The Seventy-Eighth Annual Meeting of the Commandery-in-Chief will be held in Philadelphia October 17 and 18, 1963.

Pennsylvania Commandery will be the host to all Companions and Dames of M.O.L.L.U.S.

The Barclay Hotel, Rittenhouse Square at 18th Street will be the headquarters and a number of rooms have been reserved for Companions and Dames. Please mention M.O.L.L.U.S. when making your reservation and make reservation direct to the Barclay Hotel, not thru headquarters.

The registration fee will be $20.00 per companion and $10.00 for lady.

Entertainment has been arranged for ladies and dames on October 17th, 1963.

Complete details will be in circulars mailed to all members of the Commandery-in-Chief and the dames on or before October 1, 1963.
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LINCOLN TOMB
OAK RIDGE CEMETERY
SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS, 1963

My wife and I had the privilege of attending the annual commemoration of the death of President Lincoln at his tomb in Springfield, Ill. on this past April 15th. I use the word “privilege” advisedly for the ceremony was a most moving and impressive one.

As most of you know, this wreath-laying service was inaugurated in 1957 by the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War with certain of our Companions participating, namely: James L. High, George L. Cashman, the late Frank B. Huntington and the late Richard F. Locke of Illinois; the late Howell Taylor of Michigan; and Past Commander-in-Chief William C. Duval and Major William M. Coffin of Ohio. Our Order was asked to assist in the original commemoration and it has done so ever since.

Jim and Gladys High had thoughtfully arranged to meet Jane and me in Chicago and to drive Frank Huntington and us the rest of the way. As they met us, they gave us the sad and shocking news that Companion Huntington had died as he started to step into their car an hour earlier. Despite our distress, we felt that this was, perhaps, a happy way for one of our members to depart this life at the ripe age of 95.

Abraham Lincoln's tomb is indeed a beautiful one. No wonder it has become a national shrine and a place also for foreign visitors to go. It must be seen to be appreciated. And both Companion Cashman, the Curator, and Mrs. Cashman are excellent cicerones with a detailed knowledge of their subject and a vast store of information as to President Lincoln’s career and the Civil War in general.

The memorial service was a short one with brief speeches by Chester S. Shriver, Commander-in-Chief of the Sons of Union Veterans (also one of our Pennsylvania Companions) and myself, followed by the placing of wreaths contributed by more than sixty organizations.

What was remarkable was the indication of the love and admiration for Abraham Lincoln on the part of so many Americans, as expressed by the large number of floral tributes.

Following the ceremony there was a luncheon at which Past Commander-in-Chief General U. S. Grant 3rd gave the address on the subject of the friendship between his grandfather and President Lincoln.

So interesting and impressive was the whole affair that I urge all of our Companions to attend this commemoration if, on any April 15th in the future, they can arrange to be in Springfield. It is a moving experience that well repays those who participate for their time and effort.

DONALD M. LIDDELL, JR.
Past Commander-in-Chief

LINCOLN TOMB

Past Commander-in-Chief U. S. Grant 3rd appeared in Springfield, Illinois three times on April 15 in connection with the commemoration of the ninety eighth anniversary of Abraham Lincoln's death.

At the seventh annual Memorial Service conducted at the Lincoln Tomb in Oak Ridge Cemetery under the sponsorship of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War assisted by the Military Order of the Loyal Legion, General Grant placed the first of 62 wreaths offered by 45 separate patriotic societies and veterans organizations. The General’s wreath represented his personal tribute to the man who preserved the Union a century ago. The solemn exercises fittingly honored the memory of our sixteenth President.

The Memorial Salute was fired by a squad composed of two riflemen from the Sons of Union Veterans color guard and two from the Department of Illinois, Military Order of the Purple Heart. As in the past, there were two addresses at the Tomb. Commander-in-Chief Chester S. Shriver of the Sons, who is also a member of our Pennsylvania Commandery, recited Mr. Lincoln's February 11, 1861 Springfield farewell and was followed by Lieutenant Colonel Donald M. Liddell, Jr., Past Commander-in-Chief of the Loyal Legion.

After the service in the cemetery, General Grant addressed a luncheon gathering of 94 guests at the State House Inn, his subject being “A Unique Friendship—Lincoln and Grant”. (Note to Ed.: The luncheon attendance was down this year because the 15th fell on a working day, as it will for several years to come. J.LH) Mayor Nelson O. Howarth of Springfield extended a cordial welcome to the out-of-towners. A moment of silence was observed in memory of Honorary Illinois Companion Richard F. Locke, a Past Commander-in-Chief of the Sons, who passed away shortly after the 1963 ceremony, and Companion Frank B. Huntington, who died suddenly.
on April 14, 1963 as he was about to start the journey to Springfield. Both of these gentlemen had taken active parts in organizing the Tomb exercises in the early years; Companion Huntington had given prayers at the Tomb and at the luncheon in each of the six previous years. All those at the luncheon received plaster Lincoln heads presented by the Loyal Legion.

A chartered bus, furnished through the courtesy of the Sons of Union Veterans, operated between the State House Inn and the Tomb.

Co-Chairmen of the Committee in charge were George L. Cashman, Curator of the Lincoln Tomb and an Honorary Companion of our Order, and James L. High, Recorder of the Illinois Commandery.

MOLLUS memorial wreaths were offered by the Commandery-in-Chief, the Dames and the following Commanderies: California, Illinois, Southern California, State of Washington, Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, Ohio, and Indiana.

Representing the Loyal Legion were:

- **District of Columbia**—U. S. Grant 3rd.
- **Illinois**—Charles A. Brady, Jr., George L. Cashman, Gladys N. High (Dames), and James L. High.
- **Ohio**—William M. Coffin.
- **New York**—Donald M. Liddell, Jr., Mrs. Donald M. Liddell, Jr. (Dames).
- **Pennsylvania**—Chester S. Shriver.

General Grant’s third appearance of the day took place at an evening meeting of the Sangamon County Historical Society, where he spoke on “Grant and Lincoln—The Victorious Team”. During his talk, the General quoted his grandfather as having said “Lincoln was the greatest man I’ve ever known and the day of his death was the darkest day I’ve ever known”. It was fitting that this meeting was held in the Old State House (Sangamon County Court House), since it was here that the first General Grant worked while mustering new regiments into Federal service during the early days of the Civil War; it was here that he received his first commission as an officer in the Union forces; it was from this historic old building that he stepped forth on the road to fame and immortality.

The Historical Society graciously presented Past Commander-in-Chief Grant with a handsome fountain pen desk set mounted on a base of stone taken from Mr. Lincoln's first burial vault and containing a piece of wood from a roof timber of the Old State House.
The following Companions are known to have attended the 50th and 75th Anniversary at Gettysburg—yes—they were present for the 100th. Congratulations!

Col. Noel Bleecker Fox  N.Y.
Col. Charles McKnight  Pa.

It is possible others were present who attended the 50th, 75th and 100th Anniversary, but they are not known to the editor.

ANNUAL MEETING
PHILADELPHIA
17 and 18 October 1963

LINCOLN AT GETTYSBURG
GETTYSBURG—NOVEMBER 19th—1963

The Gettysburg Centennial Commission of Commonwealth of Pennsylvania is now firming up its plans for the commemoration of the centenary of the delivery of Lincoln's Gettysburg Address. In doing so they are working closely with the Lincoln Fellowship of Pennsylvania, which has conducted anniversary ceremonies at the National Cemetery for the past twenty-five years and with Gettysburg College, which has for the past several years brought prominent Civil War authorities to speak at seminars and conferences. This year the event will center around the observances to be held at the cemetery in the early afternoon of November 19th and on televised programs dealing with "The Impact of the Address, Nationally and Internationally, During the Past 100 Years". The time schedules and speakers on the television programs will be announced later in the daily press.

NEW YORK

The New York Commandery brought its 1962-63 season activities to a close with two gatherings: the Civil War Memorial Church Service and the Annual Spring Meeting and Dinner at the Union Club. Both affairs were well attended by Companions and their guests.

The Memorial Service, held on 26 May at the Church of the Heavenly Rest in New York City, massed the colors of several organizations representing the Union and Confederate forces in a solemn and beautiful ceremony. The sermon, appropriate to the occasion, was delivered by our Chaplain, The Reverend William R. Robbins. A Scroll of Honor, listing names furnished by those who participated in the service, of relatives who served in the Civil War, either North or South, was presented by our Commander, Major Grover Cleveland Bacon.

The Annual Spring Meeting and Dinner (adjourned) took place on 27 May at the Union Club in New York City. We were delighted to have Commander-in-Chief H. Durston Saylor 2d, Recorder-in-Chief J. Truman Swing and a number of Pennsylvania Commandery Companions attend. The speaker of the evening, Major General Charles W. Christenberry, President of the American-Korean Foundation gave a very timely and interesting talk "This Great Nation and You." At the meeting held prior to the dinner, election of officers for 1963-64 took place. They are here listed:

Commander —Major Grover Cleveland Bacon
Senior Vice Commander—Lt. Col. William Lathrop Rich
Junior Vice Commander—Thomas N. McCarter 3d
Recorder —Captain James C. Coggill
Treasurer —Lt. Col. Marshall Lee Page
Plans for New York Commandery activities for the 1963-64 season are well under way. An unusual trip has been planned for Saturday, October 26th when we will leave Headquarters by chartered bus and go directly to Hotel Thayer in West Point. Have an early luncheon—review the cadets of West Point Military Academy in parade—then attend football game between the Military Academy and Washington State and naturally our seats will be in the preferred section of the Army. Thru the courtesy of Companion Richmond Lisle-Cannon we will go to the Tuxedo Club for a most delightful roast beef dinner. If time permits we will tour the Museum of the Academy.

Scheduled for November is the Annual Fall Meeting and Dinner at the Knickerbocker Club in New York City, with a well-known speaker to be announced later.

On February 12, 1964, our Annual Lincoln's Birthday Dinner Dance will be held in the grand ballroom of New York City's Hotel Plaza. The 1963 affair was an outstanding success with a record attendance. We look forward to another gala occasion, with special entertainment. If Companions of other Commanderies, their wives and friends who would like to attend will signify their intention on a post card addressed to the New York Commandery, MOLLUS, 4 West 43rd Street, New York, New York 10036, invitations will be sent to them just as soon as they are off the press.

MASSACHUSETTS

The Massachusetts Commandery has completed another year, not as successful as we all wished but considering all it was a good year.

It is with deep sadness we announce the death of our Commander on July 11th, Richard F. Lufkin. He was an inspiring leader.

All of our Board of Officers meetings have been held in spite of the very cold winter.

Our usual Lincoln Day Reception was held with a large attendance. The Annual meeting was held and below are our new officers for 1963-64:

Commander ......................... Richard F. Lufkin
Sr. Vice Comdr. .................... Lenahan O'Connell, Esq.
Jr. Vice Comdr. ..................... William H. Shreve
Recorder-Curator Librarian ........ Preston S. Lincoln, Lt. Cdr., USNR (Ret.)
Treasurer ............................ Frederick L. Dabney, Esq.
Chancellor ......................... Samuel C. Bartlett, Jr., Comdr. USNR (Ret.)
Registrar ......................... M. D. Lincoln, M.D.
Chaplain ............................ Courtlandt W. Babcock
Recorder-Curator Librarian ........ Arthur F. Allan, Jr., C. Terry Collins,
Treasurer ............................ Randolph Frothingham, Esq.
Chaplain ............................ Henry N. Sawyer, Jr.

Our Commandery presented seven silver cigarette boxes as awards for outstanding traits of leadership to our R.O.T.C. student officers at Boston University, Northeastern University and Harvard.

The Commandery again joined with Navy Post 297, American Legion, in sponsoring two Jr. High School boys at the Boys State Convention at the University of Massachusetts in May, as a Memorial to the late Ex Commander Earl E. Davidson.

The Board of Officers on June 20 voted to hold the following stated meetings:

November 7, 1963—March 19, 1964
February 12, 1964—Annual Lincoln Day Reception
May 7, 1964—Annual Meeting

We are all looking forward to the 100th Anniversary of the founding of our Commandery on March 4, 1968.

We showed a loss for the first time in years in our membership and hope our Order is not a mere social club or society but a Military Order founded to combat sedition, subversion and treason by those who had risked their lives and liberty to preserve a Federal Union. We face the same problems today.

Communism and Welfare Stateism are at war with everything our Order stands for and our ancestors fought, suffered and sacrificed to uphold. We need recruits to maintain our Principles and Objectives; and thousands are eligible to join us but most of them do not realize it.

PRESTON S. LINCOLN,
The Pennsylvania Commandery held its annual meeting on May 9, 1963, at the Valley Forge Military Academy, Wayne, Pa., upon the invitation of our Honorary Companion, Lieutenant-General Milton Graffy Baker. We were first treated to a spectacular review of the Guard Mount, followed by a Regimental parade of Cadets of the Academy with all their equipment, including Jeeps, half tracks, tanks, artillery, followed by the mounted Cadets. Then we adjourned to the Chapel of St. Cornelius the Centurian for the Memorial Services where our Chaplain, G. Hall Todd, participated with the Chaplain of the Academy at which time our Chaplain read the names of those Companions who died within the past year. This Chapel is of Colonial design and is outstanding.

Immediately following the services we proceeded to The Eisenhower Hall, where we all met General Baker and his staff at a reception, followed by refreshments and a delightful dinner. At the close of the dinner we were entertained by the Cadets’ Glee Club.

The Annual Meeting of the Pennsylvania Commandery then followed. We were honored by having two New York Companions present, namely Captain Charles Wildrick, Past Commander of the New York Commandery, and Captain James C. Coggill, their Recorder. One hundred twenty-five Companions were present.

On July 1st we journeyed to Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, where we participated in the commemoration exercises with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, at the 100th Anniversary of the Battle of Gettysburg. At the “Peace Light” ceremony the Pennsylvania Commandery, together with the War Library and Museum, presented two parcels of ground (two Deeds) for approximately 20 acres— to the Gettysburg National Park, Department of the Interior of the U.S., and further, a check of $5,000.00 was presented to Dr. LeRoy H. Fischer, Professor of History, Oklahoma State University, the winner of our Literary Contest, for submitting the best manuscript on the subject of the Civil War or events leading thereto.

On the evening of July 1st, the Pennsylvania Commandery entertained the following at a Reception and Dinner: Governor and Mrs. William W. Scranton, Lieutenant Governor and Mrs. Raymond P. Shafer, Secretary of Commerce and Mrs. John K. Taber, Post Master General and Mrs. J. Edward Day, Honorable and Mrs. Conrad L. Wirth and others. This was a most auspicious occasion and there were about 225 companions, ladies and guests present at this 100th Anniversary Dinner.

On Sunday, October 27, 1963 we will go by bus to the Aberdeen Proving Grounds, Aberdeen, Maryland, where we will tour the museum and grounds upon the invitation of our Companion, Colonel George Burling Jarrett, Curator of the museum. A reception will be held in the Officers Club, followed by a smorgasbord dinner.

We are all looking forward to the Annual Meeting of the Commandery-in-Chief to be held in Philadelphia on October 17-18, 1963, at which time the Pennsylvania Commandery will be the host.

The Washington Commandery presented Medals to outstanding ROTC Students at Colleges in this area as indicated in the table below:

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Theron Holbrook Hawkes IV was elected as a Hereditary Companion on 30 May 1963. He is the son of our former Recorder who died 1 July 1962. Our new Companion graduated from the University of Washington in 1952 and served on active duty afloat as a Naval Aviator until 1956. He is married and the father of two children.

The Vice Commander, C. Frederick Harley, of the Washington Commandery has been elected as President of The Washington Society of The Sons of The American Revolution.

A stated meeting of the Washington Commandery will be held at the Washington Athletic Club at 6 PM on Wednesday 25 September 1963. After dinner and a short business session, Colonel Robert Lieding, Professor of Military Science at Seattle University, will discuss the Battle of Gettysburg. Colonel Lieding is considered an authority on this subject.

C. D. EMORY
Recorder

FUTURE ANNUAL MEETINGS OF THE COMMANDERY-IN-CHIEF

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GEORGE GORDON MEADE, III
ROBERT E. LEE, IV
HONORARY COMPANION DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER
GETTYSBURG—JULY 1, 1963
GETTYSBURG JULY 1963
PERSONAL OBSERVATIONS
By
G. HALL TODD
Chaplain
Pennsylvania Commandery

My honored predecessor, the late Clarence Edward Macartney, the author of many volumes on Lincoln and the Civil War, once wrote about "sacramental Gettysburg." John Richard Green, the author of that misnomer A Short History of the English People pronounced Gettysburg the most monumental battle in history. As the one-time president of Cornell and historian, Andrew D. White declared: "The battle at Gettysburg settled the question whether or not the government should be of the people, by the people, and for the people."

It was with stirred emotions that many of us went to Gettysburg on the memorable occasion of the centennial of the battle, which lifted a small, hitherto obscure Pennsylvania county seat town into world renown and everlasting fame. Some years ago in his academy in Paris, Raymond Duncan, picturesquely attired in the garb of an ancient Greek as his daily costume, the brother of the celebrated dancer, Isidora Duncan, spoke with me concerning his extensive genealogical research, inquiring about Adams County, Pennsylvania, where he had learned that some of his antecedents had resided. He was much intrigued when he learned from me that it is the county of which Gettysburg is the county seat. Few persons could tell you about Adams County. Every intelligent person could supply some information about Gettysburg.

Sir Edward Shepherd Creasy produced his Fifteen Decisive Battles of the World in 1851, too early to have included Gettysburg. Only one American battle, Saratoga, was treated. As one reviews some of the battles Creasy describes, he is impressed how meager would be the knowledge most persons could impart concerning the battles of ARBELLA, CHALONS, METAURUS, and PULTOWA. Yet it is likely everyone could tell you something of Gettysburg.

In my early years I had been extranced by the reading of the volumes published by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania dealing with the monument dedications at Gettysburg and, in particular, the reunion of the surviving participants at the fiftieth anniversary of the battle in 1913. It is remarkable that three of our members, Dr. Robert J. Hunter, Colonel Charles McKnight and Colonel Noel Bleecker Fox, who were present at Gettysburg this July, had been present in 1913 and 1938.

What a galaxy of luminaries were present then! Among them were the controversial General Daniel E. Sickles; Secretary of War Lindley M. Garrison, whose father and maternal grandfather were Camden and Philadelphia clergymen; Henry L. Stimson, destined to serve as Secretary of State during World War II; Thomas R. Marshall, the Vice President of "good five cent cigar" fame; Congressman J. Hampton Moore, later Philadelphia's mayor; Barry Bulkeley, who was the son of Dr. John Wells Bulkeley, the young physician who was first to reach Lincoln's side following the assassination and who read the Gettysburg Address; John K. Tener, the onetime star on the baseball field, who was the Pennsylvania governor; Governor James M. Cox, of Ohio, who several years later was to be a candidate for the presidency; Speaker Champ Clark of the House of Representatives.

In that still formal era and despite the intensity of the heat most of the speakers appeared with high silk hats, wearing cutaways and frock coats.

On July 4, President Wilson, clad in a Prince Albert, addressed the multitude in the big tent. Like Lincoln, his speech divulged his knowledge of the Bible, as there fell from his lips such phrases as "stricken in years" and "we contend not with armies but with principalities and powers and wickedness in high places." Little perceiving what the following year 1914 and the years ensuing immediately thereafter would bring in crisis, he declared, as he turned from the old soldiers, whose day had turned into evening, "Our day is not over; it is upon us in full tide."

In 1938 at the seventy-fifth anniversary, while some veterans of the conflict still tarried on the earth, Dr. Joseph Fort Newton, a familiar and esteemed figure at our Philadelphia meetings, delivered a commemorative sermon and with great brilliance and superb poetry conjured the glory and pathos of Gettysburg.

What of the events in the year 1963 in the town where prior to the Revolution Scotch-Irish and German strains intermingled. Under a broiling sun from whose heat nothing was hidden we stood at the Peace Monument as our own General Milton G. Baker of Valley Forge Military Academy presided. With admiration we heard Wm. Buchanan Gold, Jr. and Brooke M. Lessig, with a dignity, felicity of speech, and eloquence befitting the hour, represent our organization. With ringing voice, Pennsylvania's Governor Scranton delivered the principal address.

The dinner at the historic hotel in the center of town was a notable event. At the speaker's table, among others, was Postmaster General J. Edward Day, who resigned his post a few days later and who revealed himself in our conversation as an avid genealogist. Seated next to me was Robert E. Lee, IV of San Francisco, the great grandson of the general and next to him was George Gordon Meade, IV, great grandson of the Union general. Participating in the program was the Reverend David B. Birney, III, an Episcopal rector in Allentown, Pa., the great grandson of General David Bell Birney, the Philadelphia lawyer who was a native of Alabama, son of the anti-slavery champion, James Gillespie Birney and who in October 1864 returned to his home on Race Street smitten with malaria, dying a few days thereafter.
An interesting feature of Tuesday's parade was the procession of descendants of the generals. In addition to those previously mentioned were descendants of the Confederate General Henry Heth of Virginia, who was a cousin of George E. Pickett and Clay Early, arrayed in Confederate uniform and bearded and a member of the family of the line of General Jubal B. Early.

Writing of the presence of descendants, General Meade's own granddaughter and other great grandchildren of the Philadelphia general, who was born in Spain, were at the Loyal Legion dinner. One of our members, Edward Breed, who was present, is a direct descendant of Jonathan Edwards, probably the greatest intellectual America has produced and surely the greatest metaphysical mind in our history.

In 1913 Pickett's grandson, a son and grandson of General Longstreet as well as Miss Henrietta Meade, General Meade's own daughter, were honored guests.

At Gettysburg College campus where I was entertained, it was my privilege to meet a Mr. Tyler, a young Richmond attorney, and member of the Virginia Civil War Commission. He is the grandson of President John Tyler (1790-1862) who was our nation's leader twenty years prior to the Civil War and at his death in 1866 was a member from Virginia in the Confederate Congress. Young Mr. Tyler is the son of the late Dr. Lyon Gardiner Tyler, the child of the President's second marriage. Dr. Tyler was president of William and Mary College from 1888 to 1913, also being distinguished as a genealogist.

We missed the distinguished presence of General Ulysses S. Grant, III, who was at the Gettysburg commemoration and who brings not only descent but actual, personal memories of his great forefather and many other celebrities of the American scene into our assemblages.

One of the interesting personages, with whom I renewed acquaintance, was Dr. Louis C. Warren of Fort Wayne, Indiana and long the chief research historian in the vast repository of Lincoln lore at the Lincoln National Life Insurance Company. Dr. Warren was guest speaker at our Chicago meeting a few years ago. Dr. Warren is a minister of the Disciples Church and while serving a temporary invalidism. Meanwhile he had given command to Colonel George Ashworth Cobham, scion of a noble English family, who in the early nineteenth century had come from England and erected a castle in a heavily forested area of Warren County, Calhoun was killed fifteen months later at the Battle of Peach Tree Creek in Georgia. Having in my childhood known officers and members of the Bucktail regiment, who fought at Gettysburg brought the event of a century past much closer to me.

During the parade I stood near the historic Presbyterian Church, where the wounded had been conveyed after the battle and where Lincoln had attended a service on the day of the cemetery dedication. President Eisenhower is now a member there. The minister there forty years ago was the eminent scholar, Dr. W. Childs Robinson, now of the Columbia Theological Seminary in Decatur, Georgia and who on Easter, 1943, at Warm Springs preached the last sermon heard by President Franklin D. Roosevelt. Near me stood the man who impersonated Lincoln, after he had concluded his line of the Bucktail regiment, who fought at Gettysburg brought the event of a century past much closer to me.

Earlier that day I revisited many of the shrines of history. It is an interesting phenomenon that battles have often lifted into significance edifices and sites otherwise unnoticed. At Gettysburg there is the famed Peach Orchard, occupied by General Sickles and his men. History has at least two other widely known orchards, Anton Chekhov's early twentieth century drama, The Cherry Orchard, and an olive orchard, which is hallowed for time and eternity as Gethsemane. Gettysburg has its wheatfield, once drenched in blood but perchance an augury of the day when swords will be beaten into ploughshares.
There is Splangler's Spring, a brook by the way for the refreshing of men in blue and gray. There are the several farm houses commandeered by the officers such as the Leister farm, which Meade used as headquarters.

I remember standing one summer day at Waterloo in Belgium and noting the two farmhouses used by the British and henceforth immortalized: the Houguomont farm and the smaller structure, La Haye Sainte. There are other parallels between the 1815 battle in which Wellington's army brought defeat to Napoleon and that at Gettysburg. In both instances the opposing armies were drawn up on two parallel ridges, separated solely by a very shallow valley. Gettysburg has its Cemetery Ridge and Seminary Ridge, the latter so named from the Lutheran Theological Institution, whose main building was used by General Lee as his watchtower and whose present president, Dr. Donald Heiges appropriately participated in Monday exercises.

Waterloo is unlike Gettysburg in that her tumult has found depiction in two of the classic novels of the later nineteenth century, namely, Thackeray's Vanity Fair and Victor Hugo's Les Miserables. It remains for some future novelist to produce the magnum opus, which will contain a portrayal of Gettysburg.

Near the center of the town stands the quaint railway station, the same structure which was there in 1863 and at which Lincoln alighted to deliver his address. What history, both personal and national is attached to depots! We know how the closing scenes of Count Leo Tolstol's career transpired in a Russian station. Someone should write a volume about the famous depots of history. We have them in our own personal histories.

During my brief visit I took occasion to visit the David Wills house opposite the hotel, where Lincoln was entertained and polished his speech. There one is awed in the darkened, dimly illumined chamber to be greeted by an almost eerie wax effigy of the martyred president. Hard by the battlefield is the house where the sole civilian casualty, Jennie Wade, met her end as the result of a stray bullet. Not far away is the house of her birth. I was conducted to the cellar, where her body was removed from the kitchen, where she fell while baking bread in the household of her sister, who was confined with a newborn child. That child, having reached over his three score and ten allotment of years, died some years ago in Billings, Montana, far away from the tragic scenes attendant upon his entrance into life.

Surely the most dramatic natural setting on the battlefield is Devils Den, whose cavernous defile became a morgue for the rotting corpses of the slain. Of all the statuary, the most striking and spectacular is the figure of General Gouverneur Kemble Warren, a one time West Point professor of mathematics, set upon the natural base of rocks on the eminence of Little Round Top.

The heat, overwhelming though it was, was peculiarly reminiscent of the battle days and of the equally horrendous days that followed, when thirty-five thousand wounded remained to be nursed and thousands of putrefying bodies thronged the roads and fields, while swarms of flies were allured by the pervasive filth and decay, and the area for miles hovered under the repelling, ghastly and poisonous stench of death.

What an array of illustrious generals foregathered on that field! Peruse the roster of both armies and find among them: Oliver O. Howard, for whom the university is named and who in later years was heard in many pulpits; Abner Doubleday, of baseball fame; Winfield S. Hancock, who was an unsuccessful candidate for the presidency; Fitzburgh Lee, who was heard from again in the Spanish American War; J. E. B. Stuart; J. D. Imboden; Henry W. Slocum; John White Geary, who died in office as Pennsylvania's governor in 1873; Carl Schurz of St. Louis, honored for his work on Civil Service reform, and such exotic names for that day in America as General Alexander Schimmelfennig, Walter Krzyzanowski, Leopold von Gitsa. Among the casualties of Gettysburg was a son of the Scottish missionary and explorer in Africa, David Livingstone. It is noteworthy that of no war have the generals become so widely known and studied, especially with reference to their biographies, as those of the Civil War.

I was impressed anew by the varied groups, who have been captivated by the study of Gettysburg and the entire Civil War period. In a sightseeing bus traversing the battlefield I conversed with two young employees of the B.O.A.C., who had flown over from London to be present and commuted daily from their hotel in Harrisburg. They are members of a Civil War study group in the British capital. Returning by bus to Philadelphia, I conversed with an exceptionally bright senior from one of Philadelphia's Roman Catholic high schools. Of Italian and Austrian descent, both of his parents being second generation Americans, he is an ardent and intelligent devotee of Civil War history.

I left Gettysburg in the twilight of that commemorative July 2, aware that all of the centennial observance would not be finished in the opening days of this month. November holds a date of equal import, the nineteenth. The name Gettysburg has gained as much renown from the imperishable speech as from the battle. Speaking at the Gettysburg Reunion in 1913, Dr. Newell Dwight Hills of Plymouth Congregational Church, Brooklyn, said: "Edward Everett's lengthy oration was a bushel of diamonds carefully polished. Lincoln's brief speech was a handful of seed corn that has sown the world with the harvest of history. The greatest thing about the battle of Gettysburg is that it made possible the speech of Lincoln that has changed the history of liberty for all time to come."
OHIO

On 19 November, 1963, Major General U.S. Grant III, USA Ret. will be the guest of the Ohio Commandery, in Cincinnati. The day will be officially known as GRANT'S DAY IN CINCINNATI.

The proposed program of events will be City sponsored. At 11:00 o'clock in the morning there will be a short program at the famous Lincoln Statue by George Gray Barnard, in Lytle Park (downtown Cincinnati); at Noon a luncheon honoring General Grant, by the Century Old Cincinnati Business Firms; and the Chamber of Commerce (downtown Club), and to climax the day, at 8:00 in the evening, in Wilson Auditorium, University of Cincinnati, an open meeting for the citizens of Cincinnati, to honor General Grant, and to commemorate the 100th year anniversary of Lincoln's Gettysburg Address. AND at the evening ceremony, each person attending will receive a printed reproduction of the Address. At this meeting General Grant will make a public address. He will be welcomed by Mayor Bachrach of Cincinnati, President Langsam of the University of Cincinnati, and introduced by Past CINC Wm. C. Duval. Stephen Z. Starr, President of the Cincinnati Chapter of the Civil War Round Table will be the Day's Official Chairman.

Distinguished citizens from all over Ohio have been invited, including the Governor of Ohio, to make this day the most remembered event during the four years of the Civil War Centennial years in Cincinnati.

The following organizations, not mentioned above, will be recognized; Dames of the Loyal Legion; Sons of Union Veterans; Auxiliary Sons of Union Veterans; Daughters of Union Veterans; Woman's Relief Corps; Ladies of the GAR; Colonial Wars; Sons of American Revolution; Daughters of American Revolution; Society of Cincinnatus; War of 1812; Aztec Society; United Spanish War Veterans, Daughters of the Confederacy; Veterans of Foreign Wars; American Legion; Disabled American Veterans; Military Order of the World Wars; National Civil War Centennial Commission; Ohio Civil War Centennial Commission; Greater Cincinnati Civil War Centennial Commission; State (Ohio) Historical Society; Historical and Philosophical Society of Ohio; Rotary and Kiwanis.

WM. C. DUVAL
Recorder

IN MEMORIAM

We regret to announce the following deaths
of members of the Board of Officers
of Commandery-in-Chief

FRANK B. HUNTINGTON
Died April 14, 1963
Age 95

Companion Huntington was elected a companion in 1902 thru the Wisconsin Commandery, later transferred to the Illinois Commandery where he was a Commander. He was a member and a familiar figure at all the Board of Officers meetings of the Commandery-in-Chief. His loyalty and devotion to the Order was outstanding.

RICHARD F. LUFKIN
Died July 11, 1963

Companion Lufkin was elected a companion November 11, 1954 in the Massachusetts Commandery and immediately took great interest in the affairs of the Commandery. He held various offices and at the time of his death was Commander.
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