union Veterans of the
Civil War, condemn the use of the Confederate Flag, as well as the Flag of the United States,
by any and all hate groups, and

WHEREAS, we the members of the New Jersey Department CONDEMN and STRONGLY
PROTEST the removal of the Georgia State flag from Fulton County Stadium for the sole
reason of being “politically correct”, and

WHEREAS, we the members of Colonel Louis R. Francine Camp No. 7, support the flying of the
Confederate Flag as a historical piece of this nation’s history, and

WHEREAS, we the descendants of Union soldiers and sailors that make up this Department, an
organization that was the only organization recognized by the Grand Army of the Republic, that
could meet in joint reunions with the Confederate Veterans under both flags in the bonds of
fraternal friendship, pledge our support and admiration of those gallant soldiers and of their
respective flags, and

THEREFORE, we the members of the New Jersey Department respectfully ask the National
Organization to adopt this proclamation and to pass it along to the Governor and elected
officials representing the State of Georgia as well as the Fulton County Commissioners.

Dated in Hightstown, New Jersey, on this eleventh day of June, in the year of our Lord, One
thousand Nine hundred and ninety-four.

Dr. David G. Martin, Commander
New Jersey Department

ATTEST: David K. Hann, Secretary
New Jersey Department

Concur with Resolution #4.

Resolution 5: Confederate Battle Flag Over the State House in South Carolina

WHEREAS, we the members of the New Jersey Department, Sons of Union Veterans of the
Civil War, condemn the use of the Confederate Battle Flag, as well as the Flag of the United
States, by any and all hate groups, and
WHEREAS, we the members of the New Jersey Department strongly oppose the removal of the Confederate Flag from atop the State House in Columbia, South Carolina, and
WHEREAS, we the members of the New Jersey Department support the flying of the Confederate Battle Flag as a historical piece of this nation’s history, and
WHEREAS, we the members of the New Jersey Department oppose the removal of any Confederate monuments or markers to those gallant soldiers in South Carolina and the former Confederate States, and strongly oppose the removal of ANY reminders of this Nation’s bloodiest war on the grounds of being “politically correct”, and
WHEREAS, we the descendants of Union soldiers and sailors that make up this Department of an organization that was the only organization recognized by the Grand Army of the Republic that could meet in joint reunions with the Confederate Veterans under both flags in the bonds of Fraternal Friendship, pledge our support and admiration of those gallant soldiers and of their respective flags, and
WHEREAS, we the members of the New Jersey Department respectfully ask the National Organization to adopt this proclamation and to present it to the Governor, Congressmen and Senators from South Carolina.

Dated in Hightstown, New Jersey, on this eleventh day of June, in the year of our Lord, One thousand Nine hundred and ninety four.

Dr. David G. Martin, Commander
New Jersey Department

Concur with Resolution #5.

Resolution 6: Resource Members for Locating Union Soldier’s Service Records

WHEREAS, many applicants no longer live in the states where their Union ancestors enlisted; and
WHEREAS, living outside the state of a Union ancestors’ place of enlistment is causing difficulty in obtaining that service record at an expensive cost; and
WHEREAS, the choosing of a person in each department who could serve as a resource person at locating a state record on the service of a Union ancestor and then publishing the name, address, and phone number of that person annually in the Banner would allow camps to get assistance in obtaining these records; therefore, be it
RESOLVED, that each department appoint a member or assign an officer to serve as the contact person who will assist in obtaining state records on the service of Union soldiers within the same state; and be it further
RESOLVED, that the Banner annually publish the person assigned by each department to assist in locating state service records of Union soldiers, his address, and his telephone number.

ATTEST: Keith D. Ashley, Camp Secretary

Do not concur with Resolution #6.

Resolution 7: Veterans’ Grave Flag Holders

WHEREAS, the GAR flag holders to graves of Union soldiers are disappearing due to theft because they are becoming collectibles and because of their scrap value; and
WHEREAS, flag holders on graves of veterans of other wars are also being stolen; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that Gov. William Dennison Camp No. 125 supports the passage of both state and federal law prohibiting possession or sale of any flag holders by individuals and establish commensurate punishments for violations to these laws; and be it further

RESOLVED, that Gov. William Dennison Camp No. 125 supports the passage of both state and federal law prohibiting any recycling business to handle or recycle veteran’s flag holders and establish commensurate punishments for any violations to these laws.

ATTEST: Keith D. Ashley, Camp Secretary

Concur with Resolution #7 as it relates to being limited to “relic” sales only.

Resolution #8: Gun Control

At the meeting of Philip Triem Camp No. 43 held at Salem, Ohio, on April 10, 1994, the following RESOLUTION was passed and sent on to the Ohio Department to be presented during its Annual Encampment and if approved to be sent on to the National Organization, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War for presentation during the 113th National Encampment.

WHEREAS: Due to recent gun control legislation and many recent decisions and threats of impending controls, we feel that the Patriotic Activities of our Camps and the SVR might be in jeopardy. Examples: the firing of salutes to the Honored dead on Memorial Day, the presentation of Living History Demonstrations, the Re-enactment of Civil War Battles and other Programs where we have an opportunity to promote Patriotism and Love of our Country as did our Forefathers and Ancestors who sacrificed so much that we might have the Freedoms which we enjoy.

BE IT RESOLVED: that we the members of Philip Triem Camp No. 43, Salem, Ohio, highly protest our right to bear arms and to participate in Programs which we feel will educate and provide Patriotic understanding of the accomplishments of our Ancestors who have given us such a rich Heritage, (from) being infringed upon by gun control legislation and its interpretations. The right to bear arms is provided in the Constitution. Keep this freedom alive.

ATTEST: Richard Greenwalt, Secretary
Department of Oho

Concur with Resolution #8.

Resolution #9: President Grant’s Tomb

WHEREAS, the current condition of the tomb of President Ulysses S. Grant and his wife Julia (Dent) Grant is in reprehensible condition due to graffiti and abuse by vagrants such as open urination; and

WHEREAS, the location of Grant’s Tomb is in an unsafe section of New York City; and

WHEREAS, the National Park Service spends over $300,000 per year trying to maintain Grant’s Tomb; and

WHEREAS, the current amount spent by the National Park Service on Grant’s Tomb is insufficient to maintain it as a safe and aesthetically pleasing historical site befiting the greatness of President Ulysses S. Grant; and

WHEREAS, abuse of the final resting place of a more recent United States President of the 20th century would result in immediate action; and
WHEREAS, Ulysses S. Grant led the United States to quell a rebellion thus preserving the Union of States; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that Henry Casey Camp No. 92 Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War urges both the Ohio Department and National Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War to support action to encourage the United States Congress to disinter President Ulysses S. Grant and his wife Julia (Dent) Grant to be reinterred in a suitable tomb at Point Pleasant, Ohio, the birthplace of President Grant.

This is to certify that the above resolution was passed by the unanimous vote of the members of Henry Casey Camp No. 92 Sons of Union Veterans at a regular meeting of the Camp held on March 24, 1994.

Robert E. Grim, Commander
Henry Casey Camp No. 92

ATTEST: Raymond M. Grim, Secretary
Henry Casey Camp No. 92

Do not concur with Resolution #9.

Resolution 10: National Roster of Camps and Departments

WHEREAS, the increase in membership, number of camps, and activity of the Sons of Union Veterans is necessitating the ability to communicate more; and

WHEREAS, there is increased activity in committee areas such as GAR Highway, historian, Civil War sites, etc.; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the roster be made available at a nominal cost to all department and camp officers.

ATTEST: Keith D. Ashley, Camp Secretary

Do not concur with Resolution 10. A motion was made and seconded to make a roster of Camps and the names of Commanders and Secretaries available as a separate item from the Banner; motion passed.

Resolution 11: Opposition to Ohio Legislature Memorializing Congress

WHEREAS, there is currently an Ohio Senate resolution that seeks to memorialize the Congress of the United States to pass a balanced budget amendment to the U.S. Constitution; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Constitution has never been amended by the memorializing of Congress; and

WHEREAS, the only precedent for calling a constitutional convention is the attempt to amend the Articles of Confederation in 1787, which resulted in the discarding of the entire document to write the U.S. Constitution; and

WHEREAS, Constitutional scholars believe that memorializing Congress to call a constitutional convention to amend the Constitution will allow our entire Constitution to be rewritten; and

WHEREAS, many liberals in Congress seek to eliminate basic rights such as the right to bear arms through a constitutional convention; therefore, be it
RESOLVED, that the Ohio Department Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War oppose any attempt to memorialize Congress since such actions may result in the discarding of our U.S. Constitution in favor of a new one.

ATTEST: Keith D. Ashley, Camp secretary

No Action Taken by the Committee. A motion was made and seconded to accept the resolution was ruled out of order by the Chair. The action of the Chair was sustained by a voice vote of the Encampment.

Resolution 12: Coat of Arms

WHEREAS, the Constitution and Regulations of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War requires each camp to have a camp seal; and

WHEREAS, there is currently no supplier that has on file the coat of arms of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War for making camp seals; and

WHEREAS, having the initial camp seal made with the coat of arms of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War is quite expensive due to the need to design dies for this purpose; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that Brooks-Grant Camp No. 7 SUVCW urges the National Organization SUVCW to contact a company and have the coat of arms of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War set up so that camps may order camp seals at a reasonable cost.

ATTEST: Keith D. Ashley, Camp Secretary

Concur with Resolution 12. An objection was raised from the floor. A motion was made and seconded to refer this matter to the National Quartermaster to determine prices; motion passed.

Resolution 13: Lowering Membership Age

WHEREAS, requests are being received for membership by males under the age of 14, and

WHEREAS, males need to be taken into membership and nurtured in their interest in the War of the Rebellion before high school activities quell their interest; and

WHEREAS, the Ladies Auxiliary lowered their membership age in 1993 to 10 and the Daughters of Union Veterans already allow membership at age 8; and

WHEREAS, the Sons of Union Veterans should promote the ability of fathers and sons to unite together at SUVCW functions; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that Gov. William Dennison Camp No. 125 recommends that the Ohio Department and all other departments support the lowering of the age of membership to 12.

ATTEST: Keith D. Ashley, Camp Secretary

No Action taken by the Committee.
ENCAMPMENT COMMITTEE ON OFFICERS’ REPORTS

Commander-in-Chief:
Recommendation 1 - Concur.
Recommendation 2 - Concur.
Recommendation 3 - Concur.
Recommendation 4 - Concur.
Recommendation 5 - Concur.
Recommendation 6 - Concur.
Recommendation 7 - Refer to Council of Administration.
Recommendation 8 - Refer to Council of Administration.
Recommendation 9 - Concur.
Recommendation 10 - Concur.

Senior Vice commander-in-Chief:
Recommendation 1 - Concur.
Recommendation 2 - Concur.

Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief:
Recommendation 1 - Concur.
Recommendation 2 - Concur.
Recommendation 3 - Concur.

National Treasurer:
Recommendation - Concur.

Assistant National Treasurer:
Recommendation 1 - No action, as recommendation was previously acted upon.
Recommendation 2 - No action, as recommendation was previously acted upon.

National Patriotic Instructor:
Recommendation - Do not Concur.

National Historian:
Recommendation 1 - Concur.
Recommendation 2 - Concur.
Recommendation 3 - Concur. A motion was made and seconded to establish the “Real Sons and Daughters” National Committees a Special rather than a Standing Committee; motion passed.
Recommendation 4 - Concur.
Recommendation 5 - Do not concur.

National GAR Highway Officer:
Recommendation 1 - Do not concur.
Recommendation 2 - Concur.
Recommendation 3 - **Concur.**

*Banner* Editor:

- Recommendation 1 - *Concur on referring Council of Administration minutes.*
- Recommendation 2 - *Refer to the National Counselor.*
- Recommendation 3 - *Refer to the National Counselor.*

Life Membership Coordinator:

- Recommendation 1 - **Concur.**

**ENCAMPMENT COMMITTEE ON RITUAL AND CEREMONIES**

PC-in-C Richard Greenwalt, Committee Chair, addressed a letter of concern to the *Banner* Editor regarding the use of the phrase “Christian Services” in the job description for the Camp and Department Chaplains. Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief Harrison acknowledge that the *Banner* had used an earlier version of the Camp and Department Job Description document which contained the phrase but that the phrase has since been changed to “religious services” for the Chaplain position in both the Camp and Department and National Job Description documents.

**REPORT OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION**

National Secretary, David F. Wallace, reported on the actions of the National Council of Administration at its pre-Encampment meeting of August 11, 1994.

**OLD BUSINESS**

No item of Old Business was brought before the Encampment.

**NEW BUSINESS**

A motion was made and seconded to create the position of Chief of Staff Emeritus and to appoint PC-in-C Norman R. Furman as Chief of Staff Emeritus; motion passed.

A motion was made and seconded to grant Life Membership status to all Real Union Sons and Honorary Membership to all Real Union Daughters; motion passed. Commander-in-Chief Moore directed the National Secretary to develop appropriate certificates for presentation to the individuals identified.

A motion was made and seconded to include information on all Allied Orders with SUVCW organization information; motion passed.

The National Treasurer presented the proposed 1995 budget for the National Organization (see Appendix 5). A motion was made and seconded to adopt the proposed 1995 Budget as presented; motion passed.
GOOD OF THE ORDER

Commander-in-Chief Moore reported that he had received on behalf of the Order a Love Token from the Auxiliary in the amount of $250. He directed the National Secretary to send a thank you note back to the Auxiliary acknowledging the gift.

Commander-in-Chief Moore thanked the Michigan Department and its Planning Committee for hosting the 113th National Encampment.

Brother Gary Gibson presented the final National Patriotic Instructor’s report. A total of $3,052 was raised for the Grand Army of the Republic fund.

ENCAMPMENT COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS FINAL REPORT

A roll call of Delegates was taken. The Encampment Credential Committee reported that 105 Brothers (Delegates and Alternates) were registered. Of this, 86 Delegates were registered and 76 were present.

NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF NATIONAL OFFICERS

Commander-in-Chief Moore opened the floor nominations of the 1994-1995 National Officers. A motion was made and seconded to declare, where there be only one nominee for any office, that the rules be suspended and the nominee be declared elected by acclamation; motion passed.

The National Secretary called the Roll of Departments and the following nominations were recorded:

   Commander-in-Chief:
       Keith G. Harrison was nominated by Gary Gibson

   Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief:
       David R. Medert was nominated by PC-in-C Richard Greenwalt

   Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief:
       Alan R. Loomis was nominated by Dr. Gary E. Dolph
       Alan R. Peterson was nominated by PC-in-C Clark Mellor

   National Secretary (term to expire August 1995):
       David F. Wallace was nominated by William Brennen

   Member of the Council of Administration (term to expire August 1997):
       Robert Grim was nominated by PC-in-C Charles Corfman
       PC-in-C Joseph S. Rippey was nominated by George Shadman

   National Quartermaster (term to expire August 1997):
       PC-in-C Elmer F. Atkinson was nominated by George Powell
The following National Officers were elected by acclamation:

Upon the election of the National Officers, the following list of Appointed National Officers for the ensuing year was presented:

Chief of Staff: PC-in-C Clark W. Mellor
National Patriotic Instructor: Danny L. Wheeler
National Counselor: James B. Pahl, Esq.
National Chaplain: Rev. Richard Bradley Long
Life Member Coordinator: Richard D. Orr
National Historian: Gary L. Gibson
National GAR Highway Officer: Alan E. Peterson
National Graves Registration Officer: Charles Sharrock
Washington Representative: PC-in-C Richard Schlenker
National Personal Aide: David Turpin
National Guide: Greg A. Mierka
National Guard: Peter F. Kane
National Color Bearer: Terrance L. McKinch

The Fourth Business Session was recessed by Commander-in-Chief Moore at 4:55 P.M.

FIFTH BUSINESS SESSION
SATURDAY, AUGUST 13, 1994, 9:00 P.M.

The Fifth Business Session was opened and called to order by Commander-in-Chief Moore at 9:00 P.M.

INSTALLATION OF NATIONAL OFFICERS

At the request of Commander-in-Chief-elect Harrison, the Installation of National Officers for 1994/95 was conducted by PC-in-C Lowell V. Hammer. Serving as Installation Chaplain and Guide was Keith Ashley and Edward Krieser, respectively. Present for the installation were Mrs. Harrison, who pinned the Commander-in-Chief badge on Brother Harrison, and Mrs. Moore, who pinned the Past Commander-in-Chief badge on Brother Moore.

ADJOURNMENT

Following a Ritualistic closing, Commander-in-Chief Keith G. Harrison adjourned the 113th Annual National Encampment of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War at 9:50 P.M.
The post-113th National Encampment meeting of the Council of Administration, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War was called to order at 1:30 P.M. by Commander-in-Chief Keith G. Harrison. PC-in-C Richard Schlenker offered an opening prayer.

Members Present: Commander-In-Chief Keith G. Harrison, Senior Vice Commander-In-Chief David R. Medert, Junior Vice Commander-In-Chief Alan R. Loomis, Council Members Peter A. Dixon, Robert E. Grim, and PC-in-C Allen W. Moore, National Treasurer Richard D. Orr, National Secretary David F. Wallace, and National Quartermaster PC-in-C Elmer F. Atkinson.


It was moved and seconded that PC-in-C Joseph S. Rippey be appointed as the Council of Administration Senior Member Emeritus; motion passed.

Reports of Officers:

A. Senior Vice Commander-In-Chief Brother Medert proposed that the National Committee on Program and Policy be assigned the following duties: (1) Develop a proposal regarding a National member number, (2) Review the Application for Charter process and develop an updated procedure, and (3) Develop an outline for planning and conducting a National Encampment. Commander-In-Chief Harrison approved the request, directing that a report be presented to the Council of Administration.

B. Junior Vice Commander-In-Chief Brother Loomis thanked Brother Medert for his assistance and reported that he had spoken with three prospective members prior to the meeting.

C. National Secretary Brother Wallace reported that items referred by the 113th National Encampment to the Council of Administration for action were addressed in the Commander-In-Chief’s and National Treasurer’s reports.

D. National Treasurer A motion to develop a three-part carbonless Membership Application was defeated after much discussion. It was moved and seconded
(Orr/Dixon) that the line spacing be adjusted as required and a space for a National membership number be added to the existing Membership Application; motion passed.

It was moved and seconded (Orr/Dixon) that all Departments and Camps-at-Large be required to submit a copy of their most recent bylaws to the National Counselor no later than January 1, 1995, for review for conformity to the most recent edition of the Order’s Constitution and Regulations; motion passed.

Brother Orr reviewed PC-in-C Allen Moore’s recommendation that there should be six issues of the Banner published annually. After discussion, the Council decided to remain with a minimum of four issues annually.

A motion was made and seconded that the Senior Vice Commander-In-Chief be appointed as the Publisher of the Banner; motion did not pass. A motion was made and seconded designating the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Inc. as Publisher of the Banner, motion did not pass. National Counselor Pahl pointed out that the latter motion was redundant. Brother Gregory indicated that there needed to be a one word change in the “ownership box” of the Banner which will take care of the issue and that it will be taken care of prior to publishing the next issue.

Brother Orr reviewed the National Patriotic Instructor’s recommendation for the formation of a GAR foundation. It was moved and seconded that the Commander-In-Chief appoint a Special Committee comprised of members with knowledge in the formation of foundations to explore the formation of a Grand Army of the Republic Memorial Foundation and to report back with a recommendation to the Council of Administration at its regularly scheduled meeting in March 1995; motion passed. The Commander-In-Chief requested that any Brother present refer the names of attorneys with foundation experience to him by the end of the following week.

Brother Orr reviewed a request from Camp #116, Department of Indiana, to produce an embroidered badge and embroidered hat and decals. It was moved and seconded (Orr/Atkinson) that Gary Dolph, as represented by Brother Ed Krieser, be authorized to produce the 4” decal of the Order’s membership badge in the amount of 250 to be delivered to the National Quartermaster; motion passed.

It was moved and seconded (Orr/Atkinson) that the Council of Administration not approve the manufacture of embroidered hats as presented; motion passed.

It was moved and seconded (Orr/Atkinson) that if the proposed embroidered hats can be produced in conformity with the specific colors and depiction of the membership badge, the Council of Administration would approve the production; motion passed.

It was moved and seconded (Orr/Loomis) that Gary Dolph, as represented by Ed Kreiser, be authorized to produce an embroidered patch in conformity with the specific colors and depiction of the membership badge of the Order; motion passed.

The National Secretary was directed to correspond with Ed Krieser, supplying a prototype and description of the membership badge of the Order.
E. Commander-in-Chief  Commander-in-Chief Harrison requested names of individuals with actuarial experience to be submitted to him by August 19, 1995.

It was the resolution of the sense of the body that the Commander-in-Chief appoint Brother James T. Lyons as an Assistant National Secretary to transcribe two past Encampment Proceedings, in a format specified by the Commander-in-Chief, by the end of the next quarter. It was the resolution of the sense of the body that if the appointed Assistant National Secretary is unable to complete the transcription of two past Encampment Proceedings in the designated time frame, that the Commander-in-Chief immediately seek and assign other volunteers to transcribed the Proceedings.

Old Business:  None.

New Business:

After a review and discussion of costs it was moved and seconded (Wallace/Dixon) to increase the subscription rate of the Banner from $4.00 per year to $6.00 per year; motion passed.

It was moved and seconded (Wallace/Dixon) that the Banner Editor be authorized to begin a subscription drive to sell introductory subscriptions at $4.00 for one year with renewals at the $6.00 level (the Banner Editor will present an update to the Council of Administration at its next scheduled meeting); motion passed.

After a discussion regarding the Turner Publishing project, it was moved and seconded (Atkinson/Dixon) that a separate mailer explaining the project with no return address be sent to the membership; motion passed.

The next Council of Administration meeting is scheduled for Sunday, November 20, 1994, at 7:30 A.M., at the Ramada Inn in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania. This will be a breakfast meeting and is scheduled to conclude by 10:30 A.M.

The Council of Administration meeting was adjourned at 3:00 P.M.

Keith G. Harrison
Commander-in-Chief

David F. Wallace
National Secretary
APPENDICES
Commander-in-Chief Allen W. Moore called the meeting to order at 1:15 P.M. An opening prayer was offered by PC-in-C Charles Corfman.


A motion was made and seconded (Harrison/Atkinson) to approve the minutes of the August 11, 1994 Council of Administration meeting as distributed; motion passed.

Reports of Officers: Written reports were initially submitted by the following officers: Commander-in-Chief Moore, Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief Harrison and Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief Medert. The latter report was followed by discussion on recruiting methods, procedures and the routing of applications. It was suggested that in the future all advertisement responses go directly to the Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief. There was also discussion concerning a new membership card, and the development of a recruiting manual.

The National Secretary distributed and discussed the following reports and items:
1. Monthly report of membership and financial standing,
2. Funds transmittal report of the National Treasurer,
3. Memorandum to Department Secretaries regarding reports to be filed,
4. Cover letter and report form for Life Member reimbursement,
5. Memorandum to Department Commanders and Secretaries regarding amendments to the Constitution which also contained the text of the amendments and a copy of the ballot,
6. The contract with Turner Publishers, and
7. Copies of the revised Regulations incorporating the amendments passed at the 1993 National Encampment.

The National Treasurer reported that all recommended investments have been completed and expenses were running as projected. There was discussion regarding the provision of funds for Grant's Tomb. This led to discussion of the tax exempt status of the Order and the fact that it was not a 501(C)(3) organization. The Treasurer will get the information needed to make a determination on the advisability of the Order changing its present status to the above,

There was discussion on the Employment Identification Number (EIN) situation and the need to have all Camps and Department file. A motion was made and seconded (Harrison/Johnson) that all material from Camps and Departments are to be filed with the National Treasurer by July 1, 1994; motion passed.

A motion was made and seconded (Orr/Harrison) that effective March 20, 1994, all applications for Camp Charter include a completed copy of IRS FORM SS-4, including temporary numbers; motion passed.

National Counselor, Richard Orr offered a report and discussion regarding the sale of Sons of Veterans Badges as Civil War service medals by Collector's Armory of Alexandria, Virginia. A motion was made and seconded (Orr/Harrison) to approve use of likeness photos and photocopies of all insignia by all subordinate organizations provided that they are used in conjunction with legitimate functions of the SUVCW. An amendment was made and seconded (Orr/Harrison) that exclusive of manufacturing any membership badge, badge of office, rosette, recognition button, past badges of the Order and all jewelry, no monetary gain from the manufacture or sale of any of these items may accrue to an individual or corporation for any purpose; amendment and amended motion passed.
Assistant to the National Treasurer, Elmer F. Atkinson, reported that orders were coming in at a great rate and that the new form has been well received. He also reported that a Mr. McPherson of Oregon is manufacturing and selling a miniature of the SUVCW War Service Medal. The Commander-in-Chief will send a letter directing that he cease and desist.

MAL Coordinator Park provided a "show and tell" presentation on the MAL database and related materials with his portable computer. There is a need for coordination by those using computers to be working on the same programs. Information on how many fields, version of program and other details need to be formalized.

There was discussion concerning fees for Charters and Camp reactivations. A motion was made and seconded (Orr/Harrison) that: (1) where a new Charter is requested or needed, the full $25.00 fee is required; (2) in the case of a Camp disbanding voluntarily and then reactivating, there would be no fee, and (3) the $10.00 fee would apply to suspended Camps only; motion passed.

The Membership List Coordinator provided a written report. A motion was made and seconded (Johnson/Atkinson) to concur with the Membership List Coordinator's recommendation on labels; motion passed.

A motion was made and seconded (Orr/Harrison) that MALs must pay back dues for the year past plus the current dues in order to be reinstated; motion passed.

National Site Committee Chair, PC-in-C Corfman, gave a brief report on preparations for the 1995 National Encampment and reported that there were no prospects for 1996 or 1997.

Brother Orr reported on the 1999 Blue-Gray program. This will be a SUVCW program, other organizations will be invited to participate, but the joint committee concept has not materialized.

Treasurer Orr and Secretary Lyons both announced that they would not seek re-election in 1995.

New Business: There was a brief discussion on preparations for the 1994 National Encampment and the activity of the Special Project Committee. The Commander-in-Chief will invite the President General of the United Daughters of the Confederacy to attend the Encampment. He will also send letters of invitation to the National Presidents of the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War and the Woman's Relief Corps.

There was some discussion on the Grant's Tomb matter. It was decided that the issue should be investigated before we become involved.

Commander-in-Chief Moore mentioned a number of items of concern regarding Camp-at-Large #65 in St. Louis, Missouri. Most of the items had to do with getting additional information to the membership.

Other Business:

(1) Letter from Doug Smith suggesting a National Citizenship Award to be presented on an annual basis.
(2) Request from Morningside Press to exchange mailing lists.
(3) Howard Bartholf's request for support for the "Blue Coats in a Gray City" program to take place in Richmond, Virginia in April 1995.
(4) Letter from the Department of Indiana endorsing Alan Loomis for the office of Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief in 1994.
(5) Letter from the Department of Rhode Island concerning the latest developments in the Armory situation.

The next meeting will be at Lansing Michigan, Thursday, August 11, 1995.

The Council of Administration meeting was adjourned at 11:00 P.M.

Allen W. Moore
Commander-in-Chief

James T. Lyon
National Secretary
Council of Administration Meeting  
Saturday, June 18, 1994  
Hoover-Price Campus Center  
Mount Union College  
Alliance, Ohio

Commander-in-Chief Allen Moore called the meeting to order at 8:14 P.M.


A letter of resignation submitted by National Secretary James Lyons was announced and accepted by Commander-in-Chief Moore. The resignation was effective August 1, 1994.

Brother Orr recommended that Brother David Wallace of Michigan, be considered to complete the unexpired term of office amounting to one year and approximately two weeks. Commander-in-Chief Moore indicated that he had talked with Brother Wallace and other potential candidates. All agreed that Brother Wallace had the necessary qualifications. According to Commander-in-Chief Moore, Brother Wallace would accept the interim two week appointment and would run to fill the remainder of the unexpired term of Brother Lyons. Discussion followed on the need to carefully redefine the duties of the National Secretary to avoid the overload experienced by Brother Lyons. Functions such as publishing Encampment Proceedings, Banner oversight, new member inquiries and recording secretary responsibilities should be given to other elected or appointed officers. The stipend for the National Secretary should be adjusted to act as an inducement.

It was suggested that the SUVCW might hire a National Headquarters operative to assume some of the functions mentioned above. Further discussions cautioned against taking on a full time employee with attendant fringe costs at this time. The National Secretary’s Job Description now in draft form will go to the National Encampment in August. The Encampment will also elect a new National Secretary in August to fill the remaining year of Brother Lyons’ term. That will be our opportunity to tailor the job description to the candidate.

Upon Brother Lyons’ arrival, he commented that he found it necessary to resign because the responsibilities of the Secretary position plus the many other SUVCW tasks he was performing had become too burdensome. Considerable discussion concerning the proper use of the position of Chief of Staff followed. Many noted that this position could be used by future Commanders-in-Chief to oversee functions formerly performed by the National Secretary.

A motion was made and seconded that Brother David Wallace be appointed as interim National Secretary to serve August 1, 1994 through the end of the 1994 National Encampment; motion passed.

The Council of Administration meeting was adjourned at 9:53 P.M.  

Allen W. Moore  
Commander-in-Chief

Andrew M. Johnson, Member  
Council of Administration  
Meeting Recorder
Appendix 2. Registered Delegates and Alternates to the One Hundred Thirteenth National Encampment.
1. Altland, Forest
2. Ashley, Keith D.
3. Atkinson, Elmer F.
4. Aves, Lavern
5. Bateman, Robert J.
6. Bellenger, Ronald
7. Bennett, Elmer J.
8. Black, Herman
9. Brennan, William A.
10. Bury, Gordon R. II
11. Butterfield, Kenneth
12. Cameron, John B.
13. Cameron, Christopher
14. Clark, Barry
15. Cohoon, Leo
16. Colley, Douglas F.
17. Corfman, Charles
18. Costello, William
19. Craig, R. Colin
20. Dixon, Peter A.
21. Dolph, Gary E.
22. Dowd, Edgar
23. Downing, David
24. Fettinger, Michael M.
25. Foight, Frank A. III
26. Funck, Charles
27. Furman, Norman R.
28. Gage, Herbert R.
29. Gibson, Gary L.
30. Gill, Ronald B.
31. Graves, Daniel V.
32. Greene, Richard
33. Greenwalt, Daniel V.
34. Grim, Robert E.
35. Grothe, Jack
36. Hammer, Lowell V.
37. Harrison, Keith G.
38. Harrison, Nathan L.
39. Hayes, Gregory D.
40. Hayner, Clyde R. Sr.
41. Hershberger, Kenneth
42. Hilton, James E.
43. Hodges, Paul
44. Jackson, Stephen J.
45. Jenkins, John D.
46. Johnson, Andrew M.
47. Johnson, Thomas
48. Kane, Peter
49. Kaup, Nicholas
50. Krieser, Edward J.
51. LaBanta, Thayne
52. Lamphere, L. Dean
53. Lee, Richard F.
54. Lohrstorfer, John
55. Long, George W.
56. Long, Joseph
57. Longworth, M.C.
58. Loomis, Alan R.
59. Lowe, William
60. Lufkin, Richard P.
61. Lyons, James T.
62. Mann, John
63. Martin, Dr. David G.
64. Mayhew, Jerome T.
65. McKinch, Terrance L.
66. Medert, David R.
67. Meirka, Robert J.
68. Mellor, Clark W.
69. Meuting, James A.
70. Michaels, Stephen A.
71. Mierka, Gregg
72. Miller, Max
73. Milton, Thomas C.
74. Moore, Allen W.
75. Neal, William B.
76. Olsen, Roger L.
77. Orr, Richard D.
78. Orr, Nathan L.
79. Orton, Jerome L.
80. Pahl, James
81. Park, J. Douglas
82. Peterson, Alan E.
83. Petrovic, Robert M.
84. Pifer, Al
85. Plante, Aram
86. Powell, George L.
87. Prater, Stanley
88. Rawson, Vaughn J.
89. Rippey, Joseph
90. Rock, Robert
91. Russell, James
92. Schlenker, Richard C.
93. Schulze, Kurt A.
94. Seibert, John R. II
95. Shadman, George
96. Speaks, Dean
97. Taylor, Gene A.
98. Wallace, David F.
99. Warren, William
100. Webb, Herbert G.
101. Weld, Ted V.
102. Wheeler, Danny L.
103. Williams, Richard A.
104. Willmering, Thomas
105. Workman, Donald H.

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1. I wish to express my gratitude to all Brothers who elected me to the office of Commander-in-Chief at the 112th National Encampment in Portland, Maine, on August 14, 1993. I consider it a great honor to follow in the footsteps of so many illustrious leaders and to represent the descendants of the "Boys in Blue."

2. The Maine Department is to be complimented for planning a delightful 1993 National Encampment and for being an excellent host.

3. All correspondence addressed to this office should be sent to the address above. Requisitions for supplies should be mailed to the Assistant to the National Treasurer. Regular business should be addressed to the National Secretary, and financial reports should be sent to the National Treasurer.

4. Standing committee appointments have been made and chairmen have been notified. All previous appointees are hereby relieved and thanked for their efforts for the good of our Order. All retiring officers and committee chairmen are expected to transfer information to their successors.

5. Because of successful recruitment efforts by many Brothers, our organization has grown in the number of camps and members during the past year. An on-going, constant recruitment effort is necessary for continued growth. Each Brother securing three new members during my term will be appointed as a National Aide and issued a National ribbon, and each one who recruits five or more new members will be awarded a Certificate of Merit.

6. Brothers are urged to contribute to the Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief's Fund, which is used to pay for recruitment advertising in national periodicals. Donations should be sent to Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief Keith G. Harrison, 4209 Santa Clara Drive, Holt, Michigan 48842.

7. The National Patriotic Instructor is soliciting donations for the GAR Memorial Fund, which finances patriotic programs that perpetuate the memory of the GAR. Brothers are urged to send contributions to Patriotic Instructor Gary L. Gibson, 1713 Dorchester, No. 2, Kalamazoo, Michigan 49001.

8. It is very important that the National Membership Coordinator be informed immediately of all address changes, deaths, and other membership changes. Please notify Richard A. Williams, 1917 Teel Avenue, Lansing, Michigan 48910, of these changes.

9. The Commander-in-Chief’s itinerary is already being planned to serve the total organization. Invitations to special events and Department Encampments should be given early so that conflicts can be avoided and efficient plans made.

10. Please send me information regarding the ill and bereaved so that proper attention may be given.

11. The annual Remembrance Day at Gettysburg will be held November 20, 1993. Brothers are encouraged to attend the colorful, impressive ceremonies to pay homage to the Grand Army of the Republic. There will be a parade, a wreath presentation at Albert Woolson's statue, and dinner followed by a military ball.

12. Because communication among our membership is so vital, Departments and Camps are urged to submit news releases and photographs to the Editor of the Banner. This is an easy way to share or learn ideas for programs and projects.

13. I extend congratulations to the National Presidents of the Allied Orders on their election to office. Our support and cooperation are extended to Sister Florence Spring, Auxiliary National President; and to the new national presidents of the Ladies of the GAR, Woman's Relief Corps, and Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

14. All members of the National Council of Administration are advised that there will be a meeting of the Council at 9 A.M., Sunday, November 21, 1993, in Gettysburg at the Headquarters hotel.

15. As in the past, per capita fees and quarterly reports should be sent to the National Secretary within 10 days of the close of each quarter. Your compliance with these deadlines will make the National Secretary’s work much easier.

16. As we look ahead to the new year, let us set our goals high and work diligently to achieve these goals. May we strive to promote our Order through harmony, cooperation, and devotion.
17. To all my elected and appointed officers and committees, I extend my best wishes for a most productive and pleasant year. With your help and that of Almighty God, I will strive to serve the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War to the best of my ability.

By Order Of:
Allen W. Moore
Commander-in-Chief

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1. As I attend the various ceremonies across the country, I am impressed with the talent and skills possessed by our members. On September 18, 1993, it was my pleasure to participate in the Rededication of the Libby Prison Plaque ceremony at Richmond, Virginia. This beautiful observance was planned and chaired by Brother Howard Bartholf, who had worked on this event for three years. Descendants of Luther Libby, Paul Revere, and J.E.B. Stuart were present. Also participating were Dorothy Colantuono, President of the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War; Florence Spring, National President of the Auxiliary to the SUVCW; and Mrs. Anthony LaCavera, President General of the United Daughters of the Confederacy. I was pleased to present Brother Bartholf with a Certificate of Merit at this event.

2. I wish to commend the members of the Gen. George Armstrong Custer Camp No. 1 of Chicago for their dedicated efforts in revitalizing their camp from one of only 13 members to one of more than 70 members. On September 26, 1993, it was a pleasure for my wife and me to attend the impressive Rededication of 228 headstones at Union Civil War veterans’ graves at Rose Hill Cemetery in Chicago. This was a five-hour day of activities that were done in good taste and with a touch of class.

3. I have awarded Certificates of Merit to Brothers Nick Kaup, James Meuting Sr., and Dr. Thomas Hauff, who were instrumental in securing the 228 government headstones and in planning the Rose Hill Cemetery ceremonies. I also awarded a Certificate of Merit to Todd Malone, manager of Rose Hill Cemetery, who contributed significantly in a financial way to the Custer Camp project.

4. I have appointed the following as National Aides for securing three or more new members:
   - David Bailey, 12 new members, Custer Camp No. 1, Dept. of Illinois;
   - Nick Kaup, 4 new members, Custer Camp No. 1, Dept. of Illinois; and
   - Tim Frake, 3 new members, Custer Camp No. 1, Dept. of Illinois.

5. At the Central Region Conference held in Milwaukee on October 2 and 3, 1993, SUVCW and Auxiliary members met to discuss techniques of recruitment and retention of members and the effects of the Civil War upon the Constitution. Brother Thomas L. W. Johnson served as a very competent conference discussion leader and is to be commended for his dedication to the Central Region. I was given the honor of installing the new officers. A guided tour of the Milwaukee VA Hospital, which was founded in 1866, was very interesting.

6. I wish to express my appreciation to Dr. Gary E. Dolph, Richard Listenberger, and Stephen Jackson, for arranging a lovely reception and banquet for me on October 9, 1993 at Indiana University in Kokomo. It was a memorable occasion that I shall always cherish, and I thank my many friends and relatives from six states who attended. A Certificate of Merit was presented to Dr. Dolph.

7. This year the National Organization is awarding two $1,000 SUVCW scholarship The recipients were chosen by the Commander-in-Chief. The first award winner is Michael Don Torguson, a senior history major at Southern Oregon State College. He has a 3.78 grade point average, and is planning to teach history on the high school level. The second scholarship recipient is Amanda Munroe, a senior history major at Indiana University, Kokomo. She has a 3.8 grade point average and intends to teach Native American History on the university level. On behalf of the National Organization, I extend my very best wishes to both Michael and Amanda for success in their chosen careers.

8. I wish to extend a cordial welcome to Michael Don Torguson, scholarship winner, as a new member of the Orlando A. Somers Camp No. 1 of Kokomo, Indiana. Michael, who is a resident of Gold
Hill, Oregon, hopes to organize a camp in Oregon in the future. He is a descendant of Pvt. Alfred Mosher, Co. D, 16th Regiment, Wisconsin Infantry.

9. On behalf of the National Organization, I express my sympathy to Norma Garney, wife of the late Lou Carney, PDC of Massachusetts; he passed away on September 28, 1993. I request that Camp charters be draped for 30 days in his memory.

10. This year I have established two new awards, which I hope will motivate both individual members as well as camps to strive for excellence in their work to promote the memory of the Grand Army of the Republic. This first is the Abraham Lincoln Commander-in-Chief Plaque, which will be awarded to the most outstanding camp. The second is the Cornelius F Whitehouse Plaque, which will be given to the most outstanding member. Both plaques will be held by recipients for one year and then given to the next year's award winners. I trust that these new awards will encourage more involvement in worthy projects and activities among our membership. Applicants should request forms from me.

11. I have appointed Brother Leo F. Wilens, 1711 Park Drive, Mt. Prospect, Illinois 60056, a National Aide in charge of VAVS (Veterans Administration Voluntary Services). Both the Woman's Relief Corps and the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War are involved in this service program. Brother Wilens senses a dire need for the SUVCW to become involved. Please contact him if you are interested in this work.

12. To all Brothers who have been ill, I send my best wishes for a speedy recovery.

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1. It is very encouraging and rewarding to see the continued growth in membership and the increased participation in ceremonies and observances that our organization is currently experiencing. Many Camps are involved in some very noteworthy projects and activities, which not only perpetuate the memory of the Grand Army of the Republic but also advertise our own Order in the public sector.

2. To all Brothers who have been ill, I send my best wishes for a complete and speedy recovery. Past Commanders-In-Chief Norman R. Furman and Richard O. Partington have been hospitalized recently. I encourage Brothers to send them a note of cheer or card.

3. I have appointed Robert J. Eck as Camp Organizer for the Joshua Lawrence Chamberlain Camp at Roanoke, Virginia; and Allen Nelson of Sanford, Florida, as Camp Organizer in that area.

4. I have appointed the following as National Aides for securing three or more new members:
   - Robert E. Grim, 24 new members, Dept. of Ohio;
   - Edward W. Parks, 20 new members, Dept. of Massachusetts;
   - Gilbert B. Bagley, 10 new members, Dept. of Massachusetts;
   - Douglass R. Night, 8 new members, Dept. of Massachusetts;
   - Robert G. Carroon, 5 new members, Dept. of Connecticut;
   - Guy D. Minor, 5 new members, Dept. of Connecticut;
   - Peter Stevens, 5 new members, Dept. of Connecticut; and
   - Stephen T. Jackson, 4 new members, Dept. of Indiana.

5. On behalf of the National Organization, I express my sympathy to the families of the following late Brothers:
   - Marion Townsend, PDC, Dept. of Maryland;
   - Michael Colligan, Commander, Capt. John Bruck Camp No. 96, Dept. of Ohio;
   - Robert C. McCoy, Gov. William Dennison Camp No. 125, Dept. of Ohio;
   - Frederick Cupp, Capt. John P. Bruck Camp No. 96, Dept. of Ohio;
   - Harry Dayton, McClellan Camp No. 91, Dept. of Ohio, and
   - D. B. Snider, McClellan Camp No. 91, Dept. of Ohio.
I request that Camp charters be draped for 30 days in their memory.

6. Recently I signed charter applications for Camp No. 66 being formed at Toledo, Ohio, and Camp No. 7 being formed at Grand junction, Colorado. We wish the Camp Organizers much success in their recruitment efforts.

7. Brother Peter A. Dixon, Dept. of Maryland, and his committee are to be commended for their dedicated efforts to conduct the Lincoln Memorial Birthday events on February 12, 1994 in Washington, DC. In appreciation of Brother Dixon's work for the Order, I presented him with a Certificate of Merit. Present at the Lincoln Memorial Wreath-laying Ceremony were Past Commanders-in-Chief Gordon R. Bury, Charles W. Corfman, and Lowell V. Hammer. My personal wreath bearer was Brother John Walls of the Anna M. Ross Camp No. 1 of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. I found this to be a very well executed and meaningful ceremony.

8. At the Lincoln Birthday National Commemorative Committee luncheon held at Channel Inn in Washington, DC, Frank Scaturro, a senior history major at Columbia University who used to work for the National Park Service at Grant's Tomb in New York City, was the featured speaker. He told of the many abuses and the lack of maintenance of the tomb and urged all of us to write our US Senators and Congressmen to solicit their support for congressional action to restore Grant's Tomb in time for the tomb's centennial in April 1997. Also, please write to the following two legislators:

Hon. Dale Bumpers, Chairman  
Senate Subcommittee on Public Lands, National Parks and Forests  
229 Dirksen Building  
Washington, DC 20510

Hon. Bruce Vento, Chairman  
House Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests, and Public Lands  
2304 Rayburn H.O.B.  
Washington, DC 20515

9. The Gen. William T. Sherman-Billy Yank Camp No. 65 of St. Louis, Missouri, is to be commended for the most impressive and beautiful rededication ceremonies at the gravesites of both Confederate General Daniel M. Frost and Union General William T. Sherman. I was very proud of Brother Stan Prater, chairman, and Brother Thomas Willmering, Camp Commander, to whom I presented a Certificate of Merit. I have also presented a Certificate of Merit to Brother Anthony P. Burk for his many contributions to the Camp and our Order.

10. Your contributions to the Patriotic Instructor's Fund should be sent to Brother Gary L. Gibson, 1713 Dorchester, No. 2, Kalamazoo, Michigan 49001. Donations to the GAR Memorial Fund finance patriotic programs that perpetuate the memory of the GAR. These are important programs, and your financial support is needed and appreciated very much.

11. I also encourage each Brother to donate at least $1.00 to the Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief's Fund, which enables us to conduct a national advertising campaign in leading Civil War periodicals. The advertising program has brought us many new and strong members. Please send your contribution to Keith G. Harrison, 4209 Santa Clara Drive, Holt, Michigan 48842.

12. The Oliver Tilden Camp No. 26 of New York City is holding its annual commemoration of the birthday of Gen. Ulysses S. Grant on Sunday, April 24, 1994 at Grant's Tomb on 122nd Street and Riverside Drive in Manhattan. The ceremony begins at 11 A.M. I plan to attend this ceremony and I encourage all Brothers who are able to attend to support the Oliver Tilden Camp in this worthy endeavor.

13. I trust that members from every Camp in our Order will participate in the Memorial Day ceremonies in their areas. It is very important that we do this.

14. How many new members have you recruited since last August? Each Brother is urged to recruit at least one new member. That would increase our membership to 6,600. Are you aware that Sons of Confederate Veterans obtained more than 2,000 new members last year? We can, too!

15. Now is the time to plan to attend the National Encampment at Lansing, Michigan. Let's try to have representation from every Department and every Camp-at-Large. Members-at-Large are also encouraged to attend. The delegate card entitles a member to represent his Department or Camp-at-Large and to transact the business of the National Organization. Let us remember that the election of officer is only one item on the agenda.
16. After the approval of the Council of Administration on November 11, 1993, I signed an agreement with Turner Publishers to publish a historical-pictorial book on the SUVCW. To produce the kind of book we are considering will take about 18 months. The publisher will promote the book to our members, libraries, and military interest groups, and advertise it nationally. The more books sold, the more pages the book will contain. Regardless of the length of the book, the cost will be $49. The SUVCW will receive a five percent royalty on all books pre-sold.

17. I have appointed Gary L. Gibson as the SUVCW National Liaison with Turner Publishers. Those of you who have photographs and materials of a historical nature are exhorted to send them directly to Brother Gibson. His address is listed in Item 10, above, of these General Orders.

18. I have appointed PC-in-C Clark W. Mellor as Assistant Chief of Staff.

19. On behalf of the National Organization of the SUVCW, I extend my heartfelt sympathy to the family of the late Sister Ethel V. Carver, Past National President of the Auxiliary to the SUVCW, who passed away on January 8, 1994, at New Castle, Delaware.

20. It has come to my attention that Brother Ruel A. Morse of the Maine Department is urging members to send donations to the Joshua L. Chamberlain Museum, 225 Maine Street, Brunswick, Maine 04011. This house, which is a museum, is falling into disrepair and needs financial support for a much-needed renovation.

21. Last, I would like each Brother to ask himself one question: "What have I done this year to make the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War a stronger and more vibrant organization?"

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1. As I have traveled around the country since last August, I have been very impressed with the quality of the meetings, ceremonies, and events that I have had the opportunity to attend. Our organization is fortunate to have many strong leaders and diligent workers. My year in this office has enabled me to meet many fine people and to make many new friends.

2. During the past year, Brother J. Douglas Park, Michigan Department Commander and Chairman of the 113th National Encampment of SUVCW, and his committee have been making plans and arrangements. I urge all members to attend. It is very important that each Department and Camp-at-Large have representation. The National Encampment will be held from August 12-14, 1994, at the Holiday Inn South, 6820 South Cedar Street, Lansing, Michigan 48911 (Phone 517-694-8123). Room rates are $59 for one or two persons per room and $69 for three or four persons per room. You are urged to make your reservations early. Other information about this National Encampment is found elsewhere in this issue of the Banner.

3. Brother Robert M. Druckemiller is to be commended for his successful efforts in organizing a new camp at Toledo, Ohio. On May 15, 1994, at historical Fort Meigs in Perrysburg, Ohio, a Charter Meeting was held. We extend our best wishes to the Brothers of General James McPherson Camp No. 66 of Toledo, Ohio.

4. It was a pleasure to be able to attend and participate in the impressive and fitting ceremonies commemorating the 172nd birthday of General Ulysses S. Grant on April 24, 1994. Conducted by the Oliver Tilden Camp No. 26 of New York City, the ceremony held at Grant's Tomb included the initiation of five new members of Tilden Camp. At this event I awarded Certificates of Merit to Joseph J. Pucciarelli, Senior Vice Commander and Chairman of the Tomb Ceremony, and to Frank Scaturro, Grant's Tomb activist. Brother James Grismer is Commander of Oliver Tilden Camp No. 26.

5. I also wish to commend Brothers Thomas L. W. Johnson and Robert M. Graham and Attorney Edward G. Pree, co-chairmen of the Lincoln Tomb Observance Committee, for executing a most
appropiate ceremony and banquet. I awarded Certificates of Merit to them for their outstanding services to our Order.

6. New York Department Commander Danny Wheeler and his committee are to be commended for their recent publication, *New York Department History, 1866 - 1994*. This is a real contribution to our archives and will be useful to future generations.

7. Congressman Jerrold Nadler (D-N.Y), is sponsoring a bill that would establish uniformed military guards around the clock at Grant's Tomb. You are urged to write to your Congressman to solicit his support for this important bill.

8. If you have not already done so, please consider donating to the Patriotic Instructor's Fund. Send a donation to Gary Gibson, 1713 Dorchester No. 2, Kalamazoo, Michigan 49001. Also, please consider contributing $1 or more to the Senior Vice Commander's Fund. Contributions may be sent to Keith Harrison, 4209 Santa Clara Drive, Holt, Michigan 48842.

9. You are urged to send historical material and photographs to Gary Gibson for inclusion in the history of our organization to be published next year. His address is given in No. 8 above.

10. Brother Robert J. Eck is commended for the outstanding job of recruiting he has done in the Roanoke, Virginia, area. On April 12, 1994, the Joshua Lawrence Chamberlain Camp No. 20 was presented its Charter by Andrew M. Johnson, Commander of the Maryland Department. We wish Brother Eck and the members much success in the future. Their newsletter is a very attractive publication.

11. I also wish to congratulate Brother Gilbert Bagley of Plainville, Massachusetts, who has organized the Thomas H. Mann Camp No. 83, named for his great grandfather. Gil has done a fantastic job of recruiting and recently received much publicity in The Free Press of North Attleborough, Massachusetts. Keep up your good work, Gil.

12. One of my goals this year has been to create sufficient interest in securing a National Headquarters for the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. Everyone with whom I have discussed this idea has agreed that one is desperately needed. Two of the Allied Orders of the GAR (Woman's Relief Corps and Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War) have headquarters buildings with museums in Springfield, Illinois. Why do we not have one? The answer is rather obvious. I urge you Brothers to donate money or to will funds to the National Organization of the SUVCW for the establishment of a National Headquarters. These monies should be sent to the National Treasurer. Currently, he is Richard D. Orr, 153 Connie Drive, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15214. Brothers, we need to plan for the future.

13. I wish to thank those Camps and Departments that have shared issues of their publications with me this year. Brother Peter F. Kane, Senior Vice Commander of the Maine Department, is to be commended for his excellent *Yankee Lines*. We are pleased to learn of progress and growth in Maine. Keep up your good work.

14. Brothers J. D. Jenkins, Commander of the Gen. George H. Thomas Camp No. 19, of Lancaster, Pennsylvania, would appreciate letters of support in his efforts to rescue the home of Major Gen. John F. Reynolds, which is now a porno shop. He hopes to restore the home to is former glory. Your letter of support should be sent to: Michael A. Riley, 2542 Blacksmith Way, East Petersburg, Pennsylvania 17520.

15. OFFICERS' REPORTS: The reports of officers and committee chairmen should be typewritten on 8 1/2 inches by 11 inches white paper and submitted to the National Secretary by August 1, 1994. Oral reports presented on the floor of the National Encampment should be limited to four minutes and should simply highlight the important points of the written report.

16. ENCAMPMENT COMMITTEES: As Commander-in-Chief, it is my responsibility to appoint several committees to function at the National Encampment. Following are the committees and those appointed to serve on them:

- Credentials Committee: George L. Powell, chairman; Forrest F. Altland, Alan R. Loomis, Charles Funck.
- Resolutions Committee: Richard C. Schlenker, chairman; Roger L. Olsen, George W. Long, Douglas E. Smith.
- Ritual and Ceremonies: Richard L. Greenwalt, chairman; Kenneth Butterfield, Clyde H. Hayner.
- Press: Charles A. Rogers Jr., chairman; David Downing.
- Audit: Joseph Long Jr., chairman; Ronald Gill.
- Officers' Reports: Charles W. Corfman, chairman; Ivan Frantz Sr., Stephen T. Jackson.
- Restoration of Rank: Lowell V. Hammer, chairman; Andrew M. Johnson, Danny Wheeler.

17. I regret that conflict prohibited my attending all Department Encampments and events; however, I have appreciated the many courtesies extended to me and my good wife during our visits in many states. Unfortunately, there were four Department Encampments held the same day as my own Indiana Department’s.
18. Than you, National Officers and Committees, for the good work that you have done for our beloved Order this year. For the National Presidents - Sisters Florence Spring, Elsie Gould, Phyllis Houston and Dorothy Colantuono - I wish a most productive and pleasant Encampment. It has been a real privilege and joy serving with you.

By Order of:
Allen W. Moore
Commander-in-Chief
Appendix 7. One Hundred Thirteenth National Encampment Campfire Program, Joint Annual Banquet and Joint Memorial Service.
CAMPFIRE PROGRAM

ALLIED ORDERS OF THE
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC

HOLIDAY INN - SOUTH
LANSONG, MICHIGAN

FRIDAY, AUGUST 12, 1994, 6:30 P.M.

6:30 P.M. Concert...............................7th Michigan Volunteer Infantry
Fife and Drum Corps

7:00 p.m. Posting of Colors..................Sons of Veterans Reserve and
Assembled Color Guards

National Anthem..............................7th Michigan Volunteer Infantry
Fife and Drum Corps

Pledge of Allegiance...........Gary L. Gibson, National Patriotic Instructor, SUVCW

Invocation.................................Hazel Masse, National Chaplain, Auxiliary to the SUVCW

Greetings.....Letter from the Honorable Bill Clinton, President of the United States

Greetings........Letter from the Honorable John Engler, Governor of Michigan

Greetings.....William A. Brennan, Commander, Department of Michigan, SUVCW

Greetings..........................Allen W. Moore, Commander-in-Chief, SUVCW

Greetings.............Florence H. Spring, National President, Auxiliary to the SUVCW

Greetings................Phyllis Houston, National President, Ladies of the GAR

Presentation of Guests.................James T. Lyons, PDC, Department of Michigan

Address: Michigan in the War...................Edward C. Bearss, Chief Historian,
National Park Service

Announcements.......................................................James T. Lyons

Benediction.............................Esther Stuart, National Chaplain, Ladies of the GAR

Retiring of Colors.............................Sons of Veterans Reserve and
Assembled Color Guards
JOINT ANNUAL BANQUET
OF THE
SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR,
AUXILIARY TO THE SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR
AND
LADIES OF THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC

HOLIDAY INN -SOUTH
LANSING, MICHIGAN

SATURDAY, AUGUST 13, 1994, 6:30 P.M.

Welcome
Toastmaster PC-in-C Norman Furman

Salute to the Flag

Invocation
National Chaplain of the Auxiliary to the SUVCW

Dinner

Introduction of National Officers

Benediction
National Chaplain of the SUVCW

Pennsylvania Closing

Reception and Entertainment
JOINT MEMORIAL SERVICE
SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR
AUXILIARY TO THE SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR
AND
LADIES OF THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC
HOLIDAY INN - SOUTH
LANSING, MICHIGAN
SUNDAY, AUGUST 14, 1994, 9:00 A.M.

Musical Prelude

Processional

Musical Selection

Lighting the Candles
Allen W Moore, Commander-in-Chief
Florence H. Spring, Auxiliary to the SUVCW President
Phyllis Houston, Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic

Invocation & Scripture

Memorial to Grand Army of the Republic

Tribute to the Memory of Past Commanders-in-Chief
Tribute to the Memory of Past National Presidents of the Auxiliary to the SUVCW
Tribute to the Memory of Past National Presidents of the Ladies of the GAR

Tribute to the Memory of Officers and Members of the SUVCW
Tribute to the Memory of Officers and Members of the Auxiliary to the SUVCW
Tribute to the Memory of Officers and Members of the Ladies of the GAR

Roll Call of Deceased Members 1993-1994 and Placing of Flowers

Scripture & Benediction

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1953  *Albert Woolson  Minnesota

Sons of Veteran

1881  *Alfred Cope  Pennsylvania
1882  *Alfred Cope  Pennsylvania
1883  *Edwin Earp  Massachusetts
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1885  *Louis M. Wagner  Pennsylvania
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The Post System

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

Past Grand Division Commanders

*E. Howard Gilkey  Ohio

* Deceased
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