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## **George L. Powell**



### **Commander-in-Chief, 2001-2002**

At its 120th Annual National Encampment held in Springfield, Missouri in August 2001, the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War (SUVCW) elected George L. Powell the 115th Commander-in-Chief. Commander-in-Chief Powell is the sixth member from Pennsylvania elected to this position in the past 20 years and the 25th since the founding of the SUVCW in 1881.

Commander-in-Chief Powell was born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania on March 19, 1948 and is the eldest son of George and Eileen Powell. Brother Powell's interest in the Civil War began when he received a copy of Carl Sandburg's Lincoln as a birthday present at the age of eight. Vacation trips to several battlefields during the Civil War Centennial as well as trips to the reenactments of First Bull Run and Antietam enkindled a love of American History that continues today. Although he knew he had an ancestor who fought in the Civil War, he did not begin researching his ancestor until he was nearly 40 years old. Attending the first Open House program at the Grand Army of the Republic (GAR) Civil War Museum and Library in Philadelphia in January 1987, he met Past Commander-in-Chief Elmer F. (Bud) Atkinson and several other Brothers of Anna M. Ross Camp #1 and the rest is, as they say, history. Basing his membership on his maternal Great-Great Grandfather Daniel Murphy, Corporal in Company B of the 30th Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry, he joined Camp #1 at its next meeting, being appointed the Camp Guard the same evening. Since then Brother Powell has held most offices in the Camp including Commander in 1989. His interest in the Order increased and he was elected Pennsylvania Department Junior Vice Commander at the 1991 Encampment in Chambersburg, Pennsylvania.

He progressed through the Department Offices serving terms as Commander in 1994 and 1995. His service at the National level includes seven years as the Credentials Chairman at the National Encampments, six years on the Military Affairs Committee as well as three years on the Council of Administration before his election as Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief in 1999.

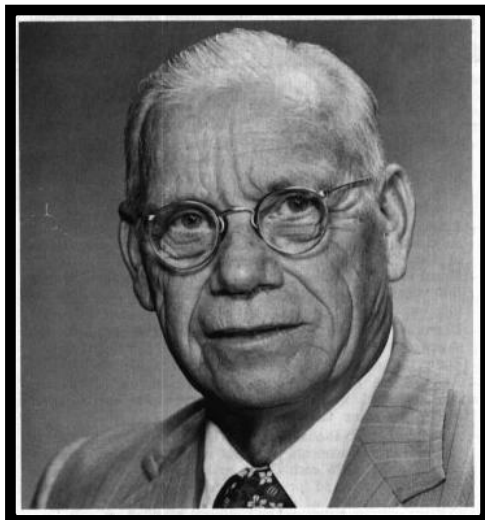
In addition to his work with the SUVCW, Brother Powell served as a member of the Board of Directors of the GAR Museum in Philadelphia for 10 years, nine as Vice President. He is a founding member of the 28th Pennsylvania Historical Association and Company C, 28th Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, a Sons of Veterans Reserve reenactment group, where he served as the first Treasurer and Newsletter Editor.

He has served in many positions with the Boy Scouts of America in Philadelphia over the past 35 years and is a recipient of the District Award of Merit and the Silver Beaver awards. He is currently serving as a Lector and has served for more than 25 years as an Usher in his church.

Brother Powell could not be as active as he is without a loving wife and family who supports his varied interests and an understanding employer. He has been employed by the National Board of Medical Examiners in Philadelphia for the past 31 years and is currently a PC Systems Analyst.

For the past 32 years he and his very patient wife, Sandy, have lived in the Wissanoming section of Philadelphia finding time to raise three daughters, Susan, Theresa, and Karen, and he is a first time grandfather with daughter, Susan, and her husband, Tom, presenting him with Grandson #1, Matthew Thomas Schied, on Christmas Eve, 2000.

## IN MEMORIAM



**Kenneth T. Wheeler**  
**Commander-in-Chief 1976-1977**

Kenneth T. Wheeler was elected Commander-in-Chief of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War at the 95th National Encampment held in Columbus, Ohio, August 15 - 19, 1976. Brother Wheeler's great-grandfather, Edwin F. Wheeler, served as a private in Company F., 16th New Hampshire Regiment. He was killed in action August 16, 1863.

Brother Wheeler joined the J.W. Spaulding Camp #38 in 1936. He served as Camp Commander in 1944. He has held all the elective offices in his Camp and served as Secretary-Treasurer from 1950. He was a member of a degree team for several years. After serving in many elective offices, Brother Wheeler was elected Department Commander of New Hampshire in 1949. He had the honor of attending the last Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic in Indianapolis that year. This was the highlight of his years of service with the SUVCW. He was again elected Department Commander for 1976/1977. Within the National Organization, Brother Wheeler has served as National Genealogist, Nation Chaplain and National Patriotic Instructor.

In retirement, Brother Wheeler served on the Milford Planning Board and a town school budget committee.

IN MEMORIAM



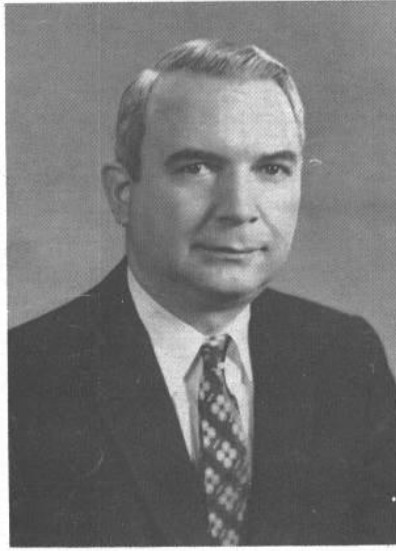
**William Simpson**  
**Commander-in-Chief 1983-1984**

William Simpson was elected Commander-in-Chief of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War at the 102nd National Encampment held in Portland, Maine, August 14 - 18, 1983. Brother Simpson was a life member and his eligibility to the Order was two-fold. His paternal great-grandfather, James Simpson, served in Co. M, 22nd Pennsylvania Cavalry for two years. His maternal great-grandfather served in the 186th Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry for three years.

He joined General George C. Meade Camp 16 in 1968 and served in all Camp offices, and was elected Pennsylvania Department Commander in 1974 and again in 1975. He held appointed and elective offices in our National Organization including serving on the Council of Administration, Military Affairs Committee and as Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief.

Brother Simpson served with the U.S. Marines in the Korean War. He was a member of the V.F.W., American Legion and the Marine Corps League. He was employed for 31 years by the Parish Division of Dana Corp as an assembly line worker.

IN MEMORIAM



**Joseph S. Rippey**  
**Commander-in-Chief 1963-1964 and 1964-1965**

Joseph S. Rippey was elected Commander-in-Chief of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War twice. The first time was at the 82nd National Encampment held in Miami, Florida, August 18 - 22, 1963 and the second time at the 83rd National Encampment held in Providence, Rhode Island, August 16 - 20, 1964. Brother Rippey's great-grandfather, John Smith, enlisted with the Pennsylvania Volunteers, and his grandfather, Bernard Smith, they being father and son, was a member of Company I, 54th Regiment, New York National Guard.

Initiated into Glidden-Pierce Camp, now Glidden-Pierce-Lamb Camp #6, of Rochester in 1951, he held the office of Camp Commander and most other Camp offices. He served as President of the Abraham Lincoln Association of Rochester. He was elected New York Department Commander in 1958 and again in 1959. Brother Rippey served the National Organization as a member of several committees, as chairman of the Committee on Americanism, chairman of the Committee on Legislation and as Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief.

Brother Rippey was a practicing attorney. He attended St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, where he was a Vestryman, and was for several years, its Senior Warden. He was active in many civic groups. His military record included four years in the U.S. Navy in World War II in the Southwest Pacific area, and in the office of the Chief of Naval Operations, holding the rank of Lieutenant Commander. He continued to be active in the Naval Reserve.

Brother Joseph S. Rippey served the SUVCW with distinction for 54 years. His death came on July 28, 2002 shortly before the 121st National Encampment of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. He



was eulogized during the annual Memorial Service at the Encampment by New York Department Commander Todd Shillington. This stirring tribute made it evident to those who didn't get the privilege of meeting Brother Rippey that he was not only extremely dedicated to the SUVCW but promoted the SUVCW at every opportunity.

## National Officers for 2001 – 2002

Commander-in-Chief	George L. Powell
Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief	Robert E. Grim
Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief	Kent L. Armstrong
National Secretary	Edward J. Krieser, PCinC
National Treasurer	Max L. Newman
National Quartermaster	Elmer F. Atkinson, PCinC
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Council of Administration	Donald E. Darby (2003)
Council of Administration	Ronald B. Gill (2004)
Assistant National Secretary	Todd Shillington
Assistant National Secretary (Proceedings)	Glenn B. Knight
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National Patriotic Instructor	Charles D. Young
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National GAR Highway Officer	Jon B. Silvis
National Historian	David G. Martin, PhD
National Eagle Scout Certificate Coordinator	Robert M. Petrovic
National Signals Officer & Webmaster	Keith G. Harrison, PCinC
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Assistant National Webmaster (Web Ring)	Frederick W. Cole
Assistant National Webmaster (Family Tree Maker)	Robert C. Shaffer
Executive Director	Lee Walters
National Color Bearer	John T. McNulty
National Guide	Vacant
National Guard	Peter Young
National Liaison to Cathedral of the Pines	Richard L. Woodbury
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National Aide de Camp	John C. Rutherford
National Aide (Personal Aide)	Charles D. Young
National Aide (Musician)	Jeff Heagy
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**121<sup>st</sup> Annual National Encampment  
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**First Business Session  
Friday August 9, 2002, 10:00AM**

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

Get out your membership cards. Current plans are for elections to be held after lunch tomorrow. Be back from lunch on time or you will get locked out.

All discussions will be conducted in the spirit of fraternity charity and loyalty. And one thing that isn't listed on there: there's a microphone there; I want you to use it. If you want to speak, line up behind the microphone. It makes the proceedings easier to get out on time. This year was the first year we actually met our congressional mandate to get out proceedings out on time. And that's thanks to the hard work of Rebecca Pratt and that bald-headed guy sitting next to her.

Anybody who doesn't use the microphone, I've got three gavels up here, and I've been practicing. I can hit just about any area of the room. The light one is the one that belongs to the Order; the heavier one belonged to Brother (PCinC Richard O.) Partington which he passed to me, and if anyone is really hard-headed, I've got the sterling silver one which belonged to Commander-in-Chief Clarence Verdel.

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

Will the National Secretary call the roll of elected officers/

**National Secretary Ed Krieser**

Commander-in-Chief George Powell. Present  
SVCinC Robert Grimm. Present  
JVCinC Kent Armstrong Present  
Secretary Ed Krieser Present  
National Treasurer Max Newman Present  
Council member Robert Petrovic Present  
Council member Ronald Gill present  
Council member Don Darby Present  
National Quartermaster Elmer Atkinson Present

**National Secretary Ed Krieser:**

Sir, the roll of elected officers has been called

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

Thank you. Brothers on what principles was our Order founded? And what duties do we inculcate?

**Encampment Response:**

Fraternity Charity and loyalty

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

Brothers we meet again as Sons of Union Veteran in annual session, to review the work of the past and to plan for the future. May our conduct and deliberations be marked by mutual tolerance and fraternal courtesy, ever keeping in mind our duty to our county, our Order and ourselves.

Now the National Chaplain will invoke the divine Blessing.

**National Chaplain Rev. Richard Partington, PCinC:**

Our Heavenly Father, the high and mighty ruler of the universe, Who looks down upon the government of men, we earnestly ask Your favor to bless our native land and preserve in purity and integrity its free institutions for all coming time. Bless our Order. Grant that it may long exist, and that it may continue to be an instrument of great good to all. Give us willing hands and ready hearts to carry out properly its principles and objectives. Keep green in our minds the memory of those who sacrificed so much that the life of the nation might be preserved, and deal with them in all things with Your special mercy. Give us Your aid in conducting the business for which we are assembled, and so bless us that Charity and Justice, and Peace and Harmony shall remain and flow from us. Amen.

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

Brother Richard will you please drape the Charter in memory of PCinC's.

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

Let us now give the pledge of allegiance. Color Bearers you will now present the colors.

**Encampment:**

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

By virtue of the authority vested in me, I hereby declare the 121st annual Encampment of the SUVCW duly opened for the transaction of such business as shall properly come before it. Guard you will admit all Brothers qualified to enter. Brother Todd Shillington, will you act as guard for me today? I have someone coming later.

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell**

Appointment of encampment committees:

Credentials committee:

Brothers John Mann

Ed Dowd

Larry Roach.

Constitution & Regulations:

James Pahl, chair

Danny Wheeler, PCinC

Ed Krieser, PCinC

Resolutions:  
Steve Michaels  
John McNulty.

Officer's reports  
Henry Shaw, chair  
Joe Long  
Richard Orr, PCinC

Fraternal Relations:  
Keith Ashley  
Eric Schmenke  
Jerry Crawford,

LGAR  
Keith Harrison, PCinC  
Jack Rugbee.  
Charles Corfman, PCinC

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

Is the credentials committee ready for the preliminary report or do I need to tap dance for a while?

**Credentials Committee:**

Total 151 registered in attendance so far

OFFICER'S REPORTS

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

CinC turns the Encampment over to the SVCinC

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

National Officers and Brothers at the One Hundred Twenty First National Encampment of the Sons of Veterans of the Civil War. We have come to the end of a very interesting year in the life of our Country and our Order. In the past 12 months our country has been the victim of the cowardly attacks of September 11, 2001 that took the lives of more than 3,000 innocent men, women and children, three Past Commanders-in-Chief answered their last roll call and a Federal Judge has determined that we are not "One nation under God."

The attacks of September 11 and the action of the judge in California both point to the need for our Order to step forward and use the increase in patriotic fervor to educate all Americans on what it means to be an American, the rights and duties of citizenship and what we as a nation owe not just to our ancestors but to all veterans who were and are willing to step forward in times of crisis to fight and die for, as Lincoln said, the best form of government in the world.



Over the past few years we have made some significant steps forward to bring our Order into the 21st century. These steps were not without cost, in money, time and effort, but they are necessary to our continued growth. The development of our award winning web site, the establishment of a National Headquarters in Harrisburg, PA and the hiring of an Executive Director have gone a long way in preparing us for the future. This past year we established an account with AOL which, for the first time gives us a standard set of internet ID's that provides Email addresses that do not have to be changed every time we elect new officers. This also saves us money in that we can print an Email address on our literature that will see that requests get sent to the correct officer regardless of when it was printed. We also formed the Sons of Union Veterans Web Ring which is an Internet shortcut between SUVCW Department and Camp Websites.

For the first time in five years four issues of the Banner were published. The Banner is a quality product that all the membership can be justly proud. The improvement in the quality and frequency of the Banner has a corresponding cost. This year the cost of producing the Banner has doubled to \$30,000 or nearly \$6.00 per member. Although for the first time we now have paid advertising in the Banner the advertising revenue has not yet begun to reach the level needed to offset the increase in cost. Until this happens we need to find a solid method to fund the Banner as well as continue to support the other needed projects of our Order.

In the past year I have had the pleasure to sign the charters for 11 new Camps and install the Officers of a new Department, the Department of Oklahoma who will receive their charter at this encampment. In spite of the efforts of many, many brothers to recruit new members our membership grows just fast enough to offset the number of brothers who leave our Order. We all need to work just as hard if not harder to retain our existing members. When a new brother joins we need to get him involved in the activities of the Camp. Find out what his interests are, why did he join? The way to keep a brother is to get him involved.

In my travels this past year I have met many brothers whose enthusiasm for our Order is outstanding and I wanted to recognize their efforts, most especially the Brothers in the Department of California and the Pacific, the Department of Iowa and the Department of Oklahoma.

I want to recognize the efforts of Brother Keith Harrison. A recipient of the Most Outstanding Brother at last year's Encampment, Brother Keith has served since 1998 as our National Webmaster and developed it into an outstanding tool for our Order. His list of titles at the end of his Email is responsible for killing more trees than any 2 members of our Order. Brother Harrison has announced his intention to step down as our Webmaster. I wanted to take this opportunity to thank Keith for his service.

When we joined we all took on a solemn obligation to preserve the memory of the deeds of our ancestors, the Boys in Blue. We should be doing this, not for any personal recognition or glory, but to honor those who have gone before us. Leave your ego at the door when you enter the meeting room. No one person has all the answers. It is only by working together that we can meet the expectations of the G.A.R. who gave us the title of which we should be most proud, "Heir to the Grand Army of the Republic."

We need to be cooperating, not just with the brothers in our Order but especially with the other Allied Orders. The Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans, the Daughters of Union Veterans, the Ladies of the Grand Army and the Woman's Relief Corp have just as strong a connection to the G.A.R. as we do. They are not second class members of the Allied Orders. I'm not saying that you have to like every member of the Allied Orders.

The Bible says that we should love our neighbor; it doesn't say anything about liking them. I have met members of the ladies organizations that will never be on my Christmas card list, but we MUST work together for the betterment of our organizations.

There is much that the Commander-in-Chief and the Council of Administration can and should be working on but a lot of valuable time and resources are spent refereeing personality differences at all levels of our Organization. Many of these problems could be resolved without the intervention of the National Officers if the brothers involved had just read the Constitution and Regulations before they act. If you have a question on something please first consult the C&R and then if you still have a question contact your

Department Officers and, if needed, contact the National Officers. It is always much easier to resolve problems before starting a project than it is to have to undo work already started or in some cases, completed. And please understand that the Commander-in-Chief and the Council of Administration when called upon to make a ruling will do so in accordance with the C&R and that ruling might not be what either party wanted or what the Council really would like to have happen.

### **Recommendations:**

1. That the Constitution and Regulations Committee draft the appropriate changes to the C&R to allow for the National Collection of Dues. They are to report to the Council of Administration at its March 2003 meeting and publicize the changes in the Banner in sufficient time for approval at next year's National Encampment.
2. That the Program and Policy Committee develop a plan for the implementation of a National collection of dues, including the acceptance of Credit and /or Debit cards. The committee is to report back to the 2003 National Encampment.
3. That a Special Committee be appointed to develop a "National Gift Shop" on our website for the sale of non-restricted items. The committee to report to the March meeting of the Council of Administration for approval and implementation.
4. That beginning in January 2003 and every year thereafter the National Secretary prepare a CD that contains up to date copies of all the forms of our Order along with a set of instructions for completing each form and that a copy of this CD be sent to each Department and Camp for their use. The cost of producing these CD's to be covered by a yearly re-chartering fee to be charged each Camp and Department. The fee is to be set by the Council of Administration each year.

5. The Seal of the Commandery-in-Chief is in need of repair and restoration. That the Seal be repaired and sent to the National Headquarters for display between encampments.
6. That the current flag stands be retired to the National Headquarters for use there and that new, lighter stands be purchased.
7. That 2 Baldrics' be purchased and kept with the Commander-in-Chief's colors.
8. There is nothing in the Constitution and Regulations regarding the naming and membership of Camp and Department Guards. Some Camps and Departments have selected a reenactment group to be the official "Guard." I have issued General Order 15 requiring that all members of a Camp or Department Guard must be brothers of that Camp or Department. There has been some confusion with these Camp and Department guards using the name of the reenactment unit as the name of the camp and department guard. An additional problem is that each group has different membership requirements. What you end up with is two groups using the same name and one requires the all members be in the SUVCW for the Camp Guard and a separate group that allows anyone to join the reenactment group. It is my recommendation that the name of any Camp or Department Guard must be "the name of the Camp or Department" Guard. For example, "Abraham Lincoln Camp #1 Guard."

Again, I want to thank you for the confidence you placed in me last year. I hope that I have met your expectations and that I have given you no reason to regret your decision. God bless the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, and God bless the United States of America.

Respectfully Submitted in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,  
George L. Powell  
Commander-in-Chief  
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War  
Springfield, Illinois

### **Rulings of the Commander-in-Chief 2001 - 2002**

Ruling 1. Several years ago the Department Commander of the Department of Rhode Island applied for and was granted an Honorary Membership for the Adjutant General of the State National Guard, Major General N. Andre Trudeau. General Trudeau is no longer the Adjutant General and the old Department Officers stated that the Honorary Membership was for the position of the Adjutant General and that his replacement now had the Honorary membership. After reviewing the available information I issued the following ruling:

The Constitution of our Order in Article VII Membership, Section 1 Membership Classes, Paragraph (c) Honorary Membership states "The Commander-in-Chief, upon recommendation from a Camp, Department, or the National Council of Administration and with the approval of the National Council of Administration, may grant honorary memberships to persons of acknowledged eminence who are especially distinguished for conspicuous and consistent loyalty to the Constitution and the laws of the United States of America, and who have been active and eminent in maintaining the supremacy of the

same and are known not to be eligible for membership in our Order." It specifically says PERSONS not positions so any attempt to do what the Brothers involved said happened would be a direct violation of the Constitution of our Order. Any such action by the Commander-in-Chief, the Council of Administration or anyone else would be invalid and unenforceable. Also, a position cannot be given an Honorary Membership because the honoree must also be ineligible for membership in the Order. If in the future the sitting state Adjutant General of RI National Guard were eligible for membership (have an ancestor who was a descendant of a soldier, sailor or Marine who fought for the Union) he would be ineligible for Honorary Membership. Therefore it is my ruling that the honorary membership status granted was for Major General N. Andre Trudeau and for him alone.

Ruling 2. I was informed that at least one camp was attempting to create its own Life Membership program. Based upon the following opinion of the National Counselor it was my ruling as Commander-in-Chief that this cannot be done. Any money collected for this purpose is to be immediately refunded and all such activity is to cease. Camps may not establish a life membership program. Per our Congressional Charter, this may only be done by the National Organization. Any such effort to create any type of life member program at the Camp or Department level is void.

Ruling 3. It was brought to my attention that at least one Camp has formed a Camp Guard that allowed non-members of the SUVCW to be members of the Camp Guard. This cannot happen. Accordingly it was my ruling that membership in a Camp or Department Guard is limited to Brothers of that Camp or Department and that any Camp or Department Guard that includes members who are not Brothers of the Camp or Department must immediately correct this situation by either having all non-members become Members or Associates of our Order or to drop all non-members from the ranks of the Camp Guard. This is holding the camp and department Guards to the same requirement as the individual members of the SVR.

### **NEW CAMPS**

1. Lt. Adam Slemmer Camp #6, 27 January, 2002, Department of Florida
2. Greenwood Camp, 30 January 2002, Department of Colorado and Wyoming
3. Maj. Robert Anderson Camp #139, 4 February 2002, Department of Michigan
4. General George G. Meade Camp #5, 9 February 2002, Department of Maryland
5. Admiral John L. Worden Camp #150, 19 February 2002, Department of New York
6. Sgt. Frederick R. Jackson Camp #7, 14 February 2002, Department of Florida
7. Abraham Lincoln Post #1 Camp #1863, 15 April 2002, Department of Maryland
8. Captain John White Spencer Camp #9, 15 April 2002, Department of Maryland
9. Maj. Francis Wilhelms Camp #17, 5 June 2002, Department of Missouri
10. Col. John B. Weber Camp #44, 5 June 2002, Department of New York
11. Gen. John Buford Camp #4389, 5 June 2002, Department of New York

### **Commander-in-Chief Itinerary 2001-2002**

August 9-12: National Encampment, Springfield, Missouri  
September 15: Testimonial for Commander-in-Chief

September 22: Testimonial for Pa Dept. Commander  
October 13: Marker Dedication for Gen. Thomas Ransom, Rome GA  
October 20: Testimonial for National President of the Auxiliary and PA Dept. President  
November 11: Monument Dedication for Sultana Victims, McConnellsville, OH  
November 17: Remembrance Day, Gettysburg, PA  
November 18: Council of Administration Meeting, Gettysburg, PA  
February 2: Department Mid Year Meeting - Wisconsin - Milwaukee, WI  
February 12: Lincoln's Birthday, Washington, DC  
March 9: Council of Administration Meeting, Harrisburg, PA  
March 9: Annual Dinner for the G.A.R. Civil War Museum and Library, Phila., PA  
March 16: Department Encampment - California & Pacific - San Louis Obispo, CA  
April 6: Department Encampment - Rhode Island - Providence, RI  
April 13: Department Encampment - Iowa - Waterloo, IA  
April 15: Lincoln's Death Day Ceremony, Springfield, IL  
April 20: Department Encampment - Michigan - Lansing  
April 28: Grant's Tomb Ceremony - New York City  
May 4: Install New Department - Oklahoma - Tulsa, OK  
May 11: Soldiers & Sailors Monument Rededication - Indianapolis, IN  
May 25: Memorial Day Ceremony - Joel Searfoss Camp #273, Bangor, PA  
May 25: Memorial Day Ceremony - Anna M Ross Auxiliary #1, Phila., PA  
May 26: Memorial Day Ceremony - Gettysburg Camp #112, Gettysburg, PA  
May 30: Memorial Day Ceremony - Lincoln-Cushing Camp #1, Arlington National Cemetery, Washington, DC  
June 8: Department Encampment - New York - Ithaca, NY  
June 15: Department Encampment - Ohio - Alliance, OH  
June 21: Department Encampment - Missouri - St. Louis, MO  
June 28: Department Encampment - Pennsylvania - West Chester, PA  
August 1: National Convention - Sons of Confederate Veterans - Memphis, TN

Thank you for the confidence you placed in me last year. I hope I have met your expectations and have given you no reason to regret your decision. God bless the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War and God bless the United States of America.

Respectfully submitted  
In Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty,  
George Powell, Commander-in-Chief

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

There are some things in my report that I'm not going to read right now, but I want you to go over them. Sometimes Brother Richard (Orr, PCinC) will quote something said by a Commander-in-Chief in 1899 and it's still in effect. Well, I made three rulings this year that will be in effect until either overruled by another Commander-in-Chief or by another National Encampment. So I would like you to read them. There's also a list of the eleven (11) new camps and my itinerary for the year.

**PCinC Richard Orr**

I move that the Commander-in-Chief's report, along with all other officers' reports, be accepted and forwarded to the committee on Officers' Reports.

The motion was seconded and passed.

**Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, Robert Grimm**

It's been a great privilege to serve as your Senior Vice this year, and of course one of the exciting things about that was serving as an understudy to your Commander-in-Chief. As a result of that, I have attended many functions and had the opportunity to see your commander-in-chief in action. And on many occasions this necessitated my having SVR forces with me. I'm still rather puzzled as to why, when I would show up with the troops he would edge over around the poll, and peek around a little bit and make sure the rifles were pointed in the right direction. He did get through the whole year, safe and sound—much better than when he was Senior Vice Commander. No broken legs or other disasters befell him. And I learned a lot from him.

I do two things: one is Chair of the Program and Policies Committee, and the report of that committee will be made later. The other job is editor and publisher of the Banner. You've seen the quality of the product we've produced this year. I have only one recommendation and that is how to finance that. A bit later you will hear a report from the CoA on how to do that, and I recommend you accept their recommendation. That concludes my oral summary, which you said you wanted. What follows is the written report.

Due to the action taken by the delegates at the 120th SUVCW National Encampment in Springfield, Missouri, the principal duty of the Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief now centers around serving as Editor and Publisher of the Banner. I am pleased to report we were successful in publishing four issues of the Banner as required by the C & R. Quarterly issues were mailed in October and December, 2001 and March and June, 2002. We appreciate the many favorable comments regarding the new format and style of the Banner.

I am also happy to report that members of our Order continue to supply us with high quality articles for publication in the Banner as well as news worthy items relating to camp and department activities. As a matter of fact, we receive more material than we have space to publish. This puts us in the difficult position of choosing which items will be published. However, I would much rather have this problem than the problem of not having enough material to publish; even though some Brothers end up disappointed because their material was not selected.

We find photograph prints reproduce better than electronic photographs. Thus we have shown favoritism toward the prints and encourage submission of prints when possible.

The biggest challenge facing the Banner is publication cost. They continue to rise for various reasons. We now accept paid advertising in an effort to help defray publication cost. During this past year John Hart of Dunmore Publishing who handles the actual printing and mailing of the Banner has not had much success in selling advertising for the Banner. He is hopeful that as people see the quality of the new Banner they will be more inclined to purchase advertising. We have lowered the advertising rates in an

effort to attract more advertising and it seems to be working. Additional advertisers have signed on for the coming year. However, we will still need additional revenue from the SUVCW General Fund for the foreseeable future.

The Commander-in-Chief and the Council of Administration have the responsibility to secure funding for the Banner and the Commander-in-Chief has addressed this problem in his report.

My second area of responsibility is serving as Chairman of the Program and Policy Committee. I will address the activities of that committee in a separate report. Attached as an appendix to this report is a list of events and activities I participated in during the year.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS;

1. I urge the encampment to accept the suggestions and recommendations of the Commander-in-Chief and Council of Administration relating to a solution for the Banner funding problem.

#### Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief activities 2001-2002

August 8-12, 2001 National Encampment, Springfield, MO  
September 18, 2001 Attended meeting of Henry Casey Camp No. 92, Wash. C.H., OH  
September 23, 2001 Participated in a tour of the Washington C.H. Cemetery to raise funds for a fountain restoration.  
September 29, 2001 Participated in a tour at Willow Cemetery in Oregon, Ohio to raise funds for the restoration of a Civil War monument.  
September 30, 2001 Attended reception of the Ohio Department Commander and Ohio Auxiliary President at Stewart, Ohio.  
October 9, 2001 Presented a program on Morgan's Raid to a community group in Bloomingburg, Ohio.  
October 12-14, 2001 Attended the SUVCW Central Region Association conference in Chicago, IL.  
October 24, 2001 Presented a patriotic program for a community group in Wilmington, OH.  
November 3, 2001 Participated as a Civil War soldier in the 26degree for the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite Valley of Columbus.  
November 10, 2001 Participated in a plaque dedication at Mansfield, OH for Civil War soldiers lost on the steamship Sultana.  
November 12, 2001 Principal speaker at the Veterans Day program for Miami Trace High School, Washington C.H. OH (Ohio Gov. Bob Taft attended the program)  
January 15, 2002 Attended Henry Casey Camp No. 92 meeting in Wash. C. H., OH  
February 2, 2002 Attended the Ohio Department mid-winter conference in Columbus, OH  
February 10-13, 2002 Attended the 193rd anniversary celebration of President Lincoln's birth in Washington DC  
March 9, 2002 Attended the Council of Administration meeting in Harrisburg, PA  
March 13, 2002 Presented a patriotic flag program to the Grace United Methodist Church, Washington Court House, OH  
March 19, 2002 Attended Henry Casey Camp No. 92 meeting in Wash. C. H., OH  
April 11, 2002 Attended Camp Circleville Historical marker dedication, Circleville, OH

April 11, 2002	Attended the Ohio Society of the War of 1812 meeting in LaFayette, OH
April 16, 2002	Attended the National Society Sons of Colonial New England meeting in
Washington DC	
April 25, 2002	Participated in a Living History program for gifted and talented students at
Hillsboro, OH	
May 21, 2002	Attended Henry Casey Camp No. 92 meeting in Wash. C. H., OH
May 27, 2002	Participated in Memorial Day program at Bloomingburg, OH
May 27, 2002	Participated in Memorial Day program at Madison Mills, OH
May 27, 2002	Participated in Memorial Day program at Lees Creek, OH
June 11, 2002	Presented at Flag Day program at the Bloomingburg, OH Presbyterian Church
June 14-16, 2002	Attended the Ohio Department SUVCW Encampment at Mt. Union College,
Alliance, OH	
June 22, 2002	Represented the Commander-in-Chief at the Kentucky Department Encampment
held near Lexington, KY	
June 23, 2002	Attended Medal of Honor marker dedication for Sgt. Richard Enderlin at
Chillicothe, OH	
July 16, 2002	Attended Henry Casey Camp No. 92 meeting, Wash. C.H., OH
July 20, 2002	Presented wreath during Battle of Buffington Island program at Portland, OH
August 3, 2002	Attended Ohio Society of the War of 1812 meeting, LaFayette, OH

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

One thing I skipped earlier was recognition of guests. We have with us, from the Evil Empire as it is known, Lieutenant Commander of the Dept of Illinois Sons of Confederate Veterans, Brother Robert Herr. I had the pleasure of attending their National Encampment last weekend in Memphis. I got in and out alive, so I guess that's good, although they had a candidate who was also named Powell and he did not get elected, so I don't know whether or not I did him any good. Brother Herr.

**Robert Herr, Sons of Confederate Veterans**

In June of 1969 I left Memphis, TN the city where I was born and raised and educated, and moved to Salem, IL for employment. In the early days, I heard one comment frequently. As the years have passed I've heard it less and less, but I just can't pass up this opportunity to get even. You sure do talk funny!

My name is Bob Herr from Mt. Vernon, IL I am the Lt. Commander of the IL Division of the Sons of Confederate veterans.

The SVC is the direct heir of the United Confederate Vets and the oldest hereditary organization for male descendants of Confederate soldiers. We are the brother organization to the SUV. We share a common goal with the SUV to preserve the history of the Civil War soldier.

First let me thank you for inviting the SCV to be represented here today. Things confederate are not very politically correct in this day and age.



On a personal note, it's a privilege to be here, because my ancestors include two confederate soldiers, a German immigrant who became a citizen in Holly Springs, MS in 1860 and remained loyal to the Union, and was imprisoned by Confederate soldiers in Mississippi for his loyalty. And my father is a WWII veteran. It is a distinct honor for me to get to address any veterans group.

Commander-in-Chief Powell and members of the SUVCW, on behalf of our Commander-in-Chief, Ronald G. Wilson of South Carolina, his general staff, and the 31,000 members of the SCV, we bring you greetings and extend our best wishes for a good and productive meeting on the occasion of your 121st National Encampment.

Commander Wilson has asked me to convey his apologies to you that he could not be here in person. As you are probably aware, he was elected only last Saturday in TN. The SVC elects its officers every two years. The workload of taking over the reins of our organization and the demands of business and family did not leave enough time for him to be here.

On behalf of the members of the Illinois Division of the SCVC, some 135 strong, I would also like to welcome you to Illinois, the Land of Lincoln or Upper Dixie as some of us transplants like to call it.

As you are aware, there are some premier historical sites located here in the Capitol of Illinois. I encourage you to see some of them.

If you will bear with me a moment I want to show you something. (unfolds a 3' X 5" Confederate Naval Jack) You probably won't see this around Springfield while you are here. Needless to say, it's a controversial symbol. The worst mistake the SCV has made is not to lash out stronger against the racists and hate mongers who have stolen our flag. I want to read to you one paragraph from the SCV website:

The SVC works in conjunction with other historical groups to preserve Confederate history. However, it is not affiliated with any other group other than the Military Order for the Stars and Bars, composed of male descendants of the Southern Officers Corps. The SVC rejects any group whose actions tarnish or distort the image of the Confederate soldier or his reasons for fighting.

I spoke to Commander Wilson on the phone yesterday about coming up here and I asked if there were any particular messages he wished to convey. His answer was swift and sure. "Yes," he said, "Please tell them thank you for supporting us in the fight to fly Confederate flags and to preserve Confederate monuments and markers." Mr. Wilson was one of the leaders in the battle over flying this flag over the State Capitol building in South Carolina and he is well aware of and thankful for your support.

The position of your organization supporting display of the Confederate flag was clearly stated by resolution at your 114th Annual Encampment August, 10, 1996 at Columbus, OH. That position was reiterated by General Orders #4 Series 1999-2000 and again by General Orders #14 Series 1999-2000 promulgated by CinC Danny L Wheeler.

For this the SVC thanks you and I thank you.

This brings me to my final point. We are losing our history and heritage to the forces of political correctness and to our own laziness and lack of interest. I think people of the South are more aware of it because of the assault on Confederate symbols, but it is a problem everywhere. I would like to relate a couple of stories. A few years ago, when I joined the SVC, my secretary mentioned that her husband was related to a Union soldier. Subsequent investigation revealed that the man was Lt. George Washington Kent of the 88th Illinois. He kept monthly diaries of his wartime experiences which he passed down to his children, but apparently all have been lost except two. What a sad loss of valuable history. When I became interested in joining the SVC I quickly realized that although I knew I had ancestors who were Confederate soldiers, neither I nor my parents could name them or their units. More recently my brother became interested in our father's WWII service record. Neither of us knew much about it. Fortunately we still have my Dad and my brother was able to fill in a lot of blanks. We're just not getting the message out to our children

There appears to be no limit to what revisionist historians will do to satisfy their agenda. Consider the recent display by the Smithsonian Institute on the atomic bombings of Japan that offended so many WWII veterans. The most recent fad is books attacking Abraham Lincoln. In 2000 the editor of Ebony Magazine published a 700 page book branding Lincoln a racist and white supremacist. More and more, it is going to fall to groups like ours to be sure that history is not lost and is presented truthfully.

One final comment before I close. I would be remiss in my duties if I were not recruiting. I know that several of you out there had ancestors from the Confederacy also. If I've gotten your blood warmed up and you have any interest in joining, we sure could use you in the SVC.  
Thank you.

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

Our Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief, Kent Armstrong

JVCinC Report – November, 2001

Respectfully submitted by Kent Armstrong

Gentlemen:

**Kent Armstrong, Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief**

It's a privilege to inform you that this office approved 299 applications. The reason this data is coming out this morning is that I wanted to include as many as possible, up to and through this morning when I was able to process three more applications. This number reflects a 25% increase which I think is due to our advertising slogan which struck a chord. There's a lot of information here for you to review, and to take back to your Departments and Camps. Again, it has been an honor to serve. God bless the boys in blue!

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief Grim is to be commended for aiding a smooth transition of officers in this post. He and I share a concern for prompt attention to inquiries and maintaining the best image of our organization.

Since August 11th, I've had the honor to welcome 46 new Brothers into the SUVCW. Forty-One are Members, two are Associates, and three are Juniors (an "area breakdown" is posted at the end of this report). A respectful reminder of how new applicants (via the office of the JVCinC) are to be initially enrolled as "Department Members-at-Large" was distributed to all key Department Officers in a MEMO dated August 28th. The processing has gone smoothly in most cases. The exceptions have been communication difficulties with the Dept. of Colorado & Wyoming and the NMAL Coordinator. Two Junior Vice Department Commanders deserve recognition for their prompt and thorough attention to details. They are Linn Hoadley of California & Pacific and Jon Silvis of Ohio.

Ninety-three e-mail inquiries have been answered – many of them regarding eligibility. I feel that we need to state in plain English that to become a Member or Junior, the applicant has to be directly descended from the Union soldier/sailor or directly descended from a brother or sister of a Union soldier/sailor. Many folks don't understand the term "collateral," as it is used on our application. As Bro. Grim will attest, we even had a gentleman who contacted both of us – very eager to become a Member, trying to force-the-issue even though his "Civil War Ancestor" was a distant cousin. When our application uses the words, "blood relative" it's easy for an applicant to think that any relationship to a Union soldier/sailor qualifies him to be a Member...

Some of the inquiries mentioned above may have been spurred from advertisements that were placed in August, for publications appearing in October. An additional seventeen inquiries (generated by the ads) have arrived via the USPS between the middle of October and November 1st.

PRIMEDIA, the publisher of Civil War Times Illustrated, America's Civil War, and American History extended us a generous discount for ad space in all three of these BI-Monthly magazines due to the fact that we have not been a customer for some time. A sample of the ad will be shared at the November CoA meeting. Ads will also appear for several months in The Civil War News, The Civil War Courier (both are printed 11 months a year in newsprint format) and in Everton's Genealogical Helper. The headline-theme in all ads is "HONOR YOUR HERITAGE." It was gratifying to receive an application request from Mr. Roger Gilchrest, who indicated he was motivated by that phrase. Hopefully, it will strike-a-chord with others, too. The SVC-in-C Fund for advertising still has some money left in it and I have asked our Comm.-Tech. guru (Keith H.) to evaluate an Internet advertising site that the folks at PRIMEDIA have for history related links. PCinC Harrison also deserves thanks for taking care of problems that I brought to his attention on the Dept. WebPages for CO & WY and Vermont. [In addition to spending money from the SVC-in-C Fund, I placed a blurb in my own Department's fall newsletter, encouraging contributions to help replenish this Fund.]

Another effort to spur recruiting was made to our own membership, via the article titled, "Growth!" that will appear in the Fall 2001 issue of The BANNER.

The Sons of Confederate Veterans have a different officer structure than our organization but I have opened a channel of communication with their officer who is charged with the promotion of recruiting for the SCV (George's cousin, Lt. Commander-in-Chief, Frank B. Powell III).

As a courtesy to our friends in the Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States, I have contacted C-in-C Bury regarding info pamphlets on MOLLUS that I could share with SUVCW applicants whose ancestor served as a commissioned officer.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS:

In addition to the obvious changes that need to be made to the membership application (new Junior age eligibility, omit 20th century submission line, add e-mail address line, etc.), I respectfully submit the following.

1.) In regard to "information needed" to accompany an application, we might also wish to include reference to state Adjutant General Records. In reality, we have expanded our scope of information that conveys honorable service to the Union. Records of service for some soldiers & sailors simply can't be found at the US. Archives but are substantiated in state regimental records. The opposite applies as well. Therefore, please consider the following...

The information needed to complete Part IV will be in your ancestor's military or pension records, obtainable from a variety of sources including, state archived Adjutant General Reports (if your ancestor served in a state regiment of volunteers) and from the Old Military and Civil Records (NWCTB) Textual Archives Services Division of the National Archives and Records Administration, 700 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20408-0001. Separate order forms (with instructions and fee information for copies of military or pension records) must be obtained from the National Archives and then submitted back to them. These copies will provide documentation of an ancestor's honorable service to the Union, which must accompany an application.

Right now, the National Archives is using its designation of "NATF Form 85" for federal pension info & "NATF Form 86" for military records. As I showed SVCinC Grim (in Chicago at the Central Region Conference on Oct. 13th), the form available at that time was only good through the end of October. So, I see no point in listing the designation of the actual form on our applications, due to the fact that this is the 3rd change in two year's time to what they want used.....

2.) As mentioned earlier, there's the reference to "a blood relative" in the ELIGIBILITY definition on the Internet application. It's actually in two spots on the "Qtrmstr. version." It would be nice to get it across that an applicant HAS to be DIRECTLY descended from either the Union soldier/sailor HIMSELF or, DIRECTLY descended from a brother or sister of the Union soldier/sailor.

Many folks don't have a clue as to what the terms "lineal or collateral" mean.....

I recommend that our Program & Policy Committee look at this facet of the application and give their blessing to some form of updated text that will better explain "Eligibility."

Just for the sake of having a "place to start," I respectfully submit the draft-text below for evaluation.

#### ELIGIBILITY

Member (and Junior): A male descendant, 14 years of age (6 to 14 for Juniors), who: 1.) is directly descended as a great grandson, etc. from a Soldier, Sailor, Marine or member of the Revenue Cutter Service (or directly descended as a great, great nephew, etc. from a brother or sister of such Soldier, etc.) who was regularly mustered and served honorably in, was honorably discharged from or died in the service of the Army, Navy, Marine Corps or Revenue Cutter Service of the United States of America or in such state regiments called to active service and was subject to the orders of United States general officers, between April 12, 1861 and April 9, 1865; 2.) has never been convicted of any infamous or heinous crime and 3.) has, or whose ancestor through whom membership is claimed, has never voluntarily borne arms against the government of the United States. An Associate is not required to have the above lineage but is subject to the second and third provisions of eligibility.

3.) I recommend that a special purchasing list be created for new Brothers, listing just the items that they would be interested in to show their pride in being part of the SUVCW. Many of the items on the overall Price List are meant to be purchased through a Camp and it would be nice to give a new Brother (processed by the JVCinC) a form with which he could immediately purchase a Member, Associate, or Junior Badge, lapel pin, etc. [With the variety of Department and Camp level volunteers that we have to handle the process, there's no telling how long it may take for these Brothers to be referred to and accepted by a Camp that could help them with such purchases.]

New Brother Statistics – Processed via JVCinC from August 11 to November 1, 2001

California & Pacific	3-M / 1-J
New Hampshire	1-M
Colorado & Wyoming	1-J
New Jersey	1-M / 1-J
Connecticut	2-M / 1-A
New York	2-M
Florida	1-M
Ohio	4-M
Illinois	1-M / 1-A
Pennsylvania	5-M
Indiana	2-M
Southwest	1-M
Maine	2-M
Tennessee	3-M
Maryland	3-M
Wisconsin	1-M
Michigan	2-M
NMAL	7-M

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

The National Secretary's report, Ed Krieser, PCinC

**Ed Krieser, PCinC, National Secretary**

Commander-in-Chief Powell, Brothers of this Encampment and distinguished guests. Being the Commander-in-Chief a year ago I pondered the job of National Secretary of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. It could not be as hard or exciting as that of the C-in-C. So I figured it would be a pleasant gradual transition being involved but not too involved to the point of being pulled in every direction. That idea could not be further from the actuality of the truth. I say this not from being over extended. I say this from the exhilaration of getting to know better the membership of this great organization. Thank you for that opportunity.

Now for my report. Besides handling the communications and compiling the reports from Departments, Membership-at-Large and Camps-at-Large of the Order, I attended the meetings of the Council of Administration taking the minutes of those meetings, compiling the votes on actions at the meetings and the Internet Electronic Boardroom between meetings.

In January this year I sent copies of the 2000 and 2001 Proceedings to the United States House Judiciary Committee as required by Public Law 605 of 1954.

I have handled the paperwork, worked with the organizers, commanders and secretaries to get charters for 13 camps and 1 department. 11 camps and the 1 department are completed. 2 camps are awaiting completion of Forms 26 and 26½, the final step before receiving their charter.

The membership numbers are as follows:

Members	5829
Real Sons	20
Life Members	298
Honorary Members	3
Total Members	6150
Associates	489
All Total	6639
Juniors	85

Those numbers are 298 over last year for a 4.69% gain.

There are 217 Camps in 26 Departments, National Membership-at-Large and 3 Camps-at-Large.

My only recommendation is that the National Organization change from requiring quarterly reports to a single annual report due on or before the First day of June of each year.

Again I thank you for the opportunity to serve this great organization. God Bless the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War and God Bless the United States of America again.

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**  
the Treasurer's Report

**Max L. Newman, National Treasurer**

During the past year, I have had many more struggles than I have had in my entire life, and they've had nothing to do with the Treasurer's job. I never suspected that my injury, an industrial accident 6 days after I took over the books, would have lasted this long. The basic problem I have remaining is my double vision in both eyes and my dizzy spells. Aside from that I'm doing OK. However, the one thing that kept me going on the path to recovery has been serving you in my duties as National Treasurer. I have learned much in the past year and look forward to learning even more to better serve you all as an Organization.

In regard to the finances of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War National Treasury (SUVCW), it has not been as expected, as a result of the economy and the impact of September 11, 2001. Each of you should have received a copy of my budget report of the income and expenses of the last fiscal year, along with the proposed budget for this fiscal year. I have also provided a listing of the cash and investment assets of the National Organization.

On the upside, all bills have been paid to date. However, to do this we have had to tap the reserves of the National Organization's assets to accomplish this. Most of this has been as a result of the costs of the Banner with its improved format and quality, which we have all enjoyed. It is outstanding.

Please take a serious study of the 3 proposals for the 121st National Budget for fiscal year 2002-2003. Review these carefully and take note of the areas where I have asked for increases.

Proposal "A" leaves us with a deficit of over \$25,000, if we are to accomplish all the items on our agenda. These items help us further our purposes and successes as a National Organization in "Keeping the Memory Green" for that which our Union Civil War Ancestors sacrificed so much for. We MUST also, and always, keep this before the eyes of the public. If we except proposal "A", in the proposed document, we will return to our previous path of eventual bankruptcy in a few short years. If the SUVCW Organization wishes to remain the same, than we shall continue to struggle on as before. The Grand Army of the Republic, I'm sure, wouldn't think too highly of us, as their legal hires, if we take the path to destruction.

It is for this reason that the proposed increase on the 121st Annual Budget is being suggested, and requested, to stay afloat (i.e., in the black) and allow our assets to continue their earnings. We're on our way up and we're not looking back.

An additional proposal, column "C" of the document, is being offered to do even more as an organization. And that is to award Grants to Camps for the restoration of existing monuments.

There are not too many organizations out there that a person can join and participate in, pay as little as we do as a National Organization, and still do so much to further our purposes. There's a lot of work yet to

be done and we could do so much more and gain five times our membership if we can help our friends and neighbors (where ever they may be) research their heritage and find their ancestors from the United States Civil War Era.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS:

It is in all the above efforts that I also offer the following recommendations.

1. That we increase the cost of tickets for the Blue-Gray Ball. The Order has been generating \$4500 and donate to the Gettysburg Park Service \$5000; that's a net loss of \$500. With the drop in earnings on the money in the fund, The Order cannot keep this up for long. Based on average attendance and the number of people who can get in the ballroom, we suggest an increase of \$2 per person. Although they have decided to do that on their own, so it's moot.

2. That we need to increase the cost of supplies, particularly metals, to generate more income. There is about a 10% markup on these items and some items are sold at a loss.

3. That we make the necessary changes to the Constitution & Regulations (C & R) to allow that the Quarterly Reports and Per Capita be effective no later than August 15th, November 15th, February 15th, and May 15th in order to operate the fiscal year in good standing with the financial audit of the National Organization SUVCW. To date the auditors have refused to allow The Order to show the 4th Quarter Per Capita in the fiscal year into which it belongs. They insist that it be shown as bad debt; because it is currently paid after the fiscal year has ended on June 30th. The audit and income tax report is what keeps The Order in good standing with the U.S. Congress, who has granted us our Federal Charter. This would mean that the Quarterly Reports and Per Capita would have to be effective 60 days earlier than the current practice per the C & R. This new change would allow the Departments and Camps to submit their 4th Quarter membership standings based upon the April 1st date instead of the June 30 date. (i.e., the first day rather than the last day of the each Quarter. This would allow The Order up to 45 days to receive the 4th Quarter Reports and Per Capita before the end of the fiscal year.

4. There is an additional item, in all the budget proposals, which needs our consideration. That is the loss shown in the GAR Fund. This is mostly due to the paying of two (2) scholarships in the fiscal year 2002-2003. It is my recommendation that these scholarships be awarded no later than May 31 of each year. This would give us time to prepare the checks, the Commander-in-Chief to send letters with the each check, and get the charge in the correct fiscal year. It is each of our duties to offer up to the Commander-in-Chief individual students who you deem as may be worthy of these scholarships.

In my closing remarks, my wish is to let each of you know how proud I have been to represent you in the managing of the finances of our great organization. It has meant a great deal to me & to my recovery. In addition, it has been a great pleasure and satisfaction to serve each of you in this capacity. In conclusion, I thank you for the opportunity to serve you.

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**  
Quartermaster's Report



**Elmer F. Atkinson, P CinC, National Quartermaster**

Gentleman:

I owe you an apology, because I just about lost the whole month of July due to a back problem and then when I did get back I found out the manufacturer had shut down his plant for 2 weeks.

During this period of time I processed over 600 orders and answered many letters, emails and phone call requesting information on the Sons and the supplies.

There were very little problems this year. We did add insurance on all orders over \$100. This cost was added to the \$3 shipping and handling fee. I will try to have my supplier let me know by November if there will be any changes in prices for 2003. We did have the increase in postage and insurance.

I will have the ROTC badges and certificates as authorized by the Council of Administration at the National Encampment; this is, if my suppliers come through as promised. This badge will be available for Camps and Departments. What will happen is the patriotic instructor will be charged to take the applications for this badge. On that application it will state what school and who is going to receive the badge. The cost of the badge will be \$20 plus \$3.00 shipping and handling. A bit later the Program and Policy Committee will describe the procedure for this badge. This badge will not be available for the individual—it will have to be through your camp or department.

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

Proceedings Report

**Glenn B. Knight, PDC, Assistant National Secretary for Proceedings**

Final Report of the Assistant National Secretary for Proceedings  
June 28, 2002

From the Federal Charter of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War: Sec.16. On or before March 1 of each year the corporation shall report to the Congress on its activities during the preceding fiscal year. Such report may consist of a report on the proceedings of the National Encampment covering such fiscal year. Brothers, I am pleased to report that the Proceedings of the 120th Encampment of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War held last August in Springfield MO were completed and distributed as of early February. This enables the Order to meet the requirements of Federal Law to provide a report to Congress by March 1. To my knowledge this is the first time in more than 50 years that this requirement has been met.

I am also pleased to report that we have been able to stay pretty much on budget and, in fact, we have saved some money by mailing at the "Media Rate" (\$1.33 each vs. \$2.18 each).

Fulfilling the charter of this office has not been easy but it was made more comfortable with the able assistance of Ms Rebecca Pratt whose transcriptions were nearly flawless and whose editorial and research assistance went well beyond what had been contracted.

My predecessor in this office, PCinC Keith Harrison, as well as National Secretary PCinC Ed Krieser and my esteemed Brother Dick Williams all combined to allow me to do this job and do it in the time allotted.

I have some recommendations:

1. It should be Encampment policy that the written report submitted in advance by the officers and committee chairmen be the official report and that comments made in support or amplification of those reports be treated as clarification. Permission for late reports would come only from the presiding officer.
2. Reports not submitted in advance, in writing, should be identified in the Proceedings as "No Report Submitted" and that no action be taken on any recommendations submitted from the floor by the officer or committee chairman. Such recommendations should be taken up, if necessary, as New Business at the appropriate time. So long as we continue to allow officers of the order to fail in their requirements without effect we will have no way to encourage improved performance.
3. The Chief of Staff should insist that, in so far as is possible, all reports be submitted in electronic format and in conformity to the policies devised by the Communication Technology Committee, that they be submitted in advance of the Encampment and that copies be made available to Encampment officers, delegates and members during the Encampment.
4. The presiding officer of the Encampment should order the written report entered into the record and give the submitter no more than three minutes to emphasize, clarify or update information in that report.
5. The presiding officer of the Encampment should insist that anyone making a presentation, making a motion, seconding a motion or making a speech first identify themselves by name, department, honors (PCinC, PDC, PCC) or delegate status. Anyone not doing so clearly and directly into the recording device should be declared "out of order" until such time as they comply.
6. Some direct link should be made to the National Membership List by the Credentials Committee to ensure that the information on Encampment attendees be in synch with that Brother's file on the NML. A simple "look-up" connection between the NML and the Credentials program can be created, according to Brother Dick Williams, the creator of both lists.
7. The National Secretary should ensure that a copy of every piece of paper (reports, notes, letters, memorials, written motions, awards, etc.) referenced at the National Encampment is given to the Assistant National Secretary for Proceedings to assist in the compilation and checking of the Proceedings. All papers should be in the hands of the Assistant National Secretary for Proceedings before he leaves the Encampment.
8. Errors found in the Proceedings after publication should be immediately brought to the attention of the Assistant National Secretary for Proceedings in writing (letter, note, email) with a copy to the National Secretary. If the National Secretary and his Assistant for Proceedings determines that the error is

significant an erratum shall be added to the next published Proceedings. It should be the policy of the Order that errors in Proceedings must be identified prior to the next scheduled National Encampment. After that date, corrections of errors must be handled at an Encampment upon the vote of the delegates.

It is my desire to again serve the Order in this position for the coming year. If so appointed I shall endeavor to again meet the deadlines established by Federal Law and create a written format for the published proceedings. Additionally, I will continue to work with National Officers and National Encampment officials to streamline the process.

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

Thank you. National Counselor?

**James B. Pahl, National Counselor**

Brothers, I was called upon to render two official opinions in the past year.

I. ASSOCIATES. The number of associates in any Camp shall not exceed one-third of the total. No Encampment may operate at any level (Camp, Department or National) if the number of associates present is greater than 49% of the total attendance. Associates may not hold any of the following offices: Commander in Chief, Senior Vice Commander in Chief, Junior Vice Commander in Chief, National Secretary, National Treasurer or Commanding Officer of the Sons of Veterans Reserve. Associates may not be counted toward the required number of members to establish a new Camp. The names of associates may not appear on the Camp charter nor may associates be designated as charter members of the Camp. Associates otherwise enjoy all the rights, privileges and responsibilities of membership.

II. REGIONAL ASSOCIATIONS - BADGES. Regional Associations may authorize a membership badge, however, that badge may not use the protected symbols of our Order, per the General Order of Commander in Chief Kreiser. Those badges may not be worn at any SUVCW event. The only exception is that such regional associations may authorize a past regional commander badge at its discretion and its own expense. This badge may not use the protected symbols of our Order, but may be worn at SUVCW events.

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

Brother Schlenker is not here but his report is.

**Report of Richard C. Schlenker, PC-in-C, Washington, D.C. Representative**

Greetings:

It has been my pleasure to serve as Washington Representative since my appointment by C-in-C Richard Wyman in 1981. I have rendered this service to our beloved order in memory of my ancestor Daniel B. Schlenker, Co. C 167th PA Vol. Infantry.

Out congressional Charter requires that we have an agent in the Washington area should congress need to contact us. I am pleased to report that we were not summoned this past year.

Special effort has been made over the years to represent our order on many occasions of sociability and ceremony among the lineage, hereditary, historical and military organizations in Washington. The goal has been to make people aware that our order created in 1881 was still viable and visible after these many years. I am pleased that we have many ambassadors here, past C-in-C's, past and present National and Department officers and an active camp who participate in these many events. I respectfully request that I be allowed to retire after 20 years on the job and highly recommend the appointment of C-in-C Col. Andrew Johnson to the office as he is well known, highly competent and an honored gentleman here in Washington, D.,C.

### **Report of Eric J. Schmincke, Chief-of-Staff**

I would like to thank all of you for making the Chief of Staff office easy this past year. The learning process has been ongoing within this office and have enjoyed it so very much. I would like to thank Commander in Chief Powell for allowing me to fill this office and having the faith that I could do it.

I must say that the biggest and most enjoyable part of this office has been the communications between myself and the Officers and Committee Chairs. For the most part I have never spoken to or even met these fine individuals as we are located throughout this fine country, but we all seem to be able to get things done. Maybe not as fast as we would all like, but never the less, the work gets done. That is what impresses me more than anything. I have been truly enlightened.

We have many devoted individuals that put forth many hours of work, and we see it within the reports that are here, in front of us. We can also see it with how our order is growing and the proactive work to make sure it continues to moves forward.

Although there is always room for improvement of some sort, I think that we have progressed and will continue to do so. I wish the best to the incoming Staff and most of all to the Brother who fills this office after me. We can all be sure that we are following in the footsteps of the Men of the Grand Army, and that they would be proud of us. Again I thank all of you

### **Commander-in-Chief George Powell**

We had to remove the old Membership-at-large coordinator, and we convinced Brother Linn Hoadley that he wanted to step forward to serve.

### **Linn P. Hoadley, National Membership at Large Coordinator**

I kid of inherited a bag of worms. Right now I can conservatively state that we have 177 regular members and nine life members. Records have not been kept too accurately. When I send out dues notices to literally everybody, don't be surprise if you get one from my office, and hopefully that will settle the accounts. Some are not even on my list.

On July 17, 2002 I received a Bank Money Order from John Anderson in the amount of \$3000.00. It was made out to me. I have endorsed it and deposited into my SUVCW Checking Account, the balance now being \$3267.50. This money order was by itself, no other data or information was with it. As of this date I still have not received the accounting or other records from my predecessor.

In today's mail I received a letter from a Doctor in Georgia one of my "members pending" stack. This Brother stated that he is a member of the SUVCW but his dues check for this year was never cashed! This is the second account of un-cashed checks that I have been made aware of.

From the money that I have received already, against the number of NMAL that I have a list of there is still money owed. I will keep you informed of any more details as they appear.

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

National Camp and Dept organizer's report. Gary Gibson also stepped in this year when the man who agreed to do it resigned.

**Gary Gibson, National Camp and Department Organizer**

I've submitted my written report (below)

It is with great pleasure that I report to you the activities of this office for the last year. The fact that our Order continues to grow is quite evident. I took over this office in November of 2001 at the request of the Commander-in-Chief. The first order of business was to complete the organization of the new Department of Oklahoma. On May 3, 2002, the organizational meeting was held, and Brother Mahlon Erickson was elected its first Commander. The process was far enough along when I assumed office because of the efficient work done by my predecessor, Brother Don Dennison.

The current project underway, at the time of this writing, is to organize a Camp-at-Large in the state of Oregon. Brother Dennis Bell of Corvallis, Oregon is our point man. He has been receiving help and encouragement from the brothers in the Camp-at-Large in Washington state. Dennis has 20 men in Oregon, several of which are members-at-large, on his roster. This effort continues with the hope that there will be a post-script presented to you on to the progress made by August.

Commander-in-Chief, it has been a pleasure to serve on your staff, albeit unexpected. As always, I am happy to assist the Order in any way I can. I thank you for the opportunity to help our Order grow and sustain its mission.

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

David V. Medert, the National membership List /Coordinator

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Brethren of the 121st National Encampment of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

1. This has been a busy year in maintaining the National Data Base. Camps and Departments have been very cooperative in forwarding their membership rosters in order to ensure the data base is current with National as well as their respective Camps and Departments.
2. There still remains a problem with members not informing their camps or the NMLC of a move or address change. This has resulted in the Order spending over \$300.00 in returned postage on the Banner mailing list this year. When a member has an address change, if they would inform the NMLC and their

Camp secretary (electronically or by mail), this would dramatically reduce the amount of returned postage.

3. There is a way to simplify the method in which the NMLC receives the information to update and maintain the database. Currently, the Department secretaries forward their Form 44's and applications to the National secretary or the Executive Director. They in turn forward the information to the NMLC for entry into the database. Upon entering the data, the NMLC will either return the material to the Executive Director via mail or retain the material until the C of A meetings where the material is handed over. Either way, there is a time delay for the NMLC to receive the information and the cost of mailing increases. These delays results in the new member not receiving the Banner in a timely manner and also results in Banners returned due to a change of address.

4. Additionally, many queries are made to the National Secretary or the Executive Director regarding membership status or Camp/Department information. In many cases, these queries are forwarded to the NMLC for answer, another time delay.

5. Therefore, in view of the above, it is recommended that the position of NMLC be eliminated and the Executive Director assume the responsibilities of maintaining the National database. This would result in more rapid entry of data and all information regarding membership would be maintained in one location. Further, the cost of mailings and returned mailings would be reduced thus saving the Order money.

6. I would like to thank Brother Richard Williams in his help and support with streamlining the reporting forms. His updates have resulted in easy manipulation of data entry and query response to secretaries.

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

Next is our Civil War memorials officer, Brother Darby, MBM—that's Medert by Marriage

**Donald E. Darby, National Civil War Memorials Officer**

Commander and Assembled Brothers,

It has been my honor to serve as the Chairman of the Monuments and Memorials Committee. I am proud to report that the Organization's endeavors toward this task is moving forward.

Over the past year we have made changes to the National database to make it more user friendly and with that the ability to enter Photos of the Monuments attached to the database. Consequently, I have to go back and place the photos to the previously entered data. We have also sent the National Webmaster a copy of the database to ensure its safety against possible loss due to virus/computer crashes. Hopefully by next year the members will be able to directly enter their monuments onto the National Database.

The members in the Department of California and Pacific have a portion of their Monuments on their web site, and are moving forward with the project. I mention this as a suggestion for other Departments. It lets

everyone know what has been completed and avoids duplication of efforts and reporting. It also gives the public a point of contact for their area.

This past year we have fielded a number of inquiries regarding our project and questions concerning certain monuments. The Department of Illinois came to my rescue when an author was writing about Lincoln monuments in the Chicago had a question. The author's book "The Four Lincolns" should be out later this year and he said he would mention the Sons in the acknowledgement section. We also received emails regarding a monument in Boulder, Colorado regarding a monument in that city. Apparently she is a reporter and wrote an article on the monument, with some errors. She contacted us for the correct answer and printed a retraction to her article, named us for the help, and sent us a monuments form filled out for helping her. Also a retired veteran who is now the Veterans' Affairs Director for Falls City Iowa contacted the Organization about the monument in the city. They plan to restore it and came to us for information. So our efforts are proving fruitful.

I have attended the following activities over the past year:

Sultana Memorial Mansfield Ohio  
All of Enderlin Camp #73 meetings  
Mid Winter Meeting of the Council of Administration  
The Ohio Department Encampment  
Various Re-enactments

Recommendations:

1. That all Departments and Camps have an appointed Memorials and Monuments Officer

I read this on the back of a football jersey at a football camp and think it's just great: "Just imagine what we can accomplish if we don't worry about who gets the credit."

Now as for the Grants: We issued \$1400 in Grants. See my report below.

Monuments Grant Fund Report to the 121st Annual National Encampment

The Monuments Grant Fund is slowly coming to the attention of the members of the Organization. This year 5 camps applied for money from the funds. All requests were honored to the following camps and for the stated amounts:

General Henry B. Banning Camp #207	\$500.00
Townsend Camp #108	\$500.00
General A.C. Voris Camp #67	\$200.00
James McPherson Camp #66	\$500.00
Sgt. Richard Enderlin Camp #73	\$500.00
Total	\$2,200.00

The reason that Voris Camp received \$200.00 was that they had were part of a larger group that had a budget of \$350,000.00.

The committee also requested that John Q. Wilds Camp 235 Department of Iowa be considered for a "Special Projects" status by the Council of Administration. The Council voted to approve this status and \$2,000.00 of matching funds was approved for a new Civil War Monument in Cedar Rapids, Iowa. This money came out of the National Special Projects Fund.

#### Recommendations

1. That the C&R be changed to reflect that the Monuments Grant Fund can be used for new monuments as well as the restoration of Civil War Monuments, but that restoration be the primary mission of the fund. And that the request for new monument be submitted between May 1 and June 15th of each year. If money is still available it will be used for new monuments; if there is no money available, that the committee be permitted to re-assess applications submitted that year and dole out money based on need.
2. That the Allied Orders be informed that a Department/ Camp of the SUVCW MUST sponsor the restoration of a Civil War Monument and only the SUVCW Camps and Departments are eligible to request funds from the grant. I say this as the committee received one request from an Allied Order for funds.

#### **Charles Young PDC, National Patriotic Instructor**

Commander- in- Chief, and Brothers,

I submit my report as Patriotic Instructor, SUVCW, for the term ending August 10, 2002.

I regret to say that this report is more of an apology to you Commander Powell, and my Brothers, than a report. My back condition, that has been bothering me the past five years, had come to the point where surgery was my only option. Because of this, and the problems preceding the surgery I was sidelined this past year so that I was unable to do all I had planned, and that we had talk about Commander. I also experienced problems with my computer and Juno account so that I haven't been able to access my mail with any reliability.

I had wanted this to be a good year for you and I was hoping to do you proud, but I have to say I failed. Outside of my article for the Banner that you included as part of your General Orders, I was unable to complete my assignments.

I received no monies as donations to the Patriotic Instructors fund, so I have no financial report to give. Again Commander I apologize for my poor performance. I hope to someday make it up to this Order.



**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

Brother Partington, Chaplains' Report  
No Report.

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

Brother Leo Kennedy, Graves Registration Officer

**Leo Kennedy, Graves Registration Officer**

We have started to resolve on of the larger problems that we have – duplicates from the Dept of Michigan. Rick Danes, Dept of MI GRO and I have know that there are up to as many as 5,000 duplicates that had been sent in by the previous GRO there. We have extracted all Michigan records and placed them in a separate database. Bro. Danes is working on making the corrections and we will re-import once the corrections are done – estimated one year from now. The Michigan database currently has 36,499 records. Our Main database now has 110,229 for a total of 146,728 records to date.

Brother Bob Lowe is working on keying in the book sent to us by the Dept of NH- several thousand records. Brother Mahlon Erickson is keying in most of the online records sent to us.

An online discussion took place about the storage of the forms, booklets and books that arrive to us. It was thought that we should return them to the Camps that send them, asking them to donate them to a local historical society.

However, most of the Camps do keep copies. If we were going to return them, one member of the Committee was going to have to do this and this only. We decided that the forms are not the best things to donate as many are handwritten and may not be as clear as needed. If hard copies are asked for, we will print out clean copies. All books and booklets are to be kept but hard copy forms that we were going to keep, now well into the thousands, are to be destroyed after being keyed. I have simply no more room in my home for them.

Many emails have gone unanswered for the past weeks – I was in transition with a new computer and will catch up in the next week. I will have the same problem in three weeks when I upgrade to a high speed cable modem.

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

Brother Leo is the only one of our Brothers that I know of who helped in the recovery efforts (Sept.11) for 2 ½ weeks. I would like to give him a round of applause.

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

GAR Highway Officer's Report

**Jon B. Silvis, GAR Highway Officer**

It has been an HONOR to serve our fine order as the GAR Highway Officer this past year. I only have a few items to report so this will be very brief. The majority of my duties revolved answering several e-mail inquiries regarding the history of the naming of the GAR HWY. Notably in Vermont and Utah.

The Brothers of the Department in Nebraska are to be commended for their efforts in getting the STATE to mark the highway as such on the official state maps, as well as their fine efforts to have signs erected along the route.

Lastly I was requested by the SUVCW WEBMASTER to update the list of Department GAR Hwy Officers. This was slow and not very well responded to. This will need to be corrected, as we originally had names and addresses, and we now only have E-mails in some states. All Department Commanders should see that their Department GAR Hwy Officers is listed, or a contact person is listed.

And the very Last, The Department of Pennsylvania allotted funds for MEMBERSHIP in the GAR HIGHWAY ASSOCIATION. I had several e-mail requests on this as they wish to know where to place these funds. No one responded to my inquiry on this. Any help that can be offered would be appreciated.

I also had the pleasure to represent the National Organization in the presentation of Monument Restoration Funds at Akron, Ohio whereupon we gained full-page recognition in both the BANNER as well as the CIVIL WAR NEWS.

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

Eagle Scout Certificate Coordinator's report

**Robert M. Petrovic PDC, National Eagle Scout Certificate Coordinator**

As of July 8, I have received 1,500 requests from troop leaders and parents and boys.. Letters were sent to the Departments with this information on it. The Departments handed out 1,341 or 89% of them.

We have a change in the certificates. On the bottom the title of Commander-in-Chief is changed to Commander. The reason for this is that people have ordered certificate. The Departments handed out 716 or 88% of the certificates and the National Coordinator handed out 100 or 12% of the certificates.

Here is the break down by Departments of the certificates sent out.

National coordinator 100  
California & Pacific 107  
Colorado & Wyoming 23  
Connecticut 8  
Florida 35  
Illinois 56  
Indiana 9  
Iowa 5  
Kansas 4

Kentucky 3  
Maine 1  
Maryland 16  
Massachusetts 20  
Michigan 35  
Missouri 45  
Nebraska 6  
New Hampshire 12  
New Jersey 55  
New York 36  
Ohio 36  
Pennsylvania 77  
Rhode Island 3  
Southwest 61  
Tennessee 36  
Vermont 0  
Wisconsin 27

I have 2 recommendations.

Publish the Eagle Scout Certificate policy in the Banner. I am receiving requests from the brothers for blank certificates. They are told they have to buy them from the Quartermaster.

Make a 2nd Eagle Scout certificate. This one would not have a line for the Commander in Chief to sign on. This way the Departments and camps could buy a large number of certificates and have their Commanders sign them. Keep the certificate we have now for the National Coordinator and brothers that want the Commander to sign one for them.

### **Commander-in-Chief George Powell**

National Signal's Officer and Webmaster report, Keith Harrison

### **Keith Harrison, National Signal's Officer and Webmaster**

Presented below is the combined National Signals Officer's and National Committee on Communications and Technology's report. Two years ago, the Committee has focused on one issue in particular, making the National Graves Registration database interactive. With the permission of the Council of Administration, a contract was entered into with Aspirion, Inc in 2001. Due to several unavoidable circumstances, it has taken considerably longer than was originally planned to complete the work called for under the contract; however, considerable headway has been made.

The final version of the interactive graves project has been completed. Actual field testing and ultimate implementation of the final version will require the location of an Internet Web service provider as it is the committee's recommendation, due to a variety of problems that have taken place with the current SUVCW Internet Web hosting service provider, that the data and the interactive program be physically placed on a separate server and access to the interactive database be via a link on the SUVCW site. The

second server also would allow space for other large and interactive databases dealing with the Grand Army of the Republic Posts and record locations and Civil War monuments and memorials. It is anticipated that a recommendation will be made to the Council of Administration regarding the second Web Hosting services in late August.

After the account is set up and any kinks worked out, the site can go live. Then over the next half of a year, it is our intent to update the entire graves project to a newer software version. There are several new techniques that would improve the overall quality of the site (although it would probably not have too much affect on the average site user). It is anticipated that the newer software version would be written and ready for implementation some time during early 2003.

During the year, one revised job description for the National Signals Officer and a new job description for the National Webmaster were submitted for review to the National Committee on Program and Policy.

Recommendation. That the incoming Council of Administration consider authorizing the location of the graves registration data and interactive program on a server separate from that which the SUVCW currently resides and that access to the interactive program and database be via a link off the current SUVCW site.

National Committee on Communications and Technology consisted of:

Keith G. Harrison, PCinC, National Signals Officer & Chair

Leo F. Kennedy

Richard D. Orr, PCinC

Richard A. Williams

### **Keith Harrison, PCinC, National Webmaster Report**

First of all, this will be my final report as National Webmaster. When I took over as National Webmaster in January 1998, the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War (SUVCW) Web Site contained 250 pages. It now contains over 1,500 pages and continues to grow with the inclusion of additional operational, historical, and informational material on the Civil War, the Grand Army of the Republic (GAR) and the SUVCW. Concurrent with the physical growth of the site also has been a continued and dramatic increased use of the SUVCW Web Site by Allied Orders members and the general public from all over the world. Attached (Attachment 1) to this report are the use statistics for the SUVCW Web Site for the period January 1998 through June 2002. For the four years where a full 12 months worth of statistics are available (1998 – 2001), the total number of visits per year to the SUVCW Web Site grew from 1,799,918 (1998) to 4,642,572 (2001) and the average daily hits from 4,931 (1998) to 12,719 (2001). During the first six months of 2002 alone, the site has had 1,889,533 visitors and has averaged 11,693 hits per day.

You'll note in Attachments 1 and 2 that the month of September 2001 reflects a very high usage of the SUVCW Web Site. Following the tragedy of September 11, 2002, access to SUVCW Web Site jumped from an average of 9,886 hits per day for the period September 1 through September 10, 2002 to 15,524 on September 11th, 41,897 on September 12th, 108,781 September 13th, and 180,875 on September 14th. A total of 1,062,364 total hits (almost one-fourth of all the hits that occurred for the entire year of 2001)

occurred during the month of September 2001. Upon investigation, it was found that most of the hits to the SUVCW Web Site during the period September 11th through September 30th came through our web page on the United States Flag.

Since last year, there have been many changes and updates made to SUVCW Web Site. Quite a few of the of the changes took place immediately after (within one day of the end of) the 2001 National Encampment. Some of these included the establishment of a biography of the new Commander-in-Chief; establishment of a new listing of all national officers and committee members serving for 2001/2002; establishment of the new Past Commander-in-Chief's (PCinC) biography into the PCinC Web Page, posting of the 2001 State of the Order message into the Commanders-in-Chief National Encampment Report Web Page; changing of the SUVCW's home page to reflect the new Commander-in-Chief; and replacement of the 2001 National Encampment advertisement with that for the 2002 National Encampment.

Other updates and new pages that were established this last year have included three more SUVCW Past Commanders-in-Chief pictures and/or biographies; additional GAR Commanders-in-Chief pictures and/or biographies (we are now only missing one or two pictures and about 30 of the biographies); five new articles regarding the GAR; 31 more biographies and pictures of ancestors on the Photos from the Past Web Page (this portion of the Web Site now contains 221 photographs and biographies); a listing of the living widows and children of Civil War veterans, and two more National Encampment Proceedings (2000 and 2001).

In addition to the above, there has been a continued updating of the following pages throughout the year: 2001/2002 Officer's and Committee listing; all of the departmental pages, all General Orders from the Commander-in-Chief, all General and Special Orders from the Commanding Officer of the Sons of Veterans Reserve, all Council of Administration meeting minutes and electronic Board room votes; updates and new listings in our Cyberpickets (which now contains over 370 names); and updates to the Inquiries, Announcements and Upcoming Events; Civil War History; Grand Army of the Republic Research; Civil War Reenactment Organizations; and Genealogy Web Pages.

Also during this time, it again became necessary to switch Internet web hosting providers, this time from Interliant to Interland (Interliant was bought out by Interland). If you remember, it was only last year that a similar switch became necessary when Interliant bought out Digiweb – our earlier Internet web-hosting provider. Given the size of the Order's web site (160 megabytes and growing), this was (again) an absolute nightmare to effect, taking close to two months to implement. As before though, there was no interruption to service to anyone as a result of the switch. Due the problems that I encountered last year and then again this year during the changing of service providers, I established couple of safe guards, the most significant being the development of a list of all accounts, all URLs and all passwords associated with the National Web Site and the providing of the lists to the National Secretary, National Headquarters, National Treasurer, and Assistant National Treasurer.

I have enjoyed my role as National Webmaster for these last four and one half years but it is now time for someone else to take on this role. I have expressed my willingness to continue serving the Order by assisting the new National Webmaster in the role as his Backup National Webmaster. I also will be

continuing on as the Webmaster of the three sites hosted by the SUVCW Sons of Veterans Reserve (<http://suvcw.org/svr.htm>); Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States (MOLLUS) (<http://suvcw.org/mollus.htm>); and the Grand Army of the Republic Civil War Museum and Library (<http://suvcw.org/garmus.htm>).

Attachment. Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War Web Site Statistics, January 1998 – June 2002.

Daily Accesses of the SUVCW Web Site, September 2001

Average Daily Accesses Prior to September = 9,896

Average Daily Access for September = 35,412

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**Attachment. Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War Web Site Statistics, January 1998 – June 2002.**

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	2002 1998		2001		2000		1999			
	Page Total (1,500+ Pages)		Page Total (1,450 Pages)		Page Total (1,110 Pages)				Page	
	Total (560 Pages)		Page Total (250 Pages)							
Month	Total Hits	Avg.Hits/Day	Total Hits	Avg.Hits/Day	Total Hits	Avg.Hits/Day	Total Hits	Avg. Hits/Day	Total Hits	
January	321,813	10,381	241,956	8,065	239,006	7,710	191,743	6,185	120,745	3,895
February	319,587	15,979	256,490	9,160	254,511	8,776	200,002	7,143	159,432	5,694
March	291,511	9,403	317,178	10,232	281,655	9,086	215,625	6,956	149,823	4,833
April	298,836	9,961	305,412	9,852	241,076	8,035	207,870	6,929	300,930	10,031
May	457,839	14,769	381,517	12,307	324,765	10,467	259,710	8,378	179,275	5,783
June	199,947	9,665	281,370	9,379	289,060	9,635	220,736	7,357	57,501	1,917
July			316,520	10,210		337,698	10,877	206,407	6,658	149,420
August			293,315	9,464		283,942	9,159	220,696	7,119	105,426
September			1,062,364 <sup>(b)</sup>	35,412 <sup>(b)</sup>		237,359	7,992	214,915	7,163	121,842
October			507,880	16,383	256,600	8,277	218,215	7,039	156,053	5,034
November		372,322	12,411		235,683	7,855	245,625	8,187	143,147	4,772
December		306,248	9,879		271,033	8,743	197,259	6,363	156,324	5,042
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,889,533</b>	<b>11,693<sup>(a)</sup></b>	<b>4,642,572</b>	<b>12,719</b>	<b>3,252,387</b>	<b>8,884</b>	<b>2,598,803</b>	<b>7,120</b>	<b>1,799,918</b>	

(a) Six month average for 2002.

(b) Total Hits/Month and Average Hits/Day increased due to September 11<sup>th</sup>.

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

Recess until 1:00 PM

**Membership Badge of the  
Grand Army of the Republic**



**Second Business Session  
(Friday Afternoon)**

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell**

Gentlemen, we have a True Son with us here today. His name is Edward Blakely. He's from the Dept of Michigan and he's 98 ½ years young.

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell**

Next report is from the liaison to MOLLUS, but Brother Bateman is not here; however, we have something even better. We have the Commander-in-Chief of MOLLUS. Brother Bury, would you step forward?

**Gordon Bury, Commander—in-Chief, Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States**

Thank you Commander Powell,

Bothers as Past Commander-in-Chief of the SUVCW and as current Commander-in-Chief of the Military Order of the Loyal Legion, I bring to you the greetings of the Loyal Legion, and ask that each member here who is a member of the Loyal Legion please stand up. As you can see, we've got a bit of cross-membership.

There are a number of things the SUVCW and the Loyal Legion share in common such as our objectives and some ceremonial aspects such as Lincoln Tomb, Lincoln Memorial and others.

This past month the Loyal Legion has formed a committee to basically generate a lot of materials and formats for programs which we have in common. We hope to be getting news out more quickly of upcoming events. Last February at the Lincoln Memorial, a lot of people didn't have information that should have been disseminated months before.

We do a number of these programs repeatedly, year after year. Most of the times are identical. The locations may change. We need to get that out for our members, but also for prospective members. Our website, with the number of hits (I'm talking about our and the Sons) is tremendous and we would get more prospective members attending these events if we got the information out there a lot sooner. If any one is interested in being member, see any member for an application.

One final comment to our brother from the Confederate Veterans. A number of years ago, when I was Sr. Vice of this organization, I was invited down to Tennessee to attend the Debutantes Ball at the SVC National Encampment. It was interesting. They asked me to attend in uniform and sitting at that banquet in a sea of Gray uniforms was very interesting. They were introducing people who had brought checks for a project they were working on. \$10,000, \$25,000 and so forth and the sea of gray went wild. Then they introduced me and I thought here I go in my Blue uniform, down into the valley of death. I brought greetings from this organization and I must say, was greeted warmly in return and received congratulations for wearing my Blue uniform. I must say, the two organizations have always worked together.

In conclusion let me say Congratulations Commander Powell for having a good year.



**Commander-in-Chief George Powell**

We will now do correspondence if Brother Ed is ready?

**Ed Krieser, National Secretary**

First, we have a letter from Brother Stevens of Cedar Rapids, Iowa about the special award that was granted for the memorial there. It's cover letter accompanied by a letter from the Veteran's Memorial Building director, thanking us for our contribution to their project.

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell**

It needs to be read and sent directly to the committee.

**Ed Krieser, National Secretary**

OK

I also have a resolution from the Department of California/Pacific regarding the war medal, to make a change in the C&R

**(text of this resolution has been lost)**

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell**

Refer to C&R committee

**Ed Krieser, National Secretary**

This one is a resolution from Elisha Dyer, Camp # 7, forwarded to National from the Department of Rhode Island. Whereas Brother David A. Turpin was a brother in good standing with the Iowa Department SUVCW and was a Commander and also served National with distinction as National Patriotic Instructor and twice as a chief-of-staff and whereas Elisha Dyer, camp #7 has voted to approve his reinstatement with past honors as a member in good standing of Camp #7. Camp #7 respectfully requests that the National SUVCW restore Brother David's past accomplishments as a Past Department Commander of the Rhode Island Department and Elisha Dyer Camp#7.

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell**

Refer to committee on resolutions. It's restoration of rank.

**Ed Krieser, National Secretary**

Resolutions for Pa Dept SUVCW

It was moved, seconded and approved that the PA Dept support the Resolution by Henry Casey, Camp#2, Dept of Ohio to support Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, Robert Grimm for election to the office of Commander-in-Chief at the 121<sup>st</sup> National Encampment. There's a resolution with that also.

There's another endorsement from the Dept of Michigan who have unanimously passed a motion supporting the nomination and election of Brother Kent Armstrong to the office of Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief at the 121<sup>st</sup> National Encampment.

This one is from the Department of Wisconsin, a letter from the Department Commander accompanying a resolution supporting Brother Steven A. Michaels for the office of Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief, elections to be held at the 121<sup>st</sup> Encampment.

Brother Michaels has been instrumental in the growth of his camp. And a resolution accompanies that.

Next one is from CK Pier Badger Camp 1, Department of Wisconsin. Our camp has adopted by unanimous vote the nomination and election PDC Steven A. Michaels to the office of Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief, SUVCW. And a resolution accompanies that also.

The next one is from the Department of Pennsylvania

The members voted on June 29 to request National support the effort to restore the 90<sup>th</sup> Pennsylvania Infantry Memorial at the Antietam National Battlefield by contributing a sum of \$1000, the money to come from the National Memorials and Monuments Restoration fund. While the Dept of PA realizes the normal limit for this type of project is \$500, reliable sources advised us to request \$1000.

At the Pennsylvania Department Encampment SUVCW 122<sup>nd</sup> Encampment it was regularly moved, seconded and voted, that the Department of Pennsylvania support the resolution authored by Ezra S. /Griffin Camp # 8, Dept of PA to support PDC Joseph Long, Jr. for election to the office of Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief at the 121<sup>st</sup> national encampment. Resolution accompanies.

That's all the communications.

### **Commander-in-Chief George Powell**

Reports of the National Standing Committees

Americanism and Education

Is anyone here from that committee? No. And No report on file.

Standing Committee on Constitution and Regulations, James Pahl

### **James Pahl, Chair, National Committee on Constitution and Regulations**

The report of the committee on Constitution and regulations is contained in the packet of material you have (printed below)

#### **WAR MEDAL:**

The committee was asked by the 120th Annual Encampment to study the issue of a military service and/or governmental service medal and report back to the 121st Annual Encampment. It is the recommendation of the Committee (by vote of 4 to 1) that the National Organization of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, not adopt a military service or governmental service medal. However, the committee recommends the following amendments to modify the War Service Medal:

Basically what this amendment does (you have the wording in front of you) is to change the eligibility for war medal and expand the definition to make more people who participated in armed conflicts eligible for the medal. In conjunction with that, we have asked the Encampment, if they adopt the amendment to the

adopt the policy statement, the language on the next page, which defines which campaign medals or ribbons would make someone eligible for the war service medal. It also empowers the CofA to amend the list from time to time as more conflicts occur and more campaign medals are adopted. And the committee moves you the adoption to amend National Regulations Chapter V, Article III, Section 3

#### Current language

"F. War Medal. Authorized for any Brother who has served honorably in any branch of the Armed Forces of the United States during a period of war or military conflict as defined by the Council of Administration. Entitlement is determined by the Brother's Camp at a regular meeting of that Camp. A gold bar naming the war or conflict in which the Brother served may be attached to the ribbon of the medal. This bar may not be attached to any other Badge of the Order."

#### Change to:

"F. War Medal. Authorized for any Brother who has served honorably in any branch of the Armed Forces of the United States, which resulted in the awarding of one or more ribbons and/or medals as authorized by the Congress of the United States, the President of the United States or the Secretary of Defense of the United States and as approved by this Order. Entitlement is determined by the Brother's Camp at a regular meeting of that Camp. A gold bar naming the war or conflict in which the Brother served may be attached to the ribbon of the medal. The Quartermaster shall maintain a supply of the gold bar's for the War Service Medal, as that Medal existed prior to the 121st National Encampment. All other gold bars desired by the Brother shall be obtained by the Brother from his own supply source, provided such gold bar meet the specifications of the National Quartermaster. This bar may not be attached to any other Badge of the Order. Any War Service Medal awarded prior to the 121st National Encampment and the brother does not qualify for the War Service Medal under the above Regulation, shall be entitled to retain that Medal as issued under the previous Regulations."

As a companion to this above language, the committee proposes this National Encampment adopt a policy statement that the following medals and ribbons be approved as the current list of ribbons and medals, which qualify a brother of the Order for the War Medal. Further, the Council of Administration shall have the authority to amend this list from time to time as additional medals and/or ribbons are officially authorized, as appropriate.

Civil War Campaign Medal  
Indian Campaign Medal  
Spanish Campaign Medal  
Spanish War Service Medal  
Philippine Campaign Medal  
Philippine Congressional Medal  
China Campaign Medal  
Cuban Pacification Medal  
Mexican Service Medal  
Mexican Border Service Medal  
World War I Victory Medal  
American Defense Medal

Philippine Defense Medal  
Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal  
Philippine Liberation Medal  
European-African-Middle Eastern Medal  
World War II Victory Medal  
Medal for Humane Action (Berlin Air Lift)  
National Defense Service Medal (1950-54, 1961-1974, 1990-1995. The years issued correspond to Korean, Viet Nam and Gulf Wars.)  
Korean Service Medal  
Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal (conflicts to which another specific medal is not authorized. The Secretary of Defense determines if and when this is available)  
Viet Nam Service Medal  
Southwest Asia Service Medal  
(Gulf) Armed Forces Service Medal  
Humanitarian Service Medal  
(Peace Keeping) NATO Medal  
Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal  
Kuwait Liberation Medal from Kuwait  
Kuwait Liberation Medal from Saudi Arabia  
Marine Corps Expeditionary Medal  
Navy Expeditionary Medal Battle of Manila  
West Indies Naval Medal  
Kosovo Campaign Medal  
UN Korean Service Medal  
UN Medal (for Peace Keeping)  
2nd Nicaraguan Campaign Medal

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

A motion has been made. Do we have a second?  
Discussion ensued

Unknown speaker makes a motion to table.

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

a motion has been made to table this motion. Is there discussion on the motion to table?  
Discussion ensues

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell**

conducts a vote on tabling the motion  
The motion to table does not carry.

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

Back to the original motion

**James Pahl:**

The motion on the floor is to amend National Regulations Chapter V, Section III, Article 3. It does not include the list on the second page, which is a separate issue as Brother Orr pointed out.

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

what's the difference?

**Jim Pahl:**

The difference is the existing language as defined by the Council of Administration and we expand that to include medals authorized by the Congress, the President or the Secretary of Defense, and basically does not require the Quartermaster to stock a bar for every single one of those. He keeps his existing stock and you can get your own bar. It expands who is eligible but does not encumber the quartermaster's office.

Discussion ensued

On service medals vs war medals—again.  
PCinC Andy Johnson explains the difference again  
PCinC Orr tried too.

Discussion.

Motion to accept what the committee has. If you don't like it, vote it down and suggest a change.

Unknown speaker: Call the question

**Jim Pahl:**

Point of order. Call the question means you are ready to vote. If you want to terminate debate, move to terminate debate or more formally, move the previous question. I think I've said this 5 years in a row (yes). Calling the question is not a valid motion, it means nothing.

**Unknown speaker from Dept Ohio:**

I move we close the debate and vote.

**Jim Pahl:**

that motion is non-debatable and calls for an immediate vote

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

Vote on close debate

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

The motion carries.

**Jim Pahl:**

Let the record show Rich Orr and I do not agree.

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

I think the record should only show when you two do agree.

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

Now the motion on the floor is to accept the language as currently proposed.

The motion is defeated.

The chair will entertain a motion to replace the motion that we just voted down.

**Glenn Knight:**

I move that this be the replacement motion:

F. War Medal. Authorized for any Brother who has served honorably in any branch of the Armed Forces of the United States, which resulted in the awarding of one or more personal decorations for valor or campaign medals as authorized by the Congress of the United States, the President of the United States or the Secretary of Defense of the United States and as approved by this Order. Entitlement is determined by the Brother's Camp at a regular meeting of that Camp.

Unknown speaker seconds

**Glenn Knight**

Is this what we want to do or do we want to update the dates?

More discussion.

Motion to end debate.

All in favor

Motion to end debate carries.

**Glenn Knight**

The intention of my motion was to give this body what it wanted, however I don't think it does, so I'm going to vote against my own motion. But here is what I moved:

F. War Medal. Authorized for any Brother who has served honorably in any branch of the Armed Forces of the United States, which resulted in the awarding of one or more personal decorations for valor or campaign medals as authorized by the Congress of the United States, the President of the United States or the Secretary of Defense of the United States and as approved by this Order. Entitlement is determined by the Brother's Camp at a regular meeting of that Camp.

Motion is defeated.

**Someone Dept of Ohio:**

I make the motion that a medal be struck by this organization and presented to members this organization and awarded to the members of the Armed Forces who served during time of peace. Also that medal, the person who has 30 years in the military or whatever and qualifies for the war medal and the service medal may be allowed to purchase both but only be allowed to wear one at a time.

Second.

Debate

**PCinC Richard Orr:**

Point of order to the National Counselor. This motion is in violation of our Congressional Charter, Section III: To wit, The purposes of the corporation shall be to perpetuate the memory of the Grand Army of the Republic and the men who served and saved the Union 1861 – 1865, to assist in every practical way the preservation and making available for research of documents and records pertaining to the Grand Army of the Republic and its members. In cooperating doing honor to all those members who have patriotically served our country in any war, to teach patriotism and the duties of citizenship and the true history of our country.

We are only permitted to honor those who serve during war. That’s what we are authorized to do by our charter.

**Jim Pahl:** reads rest of paragraph

Discussion:

**Jim Pahl:**

I disagree with Rich. By doing this, we are teaching patriotism.

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

I accept his opinion

**Richard Orr**

Appeals the ruling of the chair

**Jim Pahl:**

Appeal is debatable. It is not amendable and it only requires a majority vote.

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

Debate on Richard’s appeal.

Discussion ensues.---but not much about Richard’s appeal.

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

All those in favor of overturning my ruling against Richard's opinion and accepting Jim's opinion signify by saying 'Aye'

'No's have it.

Now we're back to the original the motion.

**Jim Pahl:**

I have an amendment to the motion, that if the motion passes, that rather than strike the new medal, we take the existing top bar and drop of the existing medal and change the ribbon to signify military service medal.

**Unknown:**

On the back of the war medal it says 'war medal'

**Jim Pahl:**

I withdraw the amendment.

**Bill Lowe of Dept of Michigan:**

I move to offer a substitute motion, that we return to the original intent of this and the war medal only be worn by Sons who were members at the time they enlisted or were drafted into the military service of our country, allowing anybody who now has it to keep it. That's the motion.

**Jim Pahl:**

I can't find substitute motions in Robert's Rules of order. When you've got a motion on the floor, that's it. Only a privileged motion can only supersede it. A substitute motion is not a privileged motion supersede. So you can take up your motion after the original motion has been decided.

**Richard Orr:** seconds substitute. And argues Pahl's point. Pahl gets the big book.

**Jim Pahl:** big book says no substitute motion.

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

Brother Don's original motion

Move to end debate

Motion to end debate carries.

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

The motion is that we create a second medal for military service

The motion carries



**Charlie Kuhn, Department of Pennsylvania:**

I move that the incoming CinC appoint a committee to design the new medal  
Second.  
The motion carries..

**Richard Orr:**

I move that we develop medals for anyone covered by section III  
Second,  
The motion does not carry.

**James Pahl**

At the March 2002 meeting of the Council of Administration, the concept of Camps and Department having a Memorials and Monuments officer was approved and referred to the C&R Committee. The following proposal will amend the various sections of the National Regulations to add such officers at the Camp and Department level:

Therefore the committee recommends approval and moves you adopt the following package:

Amend National Regulations Chapter I, Article V Officers, Section 1, to add as underlined:  
"Section 1. The officers of a Camp shall be: Commander, Senior Vice Commander, Junior Vice Commander, three Members of the Camp Council, Patriotic Instructor, Chaplain, Secretary, Treasurer (or Secretary- Treasurer), Historian, Guide, Color Bearer and Guard and a Camp Memorials and Monuments Officer. The Commander, Secretary and Treasurer shall not serve on the Camp Council."

Amend National Regulations, Chapter I, Article V DUTIES OF OFFICERS, by adding a new section 11.

"Section 11. The duties of the Camp Memorials and Monuments Officer include the locating, physical examination of, and recording of all memorials dedicated to Union Civil War soldiers and sailors (outside the care of the National Military Parks, and the U.S. Departments of Defense, or Veterans Affairs) in the location served by the Camp. This includes all sizes of monuments (with or without sculpture), those with Civil War era cannon and inert ammunition, memorial fountains, memorial buildings, memorial windows (stained glass), historical markers, and even small plaques. Reports on the various memorials and monuments located within the Camp area shall be made from time to time to the Department Memorials and Monuments officer upon appropriate form."

National Regulations, Chapter II, Article IV OFFICERS, amend Section 1 to add as underlined:  
"Section 1. The officers of a Department shall be a Department Commander, Senior Vice Department Commander, Junior Vice Department Commander, three members of the Department Council, Department Patriotic Instructor, Department Chaplain, Department Secretary, Department Treasurer (or Department SecretaryTreasurer), Department Historian, Department Counselor, Department Graves Registration Officer and at the option of the Department, a Grand Army of the Republic Highway Officer, a Civil War Memorials & Monuments Officer, and such other officers as may be established in its By-laws

National Regulations, Chapter II, Article V, DUTIES OF OFFICERS, add new section 13:  
"Section 13. The duties of the Department Memorials and Monuments Officer include the locating, physical examination of, and recording of all memorials dedicated to Union Civil War soldiers and sailors (outside the care of the National Military Parks, and the U.S. Departments of Defense, or Veterans Affairs) in the Department. This includes all sizes of monuments (with or without sculpture), those with Civil War era cannon and inert ammunition, memorial fountains, memorial buildings, memorial windows (stained glass), historical markers, and even small plaques. Reports on the various memorials and monuments located within the Department shall be made from time to time to the National Memorials and Monuments officer upon appropriate form."

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:** All those if favor?

The motion carries

**Jim Pahl:**

The final recommendation regards who is entitled to be seated at a National Encampment, and this removes appointed officers from that list by virtue of being an appointed officer. Right now the Patriotic Instructor, the Guide, the Guard, any officer appointed by the Commander-in-Chief has automatic credentials to the floor of the next Encampment. The reason for the change is that a number of years ago, a Department came to the Encampment with too many delegates. The excess delegates were made national officers for the Encampment so that they could be seated and gave that Department 2 more votes than they were entitled to. I believe that violates federal law.

So if we eliminate this, it solves the problem.

Discussion

Moved and seconded to end debate

Motion carries

Moved and seconded to pass original motion.

Motion carries

That concludes my report.

Recess till 3:00

(Recess concluded)

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell**

Report of the National Site Committee

**Charles Corfman, PCinC, Chair, Site Committee**

Once again it has been my pleasure to serve as your chairman of the national Site Committee. Along with CR Stephen and Robert J. Eck, we thank you for your support and approval.

2003 Ft. Mitchell, KY August 7 – 10 the Ohio Department is host with the cooperation for the Kentucky Department. Ft. Mitchell is near the Greater Cincinnati Airport.

2004 Cedar Rapids, Iowa August 12 – 15 the Iowa Dept will host the National Encampment. The hotel is similar to the hotel in Springfield, MO.

Proposals have been received from the following Departments:

2005 Cal/Pacific and New Hampshire have each submitted proposals

2006 Pennsylvania Pittsburgh

2007 Maryland and Missouri have each submitted proposals

2008 New York and Michigan have each submitted proposals

When possible the committee requests the approval of the National Encampment for the location of our annual encampment. Therefore, we are asking for a vote of a decision and approval for the following Departments.

1. to recommend either Cal/Pacific or New Hampshire for 2005
2. to approve PA for 2006
3. to recommend either Maryland of Missouri for 2007
4. to recommend either New York of Michigan for 2008

(NOTE: Due to tape failure, there is no record of any vote or the outcome)

### **Commander-in-Chief George Powell**

Next report Remembrance Day

### **Elmer F. Atkinson, PCinC, Chairman, Remembrance Day Committee**

Remembrance Day 2001 was a complete success due to the fine work of my committees. Special thanks go to Brother Charles E. Kuhn, Jr. for obtaining the permits for the parade and handling the post of Parade Marshall. Once again, the merchants of the town of Gettysburg paid for the parade permit of \$800. The Sons are grateful for their financial assistance. Reports stated that between 2,000 to 3,000 uniformed and civilian reanactors participated.

The National Civil War Ball Committee, along with the members of the Son's Remembrance Day Committee, once again organized and ran the ball. A profit of \$4500 was realized and will be donated to the Gettysburg National Military Park for monument restoration at the 2002 Remembrance Day program.

The funds for the ball are held in account number 53-5866529-03 at the Third Federal Saving and Loan in Philadelphia and has two signatories. It does not incur any bank charges as long as a balance of \$1000 is maintained. Copies of the monthly statements are sent to the National Treasurer.

Ticket sales were 672, 61 under the previous year. This was expected due to the national situation at the time. The ballroom is decorated and dance cards are distributed to the women attending. Postage is kept to a minimum by requesting the purchasers of tickets send stamped self- addressed envelopes. Many of

the door prizes are solicited from merchants or donated by Allied Order members. The 28th PA Regimental Brass Band plays authentic music and a dance master demonstrates the dances.

With no price increase in many years, the committee decided to raise the price to \$15 this year, hoping to increase the amount raised for preservation of monuments. A complete financial statement is attached.

Committee members were Charles Corfman, P CinC; Charles Kuhn, DC; David Sosnowski, CC; Eric Schmincke, CC; Janice Corfman, PNP, Ladies GAR; Margaret Atkinson, PNP, Auxiliary.

#### STATEMENT OF NATIONAL CIVIL WAR BALL 1/16/01 THROUGH 1/12/02

Balance in Checking Account 1/26/01	\$1,462.45
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#### INCOME

Bank Interest 2/01 through 1/02	\$ 28.45
Tickets Sales (\$10 each)	\$6,720.00
Donation (Zangronicz Photographer)	100.00
Returned Check Fee	5.00
Returned Check Reimbursement	20.00
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$6,873.45</b>

<b>SUB TOTAL</b>	<b>\$8,335.90</b>
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#### DISBURSEMENTS

28TH PA Regimental Brass Band	\$2,000.00
Printing – Pine Valley Press	185.96
Dance Tickets       \$ 82.40	
Dance Cards       \$103.56	
Door Prizes (Fruit Baskets) Janice Corfman	73.26
Eisenhower Inn – snacks (pretzels & popcorn)	89.90
S.V.R. – Printing & Postage publicity flyers	244.08
Stamp to endorse checks – Margaret Atkinson	7.99
Decorations – Margaret Atkinson	38.91
Postage – Margaret Atkinson	20.40
Postage and copying – Charles Corfman	60.00
Returned Check (NSF)	20.00
Returned Check Bank Fee	5.00
Wreath laid at Woolson Monument by Dr. Fairbanks	25.00
Refund for overpayment of 2 tickets	20.00

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	2,790.50	
BALANCE		\$5,545.40
LESS CHECK TO G.A.R. FUND FOR DONATION NOVEMBER 2002		4,500.00
BALANCE IN CHECKING ACCOUNT 1/12/02		\$1,045.40
Bud will renew 5 year contract with the Eisenhower hotel		
CinC: Do it.		

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell**

Program and Policy Committee

**Robert E. Grim, Chairman, Program and Policy Committee**

Several projects were assigned to the Program and Policy Committee for evaluation this year.

1. The Committee was charged with streamlining the Quarterly Reporting system.

**ACTION TAKEN:** It appears our organization is the only one that collects dues on an annual basis, and then spends countless hours making out quarterly reports, and fighting with some of our local camps and departments because they don't submit their reports on time. After careful consideration the committee recommends:

(a) The C & R be amended where necessary to reflect the following changes to the Quarterly Reporting system. It is our recommendation that Quarterly Reports be eliminated and replaced with an Annual Report. The Annual Report would contain the same information as the current Quarterly Report except it would only be filed once each year. Camps would file the report with the Department Secretary by April 15 and the Department Secretary would file the Annual Report with the National Executive Director by May 31. Camps would pay per capita dues for the entire year with their Annual report and the departments would pass the appropriate per capita dues along to the National Executive Director. This would reduce the work of Camp, Department and National financial officers by 75%.

(b) A new form known as a Camp Status Report should be created. It would have five items on it reflecting changes that might occur during the year after the Annual Report has been filed. The Camp Secretary would send the form to the Department Secretary who would forward a copy of it to the National Executive Director.

The following items would be listed on the Camp Status Report Form and would only be filed by a camp when one of these five things happens:

- (1) New member joins the camp
- (2) A member is reinstated after being dropped for non- payment of dues
- (3) A member dies
- (4) A member has a change of address

(5) A member transfers in or out of the camp

(c) We recommend the elimination of the position of National Membership List Coordinator. Since all the membership data is coming from the Department Secretary to the Executive Director, he should be able to perform the duties currently assigned to the National Membership List Coordinator. The reduction in work load on the Executive Director as a result of the elimination of three quarterly report filings should provide him with sufficient time to perform the National Membership List Coordinator duties without extra cost to the SUVCW.

(d) We recommend this new Annual Reporting policy take effect during the 2003 calendar year. The Quarterly Report for the period ending December 31, 2002 would still need to be submitted following the current regulations.

2. The 120th National Encampment approved issuing a medal and certificate for Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) cadets. The committee was charged with getting the medal and certificate designed and made. National Aide Larry Roach was assigned to our committee to assist with this project.

**ACTION TAKEN:** We were successful in getting this project done. The medal design selected is a brass or bronze colored shield shaped medal with the SUVCW Coat of Arms and the words Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. The medal is suspended from a regular SUVCW membership badge ribbon, and has a separate chest ribbon that can be worn by the cadet on his uniform. The medal is available for purchase by camps or departments from the National Quartermaster. The ROTC certificate is the Eagle Scout certificate with some minor changes. The Boy Scout emblem has been removed from the center of the certificate and the wording has been changed to reflect use for an ROTC cadet. A camp, or department commander as well as the commander-in-chief can sign this certificate. This medal and certificate is suitable for use at the high school JRROTC level or the college ROTC level and can be used for any of the military services.

3. The Committee was charged with updating the promotional membership brochure to reflect the age change for Junior Members and to correct some grammatical errors.

**ACTION TAKEN:** The brochure has been updated and a new printing by the National Quartermaster for use at the Civil War Museum in Harrisburg, PA has taken place.

4. The Committee was asked to review several forms.

(a) Life Membership Form:

**ACTION TAKEN:** This form has been updated to reflect the new Life Membership program fees.

(b) Eagle Scout Certificate:

**ACTION TAKEN:** The Council of Administration authorized a change on the signature line. The title Commander-in-Chief has been changed to Commander. A camp or department commander can now sign this certificate as well as the Commander-in-Chief. The National Quartermaster has been asked to make this change when the next printing of the certificate takes place.

(c) Membership Certificate:

ACTION TAKEN: Concern about the quality of the membership certificate was addressed by the committee. We currently have three certificates. An 11 x 14 inch certificate with the SUVCW coat of arms and a color flag sells for \$5.00. This certificate provides space for genealogical information about the members Civil War ancestor. Two 8 1/2 x 11 inch certificates are also available. One on white paper sells for twenty-five cents and one on blue paper sells for ten cents. Concern over the quality of the ten cent certificate brought the matter to the committee. It is the consensus of the committee to leave the certificates as they are.

(d) Membership Application Form:

The Committee was asked to update the Membership Application form to reflect Junior Memberships and the changes made by the National Archives for obtaining military records and to change the size of the form to allow for larger print.

ACTION TAKEN: Form has been updated as requested.

5. The committee was asked to approve a change in the job description of the National Signals Officer and National Webmaster to more accurately reflect their duties.

ACTION TAKEN: The requested changes have been made.

6. The committee was asked to consider a flag brochure similar to those published by other veterans and patriotic organizations

ACTION TAKEN: We don't feel enough camps will purchase such a brochure from the National Quartermaster to justify the cost of preparing and printing such a brochure.

A copy of the updated forms and job descriptions are attached as an appendix to this report.

Committee members were: Robert E. Grim, Chairman, Elmer F. Atkinson PCinC, Robert C. Bromley, Joseph Long, Jr. and John W. Bates III

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell**

Report of the National Committee on Legislation

**Report of Daniel R. Earl, Chair, National Committee on Legislation**

The purpose of the National Committee on Legislation of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War is to keep the Order apprised of proposed legislation affecting the welfare of the Order, of the Constitution, or the welfare of the United States.

Committee Policy

It shall be the policy of this Committee to share research responsibilities as evenly as possible. Although specific assignments are made, as indicated below, no Member of the Committee is prohibited from researching other states or areas of interest. Members are encouraged to regularly and openly share information with each other, and are reminded to always seek to achieve the vision, mission, values, and goals of our Committee as outlined herein.

Relative to assignments, one of the top priorities delegated to the Committee, by Commander-in-Chief Powell, has been to locate legislation and/or statutes that prevent the desecration of Civil War Monuments and Memorials. Moreover, the Committee should seek out protective legislation for any monuments or memorials associated with veterans of the United States. For jurisdictions that have proposed legislation of this nature pending before them, Committee Members should support its adoption by appropriate means (while keeping the Chair and other Members fully apprised). In areas where there is a lack of such legislation, and a clear need for such, Members of the Committee should encourage policy-makers to adopt such appropriate statutes.

Although, at the direction of Commander-in-Chief Powell, our primary objective for the time being is to focus on legislation preventing the desecration of monuments and memorials, each Committee Member should additionally strive to seek out and support any appropriate legislation that furthers the objectives of the Order, to wit:

To perpetuate the memory of the Grand Army of the Republic and of the men who saved the Union; to assist in every practicable way in the preservation and making available for research of documents and records pertaining to the Grand Army of the Republic and its members; to cooperate in doing honor to all who have patriotically served our country in any war; to teach patriotism, and the duties of citizenship, the true history of our country, and the love and honor of our Flag; to oppose every tendency or movement that would weaken loyalty to, or make for the destruction or impairment of our constitutional Union; and to inculcate and broadly sustain the American principles of representative government, of equal rights, and of impartial justice for all.

#### Vision

The National Committee on Legislation is committed to seeking out federal, state, and local legislation of such a nature as to affect the interests of the Order and the patriotic interests of the public.

#### Mission

The mission of the National Committee on Legislation includes: a) identifying and evaluating existing and proposed federal, state, and local legislation having any impact on the welfare of the Order, the Constitution, or the welfare of the United States; b) performing other related duties as assigned by the National Encampment or Commander-in-Chief; c) preparing and submitting periodic reports to the Commander-in-Chief on the nature and status of such legislation, as well as on the activities of the Committee; and d) preparing and submitting an annual written report to the Commander-in-Chief and the National Encampment on the activities of the Committee.



## Values

The National Committee on Legislation maintains a commitment to the following values: fraternity, charity, loyalty, honor, patriotism, impartiality, excellence, integrity, and communications.

## Goals

To successfully achieve its objectives, the Brothers who serve on the National Committee on Legislation should function as a professional team, keeping each other regularly updated on any projects or tasks with which they are involved. The overall goal of the committee is to research, analyze, and report on any legislation impacting the Order or the welfare of the Union. To accomplish this in a methodical and expedient manner, clear and concise organization of the Committee is necessary.

## Structure and Responsibilities

Membership of the Committee consists of a chairman and four additional Brothers, all appointed by the Commander-in-Chief. The chairman is responsible for periodically reporting to the Commander-in-Chief on activities of the Committee, and preparing an annual report to the National Encampment. He is also responsible for leading the Committee, making assignments, and coordinating its activities. When making reports, Committee Members should report directly to the Chairman, and if appropriate, copy other Members of the Committee. Any specific activities of Members, outside the realm of research and analysis (e.g., lobbying in support or opposition of legislation, etc.) should be immediately reported to the Chairman.

Legislation to be analyzed by the Committee extends throughout the various levels of the government. The most significant being federal and state legislation. Other legislation the committee may be interested in reviewing would be at the local/municipal levels. Because of this complexity, and to avoid duplication of work, it is necessary that specific responsibilities be distributed throughout the committee in order to effectively achieve our goals.

First, and foremost, legislation that is the most likely to impact the Order, and the nation as a whole, will come from Congress and the President. Unlike many states, the Congress is considered a “full-time” Legislature, thus a greater potential for new federal legislation to develop. Several reliable resources exist for researching and analyzing this legislation.

Next, rather than the Committee dividing the United States evenly, thereby each Member researching ten states each, the workload can be more evenly distributed based upon, among other things, the legislative activity of each state. One factor to consider with this is which states were the most active during the Civil War. It follows, that the states with greater activity during the Civil War, are likely to be more assiduous with legislation relative to the War, the welfare of the United States, and patriotism in general. This is not to say that states that were less active during the civil War are “wanting” in legislation, but less likely to have the necessity for relative statues.

Based on information from various sources, activity of the following states, relative to the number of battles (indicated in parenthesis) that occurred in each, are ranked from highest to lowest:

Rank	State
1	Virginia (124)
2	Tennessee (38)
3	Georgia (27)
4	Missouri (26)
5	Louisiana (23)
6	North Carolina (20)
7	Arkansas (17)
8	Mississippi (16)
9	Kentucky (11)
10	South Carolina (11)
11	Maryland (7)
12	Oklahoma (7)
13	Florida (6)
14	North Dakota (5)
15	Texas (5)
16	Kansas (4)
17	Minnesota (2)
18	New Mexico (2)
19	Ohio (2)
20	

## Pennsylvania (2)

This ranked list cannot be viewed independently of other factors. It is important to remember that even though a state may not have ranked at the top of this list, as far as the number of battles fought within its jurisdiction, it is not precluded from being active with legislation relative to the Civil War. A perfect example is Pennsylvania, with only two key battles fought within its territory, one of the most significant of the entire war being Gettysburg.

The below listed “state responsibility assignments” for purposes of researching and analyzing state legislation (and local legislation as appropriate) are made in consideration of, among other things, the activities of each of the above listed states during the Civil War, the significance of the various battles, the resident state of each Member of the Committee, and the specific interests as expressed by each Committee Member:

Charles E. Kuhn, Jr. of Pennsylvania

Legislation in the State of Arizona, Delaware, Kansas, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Tennessee and Vermont.

John M. McNulty of Pennsylvania

Legislation in the State of Florida, Georgia, Massachusetts, Maryland, New Hampshire, New Jersey, Pennsylvania and Rhode Island.

David Stephen of Iowa

Legislation in the State of Connecticut, Iowa, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Dakota, Nebraska, South Dakota, Virginia, West Virginia.

Ron Aronis of Wisconsin

Legislation in the State of Indiana, Kentucky, Minnesota, Montana, Ohio, Oklahoma, Texas, Wisconsin and Wyoming

Daniel R. Earl of California (Chairman)

Federal Legislation and Legislation in the State of Arkansas, Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Illinois, Maine, Michigan, Montana, New Mexico, Nevada, New York, Oregon, Utah and Washington

## Resources

A popular resource used for searching federal legislation is the Library of Congress. The LOC provides a website that is invaluable for this, called Thomas at <http://thomas.loc.gov/>. This and other websites provide exceptional amounts of information and links to the federal government. Additionally, local Congressional offices and the Department of Interior may be of assistance when researching specific issues (not just federal matters). The most common starting point at the state level is to begin with the Legislature of that state and any policy-making agencies relative to issues impacting the Order. Most state “homepage” websites also provide helpful information relative to their own and local legislation. Another

valuable website that provides a directory of information for states and local communities nationwide is Washburn University School of Law at <http://www.washlaw.edu/>.

## Conclusion

This "Committee Operations" document is to be construed as a guide for how our Committee will operate. That is, an organized format for how the Committee can most productively conduct business of the Order. There will always been room for improvement, and Members are encouraged to contribute with constructive criticism when appropriate. Modifications to these procedures will be made as necessary, and as directed by the Commander-in-Chief. Input from all Members is very important, and essential for our Committee to be successful.

## **Commander-in-Chief George Powell**

### Reports of Special Committees

#### Report of the Real Sons and Daughters

### **Jerry Orton, Chair, Special Committee on Real Sons and Daughters**

Listed below are members of our organization who can say, "My father fought in the Civil War." Included are individuals who are also sons of Civil War Union veterans but not members of the SUVCW.

Harold Becker, 8333 Atlanta Dr. NE, Rockford, MI 49341. Father, Conrad (Charles) Becker, Co. H 128th IN. Past Commander, Lyon Post GAR, Chicago, IL. SUVCW

Edward Blakely, %Bruce Butgereit, 2555 Ridgemoor Dr., SE, Kentwood, MI Father, Egbert Blakely, 10th MI Cav. SUVCW

John T. Brandon, 319 N. "C" St., Albia, IA 52531. Father, John Brandon, Co. A, 6th WS Vols. SUVCW

Rosewell Chaplin, Chester Arthur Apts., Fairfield, VT 05455. Father, Roderick Chaplin, 19th Vt. Vols. SUVCW

Dale Collier, PO Box 5033, Tiffin, OH 44886. Father, Harry Judd Collier, Co. F, 140th OH Vols. SUVCW

Freddie Dicken, Popular Bluff, MO. Father, Hardy Dicken, Co. A, 120th IL Vols.

Col. John W. Dinsmoor, USAF (RET), 2366 S. Lima, Aurora, CO 80014. Father, Samuel Dinsmoor, Co. B, 116th OH Vols. SUVCW

William Duncan, Mason City, IA. Father, John Duncan, 1st NY Dragoons. SUVCW

Desmond Dutcher, 1189 County Rt. 53, Oswego, NY 13126. Father, Hiram Dutcher, 184th NY Vols. SUVCW

Dale O. Farnsworth, 377 Hardscrabble Rd., Poland, ME 04273. Father, Albert Farnsworth, 2nd NH Vols. SUVCW

Madison Gadberry, RR 3, Box 484, Bethel Springs, TN. 38315. Father, Milton Gadberry, Co. H, 8th IA Cav. SUVCW

James M. Gowin, Jr., 7347 Charlotte Pike, Nashville, TN 37029. Father, James M. Gowin, Sr., Co. B, 33rd IN Vols. SUVCW

Aaron M. Landis, Jr., 5003 Colorado Ave., Harrisburg, PA 17109. Father, Aaron Landis, Sr., 187th PA Vols. SUVCW

Eugene J. Mallory, 234 West 3275 North, North Ogden, UT 84414. Father, Diogenes Mallory, Co. K, 2nd MI Cav.

Onnie Mitchell, %Reuben Mitchell, HC 88, Box 159, Baisden, WV 25608. Father, Cager Mitchell, Co. M, 7th WV Cav. SUVCW

Ernest Pool, 300 Bunker Hill Rd., Silex, MO 63777. Father, Charles Parker Pool, Co. D. 6th WV Inf.

Garland Pool, 1001 Highway T., Bolivar MO 65614-8112. Father, Charles Parker Pool, Co. D, 6th WV Inf.

William Pool, 1030 Highway Uu, Bolivar, MO 65613. Father, Charles Parker Pool, Co. D, 6th WV Inf.

Lumel Paul Robertson, % Candy Lane, PO Box 65, Ava, MO 65608. Father, James M. Robertson, Co. C, 24th MO Vols. SUVCW

Horace Rumsey, 7 Swift St., Waterloo, NY 13165. Father, Horace Rumsey, Co. A, 148th NY Vols.

Tony Jack Satterfield, 210 Peachtree St., Johnson City, TN 37604. Father, Augustus Satterfield, Co. F, 21st IN Heavy Artillery. SUVCW

Henry Shouse, Box 483, Station C, Goose Bay, Labrador, Canada AOPICO. Father, Hiram C. Shouse, Sr., Drummer Boy, Co. G, 11th IL Vols.

Hiram Shouse, Jr., 1905 Elmhurst Ave., Humbolt, IA 50548. Father, Hiram C. Shouse, Sr., Drummer Boy, Co. G, 11th IL Vols. SUVCW

Rev. Howard Stimmel, 455 Abbott Rd., Brattleboro, VT 05301. Father, Sgt. Smith Stimmel, Union Light Guard. A mounted cavalry company that served as President Lincoln's body guard and guarded the White House. National JAG 1917 and national patriotic instructor 1920 of the GAR. SUVCW

Jake A. Thompson, 222 S. Willard St., Ottumwa, IA. Father, Aleste D. Thompson, Co. A, 182nd OH Vols. SUVCW

Julius Ward, 11 W. Belmont St., Bay Shore, NY 11709. Father, Julius A. Ward, Co. G, 30th WS Vols.

Robert C. Warner, 401 Rio Condro Dr., San Angelo, TX 76903. Father, William B. Warner, 9th IN Cav. and survivor of the Sultana sinking. SUVCW

Rev. Kenneth, Father, Charles White, Co. G, 17th WV Vols. %Presbyterian Church, Delhi, NY 13753

John Whitman, HC 52, Box 174-K6, Hot Springs, SD 57747. Father, Nathaniel Whitman, 9th PA Cav. SUVCW

Waldemar Williams, PO Box 6, Bethel Springs, TN 38315. Father, Alexander C. Williams, Bugler, 1st US Cav. SUVCW

Frederick Wilson, Ozark, MO. Father, John Leander Wilson, Co. A, 8th TN Cav.

Frederick Upham, 5404 Fossil Court N., Fort Collins, CO 80525. Father, William Upham, Sr., Co. F, 2nd WS Vols. USMA, Class of 1866.

William Upham, Jr., 2429 E. Bradford Ave., Milwaukee, WI 53211. Father, William Upham, Jr., Co. F, 2nd WS Vols., USMA Class of 1866. Commander-in-Chief, Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States, 1985-89. SUVCW

#### REPORTED DEATHS

Sanford D. Brumfield, 25804 State Rt. 7S, Crown City, OH 45631. Father, Sloan Brumfield, Co. F, 1st OH Heavy Artillery. SUVCW Died November 17, 2001.

Ira Hicks, 61 Bank St., New Canaan, CT. 06840. Father, 1 Lt. Ira D. Hicks, 7th CN Vols. MOLLUS Died Oct. 5, 2001

James F. Sullivan, 5320 Peacock Dr., Holiday, FL 34690. Father, James P. Sullivan, Co. K, 8th WS Vols. Past National Commander, Seabee Veterans of America. SUVCW. Died January 31, 2002

Alvin Lang, 312 E. 14th St., Kaukauna, WI 54130. Father, John Lang, Co. F, 48th WS Vols. SUVCW Exact death date not known

#### WIDOWS OF CIVIL WAR VETERANS

There are 2 widows of Civil War veterans still alive, 137 years after the conflicted ended.

Mrs. Gertrude Janeway is the widow of John Janeway, who enlisted under the name, John January in Co. B 14th Ill Infantry. Her family has requested that she be contacted through PDC John and Sarah Anderson, 353 Freddie David Road, Selmer, TN 38375. Mrs. Janeway is in reasonably good health and appreciates all the letters she receives from our members. She is the last federally recognized Civil War widow.

Mrs. Alberta Martin, Rt. 4, box 536, Elba, AL is the last Confederate widow. Her husband, Jasper Martin served with the 4th AL Infantry. She is an active member of the United Daughters of the Confederacy. She received a pension for the State of Alabama.

The committee thanks you for signing the certificates, PCinC Ed Kreiser for his art work and PCinC Keith Harrison for maintaining information on the real sons and daughters on our website. Our website and the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War website contains many names of daughters that our not listed in this report. A number of departments have special pages on their websites for their real sons.

Recommendations:

1. Committee be continued for another year.
2. Upon proper documentation of real a son's membership, the national organization will make available a membership medal at no cost to the real son. The national organization already allows a war service medal to be obtained without cost to a real son with proper documentation.

### **Commander-in-Chief George Powell**

Report of the Scholarship Committee

The Scholarship Committee chair is Wayne Todd, but he's not here.

We award two \$1,000 scholarships every year. One is from the GAR fund and the other is from the General fund, but we call them GAR scholarships. One was awarded to Mr. Matthew Bacon from New Hampshire and the other is to Carla Clemm from Illionis.

I received an email from Ms. Clemm. I had not received her acceptance via snail mail and I called her on the phone and she sent a reply and included this letter. I'd like to read it to you now.

Dear Mr. Powell and the Scholarship Committee,

Feeling that merely signing an acceptance form is inadequate compared to the honor received, I would like to sincerely and personally thank you. It is an honor to receive the GAR scholarship. I feel it is my responsibility to honor you in return to excel in this coming year, not just for my benefit, or yours, but for my ancestor who served that our country might preserve life, liberty and the opportunity I am offered today. It is to Henry Bolt, my ancestor, and the thousands of others, like him who risked their lives to recognize this vision. This I believe is a model for me to follow and inspiration for me in its purest form. In this past year I can say without a doubt that the classes I worked hardest in and learned the most from, and loved the most was my AP American history class. The culmination of my hard efforts came with me receiving a score of 5 on the AP history exam. Not only is it the highest score that can be achieved, but it is only given out to a select few—maybe 5% of the test takers, if that.

I am planning on continuing my historical education in school as I will most probably be changing my major to history this coming year in two ways; Northwestern requires all freshmen to take a writing seminar of their choosing. My choice has been, "Ethnicity in World Politics," a class that integrates historical research with both historical and recent events. Beyond that I am planning on taking a history class this first semester. History is infectious. The more I learn about it, the more I am inspired or saddened by events learning and growing as a person. It is our job as citizens of this great nation to learn from our past, to honor those who have given their lives to create it and to keep the dream alive.

"It is rather for us to be here dedicated to the great task remaining before us, that from these honored dead we take increased devotion to that cause for which they gave the last full measure of devotion. That we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain, that this nation, under God, shall have a new birth of freedom, and that government of the people, by the people, and for the people shall not perish from the earth." --Abraham Lincoln's Gettysburg address

Sincerely,

Carla Clemm

This is the kind of people that are getting our scholarships and the best reason I can think of for continuing that program.

Dear Commander Powell,

Last Thursday we met very briefly at the SCV reunion in Memphis and I mentioned my SUVCW eligibility. Given the incessant anti everything bile generated by a vocal minority within the SCV, I would like to publicly make a point by honoring one of my great-great grandfathers, Sgt. Calvin Thomas, Company D, 5th Indiana cavalry. I already flaunt SAR membership. I've downloaded the application and am wondering if a Broadfoot publishing copy of Sgt. Thomas' record would be acceptable for attachment to the form. Ordering from that company might be faster than going through government channels. Please advise.

Incidentally do you sell lapel pins or window decals? If so I will place the logo alongside my confederate emblems once I am an SUVCW member.

Sincerely,

Rob Golen

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

So I guess I did a little bit of good. I will give this to Kent and you can give it to your successor.

eBay—there is a report in your packet so we will go on.

**Kurt Vouk, Chair, eBay Surveillance Committee**

The eBay Surveillance Committee has successfully ended over 300 US Veteran Grave marker auctions on eBay the last 10 months. At present we search for ALL war veteran markers, not just GAR markers. However, and unfortunately, at least 50% of the markers are GAR markers. We have made good strides with eBay in having them recognizing the validity of our concern. They now end ALL auctions reported to them via our eBay ID name "Vetguard."



Our #1 priority is not to have eBay end the auction but for the seller to do it on their own. A cordial email is sent to the seller in an attempt to inform and educate them on just what they are selling. To our delight close to 50% of them return a thankful email and voluntarily end their auction. Some have even gone as far as returning the markers to local SUVCW Camps, American Legion posts, SAR camps, etc.,. I feel this has been the most rewarding part of our efforts: To help educate the public.

Unfortunately, we (I, as reporting person) receive many unwelcome, accusatory and threatening emails in return. Some which are quite disturbing. However, in defense of eBay, they have supported our efforts and have never questioned any reports to them on our efforts to stop this activity.

Over the last 3 months there has been a dramatic decrease in the number of US Veteran Markers being listed on eBay. Hopefully we are making headway. Monday & Tuesday continue to be the largest days of new listings. The only assumption can be made that people either buy, "find," or otherwise come across the Grave markers over the weekend and then list them shortly thereafter.

Brothers, we are making progress and will continue our efforts to educate those who participate in this activity. If they do not voluntarily end the auction they are reported to eBay who will quickly end them.

I want to thank all the Brothers who have emailed me with "leads" they have come across on eBay. While we search for all of them, some can get through from description variances. Any Brothers wishing to email auction information can continue to do so at Pa28coc@aol.com.

#### **Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

Digest Report

#### **James Pahl, Chair, Special Committee on Digest**

The work on compiling and publishing a Digest of Opinions of the Commanders in Chief, National Counselors and National Encampments is progressing slower than anticipated. Almost one half of the past proceedings have been examined, but the remaining proceedings must still be analyzed. I recommend this committee be continued for an additional year with the same members.

#### **Commander-in-Chief George Powell**

GAR post records committees. The GAR committee two years ago was charged with finding GAR posts and putting that list on the web site. They completed their charge a year ago, and I extended the committee with the additional charge to start looking for the GAR records, not that we are going to take them, but so that when someone wants information on such and such a post they can go to our website and we will list where they can find the records. That's the purpose of the committee. Brother Glenn.

#### **Glenn B. Knight, PDC, Chair, Special National Grand Army of the Republic Records Committee**

Our predecessor committee, the Special National Grand Army of the Republic Post Committee did an excellent job of locating and identifying in excess of 8,000 posts of the Grand Army of the Republic throughout the world. Those lists can be accessed on the internet at <http://suvchw.org/garposts/garposts.htm>.

The purpose of this committee is to take that list and locate the repositories which hold the surviving records of each post and identify additional posts where possible. It is a daunting task which will require a multi-year commitment on the part of the Order. Hopefully future Commanders in Chief will enjoy the vision of Commander in Chief George Powell who gave the committee its charter.

This year was spent organizing the committee, defining our mission, establishing a system to record the data in a form that is compatible with our web presence and the requirements of Communication Technology policies.

With the kind, patient assistance of Past Commander in Chief Keith Harrison, National Signals Officer, National Webmaster and a member of this committee, we were able to codify the necessary methods. Brother Dean Sargent has volunteered to do all of the data entry—at least in the early stages of the project.

An inventory of available resource information has determined that the members of the committee have access to a significant amount of data and it was decided to concentrate on that information before going public with the project. That data should all be recorded by some time next year and at that time we will seek data from within the resources of the membership of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. Processing that data should take from one to three years. When that resource is fully tapped the committee will begin a publicity and letter writing phase that will tap non-SUVCW sources for information.

As we gain experience in the gathering and processing of information we may be able to expand the data entry to more people and speed up the work of the committee. But the fact remains that this is a multi-year project and the thing we need most right now is patience and understanding. The committee has no recommendations at this time.

#### **Commander-in-Chief George Powell**

Other than Military affairs, are there any reports I've missed.

#### **Unknown speaker**

Since we started the 2001 life membership program, we've gotten 6 1/3 new members. I directly deposited the money into the general fund, so it didn't even go through the check book.

#### **Commander-in-Chief George Powell**

That's it except for the Council of Administration report which we will save until tomorrow so Ed can gather some data for it.

Next I have some certificates to present for those brothers who met the requirements of General Order #9, which is recruiting. I've been trying to pass these out during the year as I was notified of them. There are four brothers here—if there's anybody that we've missed, please let me know.

The first one, Dept of Massachusetts, Douglas R. Knight

Brother Paul Hadley, Dept. of Nebraska  
Thank you and congratulations

Brother Daniel Mehan, we will send this to him  
Brother Emmett P. Taylor

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell**  
Committee on Officer's Reports

**Richard Orr:**

Commander-in-Chief, the Honorable Henry Shaw is Chair of the committee asked me to give the committee report. The committee was Judge Shaw, Joseph Long and Richard Orr.

First sir, I would move you that the recommendations of the committee be taken up ad seriatim and where there are no objections they be approved at the sound of the gavel.

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell**

OK Motion on the floor and has been seconded. All those in favor signify by saying aye  
The motion carries.

**Richard Orr:**

First the committee thanks the services of the Commander-in-Chief for his service during the past year and the excellent manner in which he has fulfilled the duties of his office.

We want the whole body to give him thanks for he has done a tremendous job.

Applause

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

Thank you gentleman. I said last year, that any success I would have would be due to the team that I put together and I say it now, again. Any success that I had was due to the team that I put together. And I want to thank all of my officers.

**Richard Orr:**

Commander-in-Chief you had eight recommendations

Your first recommendation that the Constitution and Regulations Committee draft the appropriate changes to the C&R to allow for the National Collection of Dues, and report to the Council of Administration at its March 2003 meeting and publicize the changes in the Bannner in sufficient time for approval at its next year's National Encampment.

The committee did not concur because this would require the establishment of uniform camp dues throughout the nation, and we would be dictating to the camps what their dues are.

Objection.

Discussion.

**Jim Pahl:** I move you that this Encampment endorse the recommendation of the committee.  
Seconded.  
Discussion.

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

The motion is on the floor. The motion is to concur with the committee's nonconcurrency  
The motion carries.

**Richard Orr:**

2. That the Program and Policy Committee develop a plan for the implementation of a National collection of dues, including the acceptance of Credit and /or Debit cards. The committee is to report back to the 2003 National Encampment.

The committee did not concur. Anything to do with credit cards or debit cards will be an accounting nightmare and result in significant losses of income to the National Order.

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

The committee's recommendation is to not concur. Any objections?  
Hearing none, so be it.

**Richard Orr:**

3. That a Special Committee be appointed to develop a "National Gift Shop" on our website for the sale of non-restricted items. The committee to report to the March meeting of the Council of Administration for approval and implementation.

The committee partially concurred with this as long as it does not involve the use of credit cards. So the final recommendation is nonoccurrence because it involves credit cards.

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

Objections?  
Hearing none, it carries.

**Richard Orr:**

4. That beginning in January 2003 and every year thereafter the National Secretary prepare a CD that contains up to date copies of all the forms of our Order along with a set of instructions for completing each form and that a copy of this CD be sent to each Department and Camp for their use. The cost of producing these CD's to be covered by a yearly Rechartering Fee to be charged each Camp and Department. The fee to be set by the Council of Administration each year.

We concur with the idea, but the C&R only provides for a one-time chartering fee.

We concur with the idea, but we prefer to have them available for sale for a nominal fee of \$1.00 plus shipping.

Objection  
Discussion

**Jim Pahl:** I will object and offer as a motion what the committee recommended.  
Second.

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

It has been moved and seconded that the CD be provided for purchase by the camps and departments.  
Discussion

**Richard Orr:**

Your recommendations to repair the Seal for display, the retiring the current flag stand and purchasing 2 baldrics for the CinC's colors and. . . .

**Point of Order (unknown speaker)**

We have a motion on the floor with a second?

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

those in favor of the motion say aye.  
The motion carries.

**Rich Orr:**

Now, numbers 5, 6 and 7, the committee concurs with all three of those.

**Jim Pahl:**

Objection to number 5—not to 6 & 7

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

Any objection to 6 & 7, the Baldrics and the flag stand?  
All right. So be it.  
Brother Jim?

**Jim Pahl:**

This may be kind of selfish, but right now the storage of the official seal between Encampment is at the discretion of the Commander-in-Chief, so it is his decision where it should be located and I think that should remain at the discretion of the Commander-in-Chief. Someday I hope to sit in that chair and I'd kind of like to have that to display at my discretion. I have no objection to the repair and restoration, but I do object to the mandate that it be stored at National Headquarters.

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

I included putting it in the National Headquarters because this past year, I had a leak in my house. The water came close to the seal, but didn't hurt it. My concern was for the safety of the seal.

**Jim Pahl:**

I therefore move that the seal be restored and repaired and that between Encampments it be stored at the discretion of the Commander-in-Chief.

Second

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

All those in favor.  
The motion carries.

**Rich Orr:**

Commander-in-Chief, your final recommendation #8. There is nothing in the Constitution and Regulations regarding the naming and membership of Camp and Department Guards. Some Camps and Departments have selected a reenactment group to be the official "Guard." I have issued General Order 15 requiring that all members of a Camp or Department Guard must be brothers of that Camp or Department. There has been some confusion with these Camp and Department guards using the name of the reenactment unit as the name of the Camp and Department guard. An additional problem is that each group has different membership requirements. What you end up with is two groups using the same name and one requires the all members be in the SUVCW for the Camp Guard and a separate group that allows anyone to join the reenactment group. It is my recommendation that the name of any Camp or Department Guard must be "the name of the Camp or Department" Guard. For example, "Abraham Lincoln Camp #1 Guard."

The committee concurs with your entire recommendation and further recommends that the incoming CinC to assign to the Committee on Constitution and Regulations to draft amendments to the C&R.

**Charlie Kuhn:**

I move to concur.

Second

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

Any objections?  
None. It carries

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

I recommend that Regulations be drafted so that the Camp guard is called the Camp guard or Department guard. I'm assigning it to the committee.

**Rich Orr:**

Commander-in-Chief, the committee wanted to express its thanks to the Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief for his services this past year. He had one recommendation and that is:

1. I urge the encampment to accept the suggestions and recommendations of the Commander-in-Chief and Council of Administration relating to a solution for the Banner funding problem.

The committee wants to table this. We agree with what he's saying, but didn't want it to be construed as prior approval of the budget without actually discussing the budget. So we concur, but are tabling it.

The next one I have is the Assistant National Secretary for the Proceedings

1. It should be Encampment policy that the written report submitted in advance by the officers and committee chairmen be the official report and that comments made in support or amplification of those reports be treated as clarification. Permission for late reports would come only from the presiding officer. The committee concurs

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

No objections

**Rich Orr:**

2. Reports not submitted in advance, in writing, should be identified in the Proceedings as “No Report Submitted” and that no action be taken on any recommendations submitted from the floor by the officer or committee chairman. Such recommendations should be taken up, if necessary, as New Business at the appropriate time. So long as we continue to allow officers of the Order to fail in their requirements without effect we will have no way to encourage improved performance.

The committee does not concur, because a previous recommendation gave the CinC permission to accept a late report

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

Objections

None

**Rich Orr:**

3. The Chief of Staff should insist that, in so far as is possible, all reports be submitted in electronic format and in conformity to the policies devised by the Communication Technology Committee, that they be submitted in advance of the Encampment and that copies be made available to Encampment officers, delegates and members during the Encampment.

The committee concurred

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

Objections.

None

**Rich Orr:**

4. The presiding officer of the Encampment should order the written report entered into the record and give the submitter no more than three minutes to emphasize, clarify or update information in that report.

While we agreed with the sentiment, we felt that this was usurping the authority of the Commander-in-Chief, so we do not concur.

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

Objections

None

**Rich Orr:**

5. The presiding officer of the Encampment should insist that anyone making a presentation, making a motion, seconding a motion or making a speech first identify themselves by name, Department, honors (PCinC, PDC, PCC) or delegate status. Anyone not doing so clearly and directly into the recording device should be declared “out of order” until such time as they comply.

The committee concurred.

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

Objections

None.

**Rich Orr:**

6. Some direct link should be made to the National Membership List by the Credentials Committee to ensure that the information on Encampment attendees be in synch with that Brother’s file on the NML. A simple “look-up” connection between the NML and the Credentials program can be created, according to Brother Dick Williams, the creator of both lists.

We agree with the intent and we recommend it be referred to the committee on Communications and Technology.

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

Objections

None.

**Rich Orr:**

7. The National Secretary should ensure that a copy of every piece of paper (reports, notes, letters, memorials, written motions, awards, etc.) referenced at the National Encampment is given to the Assistant National Secretary for Proceedings to assist in the compilation and checking of the Proceedings. All papers should be in the hands of the Assistant National Secretary for Proceedings before he leaves the Encampment.

The committee concurs.

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

Objections?

None.

**Rich Orr:**

8. Errors found in the Proceedings after publication should be immediately brought to the attention of the Assistant National Secretary for Proceedings in writing (letter, note, email) with a copy to the National Secretary. If the National Secretary and his Assistant for Proceedings determines that the error is significant an erratum shall be added to the next published Proceedings. It should be the policy of the Order that errors in Proceedings must be identified prior to the next scheduled National Encampment. After that date, corrections of errors must be handled at an Encampment upon the vote of the delegates.



We concur.

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

Objections?

None.

(The tape ended and while a new one was inserted, Rich Orr continued to speak. The new tape began, but the transcriptionist could not change tapes and take notes – therefore, a small part of the record was lost)

**Rich Orr:**

The national Treasurer's report

It is in all the above efforts that I also offer the following recommendations.

1. That we increase the cost of tickets for the Blue-Gray Ball. The Order has been generating \$4500 and donate to the Gettysburg Park Service \$5000; that's a net loss of \$500. With the drop in earnings on the money in the fund, The Order cannot keep this up for long. Based on average attendance and the number of people who can get in the ballroom, we suggest an increase of \$2 per person.

We concur.

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

Objections?

None.

**Rich Orr:**

2. That we need to increase the cost of supplies, particularly medals, to generate more income. There is about a 10% markup on these items and some items are sold at a loss.

We concur and it should be referred to the Quartermaster

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

Objection?

None

**Rich Orr:**

3. That we make the necessary changes to the Constitution & Regulations (C & R) to allow that the Quarterly Reports and Per Capita be effective no later than August 15th, November 15th, February 15th, and May 15th in order to operate the fiscal year in good standing with the financial audit of the National Organization SUVCW. To date the auditors have refused to allow The Order to show the 4th Quarter Per Capita in the fiscal year into which it belongs. They insist that it be shown as bad debt; because it is currently paid after the fiscal year has ended on June 30th. The audit and income tax report is what keeps The Order in good standing with the U.S. Congress, who has granted us our Federal Charter. This would mean that the Quarterly Reports and Per Capita would have to be effective 60 days earlier than the current practice per the C & R. This new change would allow the Departments and Camps to submit their 4th

Quarter membership standings based upon the April 1st date instead of the June 30 date. (i.e., the first day rather than the last day of the each Quarter. This would allow The Order up to 45 days to receive the 4th Quarter Reports and Per Capita before the end of the fiscal year.

4. There is an additional item, in all the budget proposals, which needs our consideration. That is the loss shown in the GAR Fund. This is mostly due to the paying of two (2) scholarships in the fiscal year 2002-2003. It is my recommendation that these scholarships be awarded no later than May 31 of each year. This would give us time to prepare the checks, the Commander-in Chief to send letters with the each check, and get the charge in the correct fiscal year. It is each of our duties to offer up to the Commander-in-Chief individual students who you deem as may be worthy of these scholarships.

We concur.

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

Objection?

None.

**Rich Orr:**

Unless I missed something, that's the report of the committee.

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

Are there any other reports?

**Don Darby,**

Dept Ohio, Memorials and monuments committee—I had two recommendations---

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell**

They need to be referred to the C&R committee, and were. Someone made a motion at the beginning of the reports to refer all to the appropriate committee. It's more work for Jim Pahl.

**Bud Atkinson**

Moves we recess until 8:30 AM tomorrow.

Second

Motion carries

**Third Business Session  
(Saturday Morning)**

8:30am

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell**

Called to order

Awards:

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell**

Presents the Cornelius Whitehouse Award for most outstanding brother to Charles Kuhn  
Lincoln Camp of the year ward to Camp 66 Dept Ohio  
Best Department newsletter: The Michigan Messenger  
August P Davis & the Linder award for most new members  
Both to Department of Missouri —for most new members and highest percentage of new members

Dept. Oklahoma gets new charter

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell**

Military Affairs Report—Bud

**Bud Atkinson, PCinC, Chair, Military Affairs Committee**

Due to the excellent work of General Medert and his staff this past year, there has been very little for this committee to do. We were called on to consider a few promotions for officers above the grade of Captain, all of which we approved.

As of the last report I received, the SVR had a membership of over 800 and was growing. I am happy to report that the General and his staff keeps me well informed on the operations and functions of the SVR and he will be reporting his progress in a separate report to the Encampment.

My thanks to my Committee: David R. Medert, P-CinC; Richard Orr P- CinC: Roger Olson, PDC; Charles D. Young, PDC.

**Lt. Col. Henry E. Shaw, Jr SVR Adjutant General's Annual Report**

I am pleased to report that the Sons of Veterans Reserve (SVR) continues to grow and prosper. During the past year our membership increased from 736 to 872, a growth of 16%. We also ended the year with income exceeding expenses.

This report focuses on three aspects of the Sons of Veterans Reserve covering the period August 1, 2001 to August 1, 2002: (1) General and Special Orders; (2) Unit strength and membership; and (3) Finances.

## (1) GENERAL AND SPECIAL ORDERS

Twenty-four General Orders were issued in the name of the Commanding Officer: General Order 2001-16 through 2001-22 and General Order 2002-1 through 2002-17.

One Special Order was issued in the name of the Commanding Officer: Special Order 2001-7.

### General Staff Changes:

Effective May 1, 2002, and at his request, Lt. Col. Henry E. Shaw, Jr. was relieved of his duties as Judge Advocate General, SVR, continuing, however, in his duties as Adjutant General, SVR. The foregoing was memorialized in General Order 2002-16. Also effective on May 1, 2002, James B. Pahl was duly appointed Judge Advocate General, SVR, with the rank of Major. The foregoing was memorialized in General Order 2002-17.

## (2) UNIT STRENGTH AND MEMBERSHIP

**New Units:** The following nine new units have been added to the Roster:

Co. K, 14 <sup>th</sup> Conn. Vol. Inf. (1 <sup>st</sup> MD)	9 members	1 <sup>st</sup> Sgt. Roger L. Olsen, Cmdr.
Battery A, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Iowa Lt. Art. (4 <sup>th</sup> MD)	14 members	1 <sup>st</sup> Sgt. Bob E. White, Cmdr.
Co. B, 20 <sup>th</sup> Iowa Vol. Inf. (4 <sup>th</sup> MD)	11 members	1 <sup>st</sup> Sgt. Steven C. Russell, Cmdr.
Co. A, 37 <sup>th</sup> Iowa Vol. Inf. (4 <sup>th</sup> MD)	11 members	1 <sup>st</sup> Sgt. James T. Hawk, Cmdr.
Battery M, 1 <sup>st</sup> MO Lt. Art. (4 <sup>th</sup> MD)	6 members	1 <sup>st</sup> Sgt. Randel O. Baehr, Cmdr.
Co. C, 5 <sup>th</sup> Rgmt., MO Vol. Cav. (4 <sup>th</sup> MD)	9 members	1 <sup>st</sup> Sgt. Johnnie Robins, Cmdr.
Nebraska Rangers (5 <sup>th</sup> MD)	10 members	1 <sup>st</sup> Sgt. Paul J. Hadley, Cmdr.
Co. G, 5 <sup>th</sup> Calif. Vol. Inf. (6 <sup>th</sup> MD)	34 members	Capt. David E. Allyn, Cmdr.
76 <sup>th</sup> Penna. Vol. Inf. (6 <sup>th</sup> MD)	8 members	1 <sup>st</sup> Sgt. John E. Persinger, Cmdr.

**Renamed Units:** One unit changed its name:

Co. C, 26<sup>th</sup> Wisconsin Vol. Inf. is now Co. A, 18<sup>th</sup> US (7<sup>th</sup> MD)

**Unit Reinstated from Inactive Status:** This unit was placed on Inactive status for failing to file reports and pay dues in 2001, but has now filed its reports and paid its dues and has been reinstated.

Co. B, 2<sup>nd</sup> Colorado Vol. Inf. (4<sup>th</sup> MD)      16 members      Pvte. John H. Kelley, Cmdr.

**Units Placed on Inactive Status:** Two units failed to file reports or pay dues for 2002.

Co. A, 54<sup>th</sup> Penna. Vol. Inf. (2<sup>nd</sup> MD)      24 members      2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Jason Pope, Cmdr.  
Co. A, 16<sup>th</sup> Ohio Vol. Inf. (3<sup>rd</sup> MD)      14 members      Pvte. Richard H. Smyser, I, Cmdr.  
The 16<sup>th</sup> finally paid District and National dues for 2001, but has not paid 2002 dues.

**Disbanded Units:** Two units were disbanded. Several of the members joined other units.

Co. I, 6<sup>th</sup> Mass. Vol. Inf. (1<sup>st</sup> MD)      12 members      1<sup>st</sup> Sgt. Ellsworth W. Brown, Cmdr.  
Co. E, 33<sup>rd</sup> Ohio Vol. Inf. (3<sup>rd</sup> MD)      5 members      Pvte. Don Moritz, Cmdr.

**Active Units****Strength**

<b>Unit</b>	<b>On Duty 8-1-01</b>	<b>On Duty 8-1-02</b>
General Staff	16	18
Inactive Reserve	18	19
Natl. Headquarters Company	15	8
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Military District</b>		
District Staff	2	2
Co. A, 3 <sup>rd</sup> R.I. Heavy Art.	10	10
Co. E, 15 <sup>th</sup> Mass.	16	12
Co. F, 11 <sup>th</sup> Maine	8	8
Co. G, 43 <sup>rd</sup> Mass.	7	8
Co. I, 6 <sup>th</sup> Mass.	12	0
Co. K, 14 <sup>th</sup> Conn. Vol. Inf.	0	9
<b>Total 1<sup>st</sup> Military District</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>49</b>
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Military District</b>		
District Staff	2	2
355 <sup>th</sup> U.S. Northcoast Vols.	25	29
Co. A, 1 <sup>st</sup> New Jersey	27	28
Company A, The Potomac Guard	27	29
Company B, 26 <sup>th</sup> Penn. Vols.(Co. F, 97 <sup>th</sup> Pa.)	26	26
Company B, Torbert Guards	18	19
Company C, 28 <sup>th</sup> Penn. Vols.	74	71
Co. C, Col. Henry A. DuPont Guard	18	14
Co. E, 148 <sup>th</sup> New York Vols.	14	16
Co. I, 83 <sup>rd</sup> New York Vols. ((9 <sup>th</sup> Militia)	36	37
Gettysburg Blues	22	19
54 <sup>th</sup> Penn. Vols.	24	0
Co. A, The WVa. Home Guard	0	15
<b>Total 2<sup>nd</sup> Military District</b>	<b>313</b>	<b>305</b>
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Military District</b>		
District Staff	4	4
Headquarters Company	1	1
14 <sup>th</sup> Michigan Vol. Inf.	11	11
Battery I, 1 <sup>st</sup> Ohio Light Artillery	37	36
Battery L, 1 <sup>st</sup> Ohio Light Artillery	16	14
16 <sup>th</sup> Ohio Volunteer Inf.	0	0
Co. C, 20 <sup>th</sup> Ohio Vol. Inf.	25	24
Co. E, 33 <sup>rd</sup> Ohio Vol. Inf. (Co. A, 30 <sup>th</sup> Ohio)	6	0
Company G, 63 <sup>rd</sup> Ohio Vol. Inf.	6	6

Co. A, Frankfort Bn. 1 <sup>st</sup> Kentucky U.S.	21	24
<b>Total 3<sup>rd</sup> Military District</b>	<b>127</b>	<b>120</b>
<b>4<sup>th</sup> Military District</b>		
District Staff	4	5
Headquarters Company	18	18
Battery L, 1 <sup>st</sup> Illinois Lt. Art.	15	9
Co. A, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Missouri Infantry	9	8
Co. C, 34 <sup>th</sup> Illinois Vol. Inf.	24	31
Cushing's Battery	27	27
Co. B, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Colorado Vol. Inf.	0	19
Battery A, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Iowa Lt. Art.	0	14
Battery M, 1 <sup>st</sup> MO Lt. Art.	0	6
Co. C, 5 <sup>th</sup> Rgmt., MO Vol. Cav.	0	9
Co. B, 20 <sup>th</sup> Iowa Vol. Inf.	0	11
Co. A, 37 <sup>th</sup> Iowa Vol. Inf.	0	11
<b>Total 4<sup>th</sup> Military District</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>168</b>
<b>5<sup>th</sup> Military District*</b>		
District Staff	0	1
Nebraska Rangers	0	10
<b>Total 5<sup>th</sup> Military District</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>6<sup>th</sup> Military District</b>		
District Staff	0	4
Co. A 5 <sup>th</sup> Calif. Vol. Inf.	43	34
Co. G 1 <sup>st</sup> Calif. Vol. Inf.	14	22
Co. C, 8 <sup>th</sup> Calif. Vol. Inf.	0	11
Co. G, 5 <sup>th</sup> Calif. Vol. Inf.	0	34
76 <sup>th</sup> Penna. Vol. Inf.	0	8
<b>Total 6<sup>th</sup> Military District</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>113</b>
<b>7<sup>th</sup> Military District</b>		
District Staff	2	1
18 <sup>th</sup> Indiana Vol. Inf.	6	24
Co. A, 18 <sup>th</sup> US	23	29
Co. E, 8 <sup>th</sup> Tennessee (U.S.)	7	7
<b>Total 7<sup>th</sup> Military District</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>61</b>
<b>SVR MEMBERSHIP STRENGTH TOTAL</b>	<b>736</b>	<b>872</b>

\* Temporarily under the command of the SVR Deputy Commander

### (3) FINANCES

The current Checking Account (#2011180704) was opened on October 29, 2001 with an initial balance of \$2,000.00, (*see partial transfer of funds below*) and is maintained at the Delaware County Bank and Trust Company, 41 North Sandusky Street, Delaware, Ohio 43015. Telephone Number is 740-362-6322. (Signatures: Henry E. Shaw, Jr. or David V. Medert)

We have one Certificate of Deposit (#0801150246) for \$2,000.00 dated 11-30-01 (2.20% interest for 12 months) and will mature on 12/02/02. This Certificate of Deposit was purchased at The Delaware County Bank and Trust Company, 41 North Sandusky Street, Delaware, Ohio 43015.

Checking Account Balance October 29, 2001: **\$2000.00**  
(*Partial transfer of funds transmitted by Robert E. Grim from Checking Account #1177648 at the Sabina Bank, Sabina, Ohio*)

#### Receipts:

Date	Source	
11-17-01	SVR Nat'l. Breakfast –Cash collected at the door	480.00
11-17-01	Dues: Col. Elmer F. Atkinson---General Staff	5.00
11-17-01	Dues: Major Donald E. Darby---General Staff	5.00
11-17-01	Dues: Lt. Col. Larry D. Freed---General Staff	5.00
11-17-01	Dues: Col. Robert E. Grim---General Staff	5.00
11-17-01	Dues: Col. Andrew M. Johnson---General Staff	5.00
11-17-01	Dues: Brig. Gen. David V. Medert---General Staff	5.00
11-17-01	Dues: Lt. Col. Henry E. Shaw, Jr.---General Staff	5.00
11-20-01	Dues: Col. David R. Medert---General Staff	5.00
11-23-01	Dues: Capt. Harrison Scott Baker---General Staff	5.00
11-26-01	Dues: Capt. Daniel W. Derby---National. Hdq. Co.	2.00
11-26-01	Dues: 1 <sup>st</sup> Lt. William J. McMaster---National Hdq. Co.	2.00
11-29-01	Dues: Pvt. Edward J. Krieser---National Hdq. Co.	2.00
11-29-01	Dues: Major Frank B. Harned---General Staff	5.00
11-30-01	Balance of Checking plus C.D. from Robert E. Grim	2,570.50
12-10-01	Dues: Major James A. Grismer---General Staff	5.00
12-10-01	Dues: Major Jack G. Grothe---General Staff	5.00
12-20-01	Dues: Pvt. Leo Kennedy---National Hdq. Co.	2.00
12-20-01	Commission Fee, Major James B. Pahl, Judge Advocate General	3.00
12-20-01	Dues: Major Charles J. Reed---General Staff	5.00
12-26-01	Dues: Major Peter N. Rotando---General Staff	5.00
01-24-02	Commission Fee, David E. Allyn, 6 <sup>th</sup> MD	3.00
01-24-02	Commission Fee, Daniel Bunnell, 6 <sup>th</sup> MD	3.00
01-24-02	Commission Fee, Tad Campbell, 6 <sup>th</sup> MD	3.00
01-24-02	Commission Fees, James Spencer and Daniel R. Earl, 6 <sup>th</sup> MD	6.00
01-24-02	Dues: Co. C, 5 <sup>th</sup> Regiment, Missouri Vol. Cav.	18.00

01-24-02	Dues: Co. G, 1 <sup>st</sup> California Vol. Inf.	
01-24-02	Dues: Co. C, 5 <sup>th</sup> Regiment, Missouri Vol. Cav.	18.00
01-24-02	Dues: Co. G, 1 <sup>st</sup> California Vol. Inf.	38.00
02-07-02	5.00	
02-07-02	15.00	
02-07-02		17.00
02-18-02	Dues: Charles Mabie, Co. G, 1 <sup>st</sup> . Calif. Vol. Inf.	2.00
02-18-02	Dues: Ernst von Frankenberg, Headquarters Co., 4 <sup>th</sup> MD	2.00
02-18-02	Dues: Sgt. Major George A. Shadman---General Staff	5.00
02-18-02	Dues: Co. G, 5 <sup>th</sup> Calif. Vol. Inf. (5 men)	10.00
02-25-02	Commission Fee: Ronald Cannon, Co. A, 5 <sup>th</sup> Calif. Vol. Inf.	3.00
02-25-02	Dues: Co. A, 5 <sup>th</sup> California Vol. Inf.	69.00
03-02-02	Dues: 4 <sup>th</sup> Military District	215.00
03-02-02	Dues: 2 <sup>nd</sup> Military District	277.00
03-08-02	Dues: Walter E. Busch, Co. C, 34 <sup>th</sup> Illinois Vol. Inf.	2.00
03-08-02	Dues: Charles P. Lowe, Co. B, 20 <sup>th</sup> Iowa Vol. Inf.	2.00
03-08-02	Commission Fee, Lyman E. Elliott, Jr., Cushing's Battery	3.00
03-08-02	Commission Fee, David Allyn, 6 <sup>th</sup> MD	3.00
03-08-02	Commission Fees, Robert D. Champlin & Emmett Taylor, III, 4MD	6.00
03-08-02	Dues: Co. A, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Iowa Vol. Inf.	18.00
03-18-02	Commission Fee: Charles E. Kuhn, Jr., Gettysburg Blues	3.00
03-18-02	Dues: Battery I, 1 <sup>st</sup> Illinois Light Artillery, 4MD	18.00
03-18-02	Dues: 3 <sup>rd</sup> Military District	224.00
03-22-02	Dues:	100.00
04-05-02	Dues: N. Harriman, 76 <sup>th</sup> PA Vol. Inf.	2.00
04-05-02	Commission Fee: Charles J. Reed	3.00
04-05-02	Dues: Mark Wilson, Co. G. 1 <sup>st</sup> Calif. Vol. Inf. (overpayment)	5.00
04-05-02	Dues: 76 <sup>th</sup> Penna. Vol. Inf.	14.00
04-15-02	Dues: Charles J. Reed	2.00
04-15-02	Dues: Andrew Bollen, III, Cushing's Battery	2.00
04-15-02	Commission Fee, David Allyn, 6 <sup>th</sup> MD	3.00
04-15-02	Commission Fee, Mark Woolfington, 6 <sup>th</sup> MD	3.00
04-15-02	Dues: Ray Airy & Ron Fox, Co. A, 20 <sup>th</sup> Iowa Vol. Inf.	4.00
04-15-02	Dues: Co. C, Col. Henry A. DuPont Guard	29.00
04-15-02	Dues: Co. G, 5 <sup>th</sup> Calif. Vol. Inf.	36.00
04-15-02	Dues: Co. B, 26 <sup>th</sup> Penna. Vol. Inf.	53.00
04-29-02	Dues: Gregory M. Carter, Co. A, 37 <sup>th</sup> Iowa Vol. Inf.	2.00
04-29-02	Dues: Truman D. Hengesteg & Erik Pannhoff, Co. B, 20 <sup>th</sup> Iowa	4.00
04-29-02	Dues: Co. G, 63 <sup>rd</sup> Ohio Vol. Inf.	12.00
04-29-02	Dues: Co. B, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Colorado Vol. Inf.	32.00
04-29-02	Dues: 1 <sup>st</sup> Military District	95.00
05-15-02	Commission Fee, Jerome W. Kowalski	3.00
05-15-02	Dues: Battery M, 1 <sup>st</sup> Missouri Light Artillery	12.00



05-15-02	Dues: Nebraska Rangers	20.00
05-15-02	Dues: Co. A, 16 <sup>th</sup> Ohio Vol. Inf.	58.00
06-28-02	Dues: Harrison G. Moore, IV---National Hdq. Co.	2.00
06-28-02	Michael R. Horgan, Jr. SVR Breakfast at National on 8/10/02	10.00
06-28-02	Ralph R. Miller, Jr. SVR Breakfast at National on 8/10/02	10.00
06-28-02	Henry E. Shaw, Jr. SVR Breakfast at National on 8/10/02	10.00
06-28-02	Dues: Co. E, 148 <sup>th</sup> NY Vol. Inf.	32.00
06-28-02	Dues: 7 <sup>th</sup> MD, including Commission Fees for William S. Pierce And Tommy Smith	136.00
06-28-02	Dues: Dennis Evanosky---Co. G, 1 <sup>st</sup> Calif. Vol. Inf.	2.00
06-28-02	Dues: Benjiman Mabie---Co. G, 1 <sup>st</sup> Calif. Vol. Inf.	2.00
06-28-02	Dues: Nathan W. Pyles---Co. G, 1 <sup>st</sup> Calif. Vol. Inf.	2.00
07-09-02	Dues: Terrence R. Brown---Hdq. Co., 4 <sup>th</sup> Military District	2.00
07-09-02	Dues: Gary E. Larsson---Co. A, 37 <sup>th</sup> Iowa Vol. Inf.	2.00
07-09-02	Dues: John T. Duggan---Co. B, 20 <sup>th</sup> Iowa Vol. Inf.	2.00
07-09-02	Dues: Carl Falk---Co. B, 20 <sup>th</sup> Iowa Vol. Inf.	2.00
07-09-02	Dues: Roger L. Batchelder---Battery A, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Iowa Lt. Artillery	2.00
07-09-02	Dues: Daniel A. Gage--- Battery A, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Iowa Lt. Artillery	2.00
07-09-02	Dues: Michael C. Dennis--- Battery A, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Iowa Lt. Artillery	2.00
07-09-02	Robert H. Grim SVR Breakfast at National on 8/10/02	10.00
07-09-02	Harrison Scott Baker, II SVR Breakfast at National on 8/10/02	10.00
07-09-02	James T. Hawk SVR Breakfast at National on 8/10/02	10.00
07-09-02	Jack G. Grothe SVR Breakfast at National on 8/10/02 (2)	20.00
07-09-02	Timothy H. Downey SVR Breakfast at National on 8/10/02 (3)	30.00
07-09-02	Co. C, 28 <sup>th</sup> Penna. Vol. Inf.---National Dues	144.00

**TOTAL RECEIPTS**

**\$5039.50**

**Disbursements**

Check No.	Date	Payee	
CASH	11-17-01	Eisenhower Inn (SVR Breakfast)	418.50
1002	11-19-01	Henry E. Shaw, Jr. (Reimburse for Cmdr.'s Room)	396.44
1003	11-19-01	Postmaster (100 \$0.34 stamps)	34.00
1004	11-30-01	The Delaware County Bank (purchase C.D.)	2,000.00
1005	01-24-02	Charles J. Reed (6MD refund, mix up on dues)	20.00
1006	01-24-02	Carl M. Taylor (refund on dues overpayment)	3.00
1007	03-30-02	Mark S. Wilson (refund on dues overpayment)	3.00
1008	07-04-02	Third Military District---dues for 2001 for Co. A, 16 <sup>th</sup> OVI	14.00
1009	07-04-02	Co. A, 16 <sup>th</sup> OVI, (refund on dues problem)	16.00

**TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS**

**\$2904.94**

**BALANCE July 10, 2002** (Checking Account)

**\$4134.56**

(Certificate of Deposit)

**\$2000.00**

**TOTAL BALANCE**

**\$6134.56**

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell**

Changes to SVR Standard Operating Procedure  
Article 5 cavalry  
Move second pass

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell**

Accepted the report of the Real sons committee

**Richard Orr, PCinC**

Recommends the 2<sup>nd</sup> recommendation be accepted: that upon proper documentation of real a son's membership, the National Organization will make available a membership medal at no cost to the real son. The National Organization already allows a war service medal to be obtained without cost to a real son with proper documentation.

Passes

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell**

Real Brother, Howard Stimmel died. His funeral is today.

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell**

James Pahl, chair Encampment committee Constitution & Regulations

**James Pahl, Chair, Encampment Committee on Constitution and Regulations**

The following changes have been proposed: (recording of this did not survive, so the following is based upon the notes of the transcriptionist and the Encampment Committee Chair)

CHAPTER I, ARTICLE V

Section 1. Before proceeding with the Installation, the Installing Officer shall require the Camp Treasurer to produce receipt from Department Headquarters for payment of per capita tax in full, including receipt of last Quarter,

**PROPOSED CHANGE:**

**Section 1. Before proceeding with the Installation, the Installing Officer shall require the Camp Treasurer to produce a receipt from Department Headquarters for payment of per capita tax in full. (eliminate: including receipt of last Quarter,)**

James Pahl: The committee so moves

Second

Passes

**James Pahl:**

(Some discussion as to making a medal or badge a group C medal. There was action, however the tape did not record this and the item is lost)

**James Pahl:**

Section 3. “and shall at the end of each quarter, render a complete report”

Move you to change from quarterly to annual reporting/collection. The National Secretary and National Treasurer unanimous support this in yearly report.

Approved to change to yearly.

Therefore, the following changes to the National Regulations are offered:

**PROPOSED CHANGE:**

**Section 3. “and shall at the end of each *calendar year*, render a complete report”**

Section 4. “shall make duplicate quarterly reports to the Department Secretary on the first days of January, April, July and October”

“on or before the tenth(10<sup>th</sup>) day of the month,”

**PROPOSED CHANGE:**

**Section 4. “shall make duplicate *annual* reports to the Department Secretary *by April 15*”**

**Eliminate “*on or before the tenth(10<sup>th</sup>) day of the month*”.**

Section 5. “He shall make a quarterly report to the Department Secretary,”

**PROPOSED CHANGE:**

**Section 5. “He shall make *an annual* report to the Department Secretary,”**

Section 9. “-together with the quarterly report required”

“sent in on the first day of January”

**PROPOSED CHANGE:**

**Section 9. “together with the *annual* report required”**

“sent in *by April 15<sup>th</sup>*”

**ARTICLE VII**

Section 1. “forwarded to the Department Treasurer with the quarterly per capita tax report”

**PROPOSED CHANGE:**

**Section 1. “forwarded to the Department Treasurer with the *annual* per capita tax report”**

## CHAPTER II

### ARTICLE II

Section 1. “or major fraction thereof, based upon the report for the quarter next preceding the Encampment.”

#### **PROPOSED CHANGE:**

**Section 1. “or major fraction thereof, based upon the *annual report* next preceding the Encampment.”**

### ARTICLE V

Section 1. “He shall in the first month of each quarter supply to each Camp, Quarterly Camp Secretary and Camp Treasurer report blanks.”

#### **PROPOSED CHANGE:**

**Section 1. “He shall *during the month of January each year* supply to each camp, *Annual Camp Secretary and Camp Treasurer report blanks.*”**

Section 3. “He shall within thirty days after the first of each quarter make a consolidated report of the Camp Secretary’s reports to the Department Commander and forward a copy of the same to the National Secretary, together with the amount due to per capita tax.”

#### **PROPOSED CHANGE:**

**Section 3. “He shall *by May 31* make a consolidated report of the Camp Secretary’s reports to the Department Commander and forward a copy of the same to the *National Executive Director*, together with the amount due *for per capita tax.*”**

Section 11. “On or before January 1<sup>st</sup> of each year.

#### **PROPOSED CHANGE:**

**Section 11. “On or before *May 31* of each year”**

Section 14. The Membership List Coordinator

#### **PROPOSED CHANGE:**

**Section 14. Change the name “Membership List Coordinator to *Executive Director* throughout this section**

Section 15. “reported to the Membership List Coordinator”

#### **PROPOSED CHANGE:**

**Section 15. “ reported to *the Executive Director*”**

ARTICLE VI

Section 1. "in good standing at the end of each quarter."

"Such tax shall be payable in four equal installments,"

"forwarded by the Department Treasurer to the National Secretary, on or before the last days of January, April, July and October."

**PROPOSED CHANGE:**

**Section 1. "in good standing at the end of each *calendar year*."**

**"Such tax shall be payable in *one annual payment*,"**

**"forwarded by the Department Treasurer to the National Executive Director on or before May 31."**

ARTICLE VII

Section 9. The Life Membership Investment Committee

**PROPOSED CHANGE:**

**Section 9. Eliminate this section.**

Section 10.

**PROPOSED CHANGE:**

**Section 10. Change the number from Section 10 to Section 9.**

CHAPTER V, ARTICLE 1

**PROPOSED CHANGE:**

**Add Section 6. All changes in the regulations relating to the change from quarterly to annual reporting and payment of per capita tax shall become effective January 1, 2003.**

**PROPOSED CHANGE:**

**Add Section 7. Effective April 15, 2003 the camp secretary must submit immediately to the Department Secretary two copies of a Camp Status Report form when one of the following changes occur:**

**(1) A new member joins the camp (2) A member is reinstated after being dropped for non payment of dues (3) A member dies (4) A member has a change of address (5) A member transfers in or out of the camp.**

**PROPOSED CHANGE:**

**Add Section 8. Effective April 15, 2003 the Department Secretary must submit a copy of all Camp Status Report Forms to the National Executive Director within ten (10) days of receiving them.**

WHAT FOLLOW ARE MY NOTES DURING THE REPORT

SINCE I DON'T INDICATE OTHERWISE, I'M ASSUMING THE ABOVE WERE ALL APPROVED

All in favor of amended for annual collection of dues

Approved.

Concludes report

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell**

Council of Administration Report

Results of the Council of Administration Electronic Boardroom as follows:

Donation of \$2500.00 to New York Police and Fire Department Fund and \$2500.00 to the Salvation Army. 8 votes yes, 0 votes no.

Printing of new organization brochures. 7 votes yes, 1 vote no.

Printing of the year 2000 Proceedings at the Lansing, Michigan printer as previous proceedings. 8 vote yes, 0 votes no.

Purchase new office furniture at \$2956.80 as proposed. 8 votes yes, 0 votes no.

Purchase of file cabinets. The vote was 8 votes not to purchase the cabinets at this time but to continue to look at other means of storage and sorting material in the near future.

Request for permission to use The SUVCW name and emblem on the logo of the Internet Webring. 7 votes yes, 0 votes no, 1 vote absent.

To allow camps that are now or in the future exist in the State of Georgia to become part of the Department of Tennessee. 8 votes yes, 0 votes no.

To appoint Brother Linn P. Hoadley National Membership-at-Large Coordinator. 8 votes yes, 0 votes no.

**Council of Administration Meeting**

**9 August 2002 – 8:00 p.m.**

After a prayer for guidance and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag discussion commenced on the budget. It was moved by National Quartermaster PC-in-C Bud Atkinson, seconded by C. of A. Member Ron Gill and unanimously approved to propose a \$6.00 National Annual Per-Capita increase in order to maintain current quality of the BANNER and foreseeable increase in requests for monument and memorial restoration project money.

Jr. Vice C-in-C Kent Armstrong moved, Bro.Gill second and passed by unanimous ballot to cash in “H” bonds and exchange for “E” bonds.

C. of A. Member Don Darby moved, C. of A. Member Bob Petrovic second and unanimously passed to remove “Return to Sender if Undeliverable” on future mailings of the BANNER. This was due to the high

cost being incurred by too many numerous copies being returned because the recipient was no longer at the address and we did not have a more current one.

PC-in-C Atkinson proceeded to show the ROTC medal and ribbon that will be available soon for camps or departments to present to ROTC and Jr. ROTC cadets. Bro. Petrovic moved, Bro. Darby second and unanimously passed to have a simple form made up to be submitted to the National Patriotic Instructor giving pertinent information such as the name of the camp or department awarding the medal, Name of the recipient, name of ROTC unit as well as name and address of school.

Moved by PC-in-C Atkinson, second by Sr. Vice C-in-C Bob Grim to have the National Treasurer give concealed copies of the National Officers E-mail address passwords to the National Signals Officer to hold for safe keeping as a second party. It passed by unanimous ballot.

The Council of Administration heard request from Brother Mark Trout of the Missouri Department for support of The Missouri Civil War Museum at Jefferson Barracks. It was decided by unanimous consensus to table the issue.

The Department of Missouri requested to use SUVCW emblem on their own logo to be placed on items for sale. It was noted that the logo would then be the SUVCW emblem within a variation of the seal of the State of Missouri. Bro. Gill moved, National Treasurer Max Newman second to deny the use of the SUVCW emblem in this manner. The motion to deny was passed.

Sr. Vice C-in-C Grim moved and bro. Darby second for PC-in-C Richard Schlenker to be Washington DC Representative Emeritus. This motion was passed by unanimous ballot.

The meeting was the adjourned by C-in-C George Powell.

Respectfully Submitted in F., C. and L.,  
Edward J. Krieser, PC-in-C  
National Secretary

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell**

Budget (again, all from the notes of the transcriptionist)

**Max Newman, National Treasurer:**

You have the budget.

Proposal A— In the General fund the same numbers carry over and there's a 25,000 deficit

Proposal B adds enough to balance and adds to the CW Memorial fund

The recommendation is proposal B

Moves to increase the per capita to \$6

Objections to increase  
Lively lengthy discussion

Motion to accept option C  
Second Charlie Kuhn

(Normal taping resumes: it's about 11:00 and CinC has suggested that the ladies schedule their visit for 11:30)

Discussion on budget

**Charlie Kuhn**  
moves to end debate.  
Seconded and passed

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**  
That means an immediate vote on the budget.

The Council of Administration recommends we accept option C which is a an increase to \$6.00, so that is the motion on the floor.

It has been moved and seconded

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**  
All those in favor of raising the per capita dues to \$6.00 signify by saying aye.  
Those opposed same sign.

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**  
Calls for a standing vote

96 in favor; 38 opposed  
Motion carries.

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**  
Thank you brothers. It was a good discussion.

I need a motion to accept the Council of Administration Report as amended.  
It is moved and seconded and the motion carries.

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**  
Do we have any unfinished business from the last encampment?  
No



**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

The floor is now open for new business.

The budget has been approved. I don't want anyone to ask for funds without also coming up with the funds to pay for it, of specific cuts in the budget

**Mark Charles , Dept of Missouri**

Brothers I am one of the five trustees of the newly formed corporation known as the Civil War Museum. This corporation resulted from a dream that was shared by the brothers of the Dept of Missouri. The Trustees of the Museum wish to bring you greetings to the 2002 encampment. Asking for \$2500 that is in the special projects fund.

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

These would be requests for funds. Lets listen to all the requests for fund and then vote on them.

**Charlie Kuhn**

wants \$1000 for the restoration of a PA monument on the Antietam Battlefield.

**Dave Medert, PCinC**

Requests \$2200 to move a monument to the Medal of Honor winners.

**James Pahl:**

I'd like to point out that the purpose of the Special Funds is to allow the CinC and CoA some discretionary funds during the year for items that come up during the year. It's not a pie to be cut up at the Encampment.

I therefore move you that all requests for funds be referred to the Council of Administration to allow them time to study appropriate uses for the money and make the decision at the appropriate time.

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

It has been moved and seconded. Discussion?

**Don Darby:**

Amends Jim's motion to only send requests for funds from Special Projects to CoA  
Discussion.

Motion to end debate.

Motion to end debate.

Motion carries.

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

Amendment to Jim's motion that we are only considering sending requests for funds from the Special Projects fund to the Council of Administration.

Standing vote. 97 to 40 in favor of the amended motion

All those in favor of the motion to send requests for special projects money be sent to the Council of Administration.

Standing vote: 58 in favor; 72 in opposition  
The motion is defeated.

**Richard Orr, PCinC**

With the concurrence of the Chair of the Civil War Memorials Committee, he and I jointly offer the following motion. Out of the \$2,200 remaining for the prior fiscal year in the Memorials fund:\$500 be given to the Dept Pennsylvania for the memorial at Antietam; \$500 for the memorial in Ohio; \$1200 to the Museum with the understanding they can all return for additional funds later.

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

Discussion?

None.

All those in support of this motion signify by saying aye  
The motion carries.

**Mark Charles**

I do not want to take any money from the Monuments fund. I want the two other Departments to have their funds, but not the special projects fund. I want the \$2500 from the Special Projects fund.

Discussion.

**James Pahl:** I'm confused

Discussion.

**Don Darby:**

The motion is the Dept of Missouri receive \$1,200 from the Memorials and Monuments fund and \$1300 from the Special Projects fund.

Second.

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

The Motion carries.

Visiting committee from the Ladies of the Grand Army

Recess for lunch until 1:15

SONS OF UNION VETERANS  
OF THE CIVIL WAR



**Fourth Business Session  
(Saturday Afternoon)**

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

Session was called back to order.

Now we're going into nominations and elections.

Then before we do that we will do restorations of rank.

**Ed Krieser, National Secretary:**

Reads the resolution which was deferred to new business:

Resolution from the Dept of Rhode Island:

Whereas Brother David E. Turpin was a brother in good standing with the Dept of Iowa SUVCW and served as commander of his camp and department Commander, Whereas Brother Turpin also served the National SUVCW as National Patriotic Instructor and twice as national chief of staff, and whereas Elisha Dyer Camp #7, Rhode Island Department has voted to approve his reinstatement as a member of Camp 7 and recognize all his past honors with the order and attest that he is currently a member of Camp 7 in good standing, now therefore we respectfully request that the National SUVCW restore Brother Turpin's past accomplishments as past Department Commander under the Rhode Island Department SUVCW and Elisha Dyer Camp #7

So moved and seconded.

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

No discussion.

Motion carries.

**Brother Andy (last name unknown)**

On behalf of the Department of Wisconsin I have the honor to report that PCC Ronald M Aarons has served faithfully as the Department of Wisconsin Secretary since June 13, 1992. Brother Aarons will celebrate his 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of election to that post in June 2002. During the Department midwinter meeting this past year voted their approval to request the rank of Past Department Commander for Brother Aarons in accordance with SUVCW regulations. I hereby request that the rank of Past Department Commander be conferred upon PCC Ronald M. Aarons. I so move.

Seconded.

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

Discussion?

None. The motion carries.

Any other restorations of rank?

CinC recognizes Richard Greenwalt PCinC

**Richard Greenwalt, PCinC, Department of Ohio**

I am Richard Greenwalt, PCinC, Dept of Ohio.

I'm here to ask that this body to consider restoration of rank for Brother Tucker

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

Brother Richard you are out of order. The regulations say you can appeal to the National one time and that is it. It was appealed one time to the National Encampment and that is it. This is punishment and can't be undone.

**Richard Greenawalt:**

I'm probably out of order but his badge (flipping is Past Commander in Chief badge) ought to be good for something. For those of you who don't know what is going on. Four years ago at a meeting of the National Encampment at about 3:00 AM this was done. I was on crutches but I got up on my feet and put up a gripe. I said I can see why our sitting CinC has every right to run his year and maybe the next year, but 10 years?

To the best of my knowledge there was never a trial for this brother in front of the National Organization. This man has sat for four years. In good conscience I cannot attend a meeting and not put up a gripe about this. Our prisoners out in the civil courts do better. I think this body ought to reconsider as a body and act accordingly. Thank you.

**Richard Orr, PCinC:**

Commander-in-Chief, Dept. PA Here we go again. I was the commander-in-chief who took summary action involving Frank Tucker, then the Department Commander of Massachusetts for a number of actions. I am not going to repeat them. They are all available in past General Orders and Past Proceedings. At that time, the Commander-in-Chief had the authority to take summary action for offenses such as those committed by Brother Tucker. There was an appeal of my order to the National Encampment. The National Encampment in Harrisburg that year upheld the ruling, the decision, and the disciplinary action of the Commander-in-Chief. That was the appeal. Our Constitution very clearly states that when any action of a Commander-in-Chief is appealed to the National Encampment it may never be appealed again by a subsequent National Encampment. Therefore, sir, I would suggest to you that this is out of order.

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

As I said, it is out of order. Are there any other requests of restoration of rank.

Hearing none,

Nominations are open.

Bother Secretary, please roll call the Departments

**Ed Krieser, National Secretary:**

CA/Pacific--present

CO/WY--present

CT

FL

IL—present

IN—present

IA—present

KS—present

KY—present

MN—

MD—present

MA—present

MI—present

MO—present

NB—present

NH—present

NJ—present

NY—present

OH—present

PA

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

Oops. This is not just a roll call gentlemen. This is for nominations. When your Department is called if you want to make a nomination that is the time. I'm looking out for you Bob.

**Unknown speaker:**

I'm all confused the Department of Ohio would like to take this opportunity to nominate a Brother who has served this Order honorably since 1988.

I nominate Brother Bob Grimm

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

Are you willing to serve Brother Grimm?

**Bob Grimm:**

Can I think about this for a little bit?

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

NO

**Bob Grimm:**

Yes I will.

**Ed Krieser, National Secretary:**

PA  
RI  
South West  
TN  
VT  
WI  
OK  
NMAL

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

We've called the roll of the Departments. Nominations are now closed for the position of commander-in-chief. Brother Bob, Congratulations

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

Nominations are now open for the position of Senior Vice

**Ed Krieser, National Secretary:**

CA/Pacific—deferred to Michigan

**James Pahl:**

Nominates Kent Armstrong with camel speech, (edited out by transcriptionist).

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

Dept of MI nominates Kent Armstrong.

**Ed Krieser, National Secretary:**

CO-WY  
IN  
IA nominate the camel  
KS  
KY  
MN  
MD  
MA  
MO  
NB  
NH  
NJ  
NY  
OH  
OK  
PA  
RI

TN  
VT  
WI  
NMAL

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

Brother Kent, Will you serve?

**Kent Armstrong:**

Yes

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

There being no other nominations, Brother Kent, congratulations.

**James Pahl:**

As parliamentarian, one of my duties is to be certain that we have observed the formalities, I move this Encampment, where there is any position where there is only one nomination and nominations are closed, that it be considered a unanimous ballot.

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

Seconded and passed.

Nominations of Jr Vice now open

**Ed Krieser, National Secretary:**

CP/Pacific defers to Wisconsin

WI

**Speaker Unknown:**

I have the very great honor of nominating Stephen A. Michaels for the position of Junior Vice commander-in-Chief.

**Ed Krieser, National Secretary:**

Co-WY

IL

IN

IA

KS

KY

MD

MS

MI

PA



**Speaker Unknown**

The Department of PA places in nomination, Joe Long.

**Ed Krieser, National Secretary:**

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RI  
TN  
NMAL

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

Brother Michaels, if elected will you serve?  
Brother Long, will you serve?

**Steve Michaels and Joe Long:**

Yes

**Charlie Kuhn:**

CinC I move you that you finish all nominations first so that when we close the door we can seal it.

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

Second  
Passed.

There is one seat for 3 years open on the Council of Administration now up.  
The position is now held by Brother Bob Petrovik  
I will now open the floor for nominations.

**Ed Krieser, National Secretary:**

CA/Pacific defers to Dept Missouri

**Speaker Unknown:**

The Department of MO places the name of Bob Petrovik into nomination for the position of Council of Administration.

**Ed Krieser, National Secretary:**

CO/WY  
IL  
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IA  
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PA

**Speaker Unknown:**

I nominate Brother Charles D Young of PA

**Ed Krieser, National Secretary:**

RI  
TN  
WI  
NMAL

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

Brother Bob if elected will you serve?  
Brother Chuck if elected will you serve?

**Bob Petrovik and Charles Young:**

Yes.

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

Brothers we will now have a 10 minute recess to caucus.

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

At this point I'm going to appoint Brother Charlie Funk as assistant Guard for the side door. Brothers make sure both doors are closed and remain closed until the end of the election.

We need a credentials committee roll call.

**Credentials Committee:**

The allotted number for the Department of CA/Pacific is 16. They have 8 delegates, one department commander, two past department s for a total vote of 11

Dept CO-WY Allotted number is 4. They have 2 delegates, one DC for a total vote of three.

Dept IL Allotted number 9. they have 13 delegates, 1 alternate 1 DC. 4 PDC. They are allowed 14 votes allowed.

Dept IN Allotted 10 Present 4 delegates, 1 DC, 2 PCinC, 3 PDC for a total of 10

Dept IA Allotted 9 they have one alternate, 10 delegates, 1 DC, 2 PDC they are over by 2; they are allotted 12

Dept KS Allotted three Present 1 DC

Dept KY Allotted 6 Present, delegates 3,1 PDC; total 4

Dept MD Allotted 21 Delegates 2, 1 PCinC ; 1 PDC for total of 4

Dept Massachusetts Allotted 12 they have 3 delegates present; 1 PDC; 1 DC Total 5

MAL Allotted 8; They have 2 delegates total vote 2

Dept Michigan Allotted 23. They 12 delegates present; 1 DC; 1 PCinC; 1 PDC; total 18

Dept MO Allotted 8: 7 Delegates present , 2 PDC; 1 DC Total 10

Dept Nebraska Allotted 3; Present 2 delegates, 1 DC; total 3

Dept NH Allotted 4; Present 1PDC; total 1

Dept NJ Allotted 13; Present 1 delegate; 1 PDC total 2

Dept NY Allotted 22; 2 DC; 1 PCinC; 1 PDC total 3

Dept OHIO Allotted 24; present delegates 6; DC 1; PCinC 4; PDC 5 Total 16

Dept OK Allotted 4; Delegates present 2; DC 1 total 3

Dept PA Allotted 38 Present 1 CinC; Delegates 8; DC 1; PDC 3; PCinC 3 total 16

Dept RI Allotted 5 Present 1 DC; 1 PDC Total 2

Dept TN Allotted 7 Present Delegates 1; DC 1; Total 2

Dept WI Allotted 10 Present Delegates 10; DC 1; PDC 3; total 14

Total 156 votes

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

(actual roll call by Departments with votes not provided by transcriptionist)

Voting for Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief

95 votes for Stephen A. Michaels

61 votes for Joseph Long

Congratulations Brother Steve

Vote for Council of Administration 3 year term

121 Bob Petrovich

35 Charles Young

Congratulations Brother Bob

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

Recess for 10 minutes

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

After recess

More new business

**Unknown Speaker**

Motion to fine any Department that does not send representation to the National Encampment.

discussion

Motion to cease debate

Debate is ended

Motion that we will begin to fine any department \$100

Motion is defeated.

**Henry Shaw, Ohio**

Motion - All new camps have articles printed about their formation printed in the Banner, and that the CinC send them a letter of recognition.

Original motion changed by originator to have CinC send each new camp a letter of recognition.

Second and motion carries.

Speaker Unknown:

I visited a battlefield last year and there was no plaque or monument dedicated to the Union soldiers who fought there. Recommend that the Sons assist appropriate officials in obtaining plaques for those

battlefields that do not have one. This would be supportive and not financial, although a Camp could request a grant from the Memorial Committee. And that the Memorial Committee or any other committee survey all Civil War battle fields to determine if they have monuments or plaques.

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

Motion has been made.

No second.

Motion dies.

Visitation from the Auxiliary.

**Unknown Speaker from Department of Illinois:**

PDC Vince Kelly was instrumental in volunteering us to hold the National Encampment here. He died from cancer, and I'd like to have a moment of silence to honor his memory.

Silence

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell:**

Any other new business.

**Richard Orr:**

I move you that all the encampment committees be dismissed with the exception of the credentials committee with the thanks of this encampment.

Motion second and passed

I move you that the credentials committee be permitted to post its final report post encampment.

Motion second and passed.

I move you that the transcribed notes of this Encampment, with the approval of the incoming CinC become the official record of this Encampment.

Motion second and passed

I move that the National Secretary be instructed to send a letter of thanks to the hotel

Motion second and passed

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell**

Thanks to brother Dan. I had a great week end.

**Commander-in-Chief George Powell**

Brother Bob.

Are you prepared to announce your staff.

Submit your officers to the secretary.

Installation of new officers & Encampment closed.

**Appendix 1**  
**Meetings of the**  
**Council of Administration**  
**Series 2001 – 2002**

**Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War**  
**Council of Administration Meeting**  
**August 12, 2001**  
**Springfield, Missouri**

The meeting of the Council of Administration (CoA) was called to order by Commander-in-Chief (C-in-C) George L. Powell. Past C-in-C Charles Corfman gave opening prayer.

Voting members of the CoA present were C-in-C Powell, Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief (SVC-in-C) Robert Grim, Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief (JVC-in-C) Kent Armstrong, National Secretary Edward J. Krieser, National Treasurer Max L. Newman, National Quartermaster Elmer F. Atkinson, CoA members Donald Darby, Ron Gill and Robert Petrovic. Non-voting CoA members present were PC-in-C's Andrew M. Johnson, Richard Orr and Charles Corfman and National Counselor James B. Pahl.

After brief discussion about the War Medal issue C-in-C Powell referred the matter to the C&R committee for review.

Moved by Don Darby to pay former National Secretary for receipts of expenses incurred during the past year. Second by SVC-in-C Robert Grim and was unanimously approved.

It was then moved by SVC-in-C Robert Grim to amend budget to show an increase in office expenses by \$1500.00 (Fifteen Hundred Dollars.) Second by Don Darby and was unanimously approved.

It was discussed and agreed to have the Membership list broken down by Department and have each Department Secretary review and verify their list.

C-in-C Powell requested that all previously sitting appointed offices that require CoA approval remain the same. This was unanimously approved.

Moved by Don Darby to set payment to camps for Pre 1996 Life Members at \$4.00 (Four Dollars.) Second by Max Newman and unanimously passed.

Moved by Don Darby for National Membership-at-Large Dues to remain the same. Second by Ron Gill and unanimously passed.

CoA then heard presentations for use of copyright material. Decisions as follows:

From Phelps Camp #66 of Springfield, MO to produce and sell parade banners approximately 2 feet high by 8 feet long with 2 SUVCW emblems, one at each end. Approved.

Both the Department of Indiana and U.S. Grant Camp #68 of St. Louis, MO requested permission to produce plastic nametags with SUVCW emblem. Vote was 7 for Grant Camp, 1 for Indiana Department and 1 abstention. Grant Camp gets approval to make the nametags.

From U.S. Grant Camp #68 of St Louis, MO, request permission to produce and sell embroidered banner with SUVCW emblem. Denied.

From U.S. Grant Camp of St. Louis, MO, to produce denim full button front shirt with SUVCW emblem over the right chest area. Approved.

Gary Gibson requested permission to use the original die for the Iron Cross only without the insignia of the Order from the Past Camp Commander's Badge to make a Past Commander's Badge for the Central Region. Approved.

Moved by JVC-in-C that all above-mentioned approvals were for a term of two years, expiring August of 2003. Second by Ron Gill and unanimously passed.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,  
Edward J. Krieser, PC-in-C  
National Secretary

**Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War  
Council of Administration  
Electronic Board Room Vote Records  
August 13, 2001 - October 22, 2001  
Council of Administration Board Room Votes**

The following five items have been voted on in the Council of Administration electronic Board Room since the end of the 2001 National Encampment:

Donation of \$2500.00 to New York Police and Fire Dept. fund and \$2500.00 to Salvation Army. 8 votes yes, 0 votes no.

Printing new Brochures. 7 votes yes, 1 vote no.

Printing of 2000 proceedings at Lansing, Michigan printer as previous proceedings. 8 votes yes, 0 votes no.

Purchase new office furniture at proposed price \$2956.80 The vote was 8 votes yes, 0 votes no.

Purchase of file cabinets. The vote was 8 votes not to purchase the cabinets at this time but to continue to look at other means of storage and sorting material in the near future.

Respectfully submitted in Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty,  
Edward J. Krieser, PC-in-C  
National Secretary

**Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War  
Special Council of Administration Meeting  
November 16, 2001  
Gettysburg, Pennsylvania**

This special meeting was for the purpose of meeting with prospective Executive Director Lee F. Walters of Mechanicsburg, Pennsylvania. The Council of Administration (CoA) was called to order by Commander-in-Chief (C-in-C) George L. Powell at 8:00 P.M. Voting members of the CoA present were C-in-C Powell, Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief (SVC-in-C) Robert Grim, Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief (JVC-in-C) Kent Armstrong, National Secretary Edward J. Krieser, National Treasurer Max L. Newman, National Quartermaster Elmer F. Atkinson, CoA members Donald Darby, Ron Gill and Robert Petrovic. Non-voting CoA members present were PC-in-C's Andrew M. Johnson, Richard D. Orr, Charles W. Corfman, Richard C. Schlenker, David R. Medert, and National Counselor James B. Pahl.

C-in-C George Powell introduced Brother Lee F. Walters who then gave information about himself to the group. Questions and answers ensued as well as reviewing the proposed contract.

It was voted unanimously by the Council of Administration to offer the contract to Brother Walters. He was asked to review the contract himself and return to this same place on Sunday, November 18, 2001 to render his decision whether to accept the contract agreement.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

Edward J. Krieser, PC-in-C

National Secretary



**Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War  
Council of Administration Meeting  
November 18, 2001  
Gettysburg, Pennsylvania**

The meeting of the Council of Administration (CoA) was called to order by Commander-in-Chief (C-in-C) George L. Powell. Past Commander-in-Chief (PC-in-C) Richard Schlenker gave opening prayer.

Brother Lee Walters being present was asked by Commander-in-Chief George Powell if he was still willing to be Executive Director for the Order after reviewing the contract. Brother Walters agreed.

Voting members of the CoA present were C-in-C Powell, Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief (SVC-in-C) Robert Grim, Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief (JVC-in-C) Kent Armstrong, National Secretary Edward J. Krieser, National Treasurer Max L. Newman, National Quartermaster Elmer F. Atkinson, CoA members Donald Darby, Ron Gill and Robert Petrovic. Non-voting CoA members present were PC-in-C's Andrew M. Johnson, Richard D. Orr, Charles W. Corfman, Richard C. Schlenker, David R. Medert, and National Counselor James B. Pahl.

The minutes of the previous meeting of 12 August 2001 were approved with one typographical error corrected in paragraph 5.

Treasurer's report was given. There was some discussion on investment. Moved by National Quartermaster Elmer F. Atkinson to accept, second by JVC-in-C Kent Armstrong. It was then voted unanimously to accept.

Regular Order of Business was put on hold while we listened to Brother John Hart, printer of the BANNER talk about the publication.

Back to regular order of business. Reports of Officers and committees were reviewed.

It was reported that George Hicks of the National Civil War Museum requested Officenter to submit another proposal for office furniture to C-in-C Powell. C-in-C Powell subsequently ordered the furniture.

C.of A. Member Don Darby moved to transfer \$10,000.00 (Ten Thousand Dollars) from the Reserve Fund to the Headquarters Fund for future expenses. Second by PC-in-C Atkinson. Passed unanimously.

Moved by PC-in-C Atkinson to purchase two 4 drawer vertical file cabinets for the National Headquarters. Second by JVC-in-C Armstrong. Passed unanimously.

Proposed Awards Policy as submitted by PC-in-C Richard Orr was reviewed and modifications made. Brother Darby moved to limit the Founders' Award to non-members of the Order and non-members of any of the Allied Orders, numerous seconds and accepted unanimously. PC-in-C Atkinson moved, second by Ron Gill to award the Founders' Award to Mr. Gene Platt of California.

C-in-C Powell suggested one of the first two Saturday's in March for the next Council of Administration meeting. Council members are asked to look at their schedules and pick one of the two dates in the electronic boardroom.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted in

Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

Edward J. Krieser, PC-in-C

National Secretary

**Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War  
Council of Administration Meeting  
March 9, 2002  
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania**

Those present were Commander-in-Chief (C-in-C) George Powell, Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief (SVC-in-C) Robert Grim, Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief (JVC-in-C) Kent Armstrong, National Treasurer, Max Newman, National Secretary PC-in-C Edward Krieser, Council of Administration Members Donald Darby, Ronald Gill and Robert Petrovic, PC-in-C Richard Orr, PC-in-C Andrew M. Johnson, PC-in-C Danny Wheeler, National Counselor James Pahl, Executive Director Lee Walters and New York Department Sr. Vice Commander Todd Shillington.

Had musical rendition of National Anthem followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. The meeting of the Council of Administration (CoA) was called to order by Commander-in-Chief George L. Powell. Sr. Vice Commander-in-Chief Robert Grim gave the opening prayer. Had Roll Call of voting members of the CoA. All were present except the National Quartermaster Elmer Atkinson.

The National Secretary gave report of Boardroom votes. The only vote taken since meeting in November was on the request from Brother Bill Cole of the New Jersey Department to use the SUVCW name and emblem on the logo of Internet Webring. The tally was 7 votes for approval and 1 vote absent. C-in-C Powell informed the group that he had issued General Order #10 announcing this and his appointment of Brother Bill Cole to Assistant National Webmaster for the Webring. The C-in-C also announced that everyone who is able should take a look at the Webring site.

The National Treasurer gave a report on the finances of the Order. Brief discussion followed.

Officer reports began with the C-in-C who reported he is hearing that retention is of primary concern to our membership and the New BANNER format is being received well with many favorable comments.

The C-in-C expressed the need for standard ongoing E-mail address for the Commander-in-Chief, Jr. Vice Commander-in-Chief, National Secretary, Treasurer and Executive Director that can be passed on from one person to the next who holds the office. JVC-in-C Armstrong moved and Brother Darby seconded per this need and the National Organization to pay the cost. Passed by unanimous vote.

The SVC-in-C report focused on the *BANNER*, it's cost and the ability to offset cost with advertising. SVC-in-C Grim moved and Brother Darby seconded to appropriate \$8000.00 from the reserve fund to pay for the fourth issue this fiscal year of the *BANNER* without which there could not be a fourth issue. After considerable discussion the vote was unanimous to approve the expenditure of the funds.

C-in-C Powell appointed PC-in-C Danny Wheeler Special Assistant to the Publisher of the *BANNER*.

The JVC-in-C report included a motion by JVC-in-C Armstrong and seconded by Brother Darby to support the effort to have a postage stamp to commemorate Major General John A. Logan. Vote was unanimous to do this. As a side note PC-in-C Orr suggested attempting to get the U.S. Mint to strike a coin also.

From the Program and Policy Committee SVC-in-C Grim moved Brother Gill seconded to develop and have struck a medal for Sr. and Jr. ROTC recognition. Brother Darby moved and JVC-in-C Armstrong seconded to amend by having the Coat-of-Arms of the Order on the front side of the medal. The amendment passed unanimously as well the original motion also.

Discussion from the Program and Policy Committee report about streamlining quarterly reports by having departments file a report to the National Organization only once per year being due 31 May of each year. Subject was tabled to get department input.

Brother Petrovic moved and Brother Gill seconded to approve the Life Member Application as presented by the Program and Policy Committee. Motion passed unanimously.

Brother Darby moved and Brother Gill seconded to accept new Membership Application form as presented by Program and policy committee. Motion passed unanimously.

SVC-in-C Grim moved and Brother Petrovic seconded to remove the printed *Commander-in-Chief* and only say *Commander* under the Signature line of the Eagle Scout Certificate in all future printing. Motion passed unanimously.

Brother Darby Moved, PC-in-C Krieser seconded to encumber \$2000.00 for the Iowa Department, Cedar Rapids Civil War Veterans Monument Project to be paid in matching funds up to that amount when it is assured there will be sufficient funds to complete the project.

In his report on Memorials Brother Darby indicated there was a need for departments and camps to have a Memorials and Monuments Officer. While the CoA agreed with Brother Darby no official action was taken at this time. It was referred to the C&R Committee.

Items request for approval:

Department of Michigan Request to continue embroidered pocket patches of SUVCW emblem and SUVCW Coat-of-Arms and gold metal hat badge of wreath with letters *SUV*. Approved.

Department of Wisconsin request to continue metal signs. Approved.

Sydney Camp #41, of Department of New York request to continue baseball style caps. Approved.

Grant Camp #68, of Missouri Department request to continue: 1. SUV Address labels, 2. Porcelain Coffee Mugs, 3. Polo Shirts and 4. Satin Jackets. Approved.

Grant Camp #68, of Missouri Department to reconsider use of logo on a banner designed to be used on a podium or on a table at events to promote the order. Approved.

Given Camp #51 of Ohio Department request to continue camp and department flags. Approved.

Grant Camp #68 of Missouri Department request to do sweatshirts with SUVCW logo. Denied due to traditional practice of not having more than one entity selling the same product at the same time.

Grant Camp #68 of Missouri Department request to make and sell camp and department flags. Denied due to traditional practice of not having more than one entity selling the same product at the same time.

McPherson Camp #66 of Ohio Department to use SUV CW name and logo on book of Graves of Civil War Veterans in the State of Ohio. Approved.

SVC-in-C Grim showed badge that Garfield Camp #142 of Ohio Department wants to issue for special recognition of the camp. It has letters *SUV* and *Sons of Union Veterans* on it. C-in-C ruled that camps couldn't issue their own badges or medals of the Order. Therefore denied.

SVC-in-C Grim showed sample of a seal requested from Brooks-Grant Camp #7 of Ohio Department. It was determined that the seal does not conform to the C&R and there is already a seal available through the National Quartermaster. Therefore denied.

Brother Petrovic asked that the C-in-C approve a Missouri Department Flag that some have said is not legal because it contains additional words then those described in the C&R indicating the Year established in 1881. The flag was made prior to the current language in the C&R. It was ruled that the flag was legal.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted in  
Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,  
Edward J. Krieser, PC-in-C  
National Secretary

**General Orders  
of  
Commander-in-Chief George L. Powell**

**Series 2001 – 2002**

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1. Having been elected and installed Commander-in-Chief by the assembled delegates at the 120th National Encampment at Springfield, Missouri on August 11, 2001, command is hereby assumed and headquarters established at the above address and all correspondence requiring the attention of the Commander-in-Chief should be sent to this address.
2. Until a new Executive Director is appointed all business correspondence is to be sent to the National Secretary, Edward J. Krieser, PCinC, 1354 Gilleevan Dr., Valparaiso, IN 46385-9069.
3. All supply requisitions with payment are to be sent to: Elmer F. Atkinson, PCinC, National Quartermaster, 1016 Gorman St., Philadelphia, PA 19116.
4. All bills and requests for payment are to be sent to the National Treasurer, Max Newman, 4995 E. Wilkinson Rd., Owosso, MI 48867-9616.
5. All requests for Eagle Scout Certificates should be sent to the Eagle Scout Certificate Coordinator, Robert Petrovic, PDC, 4729 Mehl Ave., St. Louis, MO 63129-16261.
6. My sincerest thanks to all my Brothers who have shown their confidence in me by my election. I believe that I have assembled an excellent team for the upcoming year and can assure we will all work hard to warrant that confidence. I would also thank the Department of Missouri and the committee there for all their efforts to see that we had a productive and enjoyable National Encampment.
7. The Constitution and Regulations of our Order are the rules by which we operate. All officers, whether National, Department or Camp, should obtain a copy and become familiar with it's contents. Most of the disputes within our Order are due to Brothers acting contrary to the tenants of the C&R. All Brothers are invited to obtain a copy from the National Quartermaster or to download a copy from our web site.
8. We will continue our efforts in graves registration and grave marking, Civil War memorial registration and restoration, locating G.A.R. and SUVCW records, commemorative events and celebrating the deeds of the Boys in Blue. Two new projects for this year will be an expanded effort by the G.A.R. Post Records Committee to catalog the location of the various G.A.R. Post records to aid in research. This must NOT be considered an attempt to take possession of these records. We can not do that. All we want is to be able to do is compile a list of the record locations so that we can direct inquiries to the proper place. We must also put a stop to the despicable practice of selling of grave markers that have been removed from the final resting place of those who fought to save the Union. To this end in addition to the excellent work of the Online Auction Monitoring Committee (formerly the eBay Watchdog Committee), the Legislation Committee has been charged with producing a list of those states that have existing laws that prohibit such sales and working with those states that do not have protective laws so that they can have similar laws passed in those states. Your assistance in this undertaking will be greatly appreciated, by us the living and also by those whom we are here to protect.
9. As we move forward into the 21 century we must make use of the technology available to us to make our Order grow. While we will not base our growth solely on the computer and the Internet we will continue to use this new technology as the first source of the information for our Order. The Banner, all General Orders, Quarterly report forms, etc. will be found on our web site first before other forms of distribution. Our National Website contains so much information we could not read it all in one day. Not only can non-members find out about and secure an application for membership online, but also our membership can get needed information, forms, graphics, the C&R and proceedings of several past National Encampments. The unlimited possibilities offered by the Internet are there for our use. I intend to use them.
10. While we take advantage of the newer technologies we can not forget our past. Our Rituals and Ceremonies are our connection to those who have gone before us. The use of our Rituals and Ceremonies, while not required, is to be encouraged. All camps and departments are requested to use them whenever possible.
11. It is now specified in the C&R that quarterly reports must be properly and timely submitted for camps to be in good standing with departments and for the departments to be in good standing with the National Organization. The report of election and installation of officers is part of the quarterly reports. We have a great deal of information contained in the National Membership Data Base. It is NOT just a big mailing list for the Banner. This information needs to be kept up to date. It is NOT the responsibility of the National Organization to assure the validity of this data. That is the responsibility of the Camp and Department Secretaries. If a Brother moves or changes his phone number, if your Camp moves or changes it's meeting place or time that information needs to be submitted on the appropriate Quarterly report.
12. It is my intention to visit with as many Brothers as possible during the upcoming year. Please extend your invitations for your encampments, meetings and ceremonies as early as possible to assist me in making my itinerary. Please do not wait until all arrangements have been finalized before sending your invitation. The sooner I learn of an event the easier it is for me to add it to my schedule.
13. The Remembrance Day Parade and Ceremonies at Gettysburg are designed as a means of remembering the G.A.R. and paying homage to it members. Brothers are encouraged to attend this event on November 17, 2001.
14. All members of the Council of Administration are advised there will be a meeting of the Council at 8:00 A.M., Sunday, November 18, 2001.

15. Information about the ill and bereaved should be brought to the attention of the myself, the National Secretary, and the National Chaplain, Reverend Richard Partington, 1661 Aran Way, Dresher, PA. 19025-1239. We need to give proper attention to the needs of these members or their family. By contacting all three you are assured to get the information we need to the correct person.
16. On behalf of the Order, I would like to extend congratulations to the new National Presidents of the Allied Orders of the G.A.R.; the Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans Of the Civil War, the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War 1861-1865, and the Woman's Relief Corps. Please feel free to contact me if I can be of any assistance. We are and always will be Brothers and Sisters bound together in Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty.
17. All per capita tax and other quarterly reports are to be forwarded to National Secretary on time.
18. Appointments of most non-elected National Officers, Standing Committees, Special Committees, and National Aides have been made. Those officers and committees may be found on our National Web Site (<http://suvchw.org>).
19. This Order should never rest until Memorial Day is returned to May 30th. Please write letters to your legislators in your state. Let's not give up. We need to return Memorial Day to the day set aside by our forefathers for the purpose they meant it to be.
20. All Departments who have not already done so this year are to send current rosters to the Membership List Coordinator.

By Order of:

George L. Powell

Commander-in-Chief

Attest:

Edward Krieser, PCinC

National Secretary

**Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War  
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1. A request has been received from Clark McCullough, Commander, Department of New Jersey to revoke the charter of the Vredenburg Camp #6.
2. Pursuant to the provisions of the Constitution Article VI, Formation and Disbandment, Section 2. "The Commander-in-Chief upon recommendation of the Department Commander shall have the power to revoke the charter of any camp which does not conform to the Constitution and Regulations of the Order," the charter of Vredenburg Camp #6, Department of New Jersey, is hereby revoked effective immediately.
3. All past and present camp officers of above said camp are to turn over to the Department of New Jersey any and all properties of said camp including but not limited to the camp charter and all funds, bank accounts and holdings belonging to aforementioned camp.
4. All Brothers of the aforementioned camp are to be notified of this revocation and transfer forms are to be sent with the notice.

By Order of:

George L. Powell  
Commander-in-Chief

Attest:

Edward Krieser, PCinC  
National Secretary

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1. A request has been received from Clark McCullough, Commander, Department of New Jersey to revoke the charter of the Edward Fowler Camp #14.
2. Pursuant to the provisions of the Constitution Article VI, Formation and Disbandment, Section 2. "The Commander-in-Chief upon recommendation of the Department Commander shall have the power to revoke the charter of any camp which does not conform to the Constitution and Regulations of the Order," the charter of Edward Fowler Camp #14, Department of New Jersey, is hereby revoked effective immediately.
3. All past and present camp officers of above said camp are to turn over to the Department of New Jersey any and all properties of said camp including but not limited to the camp charter and all funds, bank accounts and holdings belonging to aforementioned camp.
4. All Brothers of the aforementioned camp are to be notified of this revocation and transfer forms are to be sent with the notice.

By Order of:

George L. Powell  
Commander-in-Chief

Attest:

Edward Krieser, PCinC  
National Secretary



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On behalf of the National Organization of the Sons of the Union Veterans of the Civil War I want to offer the condolences of our membership to the victims and to the families of the victims involved and to express the outrage of all the members of our Order to the attack today on the World Trade Center in New York and the Pentagon in Washington, DC. At this time we must come together as an Order and a Nation. I there by urge all Brothers to:

1. Fly the flag of our Country as a sign of solidarity with the innocent victims.
2. Attend the church of their choice and offer their own prayers for those involved in this terrible tragedy.
3. Those Brothers who are able to please donate blood.

I hereby order that all Camp and Department Charters be draped and all members are to drape their membership badge for the next 30 days in memory of the victims and their families.

By Order of:

George L. Powell  
Commander-in-Chief

Attest:

Edward Krieser, PCinC  
National Secretary

**Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War**  
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1. On behalf of the National Order may each and every Brother and Sister in all of the Allied Orders and their families have a happy and safe Holiday Season. May the year 2002 be prosperous, productive and fraternal throughout the Organization.
2. The 45th Annual Remembrance Day activities were held at Gettysburg, Pennsylvania on 17 November 2001. The parade returned to its old format with all Union troops marching together followed by all of the Confederate troops. The Combined Service at the High Water Mark was followed by the annual SVR ceremony at the Woolson Memorial and both ceremonies were well attended. A special thank you and congratulations are extended to the Remembrance Day Committee for another job well done. Thank you to the Gettysburg merchants for once again covering the cost of the parade permit.
3. The G.A.R. Memorial Scholarship Applications can be obtained by computer from our web site (<http://suvchw.org>). Completed forms are to be sent to this office. All applications received will be forwarded to the Scholarship Committee. Please keep in mind that we award two \$1000 scholarships each year.
4. Brother Don Denison has resigned his position as National Camp and Department Organizer. I want to thank him for his service to our Order.
5. I am pleased to announce the appointment of PDC Gary Gibson as the new National Camp and Department Organizer. Brother Gary has served our Order in many capacities in the past, including as a member of the Council of Administration.
6. Departments desiring the attendance of the Commandery-in-Chief at their encampment or a special event are encouraged to submit invitations as soon as possible. Conflicting dates do occur and invitations will be accepted on a first come, first serve basis.
7. We have a new National Executive Director. He is Brother Lee Walters, P.O. Box 1865, Harrisburg, PA 17105, (717) 766-6341 LEESUVPC@msn.com. Brother Walters will be setting up the office at the National Headquarters located in the new National Civil War Museum in Harrisburg, PA. As Brother Walters gets the National Headquarters up and running all correspondence and reports are to continue to be directed to the National Secretary, PCinC Ed Krieser. All January quarterly reports are to be sent to the National Secretary.
8. All Camp and Department Secretaries are reminded that a full and complete roster is required to be submitted with the January reports. This roster is to include the current Name, Address, Phone Number and Email address for each brother and are to be submitted as a typed or computer generated report. Hand written reports that are illegible will be deemed as a non submission. Any camp or Department that fails to submit the required roster will be submitting an incomplete report and will NOT be in good standing. This means that your delegations will NOT be seated at your Department Encampment or the National Encampment until the rosters have been received.
9. Last year the National Organization in an attempt to provide a Remembrance Day event for the brothers who are unable to attend the November event in Gettysburg commissioned the SVR to create an event in the central part of the country. The Seventh Military District Commander Major Frank Harned and his committee designated the burial of the unknown soldier in Chattanooga as this event. Brother Harned is working on this years event which will take place on Saturday, April 27, 2002. Details will be forth coming. Please put this date on your calendars and plan to attend.
10. Brothers are reminded to support the National Patriotic Instructor's Fund, Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief's Fund, the National Headquarters Fund and the Permanent Fund. 11. As the events of September 11 are burned into our National psyche let us keep the memory of these victims and the heroes who are today fighting the cowards responsible for the attacks fresh in our hearts and prayers.
11. Deepest sympathies are extended to all Brothers and Sisters who lost a loved one, are ill or are suffering in any manner.

By Order of:

George L. Powell  
Commander-in-Chief

Attest:

Edward Krieser, PCinC  
National Secretary

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1. All 2nd quarter (January) reports are to be sent to the National Secretary. All Camp and Department Secretaries are reminded that a full and complete roster is required to be submitted with the January reports. This roster is to include the current Name, Address, Phone Number and Email address for each brother and are to be submitted as a typed or computer generated report. Hand written reports are to be avoided. Any report that is illegible will be deemed as a non submission and will be returned. Any camp or Department that fails to submit the required roster will be submitting an incomplete report and will NOT be in good standing. This means that your delegations will NOT be seated at your Department Encampment or the National Encampment until the rosters have been received.

2. As of February 1 all reports, forms, and communications from Department Secretaries are to be sent to the Executive Director, Brother Lee Walters, P.O. Box 1865, Harrisburg, PA 17105, (717) 766-6341 LEESUVPCC@msn.com.

By Order of:

George L. Powell  
Commander-in-Chief

Attest:

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National Secretary

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The following has been submitted by Brother Charles Young, the National Patriotic Instructor and is hereby issued as a General Order of the Commander-in-Chief.

From the National Patriotic Instructor

January 15, 2002

The events of September 11, 2001, the new millennium's *Day of Infamy*, has brought a new wave of patriotism to this country unseen since the beginning of World War II. Numerous flags and bunting deck the buildings and window sills in the big cities on the coasts, as well as the humble habitations of farm workers that dot the landscape of the plain's states. People have opened their hearts, and wallets, to help provide respite to those that suffered in that cowardly attack. Many forms of tribute and outpourings of support and assistance can be found in the newspapers almost everyday, and both Houses in Washington, D C, stand united in their pledge of success.

Throughout our gloried past our country has held together most during times of distress. We can trace it back to the earliest days of our Nation's beginning, from the streets of Lexington and Concord, to the British burning of the Capitol, from the decks of the Main and the Arizona, to the prison cells in Korea, Vietnam, and Iran. The United States has always awoke at times when their own were in peril. The pulse of the Nation quickened at these times. Flags were displayed for all to see and few there were that didn't rub his eyes and awake to see his part in it, and do all he could to support it. And now, we see it again and the heart of the Country beats as one. One in our resolve for justice, one, in our determination for success. One, in our efforts to see that this evil that crept into our homes that grim September morning, and stole that security that we as a Nation hold dear, will never succeed in this or any country in the world again. As Memorial Day approaches we can show appreciation again to those that made this country what it is, both past and present. We as descendants of those that rose up during one of Country's darkest and dire days, and who hold this day sacred more than any other, can show the way in honoring those that sacrificed.

The following is published for all concerned:

- I. It is ordered that all Camps within our Order set aside the month of May as a month of Memorial to all those Americans, past and present who suffered *that that Nation might live*.
- II. All Camps are to do their utmost to see to it that all cemeteries within their jurisdiction are visited and that they do all in their power to honor those veterans that are interred there.
- III. A moment of silence is to be observed by all the Camps, in all the ceremonies that are held on Memorial Day, for the victims of the September 11, 2001 attacks.
- IV. All Camp meeting halls should display the American flag and appropriate bunting as often as possible this Month, in honor of our country, and those that died protecting it.
- V. No set program is prescribed, it is only hoped that all Son's remember the words that General Logan wrote when he instituted Memorial Day, and remember that he to swore to uphold that *...if other eyes grow dull and other hands slack, and other hearts grow cold in the sacred trust, ours shall keep it well so long as the light of life remains in us*.

By Order of:

George L. Powell  
Commander-in-Chief

Attest:

Edward Krieser, PCinC  
National Secretary

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1. At the request of the JVCinC, Department and Camp level Junior Vice Commanders are respectfully reminded of the importance to communicate with membership applicants as soon as possible. Your effort to establish these gentlemen as Brothers in Good Standing, in the Camp of their choice, is critical to the image of our organization. With the added turnover-time for applicants who are referred from the Office of the Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief, the importance of prompt communication on your part is magnified. People who join an organization want to feel as though they are a valued part of it. Please give new applicants no doubt of that.
2. The G.A.R. Memorial Scholarship Applications are currently being accepted. The deadline for all material is March 31, 2002. Completed forms are to be sent to this office. All applications received will be forwarded to the Scholarship Committee. Please keep in mind that we award two \$1000 scholarships each year.
3. As we begin the season of our Department Encampments all sitting Department Commanders are reminded that the National Regulations, Chapter II, Article 4, Section 8 prevents any brother from being elected to more than three (3) consecutive terms as Department Commander or from him serving more than forty-five (45) consecutive months as Department Commander. Any Department Commander who is affected by this section who wishes to run for reelection MUST request an exemption from the Council of Administration prior to the election.
4. Brothers are reminded to support the National Patriotic Instructor's Fund, Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief's Fund, the National Headquarters Fund and the Permanent Fund.

By Order of:

George L. Powell  
Commander-in-Chief

Attest:

Edward Krieser, PCinC  
National Secretary

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It has been the practice of past Commanders-in-Chief to recognize the recruiting efforts of the brothers of our Order. As no policy can be found to define how this is to be done I am listing the procedure to be used for the remainder of my term.

This recognition will be for the following:

1. Recruit 3 new members, or
2. Recruit 5 or more new members.

These brothers will be appointed National Aides for Recruiting. Those brothers who recruit 3 new members will receive a piece of ribbon in the National Colors which can be worn behind the membership badge of our Order as a sign of their efforts. Those brothers who recruit 5 or more brothers will receive in addition to the ribbon a certificate of appreciation for their efforts.

Each Camp Secretary is responsible to provide a list of the brothers who have recruited the required number of new brothers including the names of the new brothers. This list is to be sent to the Department Secretary who is to verify that the new brothers named are on the Department roster. Once the names have been verified the Department Secretary is to forward the approved lists to the Commander-in-Chief.

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George L. Powell  
Commander-in-Chief

Attest:

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National Secretary

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This is to announce the forming of the Sons Of Union Veterans Web Ring and the appointment of Brother Bill Cole as an Assistant Web Master to manage the web ring.

The Sons Of Union Veterans Web Ring has been created to provide a direct sequential linking of camp and Department web sites. The purpose is to gain greater on-line exposure and increased 'hits' for camp web sites thereby getting the local SUVCW message to larger numbers of people. The Sons Of Union Veterans Web Ring is managed by Assistant Webmaster Bill Cole under the supervision of Keith G. Harrison, PCINC, National Webmaster. Brother Cole is currently serving as the Junior Vice Commander of Lyon Camp #10, Vineland, New Jersey.

Prior to the official sanctioning of the ring a prototype was developed. Charter members of the ring include: The National Web Site, the New Jersey Department Web Site, Lyon Camp #10 - Dept. of New Jersey, Anna M. Ross Camp #1 - Dept. of Pennsylvania, Gov. Crapo Camp # 145 - Dept. of Michigan, Commodore Joel Abbot Camp #21 - Dept. of Rhode Island and George H. Thomas Camp #19 - Dept. of Pennsylvania.

All Camp and Department webmasters are urged to join their sites to the Sons Of Union Veterans Web Ring. This can be done by visiting the ring hub at: <http://P.webring.com/hub?ring=sonsofunionveter&id=1&hub>. Those desiring more information can e-mail Bill Cole at [billc@lyoncamp.org](mailto:billc@lyoncamp.org)

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George L. Powell  
Commander-in-Chief

Attest:

Edward Krieser, PCinC  
National Secretary

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It is my extreme pleasure to announce the creation of the following new Camps:

1. Greenwood Camp, 30 January 2002, Department of Colorado and Wyoming
2. Maj. Robert Anderson Camp #139, 4 February 2002, Department of Michigan
3. General George G. Meade Camp #5, 9 February 2002, Department of Maryland
4. Admiral John L. Worden Camp #150, 19 February 2002, Department of New York

Congratulations for a job well done to all of the Brothers who worked so hard to get these camps formed.

By Order of:

George L. Powell  
Commander-in-Chief

Attest:

Edward Krieser, PCinC  
National Secretary



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Fort Anderson Camp # 64, Department of Kentucky having been suspended by the Department Commander for non-filing of reports and non-payment of fees, has ceased to hold meetings and function as a Camp of the SUVCW. Pursuant to the provisions of the Constitution Article VI, Formation and Disbandment, Section 2, which states, *The Commander-in-Chief upon recommendation of the Department Commander shall have the power to revoke the charter of any camp which does not conform to the Constitution and Regulations of the Order*, the charter of the Fort Anderson Camp #64, Department of Kentucky, is hereby revoked effective immediately.

By Order of:

George L. Powell  
Commander-in-Chief

Attest:

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National Secretary

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Sergeant Philemon H. McCracken Camp #50, Department of Maryland having been suspended by the Department Commander for non-filing of reports and non-payment of fees, has ceased to hold meetings and function as a Camp of the SUVCW. Pursuant to the provisions of the Constitution Article VI, Formation and Disbandment, Section 2, which states, The Commander-in-Chief upon recommendation of the Department Commander shall have the power to revoke the charter of any camp which does not conform to the Constitution and Regulations of the Order, the charter of the Sergeant Philemon H. McCracken Camp #50, Department of Maryland is hereby revoked effective immediately.

By Order of:

George L. Powell  
Commander-in-Chief

Attest:

Edward Krieser, PCinC  
National Secretary

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It has come to the attention of the Commander-in-Chief that at least one camp is attempting to create its own Life Membership program. Based upon the following opinion of the National Counselor it is my ruling as Commander-in-Chief that this cannot be done. Any money collected for this purpose is to be immediately refunded and all such activity is to cease.

Camps may not establish a life membership program. Per our Congressional Charter, this may only be done by the National Organization. Any such effort to create any type of life member program at the Camp or Department level is void.

By Order of:

George L. Powell  
Commander-in-Chief

Attest:

Edward Krieser, PCinC  
National Secretary

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It has come to the attention of the Commander-in-Chief that at least one Camp has formed a Camp Guard that allows non-members of the SUVCW to be members of the Camp Guard. This can not happen. Accordingly it is my ruling that membership in a Camp or Department Guard is limited to Brothers of that Camp or Department and that any Camp or Department Guard that includes members who are not Brothers of the Camp or Department must immediately correct this situation by either having all non-members become Members or Associates of our Order or to drop all non-members from the ranks of the Camp Guard.

By Order of:

George L. Powell  
Commander-in-Chief

Attest:

Edward Krieser, PCinC  
National Secretary

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1. It is with great sadness and profound regret that I announce the passing of Past Commander-in-Chief William L. Simpson who answered his last roll call on April 7, 2002.
2. PC-in-C Simpson served this Order with distinction and as its Commander-in-Chief, 1983-1984 from the Department of Pennsylvania.
3. I hereby charge all Department Commanders to drape Department Charters in his honor and to require that all camps do likewise for a period of 30 days.

By Order of:

George L. Powell  
Commander-in-Chief

Attest:

Edward Krieser, PCinC  
National Secretary

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1. It is with great sadness and profound regret that I announce the passing of Past Commander-in-Chief Kenneth T. Wheeler, Sr., who answered his last roll call on April 18, 2002.
2. PC-in-C Wheeler served this Order with distinction and as its Commander-in-Chief, 1976-1977 from the Department of New Hampshire.
3. I hereby charge all Department Commanders to drape Department Charters in his honor and to require that all camps do likewise for a period of 30 days.

Ordered this nineteenth day of April, 2002.

By Order of:

George L. Powell  
Commander-in-Chief

Attest:

Edward Krieser, PCinC  
National Secretary

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It is my great pleasure to announce the creation of the new Department of Oklahoma. Congratulations to all of the Brothers of our newest Department for their efforts. Thank you to Brother Mahlon Erickson for all of his hard work as the Organizer. Thank you also to the Brothers of the Department of the Southwest for supporting the efforts of the 3 Oklahoma camps in forming the Department.  
Ordered this fourth day of May, 2002.

By Order of:

George L. Powell  
Commander-in-Chief

Attest:

Edward Krieser, PCinC  
National Secretary

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It is my extreme pleasure to announce the creation of the following new Camps:

1. Sgt. Frederick R. Jackson Camp #7, 14 February 2002, Department of Florida
2. Abraham Lincoln Post #1 Camp #1863, 15 April 2002, Department of Maryland
3. Captain John White Spencer Camp #9, 15 April 2002, Department of Maryland

Congratulations for a job well done to all of the Brothers who worked so hard to get these camps formed.

Ordered this eight day of May, 2002.

By Order of:

George L. Powell  
Commander-in-Chief

Attest:

Edward Krieser, PCinC  
National Secretary



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I am happy to announce that our Order has established an account with AOL to standardize Email addresses for several National Officers. This will allow us to pass the ID's from one officer to another and allow us to direct Email to the new officers immediately after the National Encampment. This will also allow us to standardize our printed advertising. These new Email addresses are to be used for all official communications with these officers effective immediately. The new ID's are:

SUVCINC@aol.com - Commander-in-Chief  
SUVSRVICE@aol.com - Sr. Vice CinC  
SUVJRVICE@aol.com - JR. Vice CinC  
SUVNATSECY@aol.com - National Secretary  
SUVNATTRES@aol.com - National Treasurer  
SUVEXDIR@aol.com - Executive Director  
SUVWEBMSTR@aol.com - Webmaster

Ordered this 24th day of May, 2002

By Order of:

George L. Powell  
Commander-in-Chief

Attest:

Edward Krieser, PCinC  
National Secretary

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This is to announce that pursuant to the National Regulations of our Order, Chapter II, Departments, Article I, Charters, Section 8, *Departments shall be composed of one or more states, commonwealths, republics, territories or the District of Columbia. All camps within the geographical area assigned to a Department by the Commander-in-Chief must become part of the Department.* In accordance with this section, I am today assigning the geographical area included within the boundaries of the State of Georgia to be part of the Department of Tennessee. All camps in this area are now under the jurisdiction and authority of the Department of Tennessee.

Ordered this 9th day of June, 2002.

By Order of:

George L. Powell  
Commander-in-Chief

Attest:

Edward Krieser, PCinC  
National Secretary

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It is my extreme pleasure to announce the creation of the following new Camps:

Lt. Adam Slemmer Camp #6, Department of Florida, Date of Rank from January 27, 2002;  
Maj. Francis Wilhelms Camp #17, Department of Missouri, Date of Rank from June 5, 2002;  
Col. John B. Weber Camp #44, Department of New York, Date of Rank from June 5, 2002; and  
Gen. John Buford Camp #4389, Department of New York, Date of Rank from June 5, 2002.

Congratulations for a job well done to all of the Brothers who worked so hard to get these camps formed.

Ordered this 11th day of June, 2002

By Order of:

George L. Powell  
Commander-in-Chief

Attest:

Edward Krieser, PCinC  
National Secretary

**Appendix 3**

**Final Report  
of the  
Credentials Committee**

**Delegates to the 121<sup>st</sup> Annual National Encampment  
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Dept</b>	<b>Status</b>
Airy, John	Iowa	Alt Del
Anthony, Merrill	Iowa	PDC
Armstrong, Kent	Michigan	PDC
Aronis, Ronald	Wisconsin	Delegate
Ashley, Keith	Ohio	PDC
Atkinson, Elmer	Pennsylvania	PCinC
Austin, Jon	Illinois	Delegate
Avery, John	Missouri	Delegate
Baker, Ned	Indiana	Delegate
Baker II, Harrison	Ohio	Delegate
Barrett, Tim	Wisconsin	Delegate
Bates, John	Massachusetts	Delegate
Bauman, Kirby	Ohio	Delegate
Beals, Eugene	Illinois	Alt Del
Bellenger, Ron	Michigan	Delegate
Bennett, Michael S.	New York	PDC
Blakely, Edward	Michigan	Delegate
Bollen, Andrew	Wisconsin	Delegate
Brasser, Dale *	Wisconsin	Delegate
Braun, Mark	Illinois	Delegate
Breaugh, Neal	Michigan	Delegate
Brewer, Larry *	Iowa	Delegate
Brewer, Jr, Doyle	Colo, Wy & Utah	Delegate
Brown, Ellsworth	Rhode Island	PDC
Buckles, Stan	Illinois	PDC
Bunnell, Daniel	California & Pacific	PDC
Bury II, Gordon R.	Ohio	PCinC
Butgereit, Bruce	Michigan	Dept Commander
Campbell, Tad	California & Pacific	Delegate
Champlin, Robert	Missouri	Delegate
Chestnut, N. Robert	Illinois	PDC
Clark, Ron	Illinois	PDC
Collins, Carroll	Maryland	Delegate
Corfman, Charles	Ohio	PCinC
Crawford, Gerald	Ohio	Delegate
Crawford, Thomas	Indiana	PDC
Danes, Richard	Michigan	Delegate
Darby, Donald	Ohio	PDC
Dimick, Rev G *		
Dowd, Edgar	Michigan	Delegate
Downey, Timothy	Kentucky	PDC
Doyle, Merlin *	Vermont	PDC
Earl, Daniel	California & Pacific	Delegate
Eller, Edwin	Missouri	Delegate
Elliott, Jr, Lyman	Wisconsin	Alt Del
Engle, Charlie	Tennessee	Delegate
Engquist, Garen	Wisconsin	Delegate
Erickson, John	Oklahoma	Alt Del
Erickson, Mahlon	Oklahoma	Dept Commander
Fallen, A Carl	Oklahoma	Delegate
Felton, Rev. Maurice	Wisconsin	Delegate
Fladseth, LeRoy	Michigan	Delegate
Fox, Victor	Pennsylvania	Delegate
Fritz, Lee	Iowa	Delegate
Frost, Howard	Ohio	PDC

Funck III, Charles	Missouri	Delegate
Geesman, Dennis	Iowa	Delegate
Gibson, Gary	Michigan	PDC
Gill, Ronald	Indiana	PDC
Graham, Robert	Illinois	PDC
Greene, Richard *	Michigan	Delegate
Greenwalt, Richard	Ohio	PCinC
Grim, Robert	Ohio	PDC
Grothe, Major Jack	Missouri	Delegate
Grove, Dave *	Indiana	Delegate
Grove, Robert	Michigan	Delegate
Gunderson, Gary	Illinois	Delegate
Hadley, Paul	Nebraska	Delegate
Hammer, Lowell *	Florida	PCinC
Hans, Daniel	Illinois	Dept Commander
Harrison, Keith	Michigan	PCinC
Hauff, John *	Illinois	Delegate
Hauff, Robert	Illinois	Delegate
Hauff, Thomas	Illinois	Delegate
Hawk, James	Iowa	Delegate
Hershberger, Kenneth	Maryland	PDC
Hoadley, Linn	California & Pacific	Delegate
Horgan, Jr, Michael	New Jersey	PDC
Houston, Gary	Member at Large	Delegate
Houston, James	Ohio	Dept Commander
Howey, Col. Allan	Tennessee	Dept Commander
Johnson, Andrew	Maryland	PCinC
Johnson, Thomas	Wisconsin	PDC
Johnston, Jim	Iowa	Delegate
Kadlec, Robert	California & Pacific	Delegate
Kaup, Nick	Illinois	PDC
Kelley, John	Colo, Wy & Utah	Dept Cmdr
Kennedy, Leo	Rhode Island	Dept Cmdr
Kennedy, Robert	Iowa	PDC
Kern, Lester	Pennsylvania	Delegate
Kiger, James	Kentucky	Delegate
Kirchner, Russ	Indiana	PDC
Knight, Glenn	Pennsylvania	PDC
Knight, Robert	Massachusetts	Dept Cmdr
Kooser, William	Illinois	Delegate
Kowalski, Jerome	Illinois	Delegate
Krieser, Edward	Indiana	PCinC
Kuhn, Jr, Charles	Pennsylvania	Dept Cmdr
Kulas, Patrick	Wisconsin	Alt Del
Kurek, Robert *	Illinois	Delegate
Laine, Bruce	Wisconsin	Delegate
Lamb, Harry	Pennsylvania	Delegate
Latham, William T.	Kentucky	Delegate
Lee, Richard	Michigan	Delegate
Lickey, Jon	Illinois	Delegate
Long, Jr, Joseph	Pennsylvania	PDC
Loomis, Alan	Indiana	PCinC
Lowe, Bill	Michigan	Delegate
Lowe, Bob	California & Pacific	PDC
Mann, John	Michigan	Delegate
McGarey, Gordon	Michigan	Delegate
McNulty, John	Pennsylvania	Delegate
McNulty, John	Pennsylvania	Delegate
Medert, David	Ohio	PCinC
Medert, David	Ohio	PDC

Meyers, John *	Illinois	Alt Del
Michaels, Stephen	Wisconsin	PDC
Miller, Jr, Ralph	Maryland	Delegate
Mills III, John	Kentucky	PDC
Mog, Willis *	Illinois	Delegate
Murphy, Chuck	Illinois	Delegate
Murphy, Frederick	Wisconsin	PDC
Nagel, Ray	Ohio	Delegate
Nation, Daniel	California & Pacific	Delegate
Newman, Max	Michigan	Delegate
Norlem, James	Wisconsin	Delegate
Novak, Randy	Wisconsin	Dept Cmdr
Orr, Richard	Pennsylvania	PCinC
Orton, Jerome *	New York	PDC
Pahl, Jim	Michigan	PDC
Palmer, Jr, Donald	Missouri	Dept Cmdr
Parks, Philip *	Michigan	Delegate
Partington, Richard	Pennsylvania	PCinC
Perry, Jim	Indiana	Delegate
Peters, Brian *	Wisconsin	Delegate
Peterson, Alan *	California & Pacific	PDC
Peterson, Kent	Wisconsin	Delegate
Petrovic, Robert	Missouri	PDC
Pletkovich, Tim	Illinois	Alt Del
Powell, George	Pennsylvania	Commander in Chief
Prior, Dr Richard	Member at Large	Delegate
Proper, David	New Hampshire	PDC
Rees, James	Iowa	Delegate
Rippey, Joseph *	New York	PCinC
Rittel, Ron	Iowa	Delegate
Roach, Larry	Iowa	Delegate
Rohan, Richard	Wisconsin	Delegate
Roosevelt, Glen	California & Pacific	Delegate
Roscoe, Robert	Nebraska	Delegate
Rudebusch, Merle	Nebraska	Dept Cmdr
Rusk, Mike	Oklahoma	Delegate
Russ, Alan	Kansas	Dept Cmdr
Ryerson, William	Massachusetts	PDC
Sargent, A Dean	Massachusetts	Delegate
Sayre, Jerry	California & Pacific	Delegate
Schall, Brad	California & Pacific	Dept Cmdr
Scheel, Gary	Missouri	Delegate
Schleeter, David	California & Pacific	Delegate
Schmincke, Eric	Pennsylvania	Delegate
Seliga, Joseph	New Jersey	Delegate
Shaw, Jr, Henry	Ohio	Delegate
Shepherd, Byrd	Illinois	PDC
Shillington, Todd	New York	Dept Cmdr
Shive, William	Illinois	Alt Del
Showler, J Thomas *	Pennsylvania	Delegate
Sosnowski, David	Pennsylvania	Delegate
Spellman, Dan *	Ohio	Delegate
Stefany, Stuart	Illinois	Delegate
Stephan, Robert	Indiana	Delegate
Stephen, C. R.	Iowa	Delegate
Stephen, David	Iowa	Dept Cmdr
Stephen, James	Iowa	Delegate
Stephen, Jeffrey	Iowa	Delegate
Stottlemire, Vern	Missouri	PDC
Taylor III, Emmett	Missouri	Delegate

Teller, J. Alan	Indiana	Dept Cmdr
Tilton, Bradley	Ohio	Delegate
Trout, Mark	Missouri	Delegate
Tucker, Kevin	Massachusetts	Delegate
Turner, Gene	Oklahoma	Delegate
Ulrich, Rick T.	Colo, Wy & Utah	Delegate
Vodde, Steve	Illinois	Alt Del
Walters, Lee F.	Pennsylvania	Delegate
Westlake, Steven	Illinois	Delegate
Wheeler, Danny	New York	PCinC
Williams, Richard	Michigan	Delegate
Willman, Charles	Illinois	Delegate
Witt, John	Kentucky	Delegate
Young, Charles D.	Pennsylvania	PDC
Young, Jr, Gib	Indiana	Delegate
Zandy, Keith	Illinois	Delegate

\* Registered but not in attendance



**Appendix 4**

**Joint Memorial Program  
August 10, 2001  
(not available)**

**Appendix 5**

**Campfire Program  
August 10, 2001  
(not available)**

**Appendix 6**

**Allied Orders Banquet  
August 11, 2001  
(not available)**

## Appendix 7

### Public Addresses of Commander-in-Chief George L. Powell

## Sultana Program Mansfield Ohio, Nov. 10, 2001

Honored Guests, Ladies and Gentlemen, good afternoon. It is my Great pleasure to bring you the greetings of the National Organization of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. When I was invited to speak here today I was asked to speak on the Grand Army of the Republic. In doing my research I found this piece from the National Organization Committee of the Sons of Veterans, U.S.A. that was originally printed in 1924 and reprinted in 1988 by PCinC Gordon Bury. The words have lost none of their meaning in the past 75 years.

In using the words "Grand Army of the Republic" we do so with the Thought that these are the men who in 1861-1865 answered the call of Lincoln with the offer of their lives, that this nation might become, as it has, the best government in the world.

These men believed in, and fought for, a government standing for such Ideals as Liberty, Justice, and Equality. It was that band of men, who at the close of the war marched through the streets of Washington in a grand parade, and it was then that they were called "The Grand Army of the Republic".

This name as used here, is broad enough to include every man who enlisted in the Service in any and every capacity. It almost might include under this name, that splendid band of women who had such a great part in the work of adding to the efficiency of these men, by their sacrifice both in the home and on the battlefield.

At the close of the war these men and women found the problem of a reconstructed nation to be built up. Into no better hands could have fallen such a task. When we receive anything as a gift, and without much effort on our part, we seldom place a very high value on it. When it is something we have worked for, or that we have fought for, there is a determination on our part that any advantage gained, shall count for its full value.

Therefore, the Grand Army of the Republic incorporated into the future policies of the Government these ideals for which they fought. The twenty years following the close of the war were constructive years, and the Grand Army of the Republic proved faithful to their duties in peace as in war. For America today, with all its faults, is the best governed nation in the world.

Everyone living under the Stars and Stripes has much to be thankful for.

Wherever our flag floats today, prosperity and peace abides. May we Always show our appreciation to these men.

The Organization of the Grand Army of the Republic must necessarily soon close its books. Charters will be surrendered and there will be turned over into trusted hands for reverent and perpetual care, their records and their flags.

We need to retain the memory of the fact that there would have been no united America to cast its weight and its authority into the scales when the world was on the brink of destruction, and so restore the balance of

sanity and mens liberty, but for the men who formed the ranks of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Today, these men are wondering if their own sons and grandsons are able

To build up a strong organization, to perpetuate their memory, and to teach patriotism to the coming generation.

The organization that they were looking for is today the Sons of Union

Veterans of the Civil War. When you join the Sons you take a solemn

oath to keep alive the memory of those men who were willing to fight and die in support of their country and ceremonies like this one today is just one of the ways we honor these men.

I consider myself to be very fortunate that I have an ancestor who

Fought for the Union. My participation today allows me to honor my ancestor as well as all of the Americans who were willing to fight and die for what they believe in. Without their sacrifices we would not have the freedoms that we enjoy today.

I want to thank everyone who helped in any way in today's ceremony, to

Those who worked so tirelessly to raise the funds for this wonderful

monument, to all the people who contributed those funds, to the members of the Sultana Survivors association, to the people and civic leaders of the City of Mansfield , to all of you goes my sincerest thanks and appreciation and congratulations on a job well done.

While we remember the men who needlessly died with the explosion and  
Sinking of the Sultana today let us also remember all the men, women and children who died in the cowardly attacks on  
September 11 as well as the men and women currently fighting to put an end to those who would use terror and fear to advance  
their personal objectives around the world.  
Please use your participation here today to make a statement that they  
Can not intimidate us, we will not only survive but we will continue to be  
A beacon of light and freedom for all the world. Thank you and God Bless America.

## PAST COMMANDER'S IN CHIEF

YR	NAME	DEPARTMENT
1881	*Harry T. Rowley	Pennsylvania
1882	*Harry T. Rowley	Pennsylvania
1883	*Frank F. Merrill	Maine
1884	*Harry W. Arnold	Pennsylvania
1885	*Walter S. Payne	Ohio
1886	*Walter S. Payne	Ohio
1887	*George B. Abbott	Illinois
1888	*George B. Abbott	Illinois
1889	*Charles L. Griffin	Indiana
1890	*Leland J. Webb	Kansas
1891	*Bartow S. Weeks	New York
1892	*Marvin E. Hall	Michigan
1893	*Joseph B. Maccabe	Massachusetts
1894	*William E. Bundy	Ohio
1895	*William H. Russell	Kansas
1896	*James L. Rake	Pennsylvania
1897	*Charles E. Darling	Massachusetts
1898	*Frank L. Shepard	Illinois
1899	*A.W. Jones	Ohio
1900	*Edgar W. Alexander	Pennsylvania
1901	*Edward R. Campbell	Maryland
1902	*Frank Martin	Indiana
1903	*Arthur B. Spink	Rhode Island
1904	*William C. Dustin	Illinois
1905	*Harvey V. Speelamn	Ohio
1906	*Edwin M. Amies	Pennsylvania
1907	*Ralph Sheldon	New York
1908	*Edgar Allen, Jr.	Maryland
1909	*George W. Pollit	New Jersey
1910	*Fred E. Bolton	Massachusetts
1911	*Newton J. McGuire	Indiana
1912	*Ralph M. Grant	Connecticut
1913	*John E. Sautter	Pennsylvania
1914	*Charles F. Sherman	New York
1915	*A.E.B. Stephens	Ohio
1916	*William T. Church	Illinois
1917	*Fred T.J. Johnson	Pennsylvania
1918	*Francis Callahan	Pennsylvania
1919	*Harry D. Sisson	Massachusetts
1920	*Phelam A. Barrows	Nebraska
1921	*Clifford Ireland	Illinois
1922	*Frank Shelhouse	Indiana
1923	*Samuel S. Hom	Pennsylvania
1924	*William M. Coffin	Ohio
1925	*Edwin C. Irelan	Maryland
1926	*Ernest W. Homan	Massachusetts
1927	*Walter C. Mabie	Pennsylvania
1928	*Delevan B. Bowley	California
1929	*Theodroe C. Cazeau	New York
1930	*Allen S. Holbrook	Illinois
1931	*Frank C. Huston	Indiana
1932	*Titus M. Ruch	Pennsylvania
1933	*Park F. Yengling	Ohio
1934	*Frank L. Kirchgassner	Massachusetts
1935	*Richard F. Locke	Illinois
1936	*William A. Dyer	New York
1937	*William A. Dyer	New York
1938	*William L. Anderson	Massachusetts
1939	*Ralph R. Barrett	California
1940	*J. Kirkwood Craig	Minnesota
1941	*Albert C. Lambert	New Jersey
1942	*Henry Towle	Maine
1943	*C. Leroy Stoudt	Pennsylvania
1944	*Union W. Mackey	Michigan
1945	*H. Harding Hale	Massachusetts
1946	*Neil D. Cranmer	New York
1947	*Charles H.E. Moran	Massachusetts
1948	*Perle L. Fouch	Michigan
1949	*John H. Runkle	Pennsylvania
1950	*Cleon E. Heald	New Hampshire
1951	*Roy J. Bennett	Iowa
1952	*Frederick K. Davis	Wash & Oregon

1953	*U.S. Grant III	Maryland
1954	*U.S. Grant III	Maryland
1955	*Fredrick G. Bauer	Massachusetts
1956	*Fred E. Howe	New York
1957	*Albert B. DeHaven	Maine
1958	*Earl F. Riggs	California
1959	*Harold E. Arnold	Rhode Island
1960	*Thomas A. Chadwick	Vermont
1961	*Charles L. Messer	New York
1962	*Chester S. Shriver	Pennsylvania
1963	Joseph S. Rippey	New York
1964	Joseph S. Rippey	New York
1965	*W. Earl Corbin	Ohio
1966	*Frank Woerner	California
1967	*William H. Haskell	Massachusetts
1968	*Frank M. Heacock, Sr.	Pennsylvania
1969	Fred H. Combs, Jr.	New Jersey
1970	*George L. Cashman	Illinois
1971	*Norman R. Furman	New York
1972	*John C. Yocum	Pennsylvania
1973	*Allen B. Howland	Massachusetts
1974	*John H. Stark	Pennsylvania
1975	*Clarence J. Riddell	Pennsylvania
1976	*Kenneth T. Wheeler	New Hampshire
1977	*Harold T. Bielby	New York
1978	Richard L. Greenwalt	Ohio
YR	NAME	DEPARTMENT
1979	*Elton O. Koch	Pennsylvania
1980	*Richard E. Wyman	New Hampshire
1981	*Harry E. Gibbons	New York
1982	Richard C. Schlenker	Maryland
1983	*William L. Simpson	Pennsylvania
1984	*Eugene E. Russell	Massachusetts
1985	Donald L. Roberts	New York
1986	Gordon R. Bury II	Ohio
1987	Richard O. Partington	Pennsylvania
1988	*Clark C. Mellor	Massachusetts
1989	Charles W. Corfman	Ohio
1990	*George W. Long	Pennsylvania
YR	NAME	DEPARTMENT
1991	Lowell V. Hammer	Maryland
1992	Elmer F. Atkinson	Pennsylvania
1993	Allen W. Moore	Indiana
1994	Keith G. Harrison	Michigan
1995	David R. Medert	Ohio
1996	Alan R. Loomis	Indiana
1997	Richard D. Orr	Pennsylvania
1998	Andrew M. Johnson	Maryland
1999	Danny L. Wheeler	New York
2000	Edward J. Krieser	Indiana
2001	George L. Powell	Pennsylvania



HONOR CONFERRED BY THE  
COMMANDERY-IN-CHIEF

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

SONS OF VETERANS

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

THE POST SYSTEM

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

PAST GRAND DIVISION COMMANDERS

*Isaac S. Bangs	Maine
*A.V. Bohn	Colorado
*Frank Challis	New Hampshire
*Charles S. Crysler	Missouri
*A.P. Davis	Pennsylvania
*E. Howard Gilkey	Ohio
*H.P. Kent	Massachusetts
*William Maskell	Illinois
*Walter S. Payne	Ohio
*R.M.J. Reed	Pennsylvania
*William Ross	Maryland
*Raphael Tobias	New York
*Leland J. Webb	Kansas* Deceased

! Conferred by the Commandery-in-Chief

**Appendix 8**

**National Encampments  
of the  
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War**

NUMBER YEAR	DATES	LOCATION	
1 <sup>st</sup>	1882	October 18	Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
2 <sup>nd</sup>	1883	August 6 - 7	Columbus, Ohio
3 <sup>rd</sup>	1884	August 27 - 30	Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
4 <sup>th</sup>	1885	September 17 - 18	Grand Rapids, Michigan
5 <sup>th</sup>	1886	September 1 - 2	Buffalo, New York
6 <sup>th</sup>	1887	August 17 - 19	Des Moines, Iowa
7 <sup>th</sup>	1888	August 15 - 17	Wheeling, West Virginia
8 <sup>th</sup>	1889	September 10 - 13	Patterson, New Jersey
9 <sup>th</sup>	1890	August 26 - 29	St. Joseph, Missouri
10 <sup>th</sup>	1891	August 24 - 29	Minneapolis, Minnesota
11 <sup>th</sup>	1892	August 8 - 12	Helena, Montana
12 <sup>th</sup>	1893	August 15 - 18	Cincinnati, Ohio
13 <sup>th</sup>	1894	August 20 - 23	Davenport, Iowa
14 <sup>th</sup>	1895	September 16 - 18	Knoxville, Tennessee
15 <sup>th</sup>	1896	September 8 - 10	Louisville, Kentucky
16 <sup>th</sup>	1897	September 9 - 11	Indianapolis, Indiana
17 <sup>th</sup>	1898	September 10 - 14	Omaha, Nebraska
18 <sup>th</sup>	1899	September 7 - 9	Detroit, Michigan
19 <sup>th</sup>	1900	September 11 - 13	Syracuse, New York
20 <sup>th</sup>	1901	September 17 - 18	Providence, Rhode Island
21 <sup>st</sup>	1902	October 7 - 9	Washington, D.C.
22 <sup>nd</sup>	1903	September 15 - 17	Atlantic City, New Jersey
23 <sup>rd</sup>	1904	August 17 - 19	Boston, Massachusetts
24 <sup>th</sup>	1905	September 18 - 20	Gettysburg, Pennsylvania
25 <sup>th</sup>	1906	August 20 - 23	Peoria, Illinois
26 <sup>th</sup>	1907	August 20 - 21	Dayton, Ohio
27 <sup>th</sup>	1908	August 25 - 27	Niagara Falls, New York
28 <sup>th</sup>	1909	August 24 - 26	Washington, D.C.
29 <sup>th</sup>	1910	September 20 - 22	Atlantic City, New Jersey
30 <sup>th</sup>	1911	August 20 - 25	Rochester, New York
31 <sup>st</sup>	1912	August 27 - 29	St. Louis, Missouri
32 <sup>nd</sup>	1913	September 16 - 18	Chattanooga, Tennessee
33 <sup>rd</sup>	1914	September 1 - 3	Detroit, Michigan
34 <sup>th</sup>	1915	September 28 - 30	Washington, D.C.
35 <sup>th</sup>	1916	August 30 - 31	Kansas City, Missouri
36 <sup>th</sup>	1917	August 22 - 23	Boston, Massachusetts
37 <sup>th</sup>	1918	August 20 - 21	Niagara Falls, New York
38 <sup>th</sup>	1919	September 9 - 11	Columbus, Ohio
39 <sup>th</sup>	1920	September 22 - 23	Indianapolis, Indiana
40 <sup>th</sup>	1921	September 27 - 29	Indianapolis, Indiana
41 <sup>st</sup>	1922	September 26 - 28	Des Moines, Iowa
42 <sup>nd</sup>	1923	September 4 - 6	Milwaukee, Wisconsin
43 <sup>rd</sup>	1924	August 12 - 14	Boston, Massachusetts
44 <sup>th</sup>	1925	September 1 - 3	Grand Rapids, Michigan
45 <sup>th</sup>	1926	September 21 - 23	Des Moines, Iowa
46 <sup>th</sup>	1927	September 13 - 15	Grand Rapids, Michigan
47 <sup>th</sup>	1928	September 18 - 20	Denver, Colorado
48 <sup>th</sup>	1929	September 10 - 12	Portland, Maine
NUMBER YEAR	DATES	LOCATION	
49 <sup>th</sup>	1930	August 26 - 28	Cincinnati, Ohio
50 <sup>th</sup>	1931	September 14 - 17	Des Moines, Iowa
51 <sup>st</sup>	1932	September 19 - 22	Springfield, Illinois
52 <sup>nd</sup>	1933	September 19 - 21	St. Paul, Minnesota
53 <sup>rd</sup>	1934	August 14 - 16	Rochester, New York
54 <sup>th</sup>	1935	September 9 - 12	Grand Rapids, Michigan
55 <sup>th</sup>	1936	September 22 - 24	Washington, D.C.
56 <sup>th</sup>	1937	September 6 - 9	Madison, Wisconsin
57 <sup>th</sup>	1938	September 5 - 8	Des Moines, Iowa
58 <sup>th</sup>	1939	August 29 - 31	Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
59 <sup>th</sup>	1940	September 10 - 12	Springfield, Illinois
60 <sup>th</sup>	1942	September 15 - 17	Indianapolis, Indiana
62 <sup>nd</sup>	1943	September 20 - 23	Milwaukee, Wisconsin
63 <sup>rd</sup>	1944	September 12 - 14	Des Moines, Iowa
64 <sup>th</sup>	1945	October 1 - 4	Columbus, Ohio
65 <sup>th</sup>	1946	August 25 - 29	Indianapolis, Indiana
66 <sup>th</sup>	1947	August 10 - 14	Cleveland, Ohio
67 <sup>th</sup>	1948	September 26 - 30	Grand Rapids, Michigan
68 <sup>th</sup>	1949	August 28 - 31	Indianapolis, Indiana
69 <sup>th</sup>	1950	August 20 - 24	Boston, Massachusetts
70 <sup>th</sup>	1951	August 19 - 23	Columbus, Ohio
71 <sup>st</sup>	1952	August 24 - 28	Atlantic City, New Jersey

72 <sup>nd</sup>	1953	August 23 – 27	Buffalo, New York
73 <sup>rd</sup>	1954	August 8 – 13	Duluth, Minnesota
74 <sup>th</sup>	1955	August 21 – 25	Cincinnati, Ohio
75 <sup>th</sup>	1956	September 1 – 15	Harrisburg, Pennsylvania
76 <sup>th</sup>	1957	August 18 – 22	Detroit, Michigan
77 <sup>th</sup>	1958	August 17 – 21	Boston, Massachusetts
78 <sup>th</sup>	1959	August 16 – 20	Long Beach, California
79 <sup>th</sup>	1960	August 21 – 25	Springfield, Illinois
80 <sup>th</sup>	1961	August 20 – 24	Indianapolis, Indiana
81 <sup>st</sup>	1962	August 19 – 23	Washington, D.C.
82 <sup>nd</sup>	1963	August 18 – 23	Miami Beach, Florida
83 <sup>rd</sup>	1964	August 16 – 20	Providence, Rhode Island
84 <sup>th</sup>	1965	August 15 – 19	Richmond, Virginia
85 <sup>th</sup>	1966	August 14 – 15	Grand Rapids, Michigan
86 <sup>th</sup>	1967	August 6 – 10	Chicago, Illinois
87 <sup>th</sup>	1968	August 18 – 22	Wilmington, Delaware
88 <sup>th</sup>	1969	August 17 – 21	St. Louis, Missouri
89 <sup>th</sup>	1970	August 23 – 27	Miami Beach, California
90 <sup>th</sup>	1971	August 15 – 19	Boston, Massachusetts
91 <sup>st</sup>	1972	August 13 – 17	Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
92 <sup>nd</sup>	1973	August 5 - 9	Palm Springs, California
93 <sup>rd</sup>	1974	August 18 – 22	Bretton Woods, New Hampshire
94 <sup>th</sup>	1975	August 10 – 14	Rochester, New York
95 <sup>th</sup>	1976	August 15 – 19	Columbus, Ohio
96 <sup>th</sup>	1977	August 14 – 18	Des Moines, Iowa
97 <sup>th</sup>	1978	August 13 – 17	Grand Rapids, Michigan
98 <sup>th</sup>	1979	August 12 – 15	Hartford, Connecticut
NUMBER	YEAR	DATES	LOCATION
99 <sup>th</sup>	1980	August 10 – 14	Richmond, Virginia
100 <sup>th</sup>	1981	August 9 – 13	Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
101 <sup>st</sup>	1982	August 14 – 18	Providence, Rhode Island
102 <sup>nd</sup>	1983	August 15 – 19	Portland, Maine
103 <sup>rd</sup>	1984	August 12 – 16	Akron, Ohio
104 <sup>th</sup>	1985	August 10 – 15	Wilmington, Delaware
105 <sup>th</sup>	1986	August 10 – 13	Lexington, Kentucky
106 <sup>th</sup>	1987	August 9 – 12	Buffalo, New York
107 <sup>th</sup>	1988	August 14 – 17	Lansing, Michigan
108 <sup>th</sup>	1989	August 13 – 16	Stamford, Connecticut
109 <sup>th</sup>	1990	August 12 -15	Des Moines, Iowa
110 <sup>th</sup>	1991	August 11 – 14	Indianapolis, Indiana
111 <sup>th</sup>	1992	August 13 – 16	Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
112 <sup>th</sup>	1993	August 13 – 15	Portland, Maine
113 <sup>th</sup>	1994	August 11 – 14	Lansing, Michigan
114 <sup>th</sup>	1995	August 10 – 13	Columbus, Ohio
115 <sup>th</sup>	1996	August 8 – 11	Columbus, Ohio
116 <sup>th</sup>	1997	August 7 – 10	Utica, New York
117 <sup>th</sup>	1998	August 6 – 9	Harrisburg, Pennsylvania
118 <sup>th</sup>	1999	August 19 – 22	Indianapolis, Indiana
119 <sup>th</sup>	2000	August 17 – 20	Lansing, Michigan
120 <sup>th</sup>	2001	August 10 – 12	Springfield, Missouri
121 <sup>st</sup>	2002	August 8 – 10	Springfield, Illinois

## **Appendix 9**

### **Reports of National Officers & Committees**

**SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR**  
**SENIOR VICE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF**  
**ROBERT E. GRIM**  
**5367 ST. RT. 72 SOUTH**  
**SABINA, OH 45169**

August 9, 2002

TO: Commander-in-Chief George L. Powell  
and Delegates to the 121<sup>st</sup> SUVCW National Encampment

Re: Activities of the Sr. Vice Commander-in-Chief 2001-2002

I have had a very interesting and enjoyable year serving as your Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief. In my role as Deputy Commander of the SVR I spent a lot of time protecting our Commander-in-Chief, making sure nothing happened to him; even though at times he expressed concern when he saw me approaching with SVR troops.

Due to the action taken by the delegates at the 120<sup>th</sup> SUVCW National Encampment in Springfield, Missouri, the principal duty of the Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief now centers around serving as Editor and Publisher of the Banner. I am pleased to report we were successful in publishing four issues of the Banner as required by the C & R. Quarterly issues were mailed in October and December, 2001 and March and June, 2002. We appreciate the many favorable comments regarding the new format and style of the Banner.

I am also happy to report that members of our Order continue to supply us with high quality articles for publication in the Banner as well as news worthy items relating to camp and department activities. As a matter of fact, we receive more material than we have space to publish. This puts us in the difficult position of choosing which items will be published. However, I would much rather have this problem than the problem of not having enough material to publish; even though some Brothers end up disappointed because their material was not selected.

We find photograph prints reproduce better than electronic photographs. Thus we have shown favoritism toward the prints and encourage submission of prints when possible.

The biggest challenge facing the Banner is publication cost. They continue to rise for various reasons. We now accept paid advertising in an effort to help defray publication cost. During this past year John Hart of Dunmore Publishing who handles the actual printing and mailing of the Banner has not had much success in selling advertising for the Banner. He is hopeful that as people see the quality of the new Banner they will be more inclined to purchase advertising. We have lowered the advertising rates in an effort to attract more advertising and it seems to be working. Additional advertisers have signed on for the coming year. However, we will still need additional revenue from the SUVCW General Fund for the foreseeable future.

The Commander-in-Chief and the Council of Administration have the responsibility to secure funding for the Banner and the Commander-in-Chief has addressed this problem in his report.

My second area of responsibility is serving as Chairman of the Program and Policy Committee. I will address the activities of that committee in a separate report. Attached as an appendix to this report is a list of events and activities I participated in during the year.

## RECOMMENDATIONS;

1. I urge the encampment to accept the suggestions and recommendations of the Commander-in-Chief and Council of Administration relating to a solution for the Banner funding problem.

Yours in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty

Robert E. Grim

### Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief activities 2001-2002

August 8-12, 2001	National Encampment, Springfield, MO
September 18, 2001	Attended meeting of Henry Casey Camp No. 92, Wash. C.H., OH
September 23, 2001	Participated in a tour of the Washington C.H. Cemetery to raise funds for a fountain restoration.
September 29, 2001	Participated in a tour at Willow Cemetery in Oregon, Ohio to raise funds for the restoration of a Civil War monument.
September 30, 2001	Attended reception of the Ohio Department Commander and Ohio Auxiliary President at Stewart, Ohio.
October 9, 2001	Presented a program on Morgan's Raid to a community group in Bloomingburg, Ohio.
October 12-14, 2001	Attended the SUVCW Central Region Association conference in Chicago, IL.
October 24, 2001	Presented a patriotic program for a community group in Wilmington, OH.
November 3, 2001	Participated as a Civil War soldier in the 26degree for the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite Valley of Columbus.
November 10, 2001	Participated in a plaque dedication at Mansfield, OH for Civil War soldiers lost on the steamship Sultana.
November 12, 2001	Principal speaker at the Veterans Day program for Miami Trace High School, Washington C.H. OH (Ohio Gov. Bob Taft attended the program)
January 15, 2002	Attended Henry Casey Camp No. 92 meeting in Wash. C. H., OH
February 2, 2002	Attended the Ohio Department mid-winter conference in Columbus, OH
February 10-13, 2002	Attended the 193 <sup>rd</sup> anniversary celebration of President Lincoln's birth in Washington DC
March 9, 2002	Attended the Council of Administration meeting in Harrisburg, PA
March 13, 2002	Presented a patriotic flag program to the Grace United Methodist Church, Washington Court House, OH
March 19, 2002	Attended Henry Casey Camp No. 92 meeting in Wash. C. H., OH
April 11, 2002	Attended Camp Circleville Historical marker dedication, Circleville, OH
April 11, 2002	Attended the Ohio Society of the War of 1812 meeting in LaFayette, OH
April 16, 2002	Attended the National Society Sons of Colonial New England meeting in Washington DC
April 25, 2002	Participated in a Living History program for gifted and talented students at Hillsboro, OH
May 21, 2002	Attended Henry Casey Camp No. 92 meeting in Wash. C. H., OH
May 27, 2002	Participated in Memorial Day program at Bloomingburg, OH
May 27, 2002	Participated in Memorial Day program at Madison Mills, OH
May 27, 2002	Participated in Memorial Day program at Lees Creek, OH
June 11, 2002	Presented at Flag Day program at the Bloomingburg, OH Presbyterian Church

June 14-16, 2002      Attended the Ohio Department SUVCW Encampment at Mt. Union College,  
Alliance, OH

June 22, 2002        Represented the Commander-in-Chief at the Kentucky Department Encampment  
held near Lexington, KY

June 23, 2002        Attended Medal of Honor marker dedication for Sgt. Richard Enderlin at  
Chillicothe, OH

July 16, 2002        Attended Henry Casey Camp No. 92 meeting, Wash. C.H., OH

July 20, 2002        Presented wreath during Battle of Buffington Island program at Portland, OH

August 3, 2002       Attended Ohio Society of the War of 1812 meeting, LaFayette, OH



Report of the National Treasurer  
To the  
121st Annual National Encampment

During the past year, I have had many more struggles than I have had in my entire life. I never suspected that my injury, 6 days after I took over the books, would have lasted this long. The basic problem I have remaining is my double vision in both eyes and my dizzy spells. Aside from that I'm doing OK. However, the one thing that kept me going on the path to recovery has been serving you in my duties as National Treasurer. I have learned much in the past year and look forward to learning even more to better serve you all as an Organization.

In regard to the finances of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War National Treasury (SUVCW), it has not been as expected, as a result of the economy and the impact of September 11, 2001. Each of you should have received a copy of my budget report of the income and expenses of the last fiscal year, along with the proposed budget for this fiscal year. I have also provided a listing of the cash and investment assets of the National Organization.

On the upside, all bills have been paid to date. However, to do this we have had to tap the reserves of the National Organization's assets to accomplish this. Most of this has been as a result of the costs of the Banner with its improved format and quality, which we have all enjoyed. It is outstanding.

Please take a serious study of the 3 proposals for the 121st National Budget for fiscal year 2002-2003. Review these carefully and take note of the areas where I have asked for increases.

Proposal "A" leaves us with a deficit of over \$25,000, if we are to accomplish all the items on our agenda. These items help us further our purposes and successes as a National Organization in "Keeping the Memory Green" for that which our Union Civil War Ancestors sacrificed so much for. We MUST also, and always, keep this before the eyes of the public. If we except proposal "A", in the proposed document, we will return to our previous path of eventual bankruptcy in a few short years. If the SUVCW Organization wishes to remain the same, than we shall continue to struggle on as before. The Grand Army of the Republic, I'm sure, wouldn't think too highly of us, as their legal hires, if we take the path to destruction.

It is for this reason that the proposed increase on the 121st Annual Budget is being suggested, and requested, to stay afloat (i.e., in the black) and allow our assets to continue their earnings. We're on our way up and we're not looking back.

An additional proposal, column "C" of the document, is being offered to do even more as an organization. And that is to award Grants to Camps for the restoration of existing monuments.

There are not too many organizations out there that a person can join and participate in, pay as little as we do as a National Organization, and still do so much to further our purposes. There's a lot of work yet to be done and we could do so much more and gain five times our membership if we can help our friends and neighbors (where ever they may be) research their heritage and find their ancestors from the United States Civil War Era.

**RECOMMENDATIONS:**

It is in all the above efforts that I also offer the following recommendations.

1. That we increase the cost of tickets for the Blue-Gray Ball. The Order has been generating \$4500 and donate to the Gettysburg Park Service \$5000; that's a net loss of \$500. With the drop in earnings on the money in the fund, The Order cannot keep this up for long. Based on average attendance and the number of people who can get in the ballroom, we suggest an increase of \$2 per person.
2. That we need to increase the cost of supplies, particularly metals, to generate more income. There is about a 10% markup on these items and some items are sold at a loss.
3. That we make the necessary changes to the Constitution & Regulations (C & R) to allow that the Quarterly Reports and Per Capita be effective no later than August 15th, November 15th, February 15th, and May 15th in order to operate the fiscal year in good standing with the financial audit of the National Organization SUVCW. To date the auditors have refused to allow The Order to show the 4th Quarter Per Capita in the fiscal year into which it belongs. They insist that it be shown as bad debt; because it is currently paid after the fiscal year has ended on June 30th. The audit and income tax report is what keeps The Order in good standing with the U.S. Congress, who has granted us our Federal Charter. This would mean that the Quarterly Reports and Per Capita would have to be effective 60 days earlier than the current practice per the C & R. This new change would allow the Departments and Camps to submit their 4th Quarter membership standings based upon the April 1st date instead of the June 30 date. (i.e., the first day rather than the last day of the each Quarter. This would allow The Order up to 45 days to receive the 4th Quarter Reports and Per Capita before the end of the fiscal year.
4. There is an additional item, in all the budget proposals, which needs our consideration. That is the loss shown in the GAR Fund. This is mostly due to the paying of two (2) scholarships in the fiscal year 2002-2003. It is my recommendation that these scholarships be awarded no later than May 31 of each year. This would give us time to prepare the checks, the Commander-in Chief to send letters with the each check, and get the charge in the correct fiscal year. It is each of our duties to offer up to the Commander-in-Chief individual students who you deem as may be worthy of these scholarships.

In my closing remarks, my wish is to let each of you know how proud I have been to represent you in the managing of the finances of our great organization. It has meant a great deal to me & to my recovery. In addition, it has been a great pleasure and satisfaction to serve each of you in this capacity. In conclusion, I thank you for the opportunity to serve you.

Respectfully submitted in Fraternity, Charity & Loyalty

*Max L. Newman*

Max L. Newman, National Treasurer SUVCW

REPORT of the NATIONAL COUNSELOR  
To The 121st Annual Encampment, SUVCW.

Brothers:

I was called upon to render two official opinions in the past year.

I. ASSOCIATES. The number of associates in any Camp shall not exceed one-third of the total. No Encampment may operate at any level (Camp, Department or National) if the number of associates present is greater than 49% of the total attendance. Associates may not hold any of the following offices: Commander in Chief, Senior Vice Commander in Chief, Junior Vice Commander in Chief, National Secretary, National Treasurer or Commanding Officer of the Sons of Veterans Reserve. Associates may not be counted toward the required number of members to establish a new Camp. The names of associates may not appear on the Camp charter nor may associates be designated as charter members of the Camp. Associates otherwise enjoy all the rights, privileges and responsibilities of membership.

II. REGIONAL ASSOCIATIONS - BADGES. Regional Associations may authorize a membership badge, however, that badge may not use the protected symbols of our Order, per the General Order of Commander in Chief Kreiser. Those badges may not be worn at any SUVCW event. The only exception is that such regional associations may authorize a past regional commander badge at its discretion and its own expense. This badge may not use the protected symbols of our Order, but may be worn at SUVCW events.

Respectfully submitted in fraternity, charity and loyalty,

James B. Pahl  
National Counselor

REPORT  
COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTION AND REGULATIONS  
to the 121st Annual Encampment, SUVCW

WAR MEDAL:

The committee was asked by the 120<sup>th</sup> Annual Encampment to study the issue of a military service and/or governmental service medal and report back to the 121<sup>st</sup> Annual Encampment. It is the recommendation of the Committee (by vote of 4 to 1) that the National Organization of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, not adopt a military service or governmental service medal. However, the committee recommends the following amendments to modify the War Service Medal:

National Regulations Chapter V, Article III, Section 3

Current language

“F. War Medal. Authorized for any Brother who has served honorably in any branch of the Armed Forces of the United States during a period of war or military conflict as defined by the Council of Administration. Entitlement is determined by the Brother's Camp at a regular meeting of that Camp. A gold bar naming the war or conflict in which the Brother served may be attached to the ribbon of the medal. This bar may not be attached to any other Badge of the Order.”

Change to:

“F. War Medal. Authorized for any Brother who has served honorably in any branch of the Armed Forces of the United States, which resulted in the awarding of one or more ribbons and/or medals as authorized by the Congress of the United States, the President of the United States or the Secretary of Defense of the United States and as approved by this Order. Entitlement is determined by the Brother's Camp at a regular meeting of that Camp. A gold bar naming the war or conflict in which the Brother served may be attached to the ribbon of the medal. The Quartermaster shall maintain a supply of the gold bar's for the War Service Medal, as that Medal existed prior to the 121<sup>st</sup> National Encampment. All other gold bars desired by the Brother shall be obtained by the Brother from his own supply source, provided such gold bar meet the specifications of the National Quartermaster. This bar may not be attached to any other Badge of the Order. Any War Service Medal awarded prior to the 121<sup>st</sup> National Encampment and the brother does not qualify for the War Service Medal under the above Regulation, shall be entitled to retain that Medal as issued under the previous Regulations.”

As a companion to this above language, the committee proposes this National Encampment adopt a policy statement that the following medals and ribbons be approved as the current list of ribbons and medals which qualify a brother of the Order for the War Medal. Further, the Council of Administration shall have the authority to amend this list from time to time as additional medals and/or ribbons are officially authorized, as appropriate.

Civil War Campaign Medal  
Indian Campaign Medal  
Spanish Campaign Medal  
Spanish War Service Medal  
Philippine Campaign Medal

Philippine Congressional Medal  
 China Campaign Medal  
 Cuban Pacification Medal  
 Mexican Service Medal  
 Mexican Border Service Medal  
 World War I Victory Medal  
 American Defense Medal  
 Philippine Defense Medal  
 Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal  
 Philippine Liberation Medal  
 European-African-Middle Eastern Medal  
 World War II Victory Medal  
 Medal for Humane Action (Berlin Air Lift)  
 National Defense Service Medal (1950-54, 1961-1974, 1990-1995. The years issued correspond to  
     Korean, Viet Nam and Gulf Wars.)  
 Korean Service Medal  
 Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal (conflicts to which another specific medal is not authorized. The  
     Secretary of Defense determines if and when this is available)  
 Viet Nam Service Medal  
 Southwest Asia Service Medal (Gulf)  
 Armed Forces Service Medal  
 Humanitarian Service Medal (Peace Keeping)  
 NATO Medal  
 Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal  
 Kuwait Liberation Medal from Kuwait  
 Kuwait Liberation Medal from Saudi Arabia  
 Marine Corps Expeditionary Medal  
 Navy Expeditionary Medal  
 Battle of Manila  
 West Indies Naval Medal  
 Kosovo Campaign Medal  
 UN Korean Service Medal  
 UN Medal (for Peace Keeping)  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Nicaraguan Campaign Medal  
 MEMORIALS & MONUMENTS OFFICER - CAMP AND DEPARTMENTS.

At the March 2002 meeting of the Council of Administration, the concept of Camps and Department having a Memorials and Monuments officer was approved and referred to the C&R Committee. The following proposal will amend the various sections of the National Regulations to add such officers at the Camp and Department level:

Amend National Regulations Chapter I, Article IV Officers, Section 1, to add as underlined:

“Section 1. The officers of a Camp shall be: Commander, Senior Vice Commander, Junior Vice Commander, three Members of the Camp Council, Patriotic Instructor, Chaplain, Secretary, Treasurer (or Secretary- Treasurer), Historian, Guide, Color Bearer and Guard and a Camp Memorials and Monuments Officer. The Commander, Secretary and Treasurer shall not serve on the Camp Council.”

Amend National Regulations, Chapter I, Article IV DUTIES OF OFFICERS, by adding a new section 11.

“Section 11. The duties of the Camp Memorials and Monuments Officer include the locating, physical examination of, and recording of all memorials dedicated to Union Civil War soldiers and sailors (outside the care of the National Military Parks, and the U.S. Departments of Defense, or Veterans Affairs) in the location served by the Camp. This includes all sizes of monuments (with or without sculpture), those with Civil War era cannon and inert ammunition, memorial fountains, memorial buildings, memorial windows (stained glass), historical markers, and even small plaques. Reports on the various memorials and monuments located within the Camp area shall be made from time to time to the Department Memorials and Monuments officer upon appropriate form.”

National Regulations, Chapter II, Article IV OFFICERS, amend Section 1 to add as underlined:

“Section 1. The officers of a Department shall be a Department Commander, Senior Vice Department Commander, Junior Vice Department Commander, three members of the Department Council, Department Patriotic Instructor, Department Chaplain, Department Secretary, Department Treasurer (or Department Secretary-Treasurer), Department Historian, Department Counselor, Department Graves Registration Officer and at the option of the Department, a Grand Army of the Republic Highway Officer, a Civil War Memorials & Monuments Officer, and such other officers as may be established in its By-laws

National Regulations, Chapter II, Article V, DUTIES OF OFFICERS, add new section 13:

“Section 13. The duties of the Department Memorials and Monuments Officer include the locating, physical examination of, and recording of all memorials dedicated to Union Civil War soldiers and sailors (outside the care of the National Military Parks, and the U.S. Departments of Defense, or Veterans Affairs) in the Department. This includes all sizes of monuments (with or without sculpture), those with Civil War era cannon and inert ammunition, memorial fountains, memorial buildings, memorial windows (stained glass), historical markers, and even small plaques. Reports on the various memorials and monuments located within the Department shall be made from time to time to the National Memorials and Monuments officer upon appropriate form.”

## MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT

Amend National Regulations Chapter III, Article II Membership, Section 1, by eliminating the underlined language as follows:

It's own elective and appointive officers (except brothers detailed for special duty).

Respectfully submitted in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty

James B. Pahl, Chair  
Richard Orr, Past Commander in Chief  
Lowell Hammer, Past Commander in Chief  
Danny Wheeler, Past Commander in Chief  
Edward Krieser, Past Commander in Chief

## **Report of the 2002 National Encampment Delegate Registration Committee**

John R. Mann, Committee Chair

There were 165 pre-registrations received by the host Illinois Department and forwarded to the Registration Committee by Brother Bill Kooser of that Department.

Thursday, August 8, 2002 - Registration opened at 7:00 pm and remained open until after 9:00 pm. Of the 172 Delegates that registered at the Encampment, 117 were registered during this session.

Friday, August 9, 2002 - Registration opened at 7:30 am and closed at 11:30 am during which time 41 Delegates were registered. After the lunch break registration opened at 1:00 pm, staying open until 4:30 pm, with a total of 8 registering, all between the hours of 1:00 pm and 2:30 pm. After the dinner hour registration opened at 7:00 pm, remaining open until 9:00 pm. Only one Delegate was registered during this period.

Saturday, August 10, 2002 – Registration was open from 7:30 am, continuing until final closing at 12:00 noon. During this period five Delegates registered.

Of the 172 registering for the Encampment, 156 were present during the roll-call taken prior to the vote for JVC-in-C and COA seats.

Members of the committee were Chairman, Richard Greene (Michigan), Ed Dowd (Michigan), Larry Roach (Iowa), Richard Williams (Michigan) and John Mann (Michigan). Brothers Greene and Williams were responsible for computer data entry and Brothers Dowd, Roach and Mann were responsible for registration and reports during the Encampment. Chairman Greene was unable to attend the Encampment due to a severe illness in the family and requested to be removed from the committee. Brother Mann was then appointed committee chairman by Commander-in-Chief Powell. At the request of Brother Mann, Brother Williams was added to the committee by Commander Powell to recognize his work done for the committee.

In Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,  
John R. Mann  
National Encampment Registration Committee Chairman

## Recommendations for Changes in the National Encampment Registration Process

**(These recommendations are based on experience gained serving on the registration committees of 2000, 2001 and 2002.)**

Similar results to the 2002 Encampment report (re: Report of the 2002 National Encampment Delegate Registration Committee) were experienced in 2000 and 2001, with the majority of registrations taking place on Thursday, and Friday from 7:00 am to 2:30 pm. Very light registration took place late Friday afternoon, Friday evening and Saturday in either year. In 2001 registration was opened at 3:00 am to register Delegates that were taking late afternoon tours scheduled by the host Department, otherwise registration hours were essentially the same as in 2002.

Based on the experience of three years of serving on the National Encampment Registration Committee, it is my recommendation that the registration hours for the 2003 National Encampment be set as follows:

Thursday 6:30 pm to 9:00 pm. These hours may fluctuate due to activities scheduled by the host Department on Thursday. The committee needs to consult with the host Department to scheduled registration so that it does not conflict with activity hours scheduled by the host Department. However, if at all possible registration should not be scheduled prior to 3:00 pm to allow the Registration Committee time to arrive, meet, set up and prepare for registration.

Friday 7:30 am to 11:00 am.  
1:00 pm to 2:30 pm.

No evening session should be scheduled as five or less Delegates have been registered for the past three years in any given year during this period. The few Delegates that have registered Friday evening in the past years could have been easily processed on Saturday morning. This would also allow members of the Registration Committee to attend the Camp Fire.

Saturday 7:30 am to 12:00 noon (or when the Saturday business session adjourns for lunch, which ever is first.) Even though registration is light during this period, it is my opinion that registration needs to be open until the business session lunch break to accommodate those members who cannot arrive earlier, for whatever reason. As a vote for vacated offices can occur immediately after the opening of business after the lunch break on Saturday, as happened in 2002, the registration needs to be cut off at the lunch break (normally scheduled for 12:00 noon) to allow the committee members to prepare for a roll-call vote and have a reasonable time for lunch themselves.

Registration hours should be finalized by May 1<sup>st</sup> per agreement between the host Department and the Registration Committee Chairman *and published in the Banner* so that all prospective Delegates are made aware of the registration hours in advance of the National Encampment. Accompanying the hours of registration should be a notice that the Delegate *must* have his Credentials Card with him at the time of registration; and that the card needs to be *completely* filled out, including the signature of his Department Secretary.

The Credentials Card issued by the National Secretary for National Officers should either be eliminated or altered due to problems with classifying the member using such a card. I.e., presently the card does not have any space for a listing of the member's Department and it does not have any space for a listing of the member's Department status (Delegate, Alternate, PDC, Commander, etc.) If the card were taken literally as printed, the member presenting it would have to be entered as a National Officer and a National Officer has no vote if not accredited to a Department.



Last, but not least, the sign-in form very much slows down the registration process, what with the amount of information the member has to write in. Much of the information that is written is unreadable due to the hurried writing of those registering. At present there are six individual sign-in forms (two columns of three forms) on each page. I would propose that those pre-registering have as much information as possible on this sheet pre-printed in the left hand column, leaving a blank form in the right column for corrections and additions. The registrant then would only need to fill in the information that is missing or incorrect in the left-hand column and sign the blank space in the left hand column. The pre-printed information could be extracted from the National database. The pre-printed entries should be printed in alphabetical order for easy access. Those not pre-registering, would of necessity, need to hand enter all information as is presently done.

In Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,  
John R. Mann  
National Encampment Registration Committee Chairman