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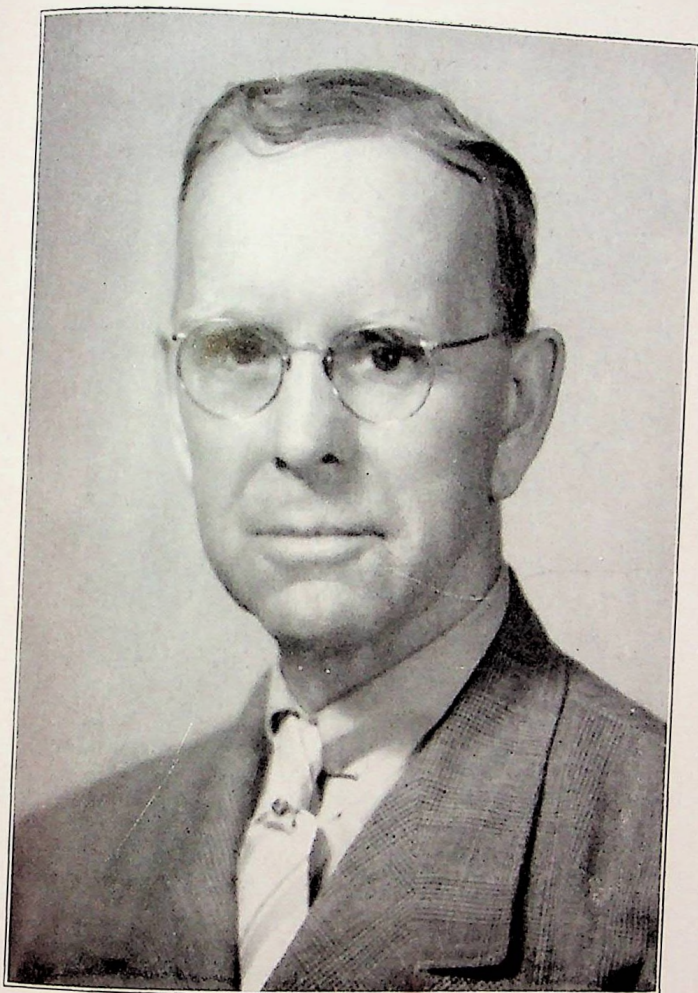
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PRE-ENCAMPMENT ACTIVITIES

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

Luncheon meeting of National Officers held in the Hotel Severin; all National Officers attended.

JOINT MEMORIAL SERVICE

The Joint Memorial Service of the Sons and Auxiliary was held Monday, September 14, 1942, at 4:00 p. m. on the Roof Garden of Hotel Severin.

ORDER OF SERVICE

PIANO PRELUDE.....Mrs. Mary Mandeville
PROCESSIONAL HYMN (Assembly rise)

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee;
Holy, Holy, Holy, Merciful and Mighty!
God in Three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!
All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth, and sky, and sea
Holy, Holy, Holy, Merciful and Mighty!
God in Three Persons, blessed Trinity!

INVOCATION

Chaplain of Auxiliary.....Mrs. Virginia S. Knowles
SOLO—"The Trumpeter"..... Mr. Jonathan Michelbacher

RESPONSIVE READING

Chaplain of Sons.....Mr. Leonard S. Hopfield

Chaplain: Jesus said I am the resurrection and the life, he that believeth in me though he were dead yet shall he live and whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die.

Assembly: The righteous live forever and the care of them is with the Most High.

Chaplain: With His right hand shall he cover them and with His arm shall He shield them.

Assembly: I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills from whence cometh my help.

Chaplain: My help cometh from the Lord who made heaven and earth.

Assembly: The Lord is thy keeper, the Lord is thy shade upon thy right hand.

Chaplain: The Lord shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in from this time and even for evermore.

Assembly: Say not unto them that are of a fearful heart, be strong, fear not, behold your God will come and save you.

Chaplain: And the ransomed of the Lord shall return to Zion

with songs and everlasting joy upon their heads; they shall obtain joy and gladness and sorrowing and sighing shall flee away.

SOLO Mrs. Besse Hermann

TRIBUTES

- 1—To Past Commander-in-Chief.....Samuel S. Horn
 By Past Commander-in-Chief.....John E. Sautter
 2—To Past National Secretary.....Gertrude M. Battee
 By Past National President.....Gertrude M. Sautter
 3—To Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic
 J. A. Hamilton, Quartermaster General
 Dr. Edward H. Cowan, Surgeon General
 George W. Green, Patriotic Instructor
 Charles A. Heyer, Assistant Adjutant General
 By Past Department Commander of Michigan...Perle L. Fouch
 4—Daughters of Union Veterans
 To National President.....Glennola G. Sill
 By Past National President.....Clara G. Yengling

SOLO.....Mr. Jonathan Michelbacher

- 5—To all deceased members of the Grand Army of the Republic
 By Past Commander-in-Chief.....Dr. J. Kirkwood Craig
 6—To all deceased members of the Sons
 By Past Commander-in-Chief.....Walter C. Mabie
 7—To all deceased members of the Auxiliary
 Floral tributes by Sisters of the Auxiliary

SOLO Mrs. Besse Hermann

- 8—To those who have paid the supreme sacrifice in the present war
 By Past National President.....Mrs. Ida L. Lewis

ASSEMBLY (rise to sing)

Lead kindly Light, amid th' encircling gloom,
 Lead Thou me on!
 The night is dark, and I am far from home;
 Lead Thou me on!
 Keep Thou my feet; I do not ask to see
 The distant scene; one step enough for me.

So long Thy pow'r hath blest me, sure it still
 Will lead me on
 O'er moor and fen, o'er crag and torrent, till
 The night is gone;
 And with the morn those angel faces smile,
 Which I have loved long since and lost awhile.

BENEDICTION

Chaplain of Sons.....Mr. Leonard S. Hopfield

TAPS—Boy Scouts

IN HALLOWED MEMORY OF

PAST COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF

Samuel S. Horn.....Peunsylvania

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

Ivan A. Millar.....Alabama & Tennessee
 Valentine Gilb.....Alabama & Tennessee
 Malcolm D. RuddConnecticut

George B. Holmes	Illinois
John W. Rippetoe	Illinois
William E. Hull	Illinois
Leonard C. Couch	Massachusetts
E. J. Storms	Minnesota
Alfred G. Lloyd	Pennsylvania
John E. Fox	Vermont
Martin Grasse	Wisconsin

PAST NATIONAL SECRETARY OF THE AUXILIARY

Gertrude Meis Battee, California, formerly of Pennsylvania

PAST DEPARTMENT PRESIDENTS OF THE AUXILIARY

Jessica Scott	Connecticut
Letha M. Mackey	Michigan
Diana Rogers	New Hampshire
Elizabeth Sparks	New Jersey
Sadie Chabot	Rhode Island
Beulah Roberts	Vermont

HONORED GUESTS

Commander-in-Chief Albert C. Lambert
National President Margaret D. Schroeder

NATIONAL CHAPLAINS

Leonard S. Hopfield.....Department of Oregon
Virginia S. Knowles.....Department of New Jersey

COLOR BEARERS

Katherine B. Sharkey Marion Werner
Estella M. Coursey Gladys Lawton

MUSICIAN

Mary Mandeville.....Department of New York

IN MEMORIAM—SAMUEL S. HORN

By John E. Sautter, Past Commander-in-Chief

"We cannot think of them as dead
Who walk with us no more.
Along the path of life we tread,
They have but gone before."

In this spirit we approach this solemn hour, and it is my sad duty to speak of one with whom I was associated in the work of our order for more than half a century.

Samuel S. Horn passed on since we last met. He was with us at Columbus only last year, full of his ever spirit of devotion, service and optimism for the Order that was so close to his heart.

In two words we can sum up the life work of Sam Horn—He served. These two words convey a wealth of meaning, and the most worthy attribute of one's life. Always has the world been made better by the willingness of people to serve—serve in few or many capacities; humble or exalted, in any walk of life, but after all to render a service to their fellowmen.

Sam Horn lived long, beyond the allotted time of man, but to the last was of service. He departed this life March 11, 1942; and thus was closed a life that had long been dedicated to service to his fellowmen.

But we especially honor and love him because of his service to our Order, which is inseparably connected with its history. It is known to all of us who have been a part of it. His service need not be elaborated upon, it has been engraved upon our minds and hearts, and their memory will survive any written or expressed words—for good deeds and faithful service never die.

He served his Department as Commander in 1899-1900, and it was my pleasure to present his name as our Commander-in-Chief at the Encampment in Milwaukee in 1923. He was distinctively a Camp worker, for many years serving as Secretary of his Camp; one of the largest and most active in our Order.

To him the highest honors in our Order, by Camp, Department or the Commandery-in-Chief but added to the degree his conscience dictated his service should be ever increasing and never ending until he was called to the Beyond.

In civil life, he likewise served. Honored by his home city he served it several times as its Mayor, and his state as a Representative in the General Assembly, always with ability, faithfully and honestly.

Our Order has had many devoted adherents, who believed sincerely in its purpose, and who have labored earnestly, faithfully and successfully in its behalf, who loved it next to their God, home and country, but none of them have given to this devotion and service more cheerfully, willingly, and with a true spirit of genuine love and faith than Sam Horn. With him the love of this Order was a passion, an absorbing sentiment, which could only find an outlet in service to it.

I was glad to call him a friend and brother. I have been made better by contact with him. We shall miss him, but his passing adds but another link that draws us closer to the Hereafter.

The poet has said

"They are not dead who live
In hearts they leave behind.
In those whom they have blessed
They live a life again,

And shall live on through the years—
As Time declares their good,
Forgets the rest, and proves
Their immortality."

All of us believe this—and believing it Sam Horn still lives and shall continue to live in the hearts of many.

Life's road well run,
Life's work well done,
Life's crown well won,
Now comes rest.

NATIONAL FEDERATED PATRIOTIC SOCIETIES

The Twenty-third Annual Meeting of the National Federated Patriotic Societies was held in the Riley Room of the Claypool Hotel, Sunday, September 13, 1942, at 3 p. m.

The room beautifully decorated in red, white and blue garlands and tassel festoons made a very striking and appropriate setting for this patriotic group. The membership in attendance was very large.

Mrs. Ella Almond, of Indianapolis, Department President of the Indiana Federated, called the assembly to order and had Mrs. Clara

M. Gallagher, National President, and her staff escorted to the rostrum. Mrs. Gallagher extended her greetings.

Colors were advanced by the Indianapolis Federated Unit, led by Department President Clementine Vanasdal. Members of the American Legion acted as guards.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Patriotic Instructor Rev. J. Kirkwood Craig, D. D., and invocation was given by Chaplain Mrs. Grace Houlette Hahn.

Several Past National Presidents of the affiliated Orders and Commander-in-Chief Albert C. Lambert, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War; National Presidents, Mrs. May Luchsinger of the Woman's Relief Corps, Miss Ethelyn P. Smith of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, and Mrs. Margaret D. Schroeder, Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, were in attendance. The National President of the Dames of Loyal Legion of America (unable to be present) was represented by Mrs. J. E. Browne. Also in attendance were seven Past National Presidents of the Federated and three Commanders. A splendid message was read by National President Gallagher. Other officers rendered interesting reports.

The Secretary-Treasurer presented a detailed report of transactions and finances. She also reported on the record of dividends as received from the Commercial Savings Bank and Trust Co. of Toledo, Ohio, on our certificate of claim on the deposits in this bank. The final dividend was paid in March, 1942. Of the \$207.46 deposited, the sum of \$168.13 was paid over a period of twelve years.

It was urged all Departments and units send their names and addresses to National Secretary that copy of annual report might be sent to them.

It was voted to raise the annual dues to fifteen dollars.

Officers elected for the coming year were:

President—Miss Ethelyn P. Smith, Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Vice President—Albert C. Lambert, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

Chaplain—Mrs. Margaret D. Schroeder, Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

Patriotic Instructor—May R. Luchsinger, Woman's Relief Corps.

Historian—Mrs. David D. Good, Dames of Loyal Legion of America.

Secretary-Treasurer—Mrs. Grace Houlette Hahn, Woman's Relief Corps.

The Banquet was held in the Riley Room and was an enjoyable affair. Commander-in-Chief and Mrs. Gay, Past Commander-in-Chief Robert M. Round, of the G. A. R., Mrs. May R. Luchsinger, Miss Ethelyn P. Smith, Albert C. Lambert and Mrs. Margaret D. Schroeder were guests of honor. The Comrades made interesting addresses.

Commander-in-Chief Lambert was the principal speaker of the evening. Toast to the "Grand Army" was given by Mrs. Luchsinger; to "Our Flag" by Miss Smith, to the "National Federated Patriotic Societies" by Mrs. Schroeder. New officers of the National Federated were introduced.—Eva B. Blackman, Secretary.

OFFICIAL OPENING OF SONS AND AUXILIARY TO THE SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR

HOTEL SEVERIN

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER, 14, 1942

The public joint formal opening of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War and their Auxiliary was held on Monday evening, on the roof garden of the Hotel Severin. Acting Chief of Staff C. L. Stoudt of the Sons and Chief-of-Staff Gladys Sallman of the Auxiliary officiated. The room was beautifully decorated. Four members of the Sons in uniform together with four members of the Auxiliary in floor length white dresses acted as Color Guards.

Acting Chief-of-Staff Stoudt presented Albert C. Lambert, Commander-in-Chief, with the gavel and wished for him a most successful and pleasant Encampment. Chief-of-Staff Sallman of the Auxiliary did likewise to National President Margaret Schroeder. Mrs. William C. Kronmeyer of the Auxiliary, New Jersey Department, sang a selection of greeting. A tribute was then given by the Past National Presidents and National Aides of the Auxiliary, who formed a "V" symbolizing "Victory."

Commander-in-Chief Lambert, and National President Schroeder expressed their appreciation to their Chiefs-of-Staff for arranging the beautiful opening ceremony, and welcomed all members to the Encampment.

Acting Chief-of-Staff Stoudt and Chief-of-Staff Sallman introduced the National Officers of the respective Organizations, and escorted them to their positions.

The following guests were received:

George A. Gay, Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Mrs. George A. Gay, wife of the Commander-in-Chief of the G. A. R.
Mayor Sullivan, Mayor of the City of Indianapolis.

May L. Luchsinger, National President of the Woman's Relief Corps.

Erma H. Chaplin, National President of the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

Ethelyn P. Smith, National President of Ladies of the G. A. R.

Miss Katharine R. A. Flood, National Secretary of the G. A. R.

Colonel Snellar, National Junior Vice Commander of the Military Order of the Purple Heart.

Mrs. J. J. Browne, Indiana President of the Dames of the Loyal Legion.

V. M. Armstrong, National Vice Commander of the American Legion.

Col. Guy A. Boyle, Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief, United Spanish War Veterans.

Mr. Carl Frick, Assistant Manager, Hotel Severin.

Mrs. Edna Lambert, wife of the Commander-in-Chief.

Mr. George Schroeder, husband of the National President.

The Guides and Color Guards assembled at the Altar. A verse of the "Star Spangled Banner" was sung by the assembly, the Pledge to the Flag was given, led by National Patriotic Instructors Mrs. Elizabeth Ireton and B. O. DeForest. Prayers were offered by National Chaplains L. S. Hopfield and Mrs. Virginia S. Knowles.

The guests, representing the various National Organizations gave

inspiring talks, enthusiastically received. Past Commander-in-Chief John E. Sautter responded for the Sons, and Past National President Margaret Brady for the Auxiliary.

Music was furnished by the 6th Infantry Field Music of the Pennsylvania Brigade, Sons of Veterans Reserve, under command of Lt. John Runkle, P. D. C.

Excerpts from Commander-in-Chief Gay's Talk

Officers and distinguished guests of the Sons of Union Veterans and their Auxiliary: It is a great pleasure for me to be in your presence tonight and I would know what I should say to you as an Organization, but if I am not careful I would repeat and it would become old stuff.

As my wife and I traveled over the United States, we have seen a great many of your Organizations. I contacted your Commander-in-Chief Lambert quite a few times, also the fair lady who always comes with him and they are indeed a team. They have the best reputation wherever I have been—Commander-in-Chief Lambert, and National President Sister Schroeder. I want to say to you what I feel in my heart; when you chose those Officers, as far as my judgment goes, you chose wisely. I am very much in love with my Brother Lambert. I know that he knows what he should know. He knows all about your Organizations and he has worked hard. I am not talking and saying this simply because he is the Commander-in-Chief, but he is my Commander-in-Chief too because I am a Brother. I had no choice in choosing him but you chose wisely. Now we are in a great war—a war the like of which we have never had before and what are we, as Americans going to do about it?

Are we all as one, have we an American solidarity, will we be as one until this war is ended and then if we get defeated, what becomes of you and me? In answer, most men will be slaves of Mr. Hitler and Mr. Tojo, two very aggressive gentlemen. By and by, this will be over and then will come the reckoning and we will see what we will do with these gentlemen who tried to take away that liberty that we cherished.

I am glad to be with you for a very particular reason: You are in our outfit and we of the Grand Army of the Republic are indebted to our allied organizations for what they have done, are doing and will do, and so I say, "God bless you." Good-night.

Presentation of Flag to Hotel Severin by National Patriotic Instructor Bertrand O. DeForest

Commander-in-Chief, National President, members of the G. A. R. family and guests; no greater honor could come to a Son of a Union Veteran than that which I am privileged to perform this evening.

We see before us the emblem of the land of the free; the Stars and Stripes of the United States of America. Its long and brilliant history you are well acquainted with; it is a symbol of liberty, freedom and equality. Its field of blue resplendent with its glittering stars of God's universe; the stripes of red testify to the patriotic blood spilled that this Nation might be free; those stripes of white signify purity—it symbolizes the principles of a nation where free men dwell and where liberty and justice are institutions which are sacred to all of us.

What hope this Flag has given to thousands of the Nation's defenders as it has led them at Yorktown, Antietam, Gettysburg, San Juan Hill, Chateau-Thierry, Verdun, Bataan and the Solomon Islands. What hope and promise it holds for millions of people, for protection

against aggressor hordes who would destroy all the principles for which "Old Glory" stands.

Mr. Frick, it is a pleasure, Sir, as National Patriotic Instructor, and on behalf of the Commander-in-Chief of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War to present through you to the Hotel Severin, this emblem of our Nation.

This Flag has been the one which you have seen over the desk since the convention opened, and when it is removed it will be put back permanently so that all the guests of this hotel may see it and get inspiration and new hope from it. We trust that it will be displayed thus, and that it will bring us victory, as it always has.

Mr. Frick of the Hotel Severin graciously accepted the Flag on behalf of the Hotel.

Excerpts from Mayor Sullivan's Talk

Commander-in-Chief Lambert, National President of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War and Auxiliary, Commander-in-Chief Gay, and Officers and members of the Allied Organizations: It is a great pleasure to be here. I think the proceedings have been magnificent. This is a beautiful ceremony here. I wish our citizens could see this room.

The Governor asked me to express his regrets at being unable to attend this meeting. His Mother, Mrs. Schricker, who is eighty years of age, did not feel well, and asked him to take her home. He, therefore, asked me to extend his regrets.

To you, Commander-in-Chief, may I say that we are glad to see you. That is putting it mildly; we are very proud that you honor us by coming to Indianapolis. I hope you will enjoy your stay in this city. We know that we will all enjoy having you here and you may be assured that you will be welcomed not only by the City Officials, but by every citizen of Indianapolis.

Commander-in-Chief Albert Lambert and National President Margaret Schroeder expressed appreciation to each other for splendid cooperation during the past year.

The meeting was closed by singing "Blest be the Tie that Binds."

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SIXTY-FIRST ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT, COMMANDERY-IN-CHIEF,
SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR
RAINBOW ROOM -- HOTEL SEVERIN
INDIANAPOLIS, IND.

SEPTEMBER 15-17, 1942

TUESDAY MORNING SESSION

September 15, 1942

Commander-in-Chief Albert C. Lambert: The Officers and members of the Sixty-first Annual Encampment of the Commandery-in-Chief, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, will please come to order.

I appoint as Guard, D. C. Frank M. Heacock, Pennsylvania; Guide, P. D. C. Fred Combs, New Jersey; Color Guard, Delegate Ernest Barnum, Connecticut.

The Encampment was opened in Ritualistic form.

Roll call of Officers showed all present.

Commander-in-Chief: The following Committee on Credentials is appointed:

H. H. Hammer, National Secretary, Chairman; Chas. C. Webster, Past Department Commander, Maine; Edwin R. Shaw, Department Commander, New Jersey; Geo. L. Champlin, Department Commander, Connecticut; Louis G. Blair, Department Commander, Ohio.

COMMITTEES APPOINTED

Commander-in-Chief: I also appoint the following Encampment Committees:

Constitution and Regulations

Dr. Ralph R. Barrett, Past Commander-in-Chief, California & Pacific, Chairman.

William C. Kronmeyer, Delegate, New Jersey.

Frank M. Heacock, Department Commander, Pennsylvania.

Howard P. Sanborn, Past Department Commander, Connecticut.

Julius Isaacs, Delegate, New York.

Ritual and Ceremonies

Park F. Yengling, Past Commander-in-Chief, Ohio, Chairman.

John L. Bateman, Department Commander, Maryland.

Fred W. Hall, Past Department Commander, Iowa.

Maurice J. Warner, Department Commander, Maine.

William M. Coffin, Past Commander-in-Chief, Ohio.

Resolutions

Dr. J. Kirkwood Craig, Past Commander-in-Chief, New Hampshire, Chairman.
 Michael G. Heintz, Past Department Commander, Ohio.
 James E. Gallagher, Past Department Commander, Illinois.
 A. C. Thornburg, Past Department Commander, Indiana.
 C. W. Jackman, Past Department Commander, Alabama & Tennessee.

Reports of Officers

Frank L. Kirchgassner, Past Commander-in-Chief, Massachusetts, Chairman.
 John L. Reeger, Past Department Commander, New Jersey.
 Union W. Mackey, Past Department Commander, Michigan.
 Cleon E. Heald, Past Department Commander, New Hampshire.
 Louis E. Winchell, Department Commander, Massachusetts.

Press

H. H. Hammer, National Secretary, Pennsylvania, Chairman.
 R. J. Williams, Past Department Commander, Ohio.
 Louis King, Past Department Commander, Indiana.
 A. C. Thornburg, Past Department Commander, Indiana.

Encampment Pianist

W. F. Nemetz, Jr., Delegate, Connecticut.

Encampment Drum Corps

Sixth Infantry Field Music of Harrisburg, Pa., under command of Past Department Commander John Runkle.

Greetings to Grand Army of the Republic

All Past Commanders-in-Chief, under the command of John E. Sautter, Past Commander-in-Chief, Pennsylvania.

Woman's Relief Corps

Dr. Ralph R. Barrett, Past Commander-in-Chief, Chairman.
 Irving G. Best, Past Department Commander, Minnesota.
 George O. Dewey, Department Commander, Indiana.
 Henry E. Claussen, Delegate, New Jersey.

Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic

Dr. J. Kirkwood Craig, Past Commander-in-Chief, New Hampshire, Chairman.
 Harvey E. Flock, Department Commander, Illinois.
 B. Howard Cooper, Past Department Commander, Maryland.
 Elmer E. Cram, Department Commander, Nebraska.
 D. M. McLane, Delegate, Illinois.

Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans

Frank L. Kirchgassner, Past Commander-in-Chief, Massachusetts, Chairman.
 Frank M. Heacock, Department Commander, Pennsylvania.
 Jonathan Michelbacher, Department Commander, California & Pacific.
 Rev. Luther B. Hafer, Delegate, Pennsylvania.

Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War

Walter C. Mabie, Past Commander-in-Chief, Pennsylvania, Chairman.

Charles H. Wright, Past Department Commander, Michigan.
C. W. Jackman, Past Department Commander, Alabama & Tennessee.

Andrew F. Burns, Delegate, Pennsylvania.

Harold V. Kemery, Department Commander, Wisconsin.

Commander-in-Chief: Is there a report of the Credential Committee?

PRELIMINARY REPORT OF CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE— ROLL CALL

National Secretary: The Credential Committee presents a preliminary report: Ninety-one members present and accredited. (The roll was called). I move that this report, with additions during the Encampment, be the roll call.

Seconded by Past Commander-in-Chief Yengling, Ohio; agreed to.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Commander-in-Chief: Senior Vice Commander, please assume this station.

National Secretary: Commander-in-Chief, I move that the usual courtesy be extended our Commander-in-Chief, to read his report; the reports of other officers as printed be received without reading.

Seconded by National Patriotic Instructor DeForest, and carried.

Past Commandner-in-Chief Craig: I move that the doors be closed while this report is being read.

Seconded by Council-in-Chief Casey, and carried.

REPORT OF COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF

Trenton, N. J., August 22, 1942.

To the Officers and Members of the Sixty-first Annual Encampment of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

Brothers:

A year ago it was my privilege to be unanimously chosen for the high and honorable office of Commander-in-Chief, to guard the interests of the Order, and to manage its affairs for the term now closing, and I am now tendering you a report of my stewardship.

Since our last meeting great changes have taken place in the affairs of our Country. Within the past twelve months the freedom and democracy that was won by our forebears at Appomattox Court House has been threatened by the events leading to the treachery at Pearl Harbor. As usual during war, all institutions and organizations whose immediate objects have not been directed to war activities have been affected, and in this respect our Organization is no exception. In some respects, however, we should have been benefitted, for opportunities have presented themselves to bring the Order more prominently before the public.

Immediately after the attack at Pearl Harbor, I wrote to the President of the United States, assuring him of the continued loyalty of every member of our Organization, and pledged our support in the immediate job of winning the war. His reply of appreciation was most gracious.

As we assemble in this City of Indianapolis, where the first Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic was held, let us express the great united spirit of the American people—a determined will to win this war. As Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War we are

aware of our many blessings—the heritage of freedom of the past—and we intend to preserve this freedom at any cost. A glorious spirit of sacrifice for victory has spread through the nation. We are proud of those of our membership who are serving in the armed forces. They are tough and trained to discipline—so must we be. Whatever the cost, the spirit is the American will to win.

Like all of my predecessors, I entered upon the duties of my office with some special objectives which I hoped to achieve. Your Commander-in-Chief has made a conscientious effort to fulfill these objectives, but without making excuses, perhaps the conditions that we have faced may serve in a measure as mitigating circumstances. While I am far from satisfied with the results, I trust that as a result of my efforts some good has been accomplished. I could fill pages with an interesting account of the many patriotic, business, and social affairs that I have attended for the Order.

Briefly, it was my privilege to visit many Departments during my term of office and to attend several Department Encampments, as well as being represented in several Departments by Brothers designated by me. Also, worthy of mention were enthusiastic mid-winter Departmental meetings, and Regional meetings. In some instances it was a privilege to be present with Commander-in-Chief Gay of the G. A. R., and with heads of other organizations comprising the G. A. R. family. All of these occasions were inspiring and satisfactory.

State of the Order

In fairness to those who have worked for the success of this administration, the following analysis of the membership figures shown in the National Secretary's report discloses:

1. By comparing the net loss sustained of 823 members, we find that this is the second lowest loss in membership during the past 18 years. The average net loss over this 18 year period was 2030 per year.
2. Of the net loss of 823 members, 590 (over 71%) of this loss was from three Departments. This would seem to indicate that the remaining Departments made an exceptionally good showing.
3. Of the net loss of 15 Camps, 15 Camps were dropped by 3 Departments; again indicating that the remaining Departments are holding their own.
4. While it is true there was a net loss of 823 members and 15 Camps during the year ending June 30, 285 members (over 34%) and 7 Camps were dropped in the September, 1941, quarter, before this administration started to function.
5. Special commendation is due to the following Departments:

Depts. Showing Net Increase in Membership:	Depts. Instituting New Camps:	Depts. Reinstating Camps:
Members	Members	Members
Ala. & Tenn..... 20	Maryland 68	Ala. & Tenn. (2) 44
Indiana 8	Michigan 26	Nebraska (2) 30
Maryland 51	New Hampshire.. 22	Ohio 10
New Hampshire.. 14	New Jersey 32	
New Jersey 19	New York 16	
Ohio 67		
Vermont 10		
Washington 7		

In addition to the foregoing, Camps are in the process of formation in the following places:

California—Vallejo.	North Dakota—Jamestown.
Colorado—Grand Junction.	Ohio—Marion.
Florida—Tampa.	Pennsylvania—Oil City.
Idaho—Boise.	Erie.
Indiana—Washington.	Texas—San Antonio.
Maine—Richmond.	Utah—Salt Lake City.
Michigan—Detroit.	Vermont—Essex Junction.
Saginaw.	West Virginia—Elm Grove.
Owosso.	Wisconsin—Green Bay.
Missouri—Moberly.	Waukesha.
Lebanon.	Fond du Lac.
Nebraska—Arapahoe.	
McCook.	

These are apparently all good leads, and in every case I advised the Department Commanders.

After my election last September, I immediately communicated with the Department Presidents of the Woman's Relief Corps, the Ladies of the G. A. R., and the Daughters of Union Veterans inquiring as to where they would suggest the location of new Camps of Sons of Union Veterans. Their immediate and generous response was encouraging with the result that I received the preceding listing of places together with listings of names and addresses of eligible men for our Organization.

In accordance with the legislation at the Sixtieth Encampment, I appointed a National Organizer, and turned the above information over to him for attention. No doubt Brother William Ball, whom I appointed as National Organizer, will in his report advise what action he has taken.

Suffice to say the opportunities are still there, with listings of eligibles. Perhaps the incoming Commander-in-Chief will succeed in instituting these Camps.

The Future of the Order

The future of our Order depends entirely upon the willingness of the Departments, the Camps, and the individual members to accept responsibility. As I have declared many times during the past year, no Organization has finer principles, no Organization has better reasons for existence, and no male Organization but ours has the right by birth to take the initiative in doing our share in the patriotic work of today, by representing those men of yesterday. When a Camp does the job that it was organized to do, when that Camp is known in its community for its activities on Lincoln's Birthday, Grant's Birthday, Memorial Day, Appomattox Day, and Veterans Night, and when that Camp sponsors the National Essay Contest, and uses every opportunity of giving its message to the children of our schools, then and only then will the Camp deserve recognition and favorable publicity. And when this happens, eligible men will seek to become affiliated with the Organization.

As time goes on, these days should be held more sacred, and it is our responsibility to see to it.

We do not need more legislation, or more objectives. What we need is the desire to make the most of the golden opportunities that are ours.

The theories of our Organization are NOT lifeless. They glow and pulsate with the vigor injected into them by the Founding Fathers more than 60 years ago. But they must be kept alive by constant effort. The challenge must be met, not by an empty reiteration of empty platitudes about patriotism, but by concerted, intelligent and purposeful action. The burden rests directly upon you. For you are the Organization. If you will not stand up and make yourself heard, if you will not make use of the heritage given you—then you have only yourself to blame if the opportunity to do so is ultimately lost.

The real pivot on which the success of our Organization must turn is the deep realization that every individual is a unit of importance—that if our Organization succeeds in its objectives at all, it will be only to the extent that every individual member makes it succeed.

State Camps

In my opinion, every Department should have an active State Camp.

While I am a firm believer in the Camp system in principle, and know of many fine Camps that are doing the job that they are organized for, my experience during the past year has shown me that these Camps are very much in the minority. The majority of Camps have small attendance, no leadership, no worth-while programs, and little future. I regret to state this, but it is a situation that must be faced.

Therefore, to secure the membership of professional and business men that are eligible to our Organization, and to increase our membership, I feel that an ACTIVE State Camp is a necessity for every Department. There are two dates in the year that are not generally celebrated. I refer to April 9th (Appomattox Day, the anniversary of the closing of the Civil War), and November 19th (Veterans Night, or the anniversary of Lincoln's Gettysburg Address). If each State Camp under the leadership of the Department Officers, held an appropriate celebration (dinner preferably), had an outstanding speaker, and invited members of the State Camp, together with eligibles, they would be doing a service, as well as building up membership of the Order.

I do not propose elimination of the present Camp System, merely a medium for obtaining members that could not be solicited to affiliate with Camps.

February—Class Initiation Month

Through the pages of The Banner, I designated the month of February for Camps to institute a "Lincoln Class" of candidates. The response was very satisfactory. Some of the "Lincoln Classes" that were called to my attention were:

- Jackson, Michigan—6 candidates.
- Kokomo, Indiana—8 candidates.
- Stoker Camp No. 9, Ohio—51 candidates.
- Narbeth, Pennsylvania—20 candidates.
- District No. 3, Trenton, New Jersey—10 candidates.
- Rochester, New York—37 candidates, including Congressman James W. Wadsworth, and Congressman Joseph J. O'Brien.

Undoubtedly, many other Camps and Departments participated in this drive. To all Camps participating, I extend my appreciation for your co-operation.

War Victory Fund

Immediately after December 7th, I called a meeting of National Officers together with the National President of the Auxiliary and her

Officers, for the purpose of considering what action this Organization should take toward raising a voluntary fund to be used in furthering the war effort. After careful consideration, it was decided to request the voluntary contribution of the members of both Organizations toward a goal of \$10,000.00. This was an opportunity for our Organization to do something really worth-while. The final returns were to have been made on May 1st. Subsequently the date for the final returns was extended to July 1st.

It is regrettable that many Department Commanders did not cooperate in this drive. Subscription blanks were furnished to all Departments to be distributed to the Camps. In many cases these blanks never reached the Camps, or reached them months later.

It is my opinion that the campaign was planned intelligently, but the success of the drive depended upon the support of every Department Commander and Camp Commander. Unfortunately, I received many more suggestions as to how the money should be spent, than I did as to how it could be raised.

I am informed that some Camps are still working on their subscriptions, and perhaps more contributions will be received here in Indianapolis.

The total amount reported to the National Treasurer as of August 18th is \$2,522.73 with 145 Camps out of 671 reporting. Surely this is not a satisfactory conclusion to this effort.

Junior Camps

By action of the Sixtieth Encampment at Columbus last year permission was given to Camps to organize Junior Camps. To date, I have not been advised of any activities in this direction.

Publicity

By action of the Sixtieth Encampment at Columbus last year, publicity is to be handled by Camp Secretaries, Department Secretaries, and the National Secretary. I have called attention to this legislation in The Banner, and refer to it again with the thought that this is not generally understood.

Certificate of Merit

Upon returning from Columbus, I offered through the pages of The Banner a Certificate of Merit to every member of the Order who secured three new members during the fiscal year. This is an enlarged reproduction of the medallion on the membership badge suitable for framing. It has been my pleasure to receive a great many requests for these Certificates.

Sons of Veterans Reserve

I thoroughly endorse the formation and continuance of the Sons of Veterans Reserve. Because I have witnessed many instances where the uniform has been the stimulating feature that has kept the interest of younger members of Camps, it has more than proved its worth. While it is difficult to have a large number of these boys present at a National Encampment, they make a creditable and impressive showing locally. I believe every Camp should have a uniformed unit, dressed in the Civil War blue. This is your opportunity for favorable publicity.

Decisions

One request for a decision was received from the Department of Colorado & Wyoming, and Department By-Laws were submitted for

approval by the Department of Iowa. The report of the National Counselor will disclose action taken, without repetition here. Other questions were answered to the best of my ability, or referred to National Counselor, Walter C. Mabie. Appreciation is expressed for the good spirit existing in our Organization.

Grand Army of the Republic

At no time has there been better fraternal relations between the Sons of Union Veterans and the Grand Army of the Republic. We have lost no opportunity to serve the Grand Army of the Republic, and its members, not only in relieving them of the burdens attendant to Memorial Day activities, but in other ways rendering them the assistance within our power. Thereby we are fulfilling a duty that we owe.

During the past year it has been my happy privilege to know intimately Commander-in-Chief George A. Gay, and have been impressed with his kindly expressions and interest in our Order. He has been a true and loyal friend. For perhaps the first time in history, a Commander-in-Chief of the G. A. R. became a member of the Sons of Union Veterans when Comrade Gay was initiated into Camp No. 18 at Nashua, New Hampshire. Thus he has demonstrated his love and good will for the continuous success of our Organization.

I desire to thank him for the many courtesies which he extended not only to myself, but to the entire Order of Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

Also, to Miss Katharine R. A. Flood, National Secretary of the Grand Army of the Republic, I extend appreciation of our Organization for her untiring and indispensable service to the members of the G. A. R., as well as for her many courtesies to me personally during the year.

Our Auxiliary

Under the capable leadership of Mrs. Margaret D. Schroeder, the National President, along with her Officers and loyal members, the Auxiliary has again rendered valuable assistance to our Order. Coming from my native State of New Jersey, Sister Schroeder was no stranger to me, and I found her to be a real aide and honest worker in our behalf, always enthusiastic and faithful to both of our Organizations.

I wish to take this occasion to extend to the members of our Auxiliary my personal appreciation of what it has done for the Order during the past year. To Margaret Schroeder, its National President, I am indebted for many courtesies, and wish to express my sincere thanks.

Woman's Relief Corps

It has been a distinct pleasure in knowing and co-operating with Mrs. May L. Luchsinger, National President of the Woman's Relief Corps. Her genial personality, and sincere friendliness for our Order have paved the way for a closer fraternal understanding. On the many occasions that I had the pleasure of meeting her officially, she has always been generous in her efforts to co-operate with me. My sincere appreciation is extended for her many courtesies.

Ladies of the G. A. R.

Miss Ethelyn P. Smith, National President of the Ladies of the G. A. R., has been a leader well chosen. Here again, the fraternal relationship has been of a stimulating nature. Miss Smith never lost an

opportunity of expressing a good word for the Sons. For her many kindnesses, I can only say "Thank you."

Daughters of Union Veterans

For the first time, a National President has answered the last call, while in office. It was my unforgettable pleasure in having known National President Mrs. Glennola G. Sill. Her sweet disposition, and loyalty to the principles of our Organizations was inspiring. Her determination to carry on, when too ill to do so, will forever be impressed on my mind.

To her successor in this fine Organization, Emma Hard Chaplin, I extend best wishes for a constructive and harmonious Encampment.

Federated Patriotic Societies

To Mrs. Clara Gallagher, Past National President of our Auxiliary, and National President of the Federated Patriotic Societies, we extend our greetings, and appreciation of your efforts in bringing closer the relationship of the Grand Army family.

I trust that you have accomplished all that you have wished for during the past year.

The Banner

To Past Commander-in-Chief Allan S. Holbrook, Editor of The Banner, I am deeply indebted for cordial, helpful, and immediate co-operation. I am firmly convinced that an official organ is essential to the welfare of this Organization, but it is important that the Organization make the best possible use of such official organ. Mailing lists are continually changing in the natural course of events. These should be corrected quarterly through Camp Secretaries and Department Secretaries. This is the medium by which the Commandery-in-Chief informs the members of activities and plans. Every member of the Order should see to it that he receives every issue of The Banner, and should read it thoroughly.

Staff Officers

It has been my good fortune to have on my Staff, a fine group of determined men, who carried out to the best of their ability and opportunity every duty of their office. They have been most co-operative and encouraging. I particularly want to thank Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief Henry Towle for his willingness to co-operate on every occasion that presented itself, and Michael Casey, member of the Council-in-Chief, for the successful institution of the Clarksburg, W. Va., Camp.

The Commandery-in-Chief Committees have been conscientious and I trust that you will study the reports and recommendations of these various Officers and Committees.

It is difficult to find words to adequately express appreciation for the understanding and co-operation of National Secretary-Treasurer Horace H. Hammer. He has responded to every request for advice and assistance, and it is largely due to his care and attention that the standing and prestige of our Order has remained among the great Patriotic Societies. To fully appreciate Horace Hammer's work it is necessary to serve as Commander-in-Chief. I wish to thank him for his many valuable services to me and to the Order.

Necrology

During the past year many Brothers have gone from among us.

The names of the departed members of the National Body appear in the program of the Joint Memorial Service. These will be properly recognized at the Memorial Service, and records will appear in the Proceedings of the Encampment. Our sincerest sympathies go out to their families, and friends in the Order.

Recommendations

It has been the practice all too often to refer recommendations to committees to report a year hence. I respectfully request that you carefully consider the following recommendations, and either approve or disapprove of them while we are here assembled for business.

No. 1—That the contract with The Banner be renewed on the present basis, namely six issues per annum.

No. 2—That the Essay Committee; the Grave Marking Committee; the Americanization Committee and the Grand Army of the Republic Highway Committee be continued.

No. 3—That the Award System for enlisting new members and organizing New Camps be discontinued.

No. 4—That the proceeds of the War Victory Fund drive be invested in Series G United States War Bonds in units of \$500.00 each.

In response to an inquiry, the following is part of the reply received from the Office of the Surgeon General, War Department, Washington, D. C., dated January 7, 1942, "It is believed that the most satisfactory method of giving the government financial aid at this time would be to purchase defense bonds."

No. 5—That the incoming Commander-in-Chief be instructed to exert every effort in the continuance of the War Victory Fund Drive to reach the goal set.

No. 6—A business institution, in financial straits, after reducing expenses wherever possible, must find sources of additional revenue. Continued loss of membership in our Organization has brought about this condition.

Due to the fact that the annual per capita tax was reduced during the depression years, on a declining membership, which has continued to decline, I recommend:

"That the per capita tax be increased from 36c to 40c per member."

No. 7—The Sixtieth Encampment at Columbus last year provided that an Organization Fund of \$10,000.00 be raised. Inasmuch as no contributions were received toward this fund in spite of the many appeals in the succeeding issues of The Banner, it would appear to be futile to have the Commander-in-Chief continue this plea. I therefore recommend its discontinuance.

No. 8—(A) Every American thrills at the mention of General Douglas MacArthur. We should particularly be proud, inasmuch as he traces his ancestry to General Arthur MacArthur of Civil War fame. I recommend that this Encampment make General Douglas Mac Arthur an honorary life member of the Order, and that he be informed of this action.

(B) Two other outstanding Civil War leaders have descendants that are members of the Order. I refer to General U. S. Grant 3rd, who has demonstrated his love for the Order on many occasions, and Robert Lincoln Beckwith, grandson of Robert Todd Lincoln and great-grandson of Abraham Lincoln. I recommended that both U. S. Grant

3rd and Robert Lincoln Beckwith be made honorary life members of the Order, and that they be so informed.

No. 9—Should the present war continue until next year, it is entirely possible that Conventions will be eliminated for the duration. I believe that this Encampment should provide for such a contingency. Therefore, I recommend: "That if it is impossible to hold an Encampment, the Commander-in-Chief be authorized to call a 'streamlined' one day meeting to be composed of the following representation:

- a. All National Officers.
- b. All Department Commanders.
- c. All Past Commanders-in-Chief.

This will be a representative geographical cross section of our membership, and is intended only for the necessary transaction of business and election of Officers, only if circumstances prevent the holding of an Encampment."

No. 10—On May 30, 1943, will be celebrated the 75th anniversary of Memorial Day. In that celebration, if we are to live up to our objects and purposes, we must play an active and prominent part. I therefore recommend, "That the incoming Commandery-in-Chief Officers take up with all Camps through proper Department Officers, the matter of all Camps and all members participating in this celebration."

No. 11—The following recommendation is the result of very deep consideration, and I sincerely believe that this action would be constructive. I believe that Camp Officers and Department Officers should serve their full term simultaneously. Perhaps the result of the Victory Fund drive would have been more satisfactory if Department Commanders had not changed throughout April to June. There are many other advantages, a few of which are:

Summer installation would help put life into Camps that ordinarily are dormant at that time; a Department Commander-elect would have a short time to select his staff before installation; traveling conditions, and therefore visitations to installations are more favorable in the Summer; all Camp and Department Officers would be experienced and thoroughly familiar with their work prior to Memorial Day, and Memorial Day reports would be prepared by the Officers that had been on the job all year.

Therefore, I recommend:

Article 4, Section 2, Page 12, of the Regulations be changed to read:

The Camp Commander, Senior and Junior Vice Camp Commander, Camp Council, Delegates and Alternates shall be elected at the first regular meeting of the Camp in June. A majority vote shall be required to elect all elective officers, except members of Camp Council, Delegates and Alternates, who shall be elected by a plurality vote.

On assuming office, the Commander shall appoint all other Camp Officers; provided, however, that the Camp may elect its Secretary and Treasurer (or Secretary-Treasurer) and fix their term of office.

Article 4, Section 3, Page 12, of the Regulations:

Strike out the words "between the first meeting in November and the first meeting in the following January"—and substitute therefor:

"at the first meeting of the Camp in July."

Also, strike out, "said dates of election, and installation to be fixed by each Department and become part of their Department By-Laws."

sufficient to make it go. We are told there have been six Camp failures there, in the past 20 or 30 years.

At the Ohio Encampment in June, we were pleased to have had you with us for a couple of days, and was only sorry our attendance this year was below average.

I wish to express my appreciation of the honor conferred upon me through this office.

Faternally yours,

ARTHUR G. GIBBONY,
Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief.

REPORT OF NATIONAL SECRETARY-TREASURER

Reading, Pa., Sept. 15, 1942.

Mr. Albert C. Lambert,
Commander-in-Chief,
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

My dear Commander:

I have the honor to present report of transaction and affairs of this office during your term, viz:

Receipts and expenditures were under Budget estimates, the revenue approximately \$350 less, disbursements \$700 greater than last term, the latter due to procuring supplies, benefiting before War restrictions were applicable.

Membership must be increased to meet economic conditions, rigid economy practiced this year must be adhered to, outlay of funds limited to absolute necessities.

RECOMMENDED—That Chapter 3, Commandery-in-Chief, Article V, three (3) last lines in Section 3, page 35, C. & R., which read: 'He shall receive as compensation the sum of \$2,000 per annum,' be amended by striking out \$2,000 and, insert in lieu thereof "thirteen hundred (\$1300) dollars."

FINANCIAL

RECEIPTS

September 18, 1941, To Balance.....	
Membership Fees	\$ 301.50
Per Capita Tax	6753.20
Charter Fees	15.00
Supplies	1261.21
Premium Bonds, Dept. Comdrs.	37.50
Miscellaneous	17.69
Total	<u>\$8386.10</u>

BY DISBURSEMENTS:

September 15, 1942, By Balance.....

Permanent Fund	Committee Marking Graves	Committee Americanization	War Fund	General Fund
\$3599.01	\$25.00	\$50.00		Checking a/c.
				\$1251.05
562.62				
Int. 37.96				
				\$ 301.50
				6190.58
				15.00
				1261.21
				37.50
				17.69
				<u>\$7823.48</u>
\$4199.59	\$25.00	\$50.00		<u>\$9074.53</u>
	\$25.00			\$7940.35
\$4199.59		\$50.00	\$2541.23	<u>\$1134.18</u>

Organization and Historical Marker Fund	School Essay Committee
September 18, 1941, To Balance.....	\$200.00
By Disbursements	\$143.13
	<u>\$ 56.87</u>
September 15, 1942, By Balance.....	\$849.98

FINANCIAL

	Permanent Fund	Committee Marking Graves	Committee American- ization	War Fund	General Fund Checking a/c.
RECEIPTS					
September 18, 1941, To Balance.....	\$3599.01	\$25.00	\$50.00		\$1251.05
Membership Fees				\$ 301.50	
Per Capita Tax	562.62			6190.58	
Charter Fees	Int. 37.96			15.00	
Supplies				1261.21	
Premium Bonds, Dept. Comdrs.				37.50	
Miscellaneous				17.69	\$7823.48
Total	\$4199.59	\$25.00	\$50.00		\$9074.53
BY DISBURSEMENTS:		\$25.00			\$7940.35
September 15, 1942, By Balance.....	\$4199.59		\$50.00	\$2541.23	\$1134.18

	Organization and Historical Marker Fund	School Essay Committee
September 18, 1941, To Balance.....	\$888.73	\$200.00
By Disbursements	38.75	\$143.13
September 15, 1942, By Balance.....	\$849.98	\$ 56.87

Itemized Receipts from Departments

Department:	Membership Fees	Per Capita Tax	Charter Fees	Premium Sup- plies	Bonds D. C.	Misc.	Total
Ala. & Tenn.....	\$.50	\$ 22.23	\$	\$ 1.70	\$ 2.50	\$	\$ 26.93
Calif. & Pac.....	18.50	200.16		63.27			281.93
Colo. & Wyo.....	2.50	45.81		31.27			79.58
Connecticut ..	11.50	430.11		51.41			493.02
Illinois ..	2.50	204.57		78.19	2.50		287.76
Indiana ..	8.50	172.98		21.95	2.50		205.93
Iowa ..	4.00	112.86		25.94	2.50		145.30
Kansas ..	3.00	90.36		17.42	2.50	1.39	114.67
Maine ..	8.00	306.54		48.98			363.52
Maryland ..	4.50	130.95	5.00	40.27	2.50		183.22
Massachusetts ..	27.50	1173.78		156.01			1357.29
Michigan ..	8.50	169.20		55.75	2.50		235.95
Minnesota ..	2.00	61.56		17.05			80.61
Missouri ..	1.50	99.90		10.40	2.50		114.30
Nebraska ..	4.50	50.04		15.16	2.50	3.78	75.98
New Hampshire..	11.00	213.93		65.83		3.10	293.86
New Jersey ..	13.50	263.07	5.00	58.58	2.50		342.65
New York ..	31.00	638.64	5.00	123.70	2.50	7.80	808.64
Ohio ..	49.00	491.81		85.54	2.50	.46	629.31
Oregon ..	12.00	72.09		23.25			107.34
Pennsylvania ..	46.00	1379.34		148.85			1574.19
Rhode Island ..	5.00	116.10		12.79			133.89
Vermont ..	14.00	162.72		56.00	2.50	.34	235.56
Washington ..	2.00	22.86		3.67	2.50	.28	31.31
Wisconsin ..	10.50	121.59		48.23	2.50	.54	183.36
Total	\$301.50	\$6753.20	\$15.00	\$1261.21	\$37.50	\$17.69	\$8386.10

Itemized Expenditures

GENERAL EXPENSES:

For Supplies	\$1049.99
Federal Social Security Tax.....	44.00
Penna. Unemployment Compensation Tax Fund..	59.40
The Banner, Subscription, Oct.-Aug., inc.....	2219.08
Encampment, 1941-42	497.60
Printing	46.25
Shipping Supplies	46.20
Salary	2200.00
Premium Department Commanders' Bonds.....	65.00
Committee Marking Graves	25.00
Miscellaneous: Dues Federated Patriotic Societies, War Fund Printing, Funeral Design P. C. C. Horn, Badge (Past) Commander-in-Chief.....	177.25
	<u>\$6429.77</u>

OFFICE EXPENSES:

Postage ..	\$ 72.06
Express ..	5.24
Telegrams ..	2.68
Stationery ..	145.20
Rent ..	420.00
Miscellaneous (Insurance, sundries) ..	15.40
	<u>\$ 660.58</u>

Itemized expenditures carried forward.....\$7090.35

Itemized expenditures brought forward.....	\$7090.35
COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF'S EXPENSES:	
Postage	\$ 25.00
Traveling	815.00
Office	10.00
	<hr/> \$ 850.00
Total	<hr/> \$7940.35

Vouchers

No.	To Whom:	Account:	Amount
1.	Lehnert, Griffin & Anderson, Inc.; Bond, Com-in-Chief....	\$	2.50
2.	Colonial-Berks Real Estate Co.; Rent (three months)....		105.00
3.	U. S. Collector Internal Revenue; Federal Social Security Tax		11.00
4.	Penna. Unemployment Compensation Fund; Unemployment Tax Fund		14.85
5.	The Banner; October Subscription (18,843 copies).....		376.86
6.	H. H. Hammer, Nat. Sec.-Treas.; Salary, Aug. 21-Oct. 20, 1941		366.66
7.	W. C. Mabie; Printing, Stationery Nat. Officers.....		114.17
8.	The Banner; December Subscription (18,708 copies, \$374.16); Stock, Printing		427.65
9.	U. S. Collector Internal Revenue; Social Security Tax...		11.00
10.	Penna. Unemployment Comp. Fund; Unemployment Tax Fund		14.85
11.	H. H. Hammer, Nat. Sec.-Treas.; Salary, Oct. 21-Dec. 20, 1941		366.66
12.	W. C. Mabie; Stationery		5.86
13.	Colonial-Berks Real Estate Co.; Rent (three months)....		105.00
14.	Albert C. Lambert, Com-in-Chief; Exp. a/c Sept-Dec., 1941, inc.		200.00
15.	Albert C. Lambert, Com-in-Chief; Exp. a/c Dec-Jan., 1942		100.00
16.	Edward J. Hughes, Sec. of State; Illinois Corporation Fee, 1942		1.00
17.	The Banner; February Subscription (18,558 copies, \$371.16); Printing, shipping, Proceedings 60th Encampment, 1941		865.68
18.	Albert C. Lambert, Com-in-Chief; Exp. a/c February....		100.00
19.	The Robbins Co.; Supplies, Badges		586.19
20.	Albert C. Lambert, Com-in-Chief; Exp. a/c March.....		50.00
21.	U. S. Collector Internal Revenue; Social Security Tax....		11.00
22.	Penna. Unemployment Comp. Fund; Unemployment Tax Fund		14.85
23.	H. H. Hammer, Nat. Sec.-Treas.; Salary, Dec. 21-March 20, 1942		550.00
24.	Colonial-Berks Real Estate Co.; Rent, three months.....		105.00
25.	Buenings (Easton, Pa.); Floral tribute Past Com-in-Chief Horn		10.00
26.	Beatrice Crowell; Insurance Supplies and Headquarters effects		6.20
27.	W. C. Mabie; Stock, Stationery Com-in-Chief.....		372.34
28.	The Banner; April Subscription (18,408 copies).....		368.16
29.	Lehnert, Griffin & Anderson, Inc.; Premium Dept. Com. Bond		2.50
30.	Albert C. Lambert, Com-in-Chief; Exp. a/c April.....		150.00
31.	Lehnert, Griffin & Anderson, Inc.; Premium on Dept. Commanders' Bonds		12.50

No.	To Whom:	Account:	Amount
32.	Albert C. Lambert, Com.-in-Chief; Exp. a/c May.....		100.00
33.	Lehnert, Griffin & Anderson, Inc.; Premium on Dept. Com- manders' Bonds		20.00
34.	The Robbins Co.; Supplies, Badges		106.70
35.	U. S. Collector Internal Revenue; Social Security Tax....		11.00
36.	Penna. Unemployment Comp. Fund; Unemployment Tax Fund		14.85
37.	The Banner; June Subscription (18,258 copies).....		365.16
38.	W. C. Mabie; Printing, Stationery		4.93
39.	H. H. Hammer, Nat. Sec.-Treas.; Salary, March 21-June 20, 1942		550.00
40.	Lehnert, Griffin & Anderson, Inc.; Premium Bonds.....		27.50
41.	Colonial-Berks Real Estate Co.; Rent, three months.....		105.00
42.	Albert C. Lambert, Com.-in-Chief; Exp. a/c June.....		150.00
43.	The Banner; August Subscription (18,179 copies).....		363.58
44.	H. H. Hammer, Nat. Sec.-Treas.; Salary, Shipping Sup- plies, Postage, Express, Telegrams, Miscellaneous (term)		521.65
45.	Charles R. Hale, Chairman; Committee Marking Graves..		25.00
46.	Mrs. Eva B. Blackman, Nat. Sec.-Treas.; Federated Patri- otic Societies, Dues		10.00
47.	C. R. Schlechter; Badge (Past) Com.-in-Chief Lambert...		137.50
			<hr/> \$7940.35

Organization and Historical Marker Fund

September 18, 1941, To Balance.

Appropriation to:

Disbursements:

Vouchers:

No.

1. B. O. DeForest, Ch'm, Postage.....
2. The Sentinel, Essay Forms.....\$40.75
3. B. O. DeForest, Ch'm, Postage, Misc.....
4. Wilson Press, Certificates.....8.63
5. B. O. DeForest, Ch'm, Postage, Supplies....
6. Standard Flag & Mfg. Co.....
7. B. O. DeForest, Ch'm Essay Prize, Postage. 50.00

Total

\$ 99.38

\$43.75

\$ 38.75

181.88

September 1, 1942, By Balance.....

\$ 50.62

\$ 6.25

\$849.98

\$ 906.85

Org. & His.
Marker Fund

\$888.73

\$1088.73

Organization and Historical Marker Fund

September 18, 1941, To Balance.

Appropriation to:	School Essay Essay	Committee Office Expense	Org. & His. Marker Fund	
Disbursements:	\$150.00	\$50.00	\$888.73	\$1088.73
Vouchers:				
No.				
1. B. O. DeForest, Ch'm, Postage.....		\$10.00		
2. The Sentinel, Essay Forms.....	\$40.75			
3. B. O. DeForest, Ch'm, Postage, Misc.....		10.00		
4. Wilson Press, Certificates	8.63			
5. B. O. DeForest, Ch'm, Postage, Supplies....		18.75		
6. Standard Flag & Mfg. Co.....			\$38.75	
7. B. O. DeForest, Ch'm Essay Prize, Postage. 50.00		5.00		
Total	\$ 99.38	\$43.75	\$ 38.75	181.88
September 1, 1942, By Balance.....	\$ 50.62	\$ 6.25	\$849.98	\$ 906.85

Stock—Supplies Account

Business has decreased in this department from previous years, this term approximately \$200 less than last. War conditions are responsible. Officers and members of Camps are obliged in many sections, affecting numerous Camps, to continue their employment hours greatly extended. This in many instances prevents their attendance at Camp meetings, interfering with quorums for sessions; and, incident thereto, supplies not required in the quantities usually requisitioned for.

It is difficult to secure some items in our supplies, owing to war restrictions in production, priorities, etc. Cost of supplies is constantly advancing, and invariably, delayed in delivery.

There can be no reasonable objection to prices on Requisition Forms charged Camps and Departments with the War situation relating to manufacturers and all other lines of business, now confronting us.

A feature impressed upon Camps and Departments has not had the response and co-operation hoped for, viz: In the Ritual it is provided that a retiring (Past) Commander should receive such a Badge. From returns this seems to be disregarded, comparatively few Past Camp Commanders being so honored by Camps. Several of the Departments have not in years requisitioned for such Badges. Omission to present this Badge should be remedied, a Camp Commander serving his term, should have the recognition and honor of receiving the Badge showing his service and appreciation thereof by a Camp. Department Officers should emphasize this to Camps and have a supply in stock to furnish them.

Cost of Stock on hand August 20, 1941.....	\$2586.65
Purchased	1049.99
To account for	\$3636.64
On hand August 3, 1942.....	\$2389.41
Amount Received for Supplies.....	\$1261.21
Cost of Stock Sold	\$714.28
Shipping Supplies	46.20
Express	4.59
To National Officers	3.14
To Departments, Free	16.00
	\$ 784.21
Profit	\$ 477.00

Fifty Years Continuous Membership Badges Issued

Illinois, 1; Indiana, 1; Maine, 1; Maryland, 2; Massachusetts, 10; New Hampshire, 2; New Jersey, 4; New York, 4; Pennsylvania, 9; Rhode Island, 1; Vermont, 3. Total, 38.

War Medals Issued

Illinois, 7; Iowa, 1; Kansas, 1; Massachusetts, 2; New Hampshire, 1; New Jersey, 4; New York, 2; Ohio, 2; Rhode Island, 2. Total, 22.

The State of the Order

Our membership status is cause for concern. Reverses for years, again the record, must have an effective re-action. If we are to continue as an organization vigorous action must be incited, every available effort resorted to for increase in membership. It is our founda-

tion, only recourse for maintenance. Officers of Camps and Departments, the nucleus in contact with the source from which we can emanate—Members—must be aroused to do their part to counteract our condition.

Department and Camp Officers for years have been appealed to, urged, encouraged to organize Camps, campaign for members—absolutely now necessary.

Indifference must be dispelled for intensive, earnest solicitation for members, Camps and their officers active in co-operation, Department Officers encouraging and aiding in every manner possible.

RECOMMENDED: That Department Commanders promulgate to and direct Officers of Camps to assign their Committees on Welfare to actively conduct recruiting for increase in members in all Camps.

A field open, available to retrieve to an extent our losses, is to canvass, personally confer with and secure, as well as reinstate former desirable members dropped for non-payment of dues. Properly, fraternally approached and cultivated, many should be restored to membership.

Award for Organization—Discontinue

The 58th Encampment provided that awards or compensation be given: One hundred (\$100) dollars to Department(s) showing net gain of three hundred (300) members at the end of the following year; to a member securing in excess of, over and above fifty (50) new members for any one Camp; three hundred (\$300) dollars for organizing ten (10) Camps in Oklahoma, North Dakota, South Dakota, respectively—three hundred (\$300) dollars for thirty (30) Camps in the three (3) designated States at the end of a following year. This proposal was continued by the succeeding Encampments.

In the term of 1940 one (1) award \$100 was made for the organization of Camp No. 29, Webster, Department of New York, with fifty-three (53) (now 30) members.

In this (1941-'42) term Camp No. 4, Clarksburg, W. Va., Department of Maryland, was instituted with sixty-eight (68) members, due for award therefor one hundred (\$100) dollars to Council-in-Chief Michael Casey (Organizer).

Since the offer of awards does not produce anticipated results, benefit expected, no interest or response to extent visualized it is

RECOMMENDED: That offer of award(s) be discontinued, abolished. That Commanders-in-Chief be authorized to allot a sum from the Organization and Historical Marker Fund to such member(s) whom in his judgment warrant reasonable compensation for organizing Camp(s).

Organization Fund—Ten Thousand Dollars

The Encampment of 1941 directed that a fund of Ten thousand (\$10,000) dollars be appealed for as a fund for organization of New Camps and securing new members. Pursuant thereto attention was directed in various General Orders to this action. There was no response—no contributions to report.

Sons of Veterans Death Benefit Association

Directed by the last (1941) Encampment to stress this Association to Camps as an inducement to secure eligibles to join the Order and

to members for a return, remuneration. This was complied with and urged in General Orders. It has had favorable response but not to the extent to accomplish anticipations therefrom.

RECOMMENDED: That this Association be given continued publicity by the Commander-in-Chief, Department and Camp Commanders, to emphasize it to eligibles and members.

Federal Income—Social Security Taxes

The ruling June 11, 1941, by the Commissioner of Internal Revenue, U. S. Treasury Department, Washington, D. C., exempting the Commandery-in-Chief, Departments and Camps from payment of Federal Income Tax and not requiring to file Report, was changed in March, 1942, that Report—Form 990—is required to be rendered by the respective bodies to Collectors of Internal Revenue in their Districts. It is important that Department and Camp Secretaries do not neglect but promptly comply with this requirement annually, to avoid penalty.

Ruling and amendments to the Internal Revenue Code, is to the effect that where compensation does not exceed forty-five (\$45.00) dollars per Quarter no tax is required to be paid. Reports should be taken up with Collectors of Internal Revenue, in respective Districts.

Irregularities—Remedy

Irregularities detrimental to proper conduct of business and procedure exist in several Departments which have not been corrected as suggested, viz:

Amount of per capita tax from Camps, same as the Commandery-in-Chief receives.

(Departments should receive a greater sum from Camps than they pay the Commandery-in-Chief. They cannot sustain themselves or properly operate on such return).

Failure to have specified officers under Bonds.

Receipts not issued for money received.

Officers of Camps not contacted or communicated with, regularly.

No Department Orders issued to Camp Commanders.

Blank Forms for Reports and returns not promptly promulgated.

Password not promptly, regularly supplied to Camps.

Requisition Forms not furnished Camps.

Prescribed Forms, Books not used.

Failure to turn over to successors in office, books, records and property. (Greatly interfering with service and operation and causing confusion).

No communication or attention called to observance of Memorial Day, Union Defenders' Day, Veterans' Night.

National Officers detailed by Commander-in-Chief to visit Department Headquarters where necessary, to correct and instruct such Officers to put into effect compliance with the provisions of Article V, (Chapter 2), Page 25, C. & R., see that prescribed official methods are provided for, secured and observed, proper Forms, books, etc., obtained and used, would tend to remedy these improper, serious conditions. To provide reasonable compensation to Officers assigned, properly authorized to perform such duty, would prove beneficial and a substantial investment.

consolidated report in the respective Departments:

		IN GOOD STANDING JUNE 30, 1942		Dropped by Camps By Dishon. Disch.		Total Loss.
Camps	Members					
Net Gain.						
Camps	Members					
Net Loss.						
Balance in Department Treasuries						
Balance in Camp Treasuries						
Amount Expended for Relief						
Members	No. Relieved or Their Families.					
Veterans						

CONSOLIDATED REPORT—1911-1942—CAMPS, MEMBERS, GAINS, LOSSES IN DEPARTMENTS

Detailed gains and losses, etc., are shown in the following consolidated report in the respective Departments:

Departments	IN GOOD STANDING JUNE 30, 1941		GAIN						LOSS								IN GOOD STANDING JUNE 30, 1942		Net Gain.		Net Loss.		Balance in Department Treasuries	Balance in Camp Treasuries	Amount Expended for Relief	No. Relieved or Their Families.																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																											
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A disadvantage is failure to reply to communications, neglect and delay important reports, finances, ignore compliance with the Regulations. These result in the demoralization of our entire system for governing and effecting the executive provisions and laws. (There are exceptions—this does not reflect upon or apply to those who are prompt, co-operating in the essential requirements).

The only recourse now to end such experiences, a detriment and injury to the Order, is Article VI, Chapter V, General Regulations, Discipline, Page 55, C. & R. This requires court-martial—too cumbersome, not sufficiently prompt in method and procedure to secure necessary results.

To effect co-operation and impress the necessity for prompt business methods, compliance with the laws, proper regard for and attention to duties, to which obligated, it is

RECOMMENDED: That Section 7, Article IV, Chapter 2, Departments, Page 25, C. & R., be repealed, stricken out, and, in lieu thereof insert:

"Section 7. The Commander-in-Chief and Department Commanders shall have power to remove any Officer of a Department, delinquent in and failing to fulfill the duties of his office."

Contributions to War Victory Fund

National Officers

C.-in-C. Albert C. Lambert...	\$10.00
S. V. C.-in-C. Henry Towle...	10.00
J. V. C.-in-C. A. G. Gibbony...	5.00
Nat. Chap. L. S. Hopfield...	5.00
Nat. Sec.-Treas. Hammer...	10.00
Per. Aide John L. Reeger...	5.00
Nat. Org. Wm. H. Ball...	5.00
Act. C.-of-S. C. LeRoy Stoudt	5.00
Coun.-in-Chief Cloy V. Smith.	5.00
Nat. Pat. Inst. B. O. DeForest.	5.00
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	\$65.00

Camps

1, San Francisco	8.00
19, Modesto	5.00
2, Los Angeles	15.00
7, Pasadena	18.00
8, Inglewood and Aux...	6.00
J. F. Mullin, P. D. C...	2.00
10, Long Beach	9.00
17, Fresno	5.00
23, Riverside	17.50
24, Sacramento	2.75
56th Dept. Encampment.	30.00
E. J. Parker, P. D. C...	5.00
Past Camp Commanders.	5.00
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	\$130.75

Past Commanders-in-Chief

Walter C. Mabie.....	\$ 5.00
Frank Shellhouse	10.00
Ralph Sheldon	5.00
William T. Church	10.00
John E. Sautter	5.00
Delevan B. Bowley	5.00
Park F. Yengling	5.00
Frank L. Kirchgassner	5.00
Ralph R. Barrett	5.00
J. Kirkwood Craig	5.00
Edwin C. Irelan	5.00
Allan S. Holbrook	10.00
H. H. Hammer	5.00
Wm. L. Anderson, Sr.....	5.00
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	\$85.00

Colorado & Wyoming

Camps

1, Denver, Colo.	\$16.00
7, Pueblo, Colo.25
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	\$16.25

Connecticut

Camps

1, New Haven	\$ 8.00
2, Stamford	5.00
4, Norwich	2.00
6, Hartford	9.00
7, Meriden	56.00
11, Bridgeport	50.00
16, New Britain	3.00
26, Derby	1.50
34, Torrington	10.00
49, Waterbury	6.00

California & Pacific

Dist. No. 1, North Calif....	\$ 2.50
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50, Hartford	20.00
District No. 1—Stamford, Bridgeport, Danbury ...	5.00

\$175.50**Illinois**

Camps	\$21.00
21, Aurora	5.00
22, Elgin	15.00
26, Rockford	20.00
100, Chicago	

\$61.00**Indiana**

Camps	\$10.00
44, Winchester	10.00
116, Valparaiso	13.50
251, Lafayette	17.00
356, Indianapolis	10.00
Department	

\$60.50**Iowa**

Department	\$20.00
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Kansas

Camps	\$38.00
2, Vinita, Oklahoma	3.00
16, Topeka (Kansas)	5.00
23, Parsons	1.00
78, Lawrence	9.00
93, El Dorado	2.00
121, Gypsum	1.00
78, Lawrence	

\$59.00**Maine**

Camps	\$32.00
4, Portland	9.00
5, South China	10.00
14, Liberty	12.00
20, Saco	2.50
43, Belfast	

\$65.50**Maryland**

Camps	\$14.00
2, Wilmington, Dela.	79.00
30, Washington, D. C.	5.00
31, Washington, D. C.	8.00
Frank C. Conner, P. D.C. ...	

\$106.00**Massachusetts**

Camps	\$9.00
2, Worcester	2.00
5, Hudson	3.50
6, Beverly	9.10
9, Boston	

15, Springfield	2.00
25, Worcester	5.00
26, Taunton	1.45
32, South Braintree	2.50
41, Waltham	5.00
50, Rockland	6.80
52, Leominster	5.00
56, Cambridge	14.00
58, Hyde Park	1.00
59, Framingham	12.50
65, Athol	10.00
79, Melrose	15.00
90, Fall River	16.00
102, Falmouth	2.00
107, Upton	6.00
144, Bridgewater	2.00
148, Milford	3.25
Encampment Supper Com.	3.65
Encampment Reception and Ball Committee	64.53
Western Mass. Association	9.25

\$210.53**Michigan**

Camps	\$25.00
7, Jackson	22.00
8, Detroit	12.50
(Regional Meeting) ...	
10, Ann Arbor, Regional Meeting	13.00
11, Allegan	2.00
14, Grand Rapids	7.00
22, Marshall, Regional Meeting	12.25
Department	6.45

\$100.20**Minnesota**

Camp No. 1, St. Paul.	\$ 62.00
Department	64.00

\$126.00**Missouri**

Camps	\$ 3.00
17, St. Louis	11.00
36, Kansas City	
Theodore H. Mohr, Dept. Sec.-Treas.	5.00
Department	25.00

\$44.00**Nebraska**

Camps	\$ 7.50
2, Schuyler	7.00
5, Fremont	

\$14.50

New Hampshire

Camps	
1, Manchester	\$ 5.00
2, Concord	3.00
7, Penacook	10.00
15, Hillsboro	2.50
18, Nashua	10.00
28, Exeter	8.00
32, Wilmot Flat	1.00
38, Milford	5.75
39, Pittsfield	25.00
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	\$70.25

New Jersey

Camps	
1, Hoboken	\$ 8.00
4, Trenton	62.00
5, Trenton	37.00
8, Paterson	10.00
10, Lambertville	10.00
12, Bloomfield	13.50
18, Newark	25.00
20, New Brunswick	5.00
Fred H. Combs, Sr., Dept. Com.	5.00
Adam Grau, Jr. Vice Dept. Com.	5.00
Wm. C. Kronmeyer, Mem. Dept. Council	10.00
J. L. Reeger, Dept. Sec- Treas.	5.00
W. C. Jones, Dept. Chap... W. O. Simpson, Dept. Press Cor.	3.00
	2.00
Fredk. A. Gentieu, P. D. C.	5.00
Albert C. Lambert, P. D. C.	5.00
Walter Barlow, P. D. C...	3.00
District No. 3 (Camps Nos. 4, 5, 10, 20)	10.00
Department	10.00
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	\$233.50

Ohio

Department	\$ 25.00
Camps	
1, Columbus	18.00
2, Youngstown	8.00
5, New Philadelphia ...	25.00
11, Xenia	1.00
12, Mansfield	1.00
19, Shelby	5.00
22, Ravenna	14.00
26, Portsmouth	15.00
27, Akron	41.00
43, Salem	14.00
44, Friendship	25.00
78, Willoughby	7.00
89, Dayton	25.00

91, Alliance	56.50
100, Cincinnati	10.00
344, Lorain	1.00
442, Mogadore	5.00
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	\$296.50

Oregon

Camps	
3, Marshfield	\$ 5.00
4, Portland	53.52
5, Grants Pass	5.25
14, Hood River	3.00
W. C. Harmon, P. D. C...	5.00
E. W. Madison, Sec.-Treas. (Add)	3.48
Woman's Relief Corps, Dept. of Oregon	5.00
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	\$80.25

Pennsylvania

Camps	
9, Germantown, Phila...\$	4.25
9, Roxborough, Phila...	5.00
10, Chester	5.00
15, Harrisburg	15.00
16, Reading	101.00
27, Philadelphia	15.00
33, York	7.00
60, New Oxford	25.00
87, Middletown	13.00
112, Gettysburg	5.00
139, Sharpsburg	25.00
149, Media	8.00
150, Port Trevorton	2.50
160, Sunbury	5.00
182, Bethlehem	6.00
200, Philadelphia	38.00
208, Emmaus	2.00
265, Belle Vernon	10.00
295, Hellertown	10.00
320, Sheffield	1.00
550, Jollytown	5.00
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	\$320.75

Rhode Island

Camps	
4, West Warwick	\$30.00
7, Providence	5.00
11, Providence	5.00
12, Providence	5.00
16, Pascoag	5.00
S. T. Richmond, P. D. C...	1.00
H. J. Geer, P. D. C...	1.00
F. B. Wight, Dept. Sec.-Treas.	.50
Department	7.50
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	\$60.00

Vermont		Washington	
Camps		Camp No. 10, Everett.....	\$25.00
2, Wilmington	\$.50	Wisconsin	
4, Rutland	5.00	Department	\$10.00
8, Post Mills	1.00	Camps	
11, Brattleboro	8.54	2, Madison .....	.50
20, Chester	40.75	34, Kenosha	5.00
75, Lyndonville	2.75	79, Thorpe	6.25
83, Huntington	5.00		
91, Saxtons River	18.96		
Clinton J. Smith, P. D. C. . .	5.00		\$21.75
George A. DeWitt, P. D. C. . .	5.00	Total (Contributions from	
Harry S. Howard, P. D. C. . .	1.00	153 Camps)	\$2,541.23
	<u>\$93.50</u>		

Grand Army of the Republic

Our Order has the distinguished honor of a member—Brother George A. Gay—serving with distinction as Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic. He is an esteemed member of Camp No. 18, Nashua, Department of New Hampshire, interested and participant in its affairs. He thoroughly represents the soldier qualities, dignity, patriotism of the Order of his veteran Comrades. He is appreciative of his enrollment as a member of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. Expressing our sentiments may his association with his Comrades and our Order be long continued and his every desire gratified.

Observance of Memorial Day—service and tribute to the Members of the Grand Army of the Republic, and Union Veterans of the Civil War was effective, with creditable number of our members participating. This is our sacred privilege, inherent duty. Camps generally were in charge of and conducted the ceremonies commendably.

In many sections of the Country the Grand Army of the Republic no longer exists; Departments able to function are semblances of their former influential, numerical status; Posts, Members, Union Veterans have passed away, and communities, cities, once proud to honor them are now deprived; they have vanished.

Those with us are a diminishing Honor Roll of our Nation, not surrendering, carrying on in their patriotic work of three quarters of a century. Needs and conditions of the National Organization warrant our financial support.

RECOMMENDED: That an appropriation of \$300.00 to the Grand Army of the Republic be made from the Permanent Fund.

Miss Katharine R. A. Flood, National Secretary of the Grand Army of the Republic, performs a commendable service for that Organization and the Comrades. She is always at our service, is helpful and we are indebted to her for many favors, co-operation and interest in our affairs.

Our Auxiliary

Mrs. Margaret D. Schroeder, National President, admirably qualified, this year has sincerely exemplified the real term "Auxiliary." By her zeal she infused activities in Auxiliaries and their members in service and assistance to Camps, our Order. Advocating our interests, cause, stressing requisites, she demonstrated by personal example the significance of Auxiliary—loyally responded to by the Members. Co-operation was cordial and of material benefit. The National President

attended many of our Encampments, and affairs. She inspired renewed activities in several instances, effectively displacing discouragement, contemplated cessation. Deserved appreciation of her personal service in our behalf is acknowledged; and to the Auxiliaries and Members in their influence and support, our thanks are due.

Affiliated Orders

Cordial relations prevail with the Officers and Members of the other Orders, affiliated in our Grand Army of the Republic family—Woman's Relief Corps, Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War—all emulating pronounced spirit of patriotism, liberally financed aid to the Grand Army of the Republic, inspiring Americanism practiced, all helpful and interested in our Order. We are honored by and obligated to them for their contacts.

Official Organ—The Banner

THE BANNER as always has been helpful in details and co-operation. Inattention or failure to furnish accurate lists of names and addresses of members has been greatly improved. Confusion and complaints can only be avoided if corrected lists of Camp members are reported promptly. The Banner office urges careful attention be given to obtain official lists. Editor Allan S. Holbrook and his corps of assistants are desirous of giving satisfactory service, that members entitled thereto will regularly receive THE BANNER; and all dropped from a roll of a Camp promptly reported.

Retrospect

For the fourth time the Commandery-in-Chief Encampment is held in this hospitable City—the first (Sixteenth) in 1897, when 156 members attended. It is a reminder of how, and emphasizes time passes unalterably on—since twelve Brothers are all that remain of the membership of that Encampment, viz:

M. D. Friedman, Past Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief, Department of Alabama & Tennessee.

William T. Church, Past Commander-in-Chief, Dept. of Illinois.

William H. Russell, Past Commander-in-Chief, Dept. of Kansas.

Rev. Arthur M. Soule, Past Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, Dept. of Maine.

Charles S. Davis, Past Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief, Dept. of Maryland.

H. E. Cowdin, Past Department Commander, Dept. of Michigan.

Fred W. Miller, Past Department Secretary, Dept. of Missouri.

W. S. Oberdorf, Past Department Commander, Dept. of New York.

R. J. Williams, Past Department Commander, Dept. of Ohio.

Wildun Scott, Past Department Commander, Dept. of Pennsylvania.

Horace H. Hammer, National Secretary-Treasurer, Dept. of Pennsylvania.

A. G. Braband, Past Department Commander, Dept. of Wisconsin.

Conclusion

Our official association in the natural order of procedure is about to conclude, with innumerable agreeable reminiscences, personal and pleasant recollections. Our interests and labors were mutual and, every desire for the good of the Order. You have rendered faithful,

efficient, constant service. Present World War conditions greatly interfered with, prevented planned projects. From contacts and available sources it is a tribute to you deserved, to assure you that you have the confidence and regard of the membership in appreciation of honest, active endeavor to serve them, and the sacrifices you experienced thereby. Regarding severing of our related connection I am deeply appreciative of our genuinely fraternal interests, in every manner exemplified by you. To you and my colleagues—the National Officers—I am obligated for courtesies, co-operation and favors, and express my thanks.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. & L.,

H. H. HAMMER,
National Secretary-Treasurer.

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT—National Secretary-Treasurer, 61st Encampment, Indianapolis, Ind., 1942:

	War Fund	Permanent Fund	Secretary-Treasurer, 61st Encampment, Indianapolis, Ind., 1942:	Organization-Historical Marker Fund	Total Org.-Hts. Com. Fund	General Fund
September 14, 1942, To Balance.....	\$2541.23	\$4199.59	Org. Hts. Essay Com.	\$849.98	\$56.87	\$906.85
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September 18, 1942, By Balance.....	\$ 49.81	\$3699.59	\$749.98	\$ 80.98

DISBURSEMENTS

No. Vouchers: To Whom:

1—FROM WAR FUND, To U. S. Government War Bonds, Series "G"	Amount
1—FROM PERMANENT FUND, To Grand Army of the Republic, Contribution	\$2800.00
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	100.00

FROM GENERAL FUND: Encampment Expenses:

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50—Henry Towle, Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief	57.08
51—Arthur G. Gibbons Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief.....	9.00
52—Michael Casey, Council-in-Chief	58.75
53—Theodore H. Mohr, Council-in-Chief	39.09
54—Cloy V. Smith, Council-in-Chief	41.00
**55—Bertrand O. DeForest, National Patriotic Instructor.....	32.00
56—Leonard S. Hopfield, National Chaplain	115.73
57—Walter C. Mabie, National Counselor.....	24.95
58—C. L. Stoudt, Acting Chief-of-Staff	51.30
59—The Banner, Printing Officers, Committee Reports, Encampment Roll	191.54
60—Virginia S. Knowles, Flowers Memorial Services.....	17.13
61—H. H. Hammer, National Secretary-Treasurer	72.08
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SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT, NATIONAL SECRETARY-TREASURER

War Fund Contributions from Camps

September 15, 1942—Amount contributions	\$2,541.23
Massachusetts:	
Outing	\$ 6.25
Camp No. 50, Rockland, Allen B. Howland	5.00
Minnesota—Camp No. 8, Minneapolis.....	\$ 11.25
New Jersey: Camp No. 43, Somerville	5.00
New York	10.00
Ohio:	215.83
Camp No. 21, Lancaster	\$ 7.00
100, Cincinnati, Walter C. Winall....	5.00
250, Newark	5.00
	—\$ 17.00
Pennsylvania:	
Camp No. 1, Philadelphia	\$10.00
16, Reading (additional)	1.00
33, Pittsburgh	10.00
48, Northampton	5.00
81, Quakertown	6.00
121, Milton	2.50
233, Easton	10.00
Lehigh Valley Association	5.00
	—\$ 49.50
Total	\$2,849.81

REPORT OF NATIONAL CHAPLAIN

Portland, Oregon, July 27, 1942

To My Commander-in-Chief, Albert C. Lambert,
Trenton, New Jersey.

Dear Commander-in-Chief:

GREETINGS from the Pacific Coast, Portland, Oregon,
to the Atlantic Coast, Trenton, New Jersey.

In giving this accounting of my "stewardship of service" let me first express my great appreciation for the honor you have conferred upon me and my Department of Oregon, in appointing me as the National Chaplain of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, 1861 to 1865. It has indeed been a fine experience to be associated with you and the other members of your staff.

This has been a busy year for us all, occasioned principally by the treacherous attack made upon our Nation at Pearl Harbor, and your Chaplain, who as you know, holds a commission in the U. S. Army Reserve Corps, has had so many calls on his time in the way of Civilian Defense and other duties outside our own affairs, that I have not been able to do all the things that I had hoped to do at the beginning of my term of office.

It was my privilege, while on a trip to Washington, D. C., on military affairs, to attend the joint installation of officers of your own Camp and its Auxiliary in Trenton, where I was delightfully received and enjoyed surprising you.

Later I had the pleasure of attending a Regional Conference with you and Sister Schroeder, National President of our Auxiliary, at the

place of our last National Encampment, in Columbus, Ohio, which also was greatly enjoyed.

As your representative I attended the Washington Department Encampment at Yakima, and had the pleasure of instilling some new life in that Department. At that Encampment we were thrilled by the presence of Comrade Tift, Department Commander of the G. A. R., who recently celebrated his 100th birthday. The Washington Department elected Brother Chas. Key as its Department Commander, and he is the great-grandson of Francis Scott Key, author of our National Anthem.

Your Chaplain had the pleasure of delivering the address at the launching of one of our Liberty ships, the Henry D. Thoreau, at the Columbia ship yards in this city some time in June.

In May I, together with the Department Presidents of the W. R. C., Ladies of the G. A. R., and our Auxiliary, visited the Woman's Relief Corps at Corvallis. At that time I had a part in a special radio program telling of the purposes and objects of our order, broadcast over Station KWIL at Albany, Oregon.

On Memorial Sunday participated in church service at my own church and on Memorial Day had a part in the Cemetery services, conducted by Owen Summers Camp No. 4, Sons of Union Veterans, at the G. A. R. Cemetery in Portland.

At the Department Encampment of Oregon, over which I presided as Department Commander, was pleased to present at our Camp Fire Ceremonies, a fine American Flag to one of our Portland churches, which was well received by its pastor. Also presented an American Flag on behalf of Betsy Ross Tent No. 1, Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, to one of our country churches, at a regular meeting of the Tent. And again presented a Flag to one of our Boy Scout Troops in behalf of our Auxiliary.

In June visited and spoke to the Department Convention of Oregon of the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, 1861-1865.

It has been my sad duty to participate in the burial of a member of Owen Summers Camp No. 4 and to act as pall bearer to one of our G. A. R. Comrades.

A number of the Comrades of the G. A. R. still living in various places in Oregon have been visited by your Chaplain, and they all greatly appreciated the fact that they were not forgotten by their Sons, and it was indeed a benediction to me to make these calls.

It has been a pleasure to visit a number of Tents of the Daughters of Union Veterans, both in Oregon and Washington, as well as Circles of the Ladies of the G. A. R., and Woman's Relief Corps, and in all instances was received in the spirit of our orders.

During the past week I attended the Department of Oregon Convention of the American Legion, conveying the greetings from our order, and in turn was elected as a delegate from this Department to the National Convention in Kansas City, following our National Encampment.

Father Time has been rapidly depleting the ranks of our Comrades of the G. A. R., and our own membership and our Auxiliary. I do not have a list of all our departed members, and it would be too long to print if I had it. A list of our deceased National Officers will be printed on our joint memorial program.

I have kept in touch with the National Chaplain of our Auxiliary

by correspondence. I regret that the distance from Coast to Coast has prevented my being of greater service to you.

My loving sympathy is hereby extended to all the bereaved ones of our orders.

Respectfully submitted in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

LEONARD S. HOPFIELD,

National Chaplain.

REPORT OF NATIONAL PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR

Derby, Conn., July 27, 1942.

Albert C. Lambert, Commander-in-Chief,
Trenton, New Jersey.

Dear Commander-in-Chief:

It is an honor to be privileged to report to you, and through you to the Commandery-in-Chief, an account of my activities as National Patriotic Instructor, and to make a partial report of the accomplishments of our Departments and individual Camps in patriotic endeavor during the past twelve months.

My part in the presentation of the National School Essay contest is contained in the report of the National Committee, which successfully brought the essay contest to its conclusion and need not be repeated here. Suffice it to say that I considered that portion of my varied duties as National Patriotic Instructor the most important from a standpoint of actual accomplishment; that I feel justified in stating that the long hours of arduous work it entailed was rewarded by the success which resulted.

Among other tasks assigned to me was the propagation to Department Patriotic Instructors of our twenty-five Departments of the proposition of the Columbus Encampment urging observance of February 12th, birthday of the Great Emancipator, President Abraham Lincoln, as a legal holiday in any or all states of the Union in which that day is not already so observed. Request was made that the Department Patriotic Instructor take steps to promote interest in this proposition by contacting state governors and state assemblies to that end. I regret to report that few replies were received and these from Departments located in states where observance of February 12th is already law.

The Banner

In each issue of The Banner since occupying this office, I have had the privilege of conducting the column given to Patriotic Instruction. I have used this space to exhort our members to greater effort in the various programs for National Defense and the purchase of War Bonds and Stamps; to help in salvage of scrap materials, and to volunteer for Civilian Service in their own communities. I have also promoted the National School Essay Contest through this column, and have devoted space to urge the proper display and respect for our Flag. I have plead for the support of our own War Victory Fund, and I have written of the heroic service and sacrifices of the Grand Army of the Republic, extolling their deeds and urging emulation of their loyalty. I have enjoyed writing this column. Favorable comments from many quarters have made my task indeed worth while.

Department Patriotic Instructors

Many of the Department Patriotic Instructors, with whom I have had the good fortune to work this past term, have proved to be co-

operative to a great degree. I notice with satisfaction that some of these men have received Departmental recognition of their efforts in that office and have received promotion in recent Department Encampments. To those who were so loyal and faithful I extend my heartfelt gratitude. But there seemed to exist among a few others in this important Department post, an apathy which bordered upon incompetency. I believe that we would do well to remove this all-important post of Patriotic Instructor from the list of appointive offices in Camp, Department and Commandery-in-Chief, and place it among the elective offices as is the case in our Auxiliary, to better insure the possibility of efficiency.

RECOMMENDATION NO. 1—I therefore recommend that without necessarily changing the existing regulations, each Camp and Department unit of the Commandery-in-Chief be permitted and urged to make the office of Patriotic Instructor elective rather than appointive.

I desire to especially commend Department Patriotic Instructors C. W. Harvey, Kansas; Edward Fox, Wisconsin; C. N. Edie, Ohio; Orion H. Hardy, New Hampshire; Ralph Knowles, Maine; Charles R. Brush, Illinois; George C. Sudheimer, Minnesota; Clarence F. Howell, New York; Frank M. Heacock, Pennsylvania; Wallace R. Bassett, Connecticut; Ernest R. Eddy, Vermont; William W. Haskell, Massachusetts; Don E. Hatch, Michigan; and Thomas M. Horn, Indiana, for their fine spirit of co-operation in the affairs with which we have been concerned this past term.

Statistical Report

The table of statistics which accompanies this report and is considered a part thereof is despairingly incomplete. I regret that it is even necessary to publish it. Any compilation of figures intended to convey information concerning the patriotic accomplishments and Memorial Day service rendered by the organization selected by the Grand Army of the Republic to carry forward their work, should either give a true and accurate account of the work accomplished, so as to be a credit to our Order, or should never be laid open to public scrutiny. When a Department averaging 30 Camps reports only the activity of one-sixth of its individual units, and approximately 50% of the actual Memorial Day coverage is indicated as being the extent of our vast work throughout the entire country, such report is utterly useless and not worthy of consideration by this august body. I have no further comment to make on this statistical report, due to the very fact of its incompleteness. However there are some interesting comments made in these reports by the Department Patriotic Instructors which I give at the conclusion of my report.

RECOMMENDATION NO. 2—I therefore recommend that either a new Patriotic Instructor's report form be adopted, eliminating all unnecessary questions condensing the facts required, and carrying a more stringent penalty for non-compliance. Or, as an alternative, that the Patriotic Instructor's report be discontinued altogether in its present form, and that the most important details required be submitted by the Department Secretary to the National Secretary on the regular quarterly report form for the June 30th quarter. Or, as a further alternative, that the statistical report be rendered in a more condensed form, but not published in future proceedings unless 100% complete.

Conclusion

There are among our membership, for which we can be truly

thankful, many faithful workers, who are in a large measure responsible for the fine patriotic work that is being accomplished in our name. There is no finer organization than ours and we should all feel a sense of pride to have even a small share in its activities. I believe in the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War; I have faith in its future. I pledge myself here and now, to support and work for its success as long as I have the strength and ability to do so. This I owe to my honored grandfather, whose sacrifice and service I shall ever honor.

I take this opportunity to thank most sincerely all who have so kindly assisted me in the work I have attempted to do in this office. I wish also to thank you, Commander-in-Chief Lambert, for the honor you so graciously bestowed upon me and upon my Department in appointing me to this honored position. It has been a pleasure and an honor to have had this opportunity to serve our beloved Order on your official staff.

If I have been of service to even one small Camp somewhere, or given incentive to one individual member along the ranks; if I have instilled into one youthful mind a greater love of Country and of Flag by any act of mine this past term then I am amply rewarded for every hour I spent in the service of this organization as your National Patriotic Instructor.

Respectfully submitted in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

BERTRAND O. DE FOREST,
National Patriotic Instructor,
Chairman, School Essay Contest.

DEPARTMENT PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR ACTIVITIES. ADDRESSES BY MEMBERS OF DEPARTMENTS

ALABAMA & TENNESSEE—Oliver G. Swords, Department Patriotic Instructor, 2325 29th Street, South, St. Petersburg, Fla., represented Commander J. Winning, G. A. R., at Memorial exercises.

CALIFORNIA & PACIFIC—Report received at Encampment.

COLORADO & WYOMING—Hubert C. Bray. No comments, suggestions or addresses given. Essay contest participation by schools of several cities. Patriotic days observed.

CONNECTICUT—W. Irving Bassett. A splendid report of nearly 100% (lacking but one Camp). National Essay contest participation with National winning essay written by a Connecticut boy. Past Department Commanders' Association awarded state essay prize of \$10. Suggests that simply being a member is not enough, but living up to the oath taken at initiation should be requirements. Not letting the faithful few carry on Memorial Day work. Also suggests the organization publish a real magazine in co-operation with allied orders, same to be devoted to interests of the Grand Army of the Republic. Patriotic Instructor W. Irving Bassett took over very recently, succeeding his son, Wallace R. Bassett, who was inducted into the U. S. Army, and in the short time in office has done a superb job. Addresses by: Robt. C. C. Smith, 133 Hawthorne Ave., Hamden; Chas. E. Clark, Sr., Seymour Road, Woodbridge; Wm. D. Holt, Rockford Ave., Hamden; Hugh M. Alcorn, Sr., Hugh M. Alcorn, Jr., Howard W. Alcorn, Robert H. Alcorn, Rev. Jesse Smith, all of Suffield; Anson T. McCook, Hartford; C. J. Danaher, Mayor Henry T. King, both of Meriden; Paul L. Miller, 25 Blakeman Place, Stratford; Frank L. Wilder, 186 West Ave., Bridgeport; Tracy B. Lord, 88 Manhattan Ave., Chas. H. Sprague, 29 Hanover St., also of Bridgeport; D. S. Sammis, Park Blvd., Stratford; Charles

STATISTICS

	Alabama, Tennessee, Florida	
A. Number of Camps in good standing.....	4	
B. Number of Camps included in this Report.....	3	
1. Number of Members in good standing.....	56	1
2. Number attending Memorial Sunday Services.....	45	
3. Number participating in Memorial Day Exercises.....		
4. Number of Cemeteries covered by Sons of Union Veterans.....	10	
5. Number Flags placed on graves.....	536	17
A—Civil War Veterans.....	536	14
B—Other Veterans		3
6. Number of head stones placed on graves of Civil War Veterans.....		
7. Number of Flag holders placed on graves of Civil War Veterans.....		
8. Number of graves of Civil War Veterans given SPECIAL attention*		
9. Number of funerals attended (or conducted).....	9	
A—Civil War Veterans		
B—Camp Members	1	
C—Members of Allied Organizations.....		
10. Number of Camps having an active Committee on Marking of Veterans' Graves		
11. Number of Camps having patriotic talks and discussion at regular meetings		
12. Number of public patriotic programs sponsored by Camps.....		
13. Number of Flags presented		6
To Churches		
To Schools		6
To other Organizations		
14. Number of radio programs broadcast.....		
15. Number of parades participated in.....		
16. Number of official visits by representatives.....		1
To Churches		
To Sunday Schools		
To Public Schools		
To other Organizations		
17. Estimated number of school children participating in Memorial Day activities in communities where Camps are functioning.....	25	3833
18. Number of Memorial monuments or tablets erected during the year by this Department (NOT grave stones).....		
19. How many Camps take the lead in planning and conducting Memorial Services for the G. A. R. where it has ceased to be active?.....		1
20. Number of Camps participating in Armistice Day parade and programs	3	1
21. Pledge of Allegiance required schools?.....	yes	yes
22. American's Creed used in schools?.....		yes
23. U. S. Flag flying daily public schools?.....	yes	yes

*(Re-setting stone, grading, seeding, cutting grass, etc., NOT included)
 Indiana reported on obsolete form, returned for correction but not re

STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE NATIONAL PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR

	Alabama, Tenne- see, Florida	Connecticut	Colorado & Wyoming	Iowa	Kansas	Maine	Maryland	Michigan	Missouri	New Hampshire	New Jersey	New York	Oregon	Pennsylvania	Vermont	Washington	California & Pacific	Illinois	Indiana	Massachusetts	Minnesota	Nebraska	Ohio	Rhode Island	Wisconsin	Totals	
A. Number of Camps in good standing.....	4	29	4	16	15	36	11	16	10	21	23	68	8	105	22	4	18	24	18	122	8	6	60	16	12	955	
B. Number of Camps included in this Report.....	3	28	4	6	7	22	5	9	7	21	12	43	6	45	15	1	12	12	12	64	2	6	21	9	7	367	
1. Number of Members in good standing.....	56	1062	130	166	152	853	202	476	149	594	749	1164	165	3815	379	63	466	530	478	1662	168	120	597	316	115	14627	
2. Number attending Memorial Sunday Services.....	45	347	40	69	134	262	54	121	46	187	425	680	45	851	103	15	187	138	450	636	30	60	155	150	46	5282	
3. Number participating in Memorial Day Exercises.....	.....	544	50	81	139	230	82	113	44	203	425	896	65	1093	158	15	350	250	160	597	51	75	248	175	82	6126
4. Number of Cemeteries covered by Sons of Union Veterans.....	10	278	7	22	22	215	36	59	29	183	150	408	28	587	76	3	33	71	58	600	6	12	148	64	35	3140	
5. Number Flags placed on graves.....	536	17206	700	2075	1791	9711	4644	9057	3769	6800	15678	19768	963	44972	3942	65	34950	9185	7690	29230	6518	2920	13363	7025	3080	255638	
A—Civil War Veterans.....	536	14052	700	1977	1791	9192	4490	8136	3694	4488	14628	13600	963	37112	3942	62	16420	8739	3880	3312	2905	12250	6250	1888	175007		
B—Other Veterans.....	.....	3154	.....	92	.....	519	178	921	75	691	1050	4785	.....	7860	.....	3	18530	446	3810	.....	3206	15	1113	775	307	47530
6. Number of head stones placed on graves of Civil War Veterans.....	.....	5	3	2	1	2	3	5	65	.....	5	6	1	204	.....	.....	2	2	12	69	.....	0	4	0	0	391
7. Number of Flag holders placed on graves of Civil War Veterans.....	.....	55	3	146	10	78	.....	27	650	38	32	667	.....	706	6	.....	317	12	.....	392	.....	0	3	10	1	3153
8. Number of graves of Civil War Veterans given SPECIAL attention*	.....	291	.....	1	13	77	5	.....	8	46	12	.....	55	801	102	.....	62	10	20	1516	.....	75	29	2	187	3342
9. Number of funerals attended (or conducted).....	9	41	5	5	22	23	9	35	5	6	19	104	10	126	9	2	91	6	22	45	5	8	23	8	8	646	
A—Civil War Veterans.....	.....	5	1	.....	8	5	3	6	2	.....	7	83	1	18	1	.....	12	.....	12	.....	.....	2	2	1	0	169
B—Camp Members.....	1	17	3	2	6	16	6	13	1	4	11	21	9	70	3	2	12	.....	10	.....	4	6	9	6	11	243
C—Members of Allied Organizations.....	.....	19	1	.....	8	2	.....	23	2	2	.....	7	3	38	2	.....	67	6	.....	.....	1	0	12	1	7	201
10. Number of Camps having an active Committee on Marking of Veterans' Graves.....	.....	21	4	4	3	19	4	6	2	14	8	40	.....	38	9	.....	7	6	10	48	1	3	8	2	5	262
11. Number of Camps having patriotic talks and discussion at regular meetings.....	.....	19	4	6	4	17	5	7	5	12	8	40	8	34	11	1	10	12	18	55	2	3	12	5	6	304
12. Number of public patriotic programs sponsored by Camps.....	.....	32	7	29	5	42	9	15	6	14	35	83	10	96	24	2	27	12	54	60	3	5	17	2	14	603
13. Number of Flags presented.....	.....	693	.....	63	5	.....	.....	6	2	1	3	10	2	6	64	.....	3	6	1	46	0	2	5	3	48	696
To Churches.....	.....	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	1	.....	3	2	.....	30	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	40
To Schools.....	.....	691	.....	6	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	22	.....	.....	6	.....	.....	.....	1	3	.....	42	774
To other Organizations.....	.....	2	.....	55	3	.....	.....	4	2	.....	3	6	.....	6	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	2	3	3	102
14. Number of radio programs broadcast.....	.....	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	3	.....	5	8	.....	1	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	2	30
15. Number of parades participated in.....	.....	54	3	12	11	60	2	9	5	31	35	4	8	134	25	1	18	30	28	125	1	3	26	4	9	638
16. Number of official visits by representatives.....	.....	117	3	20	10	42	2	31	4	36	37	53	6	183	14	3	127	50	54	134	.....	8	16	5	4	959
To Churches.....	.....	9	.....	8	10	11	2	8	.....	5	4	16	2	42	4	.....	.....	5	6	.....	.....	4	2	1	10	149
To Sunday Schools.....	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	11	.....	20	.....	.....	.....	9	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	47
To Public Schools.....	.....	24	.....	9	.....	18	.....	3	.....	25	19	21	.....	76	6	.....	.....	10	8	.....	.....	8	.....	1	.....	228
To other Organizations.....	.....	61	.....	.....	.....	12	.....	17	.....	6	14	5	4	45	4	.....	.....	35	31	.....	.....	4	6	4	.....	248
17. Estimated number of school children participating in Memorial Day activities in communities where Camps are functioning.....	25	38335	2000	2550	5534	3936	16100	103250	340	8135	37000	85743	850	195700	1005	.....	12300	18000	10000	31250	7	540	6610	516	2100	581826
18. Number of Memorial monuments or tablets erected during the year by this Department (NOT grave stones).....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	5
19. How many Camps take the lead in planning and conducting Memorial Services for the G. A. R. where it has ceased to be active?.....	.....	19	4	3	3	21	5	7	5	14	8	43	5	36	15	1	10	14	12	56	1	4	11	10	4	311
20. Number of Camps participating in Armistice Day parade and programs.....	3	13	4	1	3	12	4	7	3	10	7	31	4	28	6	1	7	6	17	32	0	4	9	3	5	220	
21. Pledge of Allegiance required schools?.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	19 yes 5 no
22. American's Creed used in schools?.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	50%	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	19 yes 4 no
23. U. S. Flag flying daily public schools?.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	24 yes

*(Re-setting stone, grading, seeding, cutting grass, etc., NOT included in 6 and 7).

Indiana reported on obsolete form, returned for correction but not received back.

**ADDITIONAL DEPARTMENT PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR
ACTIVITIES. ADDRESSES BY MEMBERS OF DEPARTMENTS**

CALIFORNIA & PACIFIC—C. W. Jaggard. An almost complete report of all Camps. Patriotic days were observed, among them "Admission Day." No comments or addresses given.

ILLINOIS—Charles R. Brush. Reports that some Camps belong to a memorial association and that work for Memorial Day is divided among all Patriotic Orders. No comments further and no addresses given.

INDIANA—Thomas Horn. Reported on obsolete form which was returned for correction with the proper form No. 61. Patriotic days were observed. No comments given, no addresses.

MASSACHUSETTS—Edgar W. Harding. Comments that display of Old Glory after sundown considered discourteous despite Federal tolerance, that the safe rule of the Army is wisest and should be followed. Suggests that grave flags should be only placed on the graves of U. S. war veterans or service men. Essay contest participated in with Camp at Hanson awarding prize to best student in American history in graduating class. Suggests Camps conduct classes in adult alien groups, thus help outline the part we would have foreign-born take in Americanization program. Feels the official organ should deal less with unnecessary generalities and give space to more active news of live Camps—make it a "pep-sheet." Addresses by F. C. Deming, G. O. Walker, A. K. Austin, E. Cross, Thos. Crawford, E. H. Nichols, A. S. Kinder, Wm. Chase, Al. Beckford, J. R. Brown, Claire Woodall, J. A. Metcalf, L. R. Searles, C. W. Welcome, T. H. Buckley, Col. F. Bauer, Rev. C. M. Fogg, Scott Segal, E. J. Abar, Rev. A. Soule, H. D. Chamberlain, LeRoy Chapman, Alonzo Fraser, E. G. Wells, O. E. VanDearth, D. F. Mitchell, H. Harding Hale, Wm. Anderson, Rev. Reed, J. H. Henry, L. H. Casey, Addison Quinn, E. W. Harding, Louis Winchell.

MINNESOTA—George C. Sudheimer. One Camp suggests clip sheets of sample speeches on patriotic subjects be developed and sent thru the departments. Many members lack training in art of public speaking and would find these advantageous. All patriotic days were duly observed. No addresses reported.

NEBRASKA—J. A. Kelly. All patriotic days observed. No comments, no addresses given. 100 per cent of Camps reported.

OHIO—C. N. Edie. Many patriotic occasions were observed, among them the Bill of Rights Observance. No suggestions or comments given. Essay contest participated in. Addresses by Rev. E. R. Romig, Alliance; Hon. John W. McSweeney, Wooster; Rev. Thomas D. Abels, Dept. Chaplain, 1118 Hutchins st., Portsmouth; Judge C. Vernon Smith, court house, Portsmouth; Judge Homer A. Ramey, 2102 Parkdale Blvd., Toledo; Hon. Mark Winchester, 507 Main st., Toledo; Hon. John C. Catlett, member Ohio House of Representatives; Hon. Chas. T. Warner, Dept. Comdr., Columbus; Albert S. Bonner, Peebles; Ernest C. McClesney, Wheelersburg; Wm. Perry Scott, Ashland, Ky.

RHODE ISLAND—Harry J. Geer. Many patriotic days observed, among them "I Am an American Day," or "New Citizens' Day." Suggests press and radio stories of meaning and origin of Memorial Day and who proclaimed it as such. School children should be encouraged to write on this subject with flags to be given as prizes. Suggests prizes for hidden word contest in the printed columns of the official organ to encourage thoro reading of same. Addresses given by: Frank S. Reavy, 1089 Smith st., Providence; Charles W. Senior, 37 Modina ave., Providence; Frank P. Ballou, 23 Potter st., Enoch A. Hoyt, 21 Sprague st., J. F. Shearn, 170 Broad st., all of Providence; Harry J. Geer, Hoxie; Frank B. Wright, 67 So. Atlantic ave., Edgewood; Storrs T. Richmond, 356 Lockwood st., Providence; Maj. Israel B. Brayton, Hope.

WISCONSIN—Edward Fox. Patriotic days reported to have been duly observed. No comments, no addresses given.

Swift, Leete St., New Haven; George Sisson, New London; Rev. George Atha, New London; Walter H. DeForest, 450 New Haven Ave., Derby; Bertrand O. DeForest, 27 Homestead Ave., Derby; James Brinsmade, Sherman; Wm. W. Jackson, 27 Reilly Place, Bristol; Harold L. Scott, 43 Richmond Place, Bristol; Wm. G. Gibney, Winthrop St., New Britain.

ILLINOIS—Report received at Encampment.

INDIANA—Thomas Horn. Reported on obsolete form which was returned for correction with the proper form but never received back.

IOWA—R. I. Snodgrass. No comments, no suggestions, no addresses given. Among patriotic days observed were Grant's and McKinley's birthdays.

KANSAS—C. W. Harvey. No comments, suggestions or addresses given. Patriotic days observed. Essay contest participated in with Department winner from Vinita, Oklahoma, a border-line Camp located in a section where but little interest in Civil War events is displayed in schools.

MAINE—Ralph E. Knowles. Participation in Essay contest. Addresses by Robert A. Cary, Clarence H. Cram, Burleigh Martin. John Howes, Earl Howes, all of Augusta; Bradford C. Redornet, Wiscasset; Frank E. Small, Coopers Mills; Wm. H. Cressey, Portland; Rev. A. M. Soule, Marlboro, Mass.; Rev. G. E. Leighton, West Somerville, Mass.; Perley E. Fish, Portland; Fred C. Libby and Henry Towle, South Portland; Dexter Robinson, Belfast.

MARYLAND—Robert S. Valteau. Public school pupils in Wilmington, Del., upon request of Appomattox Camp No. 2, donated flowers for decorating soldiers' graves. Red Cross and Civilian Defense units added much to Memorial Day parade to make it the largest in history of city. Addresses by John L. Hubert, 1208 Lombard St., Wilmington; Harry G. Hinson, 1322 Walnut St., Wilmington; Dr. W. Henry Pipes, 926 French St., and Daniel Barrett, 204 E. 5th St., both of Wilmington, Del.; Benj. F. Hubert, 409 N. 9th St., Philadelphia, Pa.; Elwood G. Hubert, 2133 L St., N.W., Washington, D. C.

MASSACHUSETTS—Report received at Encampment.

MICHIGAN—Don E. Hoch. Suggests better co-operation between allied organizations; more emphasis on exemplification of the Ritual and principles of the Order with regard to new members. Addresses by Chas. Berkey, 35 West Grand River, Detroit; Arthur Lewis, 16511 Washburn; Fredk. McMurtrie, 1690 Burlingdome; Col. L. C. Moore, 650 Atkinson, all of Detroit; Chas. Cowden, 255 Tennyson, Highland Park; Earl Cowden, Carson City; Chas. Becker, 11853 Hamilton, Detroit; Irving Canning, Washington; Robt. McWilliams, 30 E. Philadelphia, Detroit; Paul Liston, 5318 Linsdale, Detroit; Lyn Strong, 146 Burkley, Kalamazoo; John Tiffany, 1213 Mill St., Kalamazoo; Cloy Smith, 272 Douglas, Jackson; Bert Hammond, 213 N. Pleasant, Jackson; Don Hoch, 1121 Howard, Jackson; Arthur Hampton, 2318 Barlum Tower, Detroit.

MINNESOTA—Report received at Encampment.

MISSOURI—A. L. Ernst. No comments, no addresses given. Essay contest participated in by Camp at Cape Girardeau, once headquarters of General U. S. Grant.

NEBRASKA—Report received at Encampment.

NEW HAMPSHIRE—Orion H. Hardy. Participation in Essay contest. Suggests more space in The Banner for Camp items. Addresses by Wm. L. John, Geo. C. Avery, both of Manchester; Stewart E. Rowe and Edwin F. Nash, of Portsmouth; Orion H. Hardy, Carlos M. Hardy

and Daniel P. Webster, of Pennacook; Wm. A. Chase, Nashua; Haviland W. Jacobs, Pittsfield.

NEW JERSEY—Lewis A. Varick. Essay contest participated in by schools of Trenton. Civil War relics of historic city of Trenton saved from salvage by efforts of Commander-in-Chief Lambert and members of Dayton Camp No. 5. Addresses by Capt. Ezra T. Beers, Park Ave., Trenton; Capt. John L. Reeger, Revere Ave., Trenton; H. Alton Frome, South Clinton Ave., Trenton; Com-in-Chief Albert C. Lambert, Trenton.

NEW YORK—Clarence F. Howell. National Essay contest participation. General McArthur honored with a new Camp, No. 54 being named for him at Jamaica, organized by Commander Howard E. Bunker, a 50-year member 75 years young, who deserves much credit for his loyalty and his efforts. Addresses by Howard W. Bunker, 415 Lincoln Ave.; Edw. E. Cohen, 2754 Pitkin Ave., Louis Eyring, 208 Barbey St., all of Brooklyn; L. K. Starkweather, 56 Thorp St.; Carl Hill, 6 Blanchard Ave., Binghamton; Francis P. Addy, 1121 Linwood Race, Utica; Walter A. Waterman, Mt. Vernon; Chas. D. Morse, Wm. Allen Dyer, Dr. H. G. Courtney, Hon. Frank P. Malpass, Harry C. Dustin, Geo. B. Parsons, Dwight C. Daie, Homer E. Star, and Carl H. Bessey, all of Camp 52, Syracuse; Norman Brockway, Fred C. Barnard, and C. F. Howell, of Ithaca; Reville Turk, of New York City; Rev. Wm. A. Hallock, Robert H. McMahon, 67 Merchants Road, Rochester; Cong. J. W. Wadsworth, and Jos. O'Brien, Washington, D. C.; Chas. Johnson, Chas. Taggart and Robt. Palmateer, Batavia.

OHIO—Report received at Encampment.

OREGON—L. B. Bennett. No comments, suggestions or addresses reported. But an interesting report of activities with patriotic days observed. Marshfield, "farthest west Camp in the United States," participated in National Essay contest and had state winner.

PENNSYLVANIA—Frank M. Heacock. A most excellent report in considerable detail. Public discourtesies to Flag in permitting it to remain flying at all hours. Camps at Pittsburgh, Scranton and Milton commended for this particular activity in attempting to rectify this practice. Essay contest participation widespread. Camps request suggested topics for discussion to keep from political tinge of times. Camps following up "personal letter to every member" campaign. Addresses by: Philadelphia—P. C.-in-C. Walter C. Mabie, Rev. H. Cressen McHenry, Rev. Elmer Finger, Judge Eugene C. Bonniwell, Col. Edwin J. Prittie, Donald B. Lewis, Horace Docker, Douglas Zander, Walter E. Lorimer, Jr., Wm. S. Adkins, John E. Larkin, Francis E. Larkin, Very Rev. F. W. Bonynge, and Fred Edelman. Pittsburgh—P. D. C. Wm. J. Blakeley, Carl Ruhe, Willis Reutzel, B. Meredith Reid, J. Clark Mansfield, William Elliott, Jr., Hon. James H. Gray, Hon. W. Heber Dithrich and A. G. Oehmler. Media—Dept. Pat. Inst. Frank M. Heacock, Wm. E. Hosmer, Wm. H. Hosmer, Wm. Roberts, Wm. E. Griffith and Geo. H. Carnathan. Darby—P. D. C. Richard S. Widdoes, Leo T. Wagner, Edgar J. Magnin, Sr., Jas. E. C. Yocum, Wesley Bateman, John C. Yocum, Russell Dillin, J. Harris Yocum, Gustave Hornberger. Milton—P. D. C. Frederick A. Godcharles, Arthur L. Swartz, Charles Arnold and Wm. G. Stevenson. Sharpsburg—P. C.-in-C. John E. Sauter. Scranton—Milton B. Langdon and Donald B. Cahoon. Middletown—Willis Berkstresser, Sr., and A. C. Prescott. Johnstown—Rev. S. V. Cannony. Lancaster—Howard Dissinger, Theodore Dissinger and Edgar M. Aument. Easton—W. S. Stoneback, Rev. Henry Carleson, Rev. R. Henry Ueikirk, Rev. Harry F. Fennlrmasher, Kenneth Kessler, Charles F. Stecker and Wyte Williams. Carlisle—J. Frank Bonier.

Minersville—P. D. C. Roy Witman, Geo. M. Clauser and William Heller. Nazareth—Elsis Spengler, Esq., Standby Fehr, Esq., W. M. Frack. Esq., Prof. Paul Eagon and Ruben Davison.

RHODE ISLAND—Report received at Encampment.

VERMONT—Ernest R. Eddy. Suggests that we can command respect for Memorial Day only by showing more interest and respect for the day ourselves. A benefit play given, proceeds to War Victory Fund. Participated in Essay contest. Addresses by Rev. J. Kirkwood Craig, Franklin, N. H.; Dept. Com. DeWitt, Brattleboro; Rev. Eno Conn, Rutland.

WASHINGTON—A. G. Colvin. Report based upon the report of the only Camp reporting. No comments, suggestions or addresses given.

WISCONSIN—Report received at Encampment.

These are the reports, comments and suggestions of the various Department Patriotic Instructors, condensed so as to give only the high lights of the reports without going into full detail. It is hoped that the list of members who gave Memorial Day addresses may be helpful to some Camp in selecting their speakers for patriotic occasions. Department Patriotic Instructors Orion H. Hardy, New Hampshire, and H. C. Bray, Colorado & Wyoming, whose reports were the only ones with 100% of the Camps reporting; and W. Irving Bassett, Connecticut, and Oliver G. Swords, Alabama & Tennessee, whose reports lacked but one Camp of being 100% complete, are hereby especially commended. To those Department Patriotic Instructors who gave much time toward attempting to compile a concise and interesting report, and who tried to get a majority of their Camps to get reports in, I express my sincere thanks. It has been a pleasure to work with you, and our correspondence has been most interesting. I shall ever remember the many fine friendships that this correspondence has made.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. & L.,

BERTRAND O. DE FOREST,
National Patriotic Instructor,
Chairman, National School Essay Committee.

REPORT OF NATIONAL COUNSELOR

Philadelphia, Pa., August 6, 1942.

To Albert C. Lambert, Commander-in-Chief,
2772 S. Broad Street,
Trenton, N. J.

My Dear Commander:

The duties of your National Counselor have been very light this year, but I have appreciated the appointment as a member of your staff and the added opportunity to render service to you and our beloved Order.

One important question was referred to me for an opinion, and while I would have preferred to rule otherwise, the following ruling was imperative if I was to be guided by a strict interpretation of the C. & R., and Ritual.

DECISION NO. 1—1941-42

Philadelphia, Pa., March 28, 1942.

Albert C. Lambert, Commander-in-Chief,
2772 S. Broad Street,
Trenton, N. J.

My Dear Commander:

QUESTION—Can a member of the Auxiliary legally install the Officers of a Camp?

In reply to your request for an opinion in the question by the Colorado Department as to the legality of a member of the Auxiliary installing the Officers of a Camp, I would say that such an installation WOULD NOT BE LEGAL.

You will find authority for this opinion in C. & R., Chapter 1, Article V. Section 2, which states "Installing Officer shall communicate the password to the Commander _____," no one not a member of the Order could be expected to have the password.

Section 3 of the same Article states—"HE shall correct . . . HE shall make a detailed report . . ."

And on Page 30 of the Ritual ". . . select a Staff of SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR . . ." and no mention is made of any person NOT a member of the Order.

Yours in F. C. & L.,

WALTER C. MABIE,
National Counselor.

A complete new set of By-Laws was received from the Iowa Department but they contained so many provisions that were in direct conflict with the C. & R. that all we could do was make notations of the various conflictions and return the By-Laws to the Department with the suggestion that same be corrected to conform to the C. & R.

Some correspondence was had during the year from Brothers desiring clarification of certain laws and were not in the nature of requests for decisions.

Yours in F. C. & L.,

WALTER C. MABIE,
National Counselor.

REPORT OF NATIONAL SCHOOL ESSAY COMMITTEE

Derby, Conn., August 15, 1942.

Albert C. Lambert, Commander-in-Chief,
Trenton, New Jersey.

Dear Commander-in-Chief:

Your Committee on the 1942 National School Essay Contest having completed the task assigned to it, herewith submits a report of its activities in conduct of the contest.

Unlike a majority of National Committees, this one held an actual meeting when four of its five members assembled at Derby, Connecticut, on Sunday, November 9, 1941, for the purpose of drafting the rules and regulations to govern the 1942 school essay contest, and to select a subject.

Recommendations of the Sixtieth National Encampment with regard to the conduct of the 1942 contest were adhered to and participation of Department Commanders, Department Secretaries, and Department Patriotic Instructors was requested and encouraged.

The subject chosen by the committee and approved both by the National Patriotic Instructor and the Commander-in-Chief, was "The Life of General Ulysses S. Grant," (with particular emphasis upon his participation in the great Civil War 1861-65).

Regulations governing the contest as devised by the committee designated pupil eligibility any Eighth Grade pupil in any Grade School. Judging qualifications were made upon: 1. Accuracy; 2. Neatness; 3. Originality; 4. Phraeseology. Local and state contests were invited and encouraged.

Methods and Results

On December 9, 1941, a letter was sent to each Department Commander, Department Secretary and Department Patriotic Instructor of our twenty-five Departments explaining the details of the contest and urging support of it. This letter also outlined the duties which these officers were requested to perform in assistance of the National Committee's efforts to make the 1942 contest a success.

On the same date a packet was mailed to each Departemnt Secretary, with the exception of the Rhode Island Department, where school essays are not allowed by law. These packets contained a supply of form letters sufficient to cover the Camps of each Department; one for the Camp addressed to the Camp Commander; one for the local Essay Committee's use, addressed to the Superintendent of Schools (or Supervisor) and copies of the regulations governing local, state and national contests.

Early in February a follow-up letter was sent to each Department Commander and Department Patriotic Instructor. The committee members were each assigned a number of Departments to contact and your chairman wrote personal letters to each Department Patriotic Instructor urging action and attention in the matter of the contest. Replies to these letters soon began to indicate progress in many quarters.

Fifteen Departments accepted participation in the National Essay Contest and conducted successful local and state contests in an efficient and splendid manner: Colorado & Wyoming, Connecticut, Illinois, Kansas, Maine, Massachusetts, Missouri, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Vermont and Wisconsin. Three others accepted the contest but no essays were submitted: Indiana, Michigan and Maryland.

The contest ran from January 1, 1942, to March 31, 1942. Local contest winners received a blue-bordered certificate handsomely engraved and the name of the winner blocked in by hand; their papers were entered in the state contest.

State winners received a brown-bordered certificate and their papers were judged by the National Committee from which selection was made of the national prize winning essay. All the certificates were signed by the Commander-in-Chief, the National Patriotic Instructor, and attested by the National Secretary.

There are no available figures to indicate the number of essays actually written throughout the nation, but we conservatively estimate that some four thousand (4000) eighth grade youngsters participated in local contests. Public, private and parochial schools and at least one orphanage submitted papers in local contests.

Brig. Gen. U. S. Grant 3rd, grandson of the great Union Army Commander, subject of the essay, graciously endorsed the contest at the start, in a letter in which he commended our organization for sponsoring such contest, stating that it is a contribution we "can and should

make toward a better understanding of our country by the younger generation." He also wrote a congratulatory letter to the national winner. School authorities expressed their appreciation of the contest, and Camp Patriotic Instructors everywhere were enthusiastic in their commendation of it, and lent material assistance in promoting local contests.

Department Patriotic Instructors of the participating Departments were most energetic and loyal and deserve much credit for the ultimate success of the contest. Many inspiring gatherings, some public, have been reported at which presentations were made of the certificates and local prizes offered by Camps, school boards and citizens of the communities. One local essay contest winner, graduating from eighth grade as valedictorian of his class was permitted to read his essay following his valedictory address at graduation exercises of his class. Many column inches of news-print carried stories of these affairs, and some newspaper photographs accompanied these articles showing the winner receiving his award. Your National Patriotic Instructor officiated at several of these presentation exercises.

Your committee feels that its work has not been in vain; that out of its combined effort a definite achievement has been realized. Thousands of young people, future citizens of America have, by reason of the research necessary to the writing of this essay, become better acquainted with the cherished history of our country, and have gained in knowledge of the services of our gallant Union Veterans of the Civil War. They have become inspired with the story of its greatest hero, General Ulysses S. Grant, his perseverance, dauntless courage and upstanding character. This marks the success of our 1942 National School Essay Contest, and in the realization of a task well performed lies the reward of your National School Essay Committee.

National Judges

On April 15, 1942, Brother Fred O. Arnold, P. D. C., of Rhode Island, an ardent and enthusiastic worker on the committee, left for duty as a Yeoman in the United States Navy and resigned as a member of the National Committee. His assistance in the early part of the work of the committee was willingly given and aided in a considerable measure toward getting the contest under way.

Brothers William O. Fuller, P. D. C., New Bedford, Mass.; Lyman B. Gregory, P. D. C., Milford, Conn., and Fred C. Barnard, P. D. C., Ithaca, N. Y., acted as National judges. Your chairman as National Patriotic Instructor did no judging but simply compiled the points submitted by the judges and gave approval of their choice of the national winning essay paper. The state winning essays, bearing no other identification than a national number were sent to each judge separately. The judges marked the rating of each essay on a rating sheet which was sent direct to the National Patriotic Instructor, who compiled the points given each essay. The essays went forward to the next judge. No judge saw the rating sheet of another judge. Compilation and grading of the points by the National Patriotic Instructor showed the following results in the official standing of the state winners:

- 1st. Connecticut—Donlan Aberg, Jr., age 13, Milford—91.8%.
- 2nd. Massachusetts—Barbara Valentino, age 13, Pittsfield—91.6%.
- 3rd. Missouri—Madelyn Krahn, age 13, Cape Girardeau—91.3%.
- 4th. Colorado—Spencer Manlove, Pueblo.
New Hampshire—Michael Kostandin, age 15, Boscaween, tied—89.7%.

- 5th. Pennsylvania—Shirley Murdock, age 14, Media—88.0%.
- 6th. Wisconsin—Barbara Regez, age 13, Plymouth—87.2%.
- 7th. New York—Marjorie Longmore, Riverhead—87.0%.
- 8th. Vermont—Shirley Farrar, age 14, Chester—86.9%.
- 9th. Ohio—Lyle Shoemaker, age 13, Sciotoville—86.7%.
- 10th. Oregon—Melba Thomes, age 12, Marshfield—85.9%.
- 11th. Illinois—Jack Haligas, Elgin—85.7%.
- 12th. Maine—Roberta Emery, age 12, Belfast—84.8%.
- 13th. New Jersey—Adele Caplan, age 13, Trenton—82.0%.
- 14th. Oklahoma—Paula Mae Dugger, Vinita—78.4%.

List of local contest winners (not graded) were published in the August issue of The Banner.

Much credit is due the National Judges for the efficient, impartial and prompt manner in which they carried out the duties entrusted to them in judging these essays. No favoritism was possible in the method of judging used, and no favoritism would have been countenanced by these judges.

National Winner

The National Winner, Donlan Aberg, Jr., of 49 Harborview Avenue, Milford, Connecticut, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. D. V. Aberg. He has just been graduated from the eighth grade of the Milford Central Grammar School. His teacher is Miss Vivian Brennan. Young Aberg is 13 years of age and a most promising scholar, endowed with a natural aptitude for writing and a splendid knowledge of our Country's history and that of its outstanding heroes. In spite of a somewhat crowded curriculum of regular school studies he spent many hours in research and put forth a most commendable effort to write his splendid story of the life of General Ulysses S. Grant. Outside of school he is a regular American boy, fond of sports and occupying his spare time in conducting a newspaper delivery route of considerable territory. The list of desirable articles offered by the committee at the outset of the contest, from which the winner was entitled to select his own prize, included some items which the government later prohibited purchase of due to war restrictions, without a priority certificate. The Aberg boy needed a bicycle with which to cover his paper route and therefore asked the committee whether it might be possible for him to have the bicycle as his prize. Your chairman contacted the State Rationing Board in an attempt to secure a bicycle as the national prize and was informed that such transfer of restricted articles was in violation of the law. The boy then stated that he would be content with even a used bicycle, and your chairman together with Committeeman Lyman B. Gregory, who represented the committee in the field, made every effort to purchase a good used machine without success. It was then learned that the boy himself might purchase a new bicycle if a priority certificate could be obtained by him. Therefore a requisition was made on the National Essay Fund for \$50.00 to cover the cost of the bicycle with the understanding that any balance over the purchase price would be returned to the Essay Fund. At date of this report this matter was still unsettled.

A most inspiring public gathering was held on Thursday evening, August 13, 1942, at the Fowler Memorial Building in Milford, Connecticut. Dr. Maddocks, superintendent of the Milford Schools System was the guest speaker. The National Patriotic Instructor presented the gold-bordered certificate for the Nations Best Essay, properly

framed to Donlan Aberg, Jr., and a large attendance of Department officers, members of Connecticut Camps and of the allied orders and local civic and veteran organizations, enjoyed a brilliant program and a never-to-be-forgotten patriotic occasion. Past Department Commander Lyman B. Gregory, member of the National Essay Committee, is commended for his efforts in arranging this wonderful affair, and merits my heartfelt thanks for his invaluable assistance.

Financial Statement

Appropriation to Committee—School Essay Fund.....	\$150.00
Plus office expense	50.00
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	\$200.00

Expended:

The Evening Sentinel, printing	\$40.75
The Wilcox Press, certificates	8.63
Hand-blocking certificates	6.00
†National Prize	50.00
Postage, supplies, general office expense.....	37.75

Total	<hr/>	\$143.13
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Balance in Fund	<hr/>	\$ 56.87
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†Balance over purchase price to be returned to Fund.

Recommendations

The committee respectfully submits the following recommendations:

No. 1—That the National School Essay Contest be continued each year under the direction of the National Patriotic Instructor.

No. 2—That a committee be appointed by each Commander-in-Chief-elect to this end.

No. 3—That the Rules and Regulations governing the contest be revised if necessary, subject to the approval of the Commander-in-Chief, but that in effect the same general requirements and features be maintained.

No. 4—That a prize (or prizes) as the Commander-in-Chief and the National Patriotic Instructor shall decide, be given as well as certificates for local, state, and national contest winners as in the past.

No. 5—That the appropriation for prizes be increased so as to make the national prize worthy of the organization and of the effort put into these essays by those pupils who shall participate in future contests.

Conclusion

In the opinion of your committee this 1942 National School Essay Contest has been a tremendous success, educationally, patriotically, and in worth while endeavor on the part of our Order.

The splendid endorsements of the National Essay Contest given by General U. S. Grant 3rd, by school authorities, by Camps and by individual members, and the interest of the public press, has more than repaid us for our long hours of work on the contest.

If we have been the means of increasing the Civil War knowledge of some of the future citizens of America, then our efforts as a committee, and the educational program of the Commandery-in-Chief has not been in vain. Our reward lies in their inspiration, and in their subsequent patriotic devotion to the cause of Liberty for which our

forefathers offered their lives and all that they held dear back in 1861-1865.

The task is completed; we rest on the merits thereof; we trust that it may receive your approbation.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. & L.,

NATIONAL SCHOOL ESSAY COMMITTEE

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PROGRAM AND POLICY

To Albert C. Lambert, Commander-in-Chief,
 Trenton, New Jersey.

Your Committee on Program and Policy for the current term, as provided for by the Regulations and by appointment of the Commander-in-Chief, was composed as follows:

Ex-officio Commander-in-Chief Albert C. Lambert, New Jersey.
 " Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief Henry Towle, Maine.
 " Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief Arthur G. Gibbons, Ohio.
 " National Patriotic Instructor Bertrand O. DeForest, Connecticut.
 " National Secretary-Treasurer Horace H. Hammer, Pennsylvania.
 " National Counselor Walter C. Mabie, Pennsylvania.
 " Past Commander-in-Chief J. Kirkwood Craig, D. D., New Hampshire.

Past Department Commander Henry F. Weiler, Massachusetts.

Past Department Commander James E. Gallagher, Illinois.

Past Department Commander Clarence E. Maples, New York.

Department Commander Elmer E. Cram, Nebraska.

Past Department Commander Henry F. Weiler, Massachusetts, was designated by the Commander-in-Chief to serve as Chairman of the Committee.

No matters were referred to the Committee by the Sixtieth Annual Encampment.

Two letters were sent to each member of the Committee, calling attention to the duties of the Committee, to actions taken by previous similar Committees, and suggesting matters that might be taken up by this Committee. All but two Committee members replied, either by acknowledging receipt of the letters, or by offering comments or suggestions.

Letters were sent to all Department Commanders, calling attention to the requirements of the Regulations for the appointment of Department Committee on Program and Policy. The following eleven Departments appointed such Committees, and to the Chairman of each, letters were sent offering the co-operation of the National Committee on Program and Policy, making suggestions to them, and seeking suggestions or copies of reports from them:

Connecticut—P. D. C. Henry E. Gage, 238 Newbury St., Hartford, Conn.

Illinois—John H. Leaverton, 510 Hamilton St., Peoria, Ill.

Maine—P. D. C. Charles C. Webster, 7 John St., Springvale, Me.

Massachusetts—P. D. C. Addison A. Quinn, 109 Sagamore Ave., Chelsea, Mass.

Minnesota—P. D. C. Maj. William J. Boyce, 1910 St. Clair Ave. St. Paul, Minn.

New Hampshire—P. D. C. William L. John, 38 Everett St., Manchester, N. H.

Ohio—Edward S. Glasgow, 332 Blessing Ave., Wooster, O.

Oregon—P. D. C. Dr. L. L. Baker, 1209 Pearl St., Eugene, Ore.

Pennsylvania—William C. Elliot, Sr., 3604 Fifth Ave., Pittsburgh, Penn.

Vermont—P. D. C. George A. DeWitt, 8 Chestnut St., Brattleboro, Vermont.

Wisconsin—P. D. C. Roy R. Lewis, 3128 West Wisconsin Ave., Milwaukee, Wis.

The following thirteen Departments have no Committees on Program and Policy, or have failed to make it known to the National Committee: Alabama & Tennessee, California & Pacific, Colorado & Wyoming, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Maryland, Michigan, Missouri, Nebraska, New Jersey, New York, Rhode Island.

The recommendation of last year's Committee was adopted, whereby the National, Department and Camp Secretaries were charged with the duty of supplying news and fulfilling the duties of a Press Correspondent. We believe that this practice should be continued and enforced. Where a Press Correspondent is regularly appointed, he could relieve the Secretary of this duty, but should be responsible to the Secretary, and act under his direction, and with his co-operation. As the appointment of a Press Correspondent is not a requirement of the Order, we believe and recommend—

RECOMMENDATION NO. 1—That the duty of supplying news items be the responsibility of the respective, National, Department and Camp Secretaries, or that a Press Correspondent do so under their direction.

Upon the present policy of an appointed National Organizer, there is plenty of opportunity to work with, and encourage Department Organizers, or interested officers or members.

Little interest has been found in employing a salaried organizer at the present time. It seems to be a better plan to find an interested and enthusiastic member to undertake such work for the Order, for the pride he may enjoy in giving service. Good work can bring its own reward, and "honors" can be given rather than a few dollars. Many members have been, and are giving liberally of themselves because of a genuine interest in the welfare of the Order and a belief in its worthwhileness. This Committee therefore recommends—

RECOMMENDATION NO. 2—That the policy of having a National Organizer be continued and encouraged, and a small allowance provided for necessary expenses.

Last year's adopted recommendation to provide for publicity matter should be carried out, both as an aid in the securing of new members and Camps, and to present our Order in a favorable light wherever it is possible to do so.

An example of good material is the pamphlet issued by P. D. C. Michael G. Heintz, of Ohio; used to correct the erroneous use of the term "War Between the States." This might well be used more widely, and with the endorsement of our Order. And so we recommend—

RECOMMENDATION NO. 3—That the Council-in-Chief and the National Patriotic Instructor co-operate to bring into use, dignified and forceful printed-matter, for publicizing the Order, and along the lines of its objectives.

The matter of making cash awards, as recommended last year, and also before that, is apparently not meeting with the anticipated success. Perhaps a better plan can be laid out, but until this is done, we recommend—

RECOMMENDATION NO. 4—That the present system of cash awards be discontinued.

Many of the Departments have some form of inspection or official visitations, following out in a way, the requirements of the Regulations (Article III, Section 3) providing these extra duties for the Installing Officer. No form of report blank is provided, and as installations are often held publicly, there is little opportunity for an Installing Officer to do very much of a constructive nature.

It is apparent that many Departments and Camps need some outside aid and encouragement, and that the Commandery-in-Chief and the Department headquarters need to be kept in closer contact with the operation of the units under their jurisdiction. Failure of officers to comply with the rules of the Order, or to carry out their duties in a complete manner, is a great handicap to the progress of the Order. We therefore recommend—

RECOMMENDATION NO. 5—That a standard form be provided, and a plan be outlined, to provide for annual visitations to the Departments by the Commander-in-Chief or his delegated representative, and to the Camps by the Department Commander or his delegated representative, to ascertain and report the extent to which these units operate in accord with the requirements of the Order, and to try to bring up their standard of operation.

There is still a vital need of some policy that will attract the younger generation into our membership, and to join in our activities. Perhaps our work needs dramatization and to be made more spectacular, to provide an incentive to join.

Under the war clouds, our machinery seems to slow down. We must win the confidence of our members to convince them that we are not a worn-out Order, that our blood-pressure is not dangerously low, that our mission is not yet fulfilled.

This is no time to quit. We profess to be propagandists of good American patriotism of the substantial variety, and so must line up and co-operate with other individuals and organizations that are of this belief, too.

Let us seek out worthy objective, and give un-selfishly of ourselves. We already have worthy principles and objects if we will only make it our program and policy to live up to them, and to make others feel their good effects.

These times call for economy in operation, for seeking out ways to conserve our assets and live within our income, to get the maximum returned for the expenditure of the money of the members.

A great deal of our effort and interest must go toward supporting our Country's war effort, yet we must look forward to that time when peace will be declared and national life will again approach a normal state.

In this new condition we must find our place, still preaching and

exemplifying an undying loyalty to the things struggled for so hard by our sacrificing predecessors.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY F. WEILER, Chairman,
Program and Policy Committee.

REPORT OF LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

Springfield, Virginia, June 25, 1942.

Albert C. Lambert, Commander-in-Chief,
2772 South Broad Street,
Trenton, New Jersey.

My dear Commander-in-Chief:

As Chairman of the Committee on Legislation, I herewith submit a report on the following bills of both private and public character, that are of interest to the veterans and dependents of veterans of the Civil War.

The principal bill, H.R. 1091, is identical with the bill H.R. 7981, of the Seventy-sixth Congress. Both the Seventy-sixth and Seventy-seventh Congress bills were sponsored by Honorable John Lesinski, of the Sixteenth Congressional District of Michigan, who is Chairman of the Committee on Invalid Pensions of the House of Representatives. Chairman Lesinski was successful in having the House approve his bill in the Seventy-sixth Congress, and it was favorably reported by the Committee on Pensions of the Senate, but failed to receive final approval of that body before the Seventy-sixth Congress adjourned on January 3, 1941. During the Seventy-sixth Congress Chairman Lesinski's committee held extensive hearings on bills having for their objective the liberalization of the present pension laws insofar as they concern dependents of veterans of the Civil War. There were nine of these pension bills considered by the committee and following the hearings, the committee gave exhaustive study of all the testimony, and as the result of its deliberations drafted into appropriate language a bill to accomplish the purposes as specifically recommended by the National Officers of the Auxiliary Organizations of the Grand Army of the Republic, who gave testimony before the committee.

The public hearings were held on January 15 and 16, 1940. When the Seventy-seventh Congress convened, Chairman Lesinski re-introduced his bill, H.R. 1091, and it was favorably reported by him to the House of Representatives on April 1, 1941. The House Report to accompany the bill is numbered 396. The bill was passed by the House on May 29, 1941, and was favorably reported by the Committee on Pensions of the United States Senate on September 17, 1941. The Senate Report, which accompanied the bill, was numbered 678. This pension bill, along with several others of a general nature, has been reached on the Calendar of the United States Senate several times; each of the times it has been reached, objection has been raised to the consideration of the bill by Senator Byrd of Virginia.

This bill, H.R. 1091, is conservative and the benefits proposed therein have been long overdue to those widows who married their Civil War veteran husbands subsequent to June 26, 1905. I urge that every effort be made, not only by members of this Organization, but by our parent Organization and the auxiliary organizations thereof, to use their very best efforts to have their Senators from their respective States urge that the Senate as a whole be given an opportunity to vote on this very worthy piece of legislation. Let us not permit another Congress to adjourn with a proposal to give a pensionable status to widows of Civil War veterans who were married after 1905,

without the Senate as a whole being given an opportunity to say whether they are or are not in favor of taking care of these aged widows, all of whom to benefit under this bill must be more than 60 years old, and have been married to a Civil War veteran for more than ten years, and such marriage must have taken place subsequent to June 26, 1905.

The other bills that have passed the House and are of interest to dependents of Civil War veterans are five so-called "omnibus pension bills." These bills provide pensions and increases of pensions to certain dependents of veterans of the Civil War. The individual bills are introduced in the House, and in order to facilitate matters they are combined into one bill known as "an omnibus bill."

The first bill reported by Chairman Lesinski of the Committee on Invalid Pensions, was H. R. 4256, which he reported on April 1, 1941. This omnibus bill contained 377 private bills, introduced by 92 Members of the House, and had for its purpose the granting of pensions and increases of pension to widows and helpless children. The committee estimated that this proposed legislation would cost \$72,960 the first year which, owing to the age and pitiful condition of the proposed beneficiaries, all of whom require the regular aid and attendance of another person, because of mental or physical disabilities, would decrease each succeeding year. The merits and equities of each case are set forth in the individual reports as to each item, and the report on the omnibus bill is known as House Report 357.

The next bill reported by Chairman Lesinski was H.R. 4860, on May 26, 1941, which House Report is numbered 623, and covers 19 individual private bills, introduced by 17 Members, and the annual estimated cost of this proposed legislation for the first year is \$3,456.

On July 21, 1941, Chairman Lesinski reported H.R. 5367. The House Report to accompany this bill is numbered 978, and covers 15 bills introduced by 14 Members. The annual cost for this proposed legislation is \$2,400.

The next bill reported by Chairman Lesinski was on October 9, 1941, House Report 1238, and contains 17 private bills, introduced by 15 Members, and the estimated annual cost of this legislation is \$2,856.

The last bill so far reported by Chairman Lesinski is H.R. 6728, House Report 1874, and contains 35 private bills, introduced by 32 Members of the House. The cost of this proposed legislation is \$6,336.

All of these omnibus bills have been passed by the House and are pending in the Committee on Pensions of the United States Senate, not a single one of them having been reported as yet by that Committee to the Senate. In closing, I urge that every effort be made to have the Senate as a whole act on H.R. 1091, the widows bill, and have the Committee on Pensions of the Senate favorably report and urge the enactment by the Senate of the five omnibus bills.

All of which is respectfully submitted by

MICHAEL CASEY, Chairman,
MICHAEL G. HEINTZ,
ROBT. J. F. McELROY,
FRED H. COMBS, SR.,
LAWRENCE L. MOISE,
Legislative Committee.

REPORT OF AMERICANIZATION COMMITTEE

To Commander-in-Chief Lambert,
Indianapolis, Ind.

It is with a deep feeling of regret that I must apologize for not meeting up to the expectations of Brother Lambert when he honored me with appointment as Chairman of this Committee, for it was my intention to try with the other members to carry out some of the recommendations of our predecessors.

But fate has ruled otherwise for when War was declared many plans that I had and was about to put in operation went to smash, for in my connections with Government Agencies, I have had little or no time myself, not even as I had hoped to correspond with the other members who may perhaps have some concrete plans to report.

It is my opinion that the services being rendered by the membership at large in their Departments and Camps as enumerated in The Banner is evidence that the cause of Americanism is carried on more fully and in a better manner than this Committee could suggest.

The observance of Grant's Birthday in New York City as will no doubt be attested to by Commander-in-Chief Lambert who honored us with his presence where he made a stirring address is evidence of the desire to proclaim to the public the purposes and objects of our organization. The glowing accounts of the various other services held from Maine to California on Lincoln, Washington and Grant's Birthdays as well as Memorial Day, Flag Day, Independence, Armistice Day, Veterans Night and other patriotic events which we all carried out or took part in is another evidence of our desire to inculcate into hearts and minds of the public, especially the School Children of to-day who are the Citizens of tomorrow the love of Country and respect for "Old Glory," the emblem of Liberty, Equality and Justice.

The War Victory Fund drive is another evidence of our loyalty to Our Government in the cause of True Americanism and should receive our whole hearted support and we hope to be able by the time we meet in Convention to hear that the goal desired by Commander-in-Chief Lambert will be reached.

The large number of our members who have followed in the footsteps of their Fathers to defend these United States as well as those of us engaged in Selective Service, Red Cross, Civilian Defense of all kinds, etc., exemplifies the Loyalty of Loving Sons of Noble Sires to carry on as they did so that this Country will always remain a Government of the People, by the People and for the People.

At this time only two reports have been received from New York and New Jersey Departments and it is to be hoped more will be forthcoming in order that we can without prejudice award the Grant Trophy to the Department that has shown outstanding service in the cause upon which our organization is founded.

It is my opinion that any specific plans that might be suggested would be a duplication of the work now being done as will no doubt be shown by the reports of our various officers.

Awaiting the pleasure of meeting with the other members of the Committee attending the Encampment in order to render verbally a more concise and concrete report.

Yours in F. C. & L.,

JULIUS ISAACS, Chairman,
Committee on Americanization.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MARKING GRAVES

Albert C. Lambert, Commander-in-Chief,
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.
Hartford, Conn., July 28, 1942.

My dear Commander-in-Chief:

Permit me to submit to you and members of the Sixty-first Annual Encampment of the Commandery-in-Chief the Annual Report of the Grave Marking Committee for the term 1941-1942.

It is with deep regret that I am compelled to report what appears to be decreased grave marking activity in our Departments, despite the fact that you have called special attention to the importance of this work, and have urged increased attention to the importance of actual accomplishments are few and meager. The reports

This is by no means to infer that such work has ceased, but probably is due to war conditions, whereby many of our members are busy doing their part to make victory sure for our Country. Our decreased membership and the increased age or death of our members, who in the past have been actively interested in this work, are also contributing causes.

We have at present about 700 Camps; of these about 260 have an active Grave Marking Committee. Many of the Camps with Grave Marking Committee are doing a worthwhile job, and some of them mark all veterans' graves back to Colonial days. These Camps are divided among all of our Departments except two. Of the Departments which have Grave Marking Committees, some are making good progress.

Brother Hathaway, of Iowa, reports most of their work this past year has been in the northern part of the State, and they are making good progress. In Iowa they have the co-operation of the Adjutant-General and his staff.

Brother Ball, of Indiana, while busy as our National Organizer, still retains his interest in this work which they call "The Grand Army Memorial."

The California & Pacific, Ohio and Illinois Departments have Department Grave Marking Committees. Illinois is jointly of the Sons of Veterans, Daughters of Veterans, Woman's Relief Corps, and Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic.

In the Michigan Department, Past Commander McMurtrie is now the Chairman. This Department, under the late Brother Hall, was one of our banner Departments in marking graves.

Pennsylvania is still working on the county system with considerable success. The system is the marking of all soldiers' graves, with all patriotic organizations joining together in each county, under the leadership of one man hired by the County Commissioners.

Rhode Island has about the same system as Pennsylvania, except it is by the State, not County; they also place stones at all soldiers' graves.

New York, while not having a Department Committee, does have some 30 Camps with active Committees on Marking of Veterans' Graves. Most of this work is in the central and western part of the state.

Massachusetts for the past three years has not had a Department Committee, but the old Committee has kept at work. They, with over 40 Camps having an active Committee on Marking Veterans' Graves,

are doing a fine work. Some of the Camps have published their list in book form in order that it may be more useful to public at large.

Connecticut has continued the work. This Department locates, identifies and marks the graves of all war veterans in which Connecticut, both as a Colony and State, has participated, beginning with the Pequot War, 1637. In order to make a complete success of it, every headstone inscription in the 2,280 cemeteries or burial plots in the State were copied. Rarely, indeed, did any of these inscriptions give service of those who served in the Revolutionary or other wars earlier than that of the Civil War. Therefor, a copy was made of all death notices that appeared in the Connecticut newspapers, commencing with the first paper published in 1755, through 1866. This has resulted in more than three million indexes, but it paid. As a death notice would read "At Ashford, May 10, John Doe, a Revolutionary Soldier," by looking at our inscription it would show the town and cemetery John Doe was buried. By this method we found thousands of unlisted and unmarked graves of soldiers. Of course we would have been unable to do all of this, but for the active and splendid support received from the Connecticut State Library.

Your Chairman fully realizes the immensity of this task, and he does not expect Camps to go into such work as has been done in Connecticut, but he does know that every Sons of Veterans' Camp can make a complete list of all Civil War Veterans' graves located in their vicinity. By such lists the men we are interested in, will not be lost or forgotten on Memorial Day.

I recommend continuance of this work, because I remain convinced of its importance. However, unless more and probably younger members are enlisted, I fear that the future promises little in the way of successful continuance.

Expenses for postage, typing, etc., is \$25.00.

Yours in F. C. & L.,

CHARLES R. HALE, Chairman,
Grave Marking Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC HIGHWAY

Huntington Park, Calif., July 24, 1942.

Albert C. Lambert, Commander-in-Chief,
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, and
Members of the Sixty-first Annual Encampment
assembled in Indianapolis:

Upon returning to my home, and after getting hold of the affairs of my profession and other lines of work which had been neglected for about four weeks, the time allotted for the trip to the Encampment in Ohio, I proceeded to get in touch with other members of the Grand Army of the Republic Memorial Highway Committee, which you had appointed as follows: W. F. Hathaway, Iowa; John G. Spielman, California; Dewey B. Mead, Minnesota; William H. Ball, Indiana.

Soliciting opinions as to the possibilities of the legislation necessary in the States not covered by highway enactments during the year, also as to markers, cost and maintenance, distances between, and character of territory where this Highway is dedicated to the Grand Army of the Republic, the replies were evidence of real thinking and consideration of work done at other times and what was accomplished. We were confronted with the fact that this was an off year as to meetings of the State Legislatures in the States to be crossed, Iowa, Ne-

braska, and California. The picture was not bright, however work has been done and I hope the facts leading up to better success have been well established and will make it a little easier to present again. One thing sure, some Legislators, especially in my State of California, know that some of the things they thought as to its proposal were against it, are rather cleared up. Especially, we learned that some thought we wanted to build a new highway. If only they had looked on any road map they would have found No. 6 a prominent well paved highway from Nevada to Los Angeles. Then, too, another argument in which the Army objected to the changing of names, we did not ask for changing names, only a marker along the Highway. The State and National markers of No. 6 would still stand. Many silly and flimsy arguments are used against it, and right here I would advise you and especially any on the Committee of 1942 and 1943, to turn to the Transactions and Proceedings of the Sixtieth Annual Encampment of the Commandery-in-Chief, in Columbus, Ohio, page 53, and read Brother W. E. Hathaway's report in answer to some of the reasons in Iowa. One letter I wrote to a prominent Legislator was not even acknowledged (even though I enclosed a stamp for reply). He may remember the stamp another day which is coming.

In a recent conversation with Past Commander-in-Chief Bowley in San Francisco, we discussed this matter at length and I am sure we will be on the right track this time if presented when the new Legislature meets. Of course we will and must urgently advise every effort, not only on the part of our organization but of all, that we must win this War, and we would not interfere or take the time away from important War efforts on the part of our Legislators. But sometimes it is well to stop a moment and think of our heritage and not forget the price paid by our Father, Grandfather and Mothers of Men. We must not forget that every free institution is under attack and it will take courage to survive this struggle.

We speak of enthusiasm as needed. What gives us enthusiasm? Much comes from what we know and realize of the past, and so I contend and shall contend, that to mark this important National Highway from the Atlantic to the Pacific with the words, Grand Army of the Republic, is an inspiring thought of how and what they fought for, and gave this world of today a United Country, the United States of America, now a member of the United Nations, waging war for freemen and free institutions everywhere, as men hope and pray for Freedom, Liberty and Justice.

In conclusion, I thank you for asking me to serve, and those of my Brothers. I wish we could report work completed, but we feel the effort was timely. May I make a suggestion that the Commander-in-Chief of 1942-1943 appoint a Committee of two or three from the states of Iowa, Nebraska and California, and a like member from other nearby Departments, and perhaps some who had early experience in the establishing enactments.

Yours in F. C. & L.,

RALPH R. BARRETT, M. D., Chairman,
Grand Army of the Republic Highway Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO STUDY AND REPORT ON SCHOLARSHIPS

Commander-in-Chief Albert C. Lambert,
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

In accordance with a vote of the Sixtieth Encampment held at Columbus, Ohio, a committee was appointed to Study and Report on

Scholarships. The members of the Committee consist of Frank L. Kirchgassner, P. C.-in-C., of Massachusetts; Oscar Doppler, P. D. C., of Wisconsin; Charles B. Martin, P. D. C., of Kansas; Harold T. Beihy, P. D. C., of New York, and John H. Liesee, Dept. Secretary of Pennsylvania.

This subject of scholarships has been presented and discussed at the last two National Encampments; first at Springfield, Illinois, as a recommendation by the Committee on Program and Policy, and next at Columbus, Ohio, in the report of the "Committee of Five," to whom had been referred for Study and Report the recommendations of the Committee on Program and Policy.

The original suggestion and recommendation was to establish in each Department, scholarships in colleges open to descendants of Sons of Union Veterans, etc. (See Item 3, p. 38 of the Proceedings of the Sixtieth Encampment). The majority of the "Committee of Five" reported against this recommendation. It was then made a special order of business (see pp. 100-101 of Proceedings of Sixtieth Encampment) which after much discussion and further suggestions was referred to our Committee for further study and report.

The Committee has given all phases of the previous Committee's action and report much thought, and we present the recommendations contained herein for your consideration and adoption.

We recommend that the sum of \$100.00 be given for a scholarship in Lincoln Memorial University at Harrogate, Tennessee.

We recommend further that the additional sum of \$50.00 be given the University, \$25.00 to be awarded for a Competitive Essay on Lincoln and \$25.00 for Achievement in American History.

Our organization was formed for the purpose of perpetuating the memory of the services and sacrifices of our fathers for the maintenance of the Union, and to follow their example by teaching patriotism, the duties of citizenship, and the true history of our country. Our ritual specifies ceremonies honoring the birthday of Abraham Lincoln, February 12, designated as Union Defenders Day, and also commemorating November 19, the Anniversary of Lincoln's Gettysburg Address, as Veterans' Night in memory of Lincoln and the Soldiers, Sailors and Marines of 1861-1865.

In Lincoln Memorial University we thus find a university closely allied with our Objects and Ceremonies; a university inspired by a thought given by President Lincoln to Gen. O. O. Howard when he placed him in command of the army of East Tennessee in 1863. Gen. Howard finally carried out the suggestion of Lincoln and founded the university at Harrogate, Tennessee, in 1897. So here we have a university dedicated to the man we honor in our ritual and one that seems to be carrying out the ideals for which our forbears offered their services and sacrifices and one that is worthy of our earnest consideration and assistance.

The university is a patriotic, coeducational, non-sectarian but religious institution, which is training students for purposeful and intelligent citizenship. The spirit of Lincoln is exemplified in every phase of its college life. The students come from humble walks of life and must work for what they get, just as Lincoln had to do. Patriotism is nurtured and good citizenship is fostered and the students, because of their dependence upon their own efforts, become fine loyal American citizens. Can we find anything finer to do as an organization than to endorse and contribute to such a fine university? Our own Auxiliary and our sister organization, The Daughters of Union

Veterans, have both contributed for Scholarships in Lincoln Memorial University. We should follow their wise decision and example.

Last year, the President of the University, Dr. Stewart W. McClelland, was at Columbus, Ohio, and he was accorded the privilege of addressing the delegates to the Auxiliary and Daughters Encampments. Dr. McClelland hopes to be at Indianapolis and if he is, we recommend that he be invited to address our delegates and give us further information about Lincoln Memorial University.

It is also interesting to learn that the American Legion a couple of years ago was very much disturbed because subversive elements were creeping into colleges in some parts of our country. Our own organization had been concerned about the same thing. Our own appointed a committee to make a thorough survey of all colleges, and in its report Lincoln Memorial University was given a clean bill as not a single subversive element was found among either the faculty, staff or students.

Our committee further recommends that the suggestion made by the Committee on Program and Policy at Springfield, Illinois, viz: "That we consider establishing in each Department, scholarships in colleges open to descendants of good standing members of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War," be endorsed and if adopted, that this action be promulgated to each Department for consideration and adoption at its next regular Encampment, each Department to have the power to specify the college or school to which the scholarship shall be given and the amount of the same.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. & L.,

FRANK L. KIRCHGASSNER,
OSCAR DOPPLER,
CHAS. B. MARTIN,
JOHN H. LIESEE,

Committee.

RESOLUTIONS

The National Secretary called the roll of Departments for Resolutions. The following were presented and referred to committees:

Submitted by Colorado State Camp No. 1, and endorsed by Department of Colorado & Wyoming Encampment—"Joint Installation Ceremony." (Referred to Committee on Ritual and Ceremonies).

From the Department of Minnesota—"Substitution of Definition of Americanism, for the American's Creed." (Referred to Committee on Ritual and Ceremonies).

From the Department of Massachusetts—"Exemption of men in service from paying dues." (Referred to Committee on Constitution and Regulations).

From the Department of Minnesota—"Sectarianism and Patriotism." (Referred to Committee on Constitution & Regulations).

From the Department of Colorado & Wyoming—"National Essay Contest Blanks." (Referred to Committee on National School Essays).

From the Department of Colorado & Wyoming—"Dues for members serving in Armed forces." (Referred to Council-in-Chief).

From the Department of Minnesota—"Commendation to President Roosevelt for his methods in exercise of War powers." (Referred to Committee on Resolutions).

From the Department of New York—"Honor roll for men in War service, in The Banner." (Referred to Committee on Resolutions).

From the Department of New York—"War Victory Fund Investment." (Referred to Committee on Resolutions.)

From the Department of New York—"Unlawful cessation of work." (Referred to Committee on Resolutions.)

From the Department of New York—"Legislation making it impossible for any group whose purpose is to encroach upon the right of vote, or advocate the overthrow of destruction of our form of Government, to procure a place on the ballot." (Referred to Committee on Resolutions.)

From the Department of Pennsylvania—"Amendment to Flag Code." (Referred to Committee on Resolutions.)

COMMUNICATIONS—GREETINGS

The National Secretary read communications of congratulations, best wishes and expressions of regret at being unable to attend the Encampment, from

William L. Anderson, Past Commander-in-Chief, Massachusetts.

Delevan B. Bowley, Past Commander-in-Chief, California & Pacific.

William T. Church, Past Commander-in-Chief, Illinois.

Wm. Allan Dyer, Past Commander-in-Chief, New York.

Frank C. Huston, Past Commander-in-Chief, Indiana.

Charles F. Sherman, Past Commander-in-Chief, New York.

Albert B. DeHaven, Past Department Commander, Maine.

H. Harding Hale, Past Department Commander, Massachusetts.

Chas. R. Hale, Chairman, Committee on Marking Graves, Connecticut.

Dewey B. Mead, Past Department Commander, Minnesota.

Clinton J. Smith, Past Department Commander, Vermont.

Harry W. Marden, Past Department Commander, Alabama & Tennessee.

C. H. Thorp, Past Department Commander, Washington.

E. J. Parker, Past Department Commander, California & Pacific.

Irving G. Best, Past Department Commander, Minnesota.

Leonard C. Holston, Department Secretary, Maine.

George S. Geis, Past Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, Illinois.

Allen B. Howland, Camp No. 50, Rockland, Massachusetts.

Wesley R. Herrlein, Past Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief, Pennsylvania.

Robert T. Merrill, Commander-in-Chief, Veterans of Foreign Wars. Arlington—Priscilla Wayne.

Blanche Renner (Arlington Hall).

Sixteen Boys of Arlington Hall (signed by Mrs. Grace Grover).

Telegrams:

Allen F. Spink, Past Department Commander, Connecticut.

Anne O. Clayton, Trenton, N. J.

Capt. W. F. Hathaway, (Department of Iowa), Helena, Mont.

Miss Phillippine Raab, Past Department President, New Jersey Auxiliary.

Callahan McCarthy, Author, Elizabeth, N. J.

National Secretary: Past Commander-in-Chief, Dr. Sheldon,

through a representative of the family, sends his good wishes, and regrets his inability to attend the Encampment. He is in the hospital, recovering from a serious operation.

D. C. Michelbacher, California & Pacific: Our Past Department Commander, E. J. Parker hoped that he might be here, but due to ill health, was unable to attend. He sends his regrets and asked me to extend greetings to this Encampment; also to be remembered to National Secretary Hammer, Past Commanders-in-Chief Allan Holbrook and Park Yengling.

National Secretary: The report of the National Organizer is here.

Commander-in-Chief: Referred to the Committee on Officers' Reports.

NEW YORK WAR FUND

Delegate Julius Isaacs, New York: May I announce that the Department Secretaries Association has decided for the duration, not to hold meetings; therefore, suspended and there will be no activity for the present.

Also the Department of New York has collected, but has not turned over to the National Secretary as yet, \$215.00 toward the War Victory Fund.

P. C.-in-C. Kirchgassner, Massachusetts: The Committee on Scholarships would like to request that we give the courtesy of the floor to Dr. Stewart McClelland, President of Lincoln University. (The courtesy was granted for 2 oclock p. m. Wednesday).

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: Has the Council-in-Chief a report to make?

COUNCIL-IN-CHIEF PRELIMINARY REPORT

Council-in-Chief Casey: I submit a preliminary report of the Council-in-Chief.

The Council-in-Chief has audited the books and accounts of the National Secretary-Treasurer, and found them kept in excellent condition and correct in all details. We present the following certificate:

THE READING TRUST COMPANY

Reading, Pa.

September 11, 1942.

To the Council-in-Chief,
Commander-in-Chief,
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.
Gentlemen:

The balance to the credit of H. H. Hammer, National Treasurer of Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War in this Bank at the close of business September 11, 1942, was as follows:

General Fund	\$1,134.18
War Fund	2,610.48
Organization Fund	906.85
Savings (Permanent) Fund	4,199.59

Total	\$8,851.10
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Very truly yours,

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(E. P. Schaeffer, Asst. Treasurer)

MICHAEL CASEY,
CLOY V. SMITH,
THEO. H. MOHR,

Council-in-Chief.

National Secretary: A supplementary report of the Credential Committee shows 125 representatives enrolled.

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief Towle: I move that we recess until 1:30 p. m. (Seconded by Personal Aide John L. Reeger, N. J., and carried).

TUESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

1:30 o'clock — September 15, 1942

The session was opened in regular form.

GIFTS TO COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: For the record—this gavel was presented to me by the National President of our Auxiliary, Mrs. Margaret D. Schroeder. The contents of the package given me last night were \$75.00 in War Bonds, a gift to your Commander-in-Chief by the National organization of the Auxiliary. Another package contained \$25.00 in War Bonds from the New Jersey Department, Sons of Union Veterans.

GENERAL GRANT TROPHY

National Chaplain Hopfield: I wrote the Secretary, and asked that this Grant Trophy be displayed so that you might see it and get to know about it. Oregon is very happy to have its name inscribed on it.

This trophy is presented annually to the Department which is outstanding in patriotic endeavor, also increase in membership, during the year.

General U. S. Grant had a son, General Fred Grant who, in turn, had a son, General U. S. Grant, 3rd. This plaque is given by the grandson, General U. S. Grant, 3rd, in memory of his father.

We, in Oregon, appreciate having had it last year, but were unable to compete for it this year, and hope there will be a number of Departments competing for it.

Delegate Julius Isaacs, New York: General U. S. Grant, 3rd, is a Past Department Commander of the Department of Maryland. May I state that there are only three Departments, so far, which have forwarded any description of their efforts during the past year in the contest. If any one here has anything to offer, along these lines, the committee will receive the same.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: We are now ready for the Reports of Committees.

National Secretary Hammer: I move that the reports of the Legislative Committee, Committee on Americanization, Report of Committee on Marking Graves and the Report of the Committee on Grand Army of the Republic Highway, be adopted as printed. (Seconded by Delegate Ernest Barnum, Connecticut).

G. A. R. HIGHWAY COMMITTEE REPORT

Past Commander-in-Chief Yengling: As I understand it, there is opposition to the Grand Army of the Republic Highway in Iowa. We started with this highway several years ago, and it came on through

each state, passing through my own town. We have had legislation passed by each state.

I think we should take it up and see that this highway is properly marked; that we get some road maps, because it would be one of the biggest advertisements for the Grand Army of the Republic that we could get.

Past Commander-in-Chief Barrett: I trust you will read my report. From Davenport, Iowa, to the Pacific coast, we have been up against it in a political way. We intend in California, to remove the obstacles, however. It is hard to get the thing into the legislatures, since some of them did not meet. I think the legislation will be changed in Iowa and California, and will be more favorable to the Grand Army of the Republic Highway; it looks to me to have greater possibilities this year than ever before.

One of the poor excuses given by our legislators was that they wanted us to build a new road, even though the legislators themselves have traveled over that highway, and it is well paved from Nevada to Los Angeles.

However, it is coming up again and I hope you will have someone on that committee who will be ready to lay before them facts in simple form so that those who are representing the State can understand it thoroughly. We have had a struggle year after year.

Two states stand ready to the effect that when California and Iowa get the highway, they will go ahead; I don't believe there will be much trouble for us to establish it the rest of the way.

We may have trouble with the make of the marker, but we want the highway first.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT—PENSION BILL

Council-in-Chief Casey: Commander-in-Chief, I speak on the Legislative Committee report. With reference to Bill No. 1091 for widows of Civil War Veterans married after 1905, at the present time they are not entitled to pension. If you remember my report of last year, I believe I stated there that it was well to raise these monuments to Civil War Veterans, but I also believe we should take care of these widows.

This bill has never been on the floor of the Senate for a vote; Burt of Virginia objected.

If you brothers will get behind the Senators from your States, I feel you will have no trouble in getting this bill through. It has passed the House five times, but can get nowhere in the Senate. If you want to do something for the Civil War veteran, help to get this bill on the floor of the Senate for a vote.

National Chaplain Hopfield: May I ask a question? Is the passage of this bill being pushed by the Grand Army of the Republic?

Council-in-Chief Casey: This bill has been supported by the Woman's Relief Corps, Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic and the Sons. Hon John Lesinski from Michigan is backing it.

It was the personal request of Past Commander-in-Chief Anderson to do what I could to get action on that bill. His wife, to whom he was married in 1905, will be without any pension.

National Chaplain Hopfield: The Grand Army of the Republic has an organization, but they have taken no action as such, have they?

Council-in-Chief Casey: I can't answer that question. The Legislative Committee of the organizations have worked with me on this bill. I have all these bills with me, if you care to see them.

Delegate D. M. McLane, Illinois: This is a most worthy bill. I have had a grievous experience in connection with this bill. A few days ago, I was approached by a woman who was married just a little later than June, 1905; and there are others who I know who were of great service to their soldier husbands during the later years of their life, and should be recompensed. This is a bill that we should get behind, and I will volunteer to contact the Senators from Illinois and Iowa in reference to this bill.

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: There is a motion on the floor to accept these reports as printed. (Motion carried).

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF FIVE

Past Commander-in-Chief Sautter reported for the Committee.

Indianapolis, Ind., Sept. 14, 1942.

To Albert C. Lambert, Commander-in-Chief,
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War:

The Committee on Resolutions, Sixtieth Annual Encampment, held at Columbus, Ohio, last year, presented as part of their report the following:

"No. 5—From the Department of New York—

That the Commandery-in-Chief collect, compile and record all information and data of a historical nature pertaining to the Civil War 1861-1865 and print and publish in book or pamphlet form. The Committee approved this Resolution in principle, as it possibly provides a means of more publicity for our Order. However, in view of the expense involved, we suggest it be referred to a committee of five for further study, to be reported upon at the next Encampment." (See page 115 of Proceedings).

The recommendation of the Resolution Committee meets with unanimous approval and the Committee named by you presents herewith their report.

It was found that the report of the Committee on Resolutions, and the Proceedings of the Encampment, did not give the Resolution in full, that it was prefaced by a lengthy statement reciting its purpose, presented as having been adopted by the Department of New York at their annual Encampment at Lake Placid, New York, June 17, 1941. The Resolutions proper were in turn prefaced by four "Whereas," again explanatory in purpose, and concluded as follows:

"Resolved—That the Commandery-in-Chief, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, do collect, compile and record all information and data and material of a historical nature pertaining to the Civil War, 1861-1865, and do print and publish in book or pamphlet form, the nature and location of such historical information in reference thereto, including the Preamble of the Constitution of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, its purposes and objects and eligibility to membership therein. Also, the names and locations of the National Officers and of the various Department Commanders and Secretaries; the names and addresses of the National Presidents and Secretaries of the affiliated bodies of the Grand Army of the Republic, and the names and addresses of the Commander-in-Chief and National Secretary of the Grand Army of the Republic; be it further.

Resolved, That such booklet or pamphlet be published annually with amendments thereto, delivered to each Camp of

the Organization of Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, and filed for record in the archives of offices of every State Historian, or Department of Records, for historical purposes, and in such public libraries of States of the United States of America, and elsewhere, as may be designated by the Commandery-in-Chief, and in the Congressional Library, Washington, D. C.

While we have referred to the Resolution as a whole, yet the action of the Encampment at Columbus was only upon that portion presented by the Committee on Resolutions, and, therefore, the report of this Committee can only be upon that which was officially adopted and referred to them by the Encampment. It is likely that had the entire Resolution been presented and acted upon, the action of this Committee and its recommendation would have been the same.

The thought back of the original Resolution, and evidently in the minds of its sponsors, is laudable. The purpose and results aimed at, if they could be pursued to a full conclusion, would be beneficial to our Order and also to what is generally known as the Grand Army family. However, your Committee is forced to the conclusion that the task that would be imposed upon the Commandery-in-Chief by the adoption of even that portion of the Resolution as adopted is impossible of fulfillment, impracticable in its application, and even though it were possible and practicable the time involved in its completion and expense marks it as a task that this body should not approve, or undertake. To do so would, we fear, only but add another to the list of Resolutions and actions approved and then permitted to lapse.

Far better that we, while remembering the past, and proud of the part played in it by our fathers, face squarely the present, with its tremendous problems and responsibilities, and endeavor to assist all other patriotic citizens, either as individuals or as organized patriotic groups, in meeting them.

To directly convey our meaning as to impracticability and impossibility note the Resolution, if adopted, imposes upon the Commandery-in-Chief to—we quote—"compile and record all information and data of a historical nature pertaining to the Civil War, 1861-1865, and print and publish in pamphlet form"—end quote. All of us know that thousands of volumes have been written and published on the conflict of the sixties, that four years of our Country's history that reunited our Nation, and made possible the part our Country has played and is now playing in the World affairs, and in the present conflict. The entire story cannot and will not be entirely told, but enough has been written and enough is known to us, the descendants of the men who wrote that story in blood and sacrifice, that should impell in this day to highly resolve that those who died in the conflict of the sixties shall not have died in vain, that the Country they saved shall not perish, and that liberty, justice and equality shall prevail.

Let us live in the present, look with confidence to the future, but with a justifiable pride in what our fathers did in the past.

Your Committee reports non-concurrence in the Resolution as acted upon at Columbus.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN E. SAUTTER, Chairman,
WALTER M. BARNARD,
CHAS. T. WARNER,
ALLEN F. SPINK,
Committee.

Past Commander-in-Chief Sautter: I move the adoption of this report. (Seconded by Delegate Julius Isaacs, New York).

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: The motion is that the report of the Committee of Five, as read by Past Commander-in-Chief Sautter, be adopted.

Past Commander-in-Chief Craig: It will be necessary to rescind the action of one year ago because it was inadequate, before we act on this.

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: I believe that the whole matter was referred to this Committee which is reporting today; so there will not be any other action required. (Report adopted as read).

The Greetings Committee of the Auxiliary, and members of the New Jersey delegation, were admitted.

GREETINGS COMMITTEE OF THE AUXILIARY

Mrs. Molly D. Hammer, Past National President, New Jersey and Pennsylvania.

Mrs. Edna Lambert, Past Department President, New Jersey.

Mrs. Mary Liddick, Past Department President, Pennsylvania.

Mrs. Pearl Gibbons, Past Department President, Ohio.

Mrs. Ella DeForest, Past Department President, Connecticut, And the New Jersey delegation.

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: It is with pleasure that I say welcome.

Delegate Julius Isaacs, New York: May I have the honor and pleasure of presenting not to you, but to those assembled, your commanding officer, Mrs. Edna Lambert.

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: I'll bet you men didn't know we had so many fine looking girls from New Jersey here. It is with a great deal of pleasure that I ask for a word from Molly—the wife of our National Secretary, Past National President, of New Jersey and Pennsylvania.

Mrs. Hammer: Commander-in-Chief, I have come to you—my committee and I, with greetings from our National President. Someone has said that speeches are a tolerated evil and that we must have them, but I am not going to take up so much of your valuable time that you will consider it such. I bring to you and your Commander-in-Chief the greetings of our National President and the Auxiliary. I do so, with a great deal of pleasure because I, too have been a member of the New Jersey Department for many years. I have known your Commander-in-Chief since he was quite a young man; we have watched him grow in your work, and our Auxiliary is very proud of him because as one of the younger members of your organization, he has made good. I am proud to bring to you also, the greetings of your co-worker during the past year. Together you have given us an administration outstanding in the history of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War and their Auxiliary. No one can give more than the best, and you have both given that much.

I hesitated coming to your convention, not because I did not want to bring her greetings, but because I have made so many talks to the Sons of Union Veterans that a change would do us all good. Nevertheless, I accepted and I sincerely say that we are glad for the success you have had, and wish for you that the year will be all you hope for and want. I also extend to you the sincere co-operation of the Auxiliary.

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: Thank you, Molly. I don't believe

I need say how much pleasure it gives me to introduce my wife, Mrs. Edna Lambert, Past Department President of New Jersey.

Mrs. Lambert: We were instructed that we were to have only one speaker. My wish for you is that your convention will be the finest.

Commander-in-Chief Lambert. Thank you. Words cannot express my appreciation for all that you have done during the past year. Now, I would like to introduce the Department President of New Jersey, Mrs. Ruth Daly, representing the New Jersey delegation.

Mrs. Daly: Commander-in-Chief, it is a great day for me to come to you and bring you the greetings and very best wishes of the New Jersey Department. We are happy for you; we are proud of your leadership, and New Jersey is more than happy that you have attained this position. I have the pleasure to present this gift from the New Jersey Department and with it goes our love and esteem.

Now, I address you as my Department Counselor, and I wish you the very best. I hope your Encampment will be a happy one and ask you to accept this little token as a remembrance of this day.

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: Thank you, Ruth. I appreciate everything you have done for me. (Gift from the Department of New Jersey, \$50.00 in War Bonds). Brother Sautter, will you respond to this committee.

Past Commander-in-Chief Sautter: A few moments ago, after this committee was announced, the Commander-in-Chief asked me if I was ready to respond, I am not quite sure what definition should be given the word "ready," but I said I would endeavor to respond.

This is rather a ticklish proposition for a loyal Pennsylvanian to respond to a delegation of New Jersey, because out in the lobby, our Molly tipped me off that she was coming into this Encampment with the delegation from New Jersey and I had hoped she was with Pennsylvania. She gave a new definition for speeches, but it is a mighty good one.

I only say this—that it is practically an outright repetition of words for anyone to respond to representatives of the Auxiliary to this organization. Much has been said, many words have been used, but it could be put in a very brief sentence—"that we appreciate the Auxiliary, not only because it is our Auxiliary, but we appreciate it because of what they have been doing for our organization." It has been much, it has been given in loyal devotion to this organization, with entirely unselfish principles, not of serving themselves but of serving our Order and, in that way, being, after all, of service to the Grand Army of the Republic, and as loyal women of America of service to this beloved country of ours.

We appreciate this visit; we wish the Auxiliary Godspeed in their endeavors with some knowledge of what the Auxiliary as individuals are doing in this tremendous time in the history of our Nation, because they are loyal American women and loyal American women are again proving that they can be depended upon to support our nation at any time. As the Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans, they are extremely proud always to do anything which helps to preserve the Flag for which our Fathers fought; and the Nation which they united in that conflict of 1861-1865.

Thank you for your visit; thank you for your words; thank you for what you have done, and may I say again we know that you will continue to do what you have done in the past, and that will be very much.

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: Thank you, Brother Sautter. That

was a nice job. I picked the right man to make that response. (Badges were given each one of them).

We would like you to stay all afternoon, but we know you are as busy as we, so if you will, Guide, please escort them out.

DAUGHTERS OF UNION VETERANS DELEGATION

The following from the Daughters of Union Veterans were presented:

Bertha May Droz, Past National President, Ohio.

Anna Edwards, Department President, Ohio.

Lottie Cawrey, Past Department President, Illinois.

Doris Allen, Department Senior Vice President, West Virginia.

Mrs. Droz extended the greetings of the National organization and the committee, and presented the Commander-in-Chief with a gift from the National President.

Response was given by Past Commander-in-Chief Yengling, Ohio.

REPORT OF REVISION OF BLANK FORMS

Past Department Commander John L. Reeger, Chairman of the Committee on Revision of Blank Forms, presented the following report:

Indianapolis, Ind., Sept. 14, 1942.

Commander-in-Chief Albert C. Lambert,
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War:

In accordance with instructions of the Sixtieth Annual Encampment, held at Columbus, Ohio; a committee was appointed to study Revision of Forms, Blanks, etc.

After a general survey of that subject, your Committee recommends that:

"There be no changes of the forms, blanks, etc., made at this time."

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN L. REEGER, Chairman,

WALTER C. MABIE,

THEO. H. MOHR,

Committee.

I move the adoption of this report as read. (Seconded by Delegate Wm. C. Kronmeyer, New Jersey. Adopted).

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT—PENSION BILL

Council-in-Chief Casey: The question was asked regarding Civil War Pension Bill No. 1091—I misunderstood it. The principles of this bill will be found in the Proceedings of the last Encampment. If you read it on page 75 of those proceedings, you will understand it thoroughly. The most important thing is to get after your Senator and get it on the floor for a vote.

Delegate Julius Isaacs, New York: Might I suggest to Council-in-Chief Casey that the logical procedure is to first get the Grand Army of the Republic to adopt legislation along these lines.

Council-in-Chief Casey: Brother Isaacs, the Secretary of the Grand Army of the Republic, Miss Flood, was at this Committee meeting in Washington. No doubt, she has carried it back and they will do something about it. I will talk to her before I leave Indianapolis about it.

Delegate N. J. Borden, Illinois: It would be a good thing if Coun-

cil-in-Chief Casey would find out if the Grand Army of the Republic has taken any action and report back to us.

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: Are there any other committees ready to report?

Chairman Weiler responded with

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PROGRAM AND POLICY

Past Commander-in-Chief Sautter: Where there are no objections, I move the recommendations of the committee be adopted. (Seconded by Delegate N. J. Borden, Illinois. Carried).

Chairman Weiler: A report of the Committee on Program and Policy, as printed in the Officers' Reports; pages 43-45, and recommendations 1-5 inclusive:

No. 1—"We recommend that the duty of supplying news items be the responsibility of the respective National, Department and Camp Secretaries, or that a Press Correspondent do so, under their direction." (Adopted).

No. 2—"We recommend that the Policy of having a National Organizer be continued, and a small allowance be provided."

National Secretary Hammer: There is no objection, but shouldn't that allowance be authorized by the Council-in-Chief?

Chairman Weiler: I suggest that the Council-in-Chief take care of that in making up the budget, and the amount of the allowance be authorized by the Council-in-Chief. I make that as a motion. (Seconded by Delegate Ernest Barnum, Connecticut. Adopted).

No. 3—"We recommend that the Council-in-Chief and the National Patriotic Instructor co-operate to bring into use, dignified and forceful printed matter, for publicizing the order." (Adopted).

No. 4—"We recommend that the present system of cash awards be discontinued."

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: You will find that in the detailed report of the Secretary-Treasurer and in my report; we both recommend that.

Past Commander-in-Chief Sautter: In view of the fact that it is contained in those reports, which have been referred to the Committee on Officers' Reports, I move that we pass it at this time. (Seconded by Past Department Commander Weiler and Past Commander-in-Chief Holbrook, Illinois. Carried).

No. 5—"We recommend that a standard form be provided and a plan outlined, to provide for annual visitations to the Departments by the Commander-in-Chief, etc." I move adoption of this recommendation.

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: What do you mean by that recommendation?

Chairman Weiler: If you will read the recommendation thoroughly, you will find that it calls for inspection of Departments as well as Camps.

National Secretary Hammer: If the Committee has in mind a form, why not present it in outline and then we can take action. I move that it be referred back to the Committee on Program and Policy for an outline of form.

Past Commander-in-Chief Sautter: I move you that action on this recommendation be deferred for the present. (Seconded by Council-in-Chief Casey. Carried).

DAUGHTERS OF UNION VETERANS DRUM CORPS

The Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War Drum Corps of Tent No. 17, Worcester, Ohio; under the direction of Agnes Foltz, was admitted and entertained with martial music.

Past Commander-in-Chief Kirchgassner: The Greetings Committee to the Auxilliary was cordially received. We bring back the love, admiration and continued faith in our organization from our sisters, who pledge themselves to carry on in our behalf.

REPORT OF NATIONAL SCHOOL ESSAY COMMITTEE

National Patriotic Instructor Bertrand O. DeForest, Chairman of the Committee reporting for the Committee:

We would like to finish the report. On page 41, at the conclusion of the first paragraph: "At date of this report this matter was still unsettled." If you will read the report, you will find that \$50.00 was requisitioned to take care of the national prize and it was stated in the report that any balance would be returned to the fund. However, after considerable difficulty, the young man who won was able to get a bicycle and the cost of it was \$50.00, so we gave him the \$50.00. I have his receipt, which I will turn over to the National Secretary-Treasurer. That completes that part of the report.

Recommendations:

No. 1—"That the National Essay Contest be continued each year under the direction of the National Patriotic Instructor." It is contained in the report of the Commander-in-Chief. However, we recommend that it be continued each year.

Past Commander-in-Chief Sautter: I move that it be deferred; also Recommendation No. 2 in this report as they are included in the Commander-in-Chief's report. (Seconded by Past Commander-in-Chief Craig. Carried).

No. 2—"That a committee be appointed by each Commander-in-Chief-elect to this end"—Will take the same course as No. 1.

No. 3—"That Rules and Regulations governing the contest be revised if necessary, but that in effect the same general requirements and features be maintained." (Approved).

No. 4—"That a prize (or prizes) be given as well as certificates for local, state, and national contest winners as in the past." (Approved).

No. 5—"That the appropriation for prizes be increased so as to make the national prize worthy of the organization and of the effort put into these essays by those pupils who shall participate in future contests." We recommend that it be referred to the Council-in-Chief, and also that the Council-in-Chief shall determine the amount of the increase.

Past Commander-in-Chief Craig: Are we voting for an increase, or are we giving the Council-in-Chief a chance to vote it up or down.

Commander-in-Chief: It would leave the Council-in-Chief to decide the amount.

Past Commander-in-Chief Sautter: What is the amount now?

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: \$150.00—\$50.00 for the prize.

Past Commander-in-Chief Craig: It was just for a point of information; I did not want to raise a question.

Patriotic Instructor DeForest: If you will notice on the financial statement, we did not use the full amount of the appropriation.

However, we felt that this was one of the most patriotic projects

that the organization supports, because it gets to the younger generation and as this is a National project, it should be worthy of a greater prize; and that whether or not the Council-in-Chief would increase the appropriation, we could increase it but we wanted to bring it before you.

Council-in-Chief Smith: As I understand it, this is in the budget for the coming year?

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: It would have to be for the coming year.

Delegate Francis M. Smith, Minnesota: I move that the recommendation of the Committee, as augmented by the Committee, be approved. (Seconded by Delegate Thomas J. Murphy, Massachusetts).

Council-in-Chief Smith: This recommendation compels the Council-in-Chief to increase it whether we have funds or not. We do not want to be bound that we must increase it.

Past Commander-in-Chief Sautter: The financial statement shows an appropriation of \$150.00, plus \$50.00 office expense or \$200.00. I would like to ask again, how much was actually used for the prizes?

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: \$65.00, with the cost of the certificates.

Past Commander-in-Chief Sautter: As I understand it, you show \$56.87 not spent. If you had spent all the money, would you have had enough to meet the increased cost of the prizes?

National Patriotic Instructor DeForest: We could have used the balance of that money, but it hasn't been customary for the Committee to spend that money. However, if the Council-in-Chief increased the appropriation with a definite amount for the prize, then we would be all right.

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: Your thought is one thing, and your report says another.

Department Commander George L. Champlin, Connecticut: I think we should instruct the Council-in-Chief to definitely appropriate \$100.00 for the first prize, or not have any prize at all. It should be larger in order to attract pupils to enter the contest.

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: The motion to Recommendation No. 5 is that the recommendation of the Committee, as augmented by them, be approved.

Department Commander Champlin, Connecticut: I amend that motion to be \$100.00 for the first prize.

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: Are you ready for the question? (Motion lost).

Past Commander-in-Chief Holbrook: Do I understand that this closes the matter?

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: As far as an increase in appropriation is concerned.

Past Commander-in-Chief Holbrook: As it stands, \$200.00 has been appropriated. If the Committee would recommend that the same amount be made as last year and that the entire appropriation be used, if necessary, it would cover the matter entirely. I make that as a motion—that the Council-in-Chief be authorized to make the same appropriation as last year and that the Committee be authorized to use the entire amount if they so desire. (Seconded by Past Department Commander Weiler, Massachusetts. Carried).

Past Department Commander Fuller, Massachusetts: There is nothing to stop the Committee from spending the entire amount.

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: You will get the same amount as before; use it wisely.

National Patriotic Instructor DeForest: On the Resolution referred to this Committee from the Department of Colorado & Wyoming, "That the rules, contest blanks and other material be sent to the Department Patriotic Instructor, not later than August 15, preceding the opening of each school year," we agree with the spirit of the resolution. However, we do not concur in the date (August 15th) as it would not be possible to get these forms out until the Essay Committee had been appointed at the Encampment in September. Therefore, we recommend adoption, provided this be amended to read "as soon as possible after the National Encampment."

Department Commander Heacock, Pennsylvania: I have served the Department of Pennsylvania as Patriotic Instructor three years and I can feel in sympathy with the Department offering the resolution. I know that the schools which do not have this early in September will not give it any consideration.

I have been wondering if it would be possible for the Essay Contest Committee to prepare the material and have it forwarded to the Department Patriotic Instructor prior to the National Encampment and that the judging for that year be turned over to the new committee which is appointed in September at National, and who would prepare the data the following year and forward it to the Department Patriotic Instructors. It would be a little complicated, but I am sure those who are affiliated with schools can appreciate it, and we must use more effort so that we can get to the school children and get them interested in this work. I believe, Commander-in-Chief, that the solution to the problem would be to change the routine of the work.

FEDERATED PATRIOTIC SOCIETIES COMMITTEE

The following members of the Federated Patriotic Societies, Department of Indiana, were presented: Mrs. Ella Almond, Department President; Clementine Vanasdal, Department President, Indiana Auxiliary; who extended their greetings and presented a gift to Commander-in-Chief Lambert.

COMMITTEE OF FRIENDLY SONS VISIT

The Committee of "Friendly Sons," composed of husbands of Auxiliary members, but who are not eligible to the Sons, were presented:

John Junge, Chairman, New Jersey; William Winters, New Jersey; Gar. Sallman, Illinois; Louis Moushey, Missouri; Robert Culley, Missouri; George Schroeder, New Jersey; Jack Sharkey, New Jersey.

They all extended greetings and presented the Commander-in-Chief with a gift.

REPORT OF SCHOOL ESSAY COMMITTEE [Continued]

Past Department Commander Fuller, Massachusetts: We, of the Essay Committee have had considerable comment about the time the blanks and material were received. Most all States have two terms; the first beginning in September and the second in January. Our blanks were sent on December 9th, a little late, but still early enough to have gotten them into the schools for the second term of the year. We realize they should be out in November, but you can't get them out before the committee is appointed.

REPORTS OF GREETINGS COMMITTEES

Past Commander-in-Chief Craig: The Committee visited the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic. The Auxiliary was received at

the same time. Miss Smith welcomed us, and sent her love and best wishes to you.

Past Commander-in-Chief Barrett: I wish to report on the Committee who visited the Woman's Relief Corps. We had a pleasant visit. They have 357 delegates; 18 from California. They are having a splendid convention. We were well received and happy to take your message to them.

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: Thank you.

National Patriotic Instructor DeForest: I am arranging to have an exhibit of the material on the Essay Contest on display, and I hope you will stop and look it over.

Department Commander Heacock of Pennsylvania made an announcement about the Banquet for the National President of the Auxiliary, the Commander-in-Chief of the Sons, and their staffs tomorrow night.

National Secretary Hammer: The Credential Committee submits a supplementary report; the roll totals 132.

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: Are there any other committees to report? You know this afternoon was the official time to extend fraternal greetings and to receive all the committees. Therefore, we are advancing to new business. Does any brother have anything to offer?

TRENTON, N. J., DEGREE TEAM

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: I want to announce about the degree work which will be exemplified in this room tonight by the Trenton, New Jersey, degree team composed of P. D. C. Fred Combs, P. D. C. John Reeger, D. C. Edwin R. Shaw, Delegate William Kronmyer, Delegate George Grove, Delegate Clem Kucker. We want you to come here at 9:30 this evening to see this exemplification.

Past Commander-in-Chief Craig: I have a request here, as a matter of information. I presume you have the right to set aside rules and regulations. We have a Mr. James Dennis, a son of a Civil War Veteran, who has his father's discharge papers. They have no organization in Montana, and he would be very happy to be interviewed, and would like to become a candidate for tonight, if possible. Can that be done?

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: Certainly, he can become a member. I would like you and Brother Hopfield to go to him, and arrange it for tonight.

Acting-Chief-of-Staff Stoudt: If your individual Departments feel that they want their colors in the parade, why not mass them? That will cut down the National color bearers, escorts and color guards. I believe that would take care of it.

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: I think your suggestion would be good, but the arranging of the colors is not within our province, in my opinion. If you wish to consult with the Grand Army of the Republic and get their permission to mass the colors, all right. You must proceed carefully in that direction.

Delegate Hugh Snyder, Indiana: I am very well acquainted with the temperament of the Civil War Veterans, and I would suggest that the Captain take it up with them with regards to massing the colors.

GREETINGS COMMITTEES

Past Commander-in-Chief Mabie: The Committee to the Daughters paid their respects to them; we had quite a wonderful time there.

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: All visiting committees are discharged very gratefully.

VISIT OF COMRADE PEARCE

Past Department Commander Orrin S. Pearce, and Commander of George N. Morgan Post, Department of Minnesota, was presented.

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: Comrade Pearce, I am not going to ask you to stand up. I want to tell you how pleased we are that you have come to see us this afternoon. We welcome you and the men you represent most heartily. Have you a few words?

Comrade Pearce: Commander-in-Chief and Sons—it certainly is a great pleasure to meet with you today. I am proud of your efforts in carrying on for us old Comrades. I don't know as I could find words to say anything more in that direction. Your efforts are certainly appreciated by we few veterans. I extend greetings from the Minnesota veterans and express the hope that you will be able to carry on for many years to come—after the last survivor of the Civil War has gone.

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: Thank you. The Comrade has to leave. Guide, will you escort him out?

Delegate Thomas J. Murphy, Massachusetts: Many of our men are being drafted, and we propose to carry them for the duration. It came to my mind that the National organization and the Department could get along without their per capita tax.

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: There is a resolution which has been submitted which covers that.

National Patriotic Instructor DeForest moved that we recess until 1:30 p. m. tomorrow. Seconded by Delegate F. W. Reimann, Connecticut. (Carried).

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

1:30 o'clock — September 16, 1942

The session opened in regular form.

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: Are there any reports of committees?

Past Commander-in-Chief Kirchgassner: Commander-in-Chief, the Committee on Scholarships has requested that a portion of our time this afternoon be set aside for a special purpose. It is my pleasure to present to you the President of Lincoln University, Dr. Stewart W. McClelland, of Harrogate, Tennessee.

ADDRESS—DR. STEWART W. MCCLELLAND

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: On behalf of the National organization, I extend you a cordial welcome. I understand from the chairman of the Scholarship Committee that you have a message for us.

Dr. McClelland: Commander-in-Chief, and members of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War: So many times, people say to me, "Why a Lincoln Memorial University in Tennessee?" I can answer that quite easily. If you will look at the pension records of the Grand Army of the Republic, you will discover that there were more pensions per capita paid in Tennessee than anywhere else. Things happened in the south that nobody dreamed of. Out of the Appalachian range, in the south, came 100,000 men into the Union Army; neither the North or South expected that. There are three Tennessees—west, middle, and east, and each one never went out of the Union, and certainly hasn't now.

Whatever may have been the causes of the Civil War, the direct cause was slavery. When the call came, people of eastern Tennessee, part of which was fortified by the Confederates, escaped into Kentucky—these are the people the Lincoln Memorial serve.

Lincoln took General O. O. Howard and gave him command of East Tennessee, saying, "I know these people; and after the war is over, I want you to do something for my people." Howard resigned his commission and in 1897 carried out what had been a dream of his since that meeting with Lincoln in the east room of the White House in 1863. That is why we have a Lincoln University; founded at the direct suggestion of Lincoln, for the poor and humble of America.

In this southern university, if you will, a short time ago we had a broadcast from our campus, in which they introduced me as a charming, southern gentleman. Charming, southern, and gentleman were mistakes; but we do have a southern university. It is more than a southern university, because most of our students come from within one hundred miles of our institution. That area is the lowest economic area in America—boys and girls earning \$103.00 per year, but out of the generous heart of America has come the support of this great institution.

Last year we had five hundred students; last year one hundred

fifty of them enlisted. Seventy-five per cent of those are officers, or are at officer's training schools.

Most of us have become patriotic in the last few months; we, at Lincoln Memorial University have always been. We gave the only course in Abraham Lincoln taught in America, and there should be such a course in every school in America; we started the only course in existence. Do you know of a better course? You have the only course great writers, but the greatest was Lincoln; so why not a course in Abraham Lincoln. This course has been in progress for six years. I wish I had more time to tell you about it.

Right now, in my own home there is a baby nine months old. That baby's father is exempt from the draft, but that didn't keep him out. Two weeks ago, he enlisted. You couldn't take that course in Abraham Lincoln without doing just that. We are training, if you will, Americans for America.

Recently in a speech to the Sons of the American Revolution I made this statement: "There has never been such a need for patriotic organizations as today when the whole world is going toward totalitarianism; it is high time for organizations to be keeping the faith in democracy." We are going to need to tell the people of America what Lincoln stood for and to keep democracy in this country of ours.

I could talk for hours, but I do not want to impose upon you. There are two things which are important—your contribution to America and the contribution we will make through your support.

We at Lincoln Memorial University are serving and shall continue to serve. We are one of the three largest colleges in Tennessee; the only public college. We are dedicated to the Civil War and we want your help to show America what the Civil War did. Today, we know that the Civil War was fought that a race throughout the world might be free now and forever. Thank you.

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: Thank you. I think I speak on behalf of the Encampment when I thank you for the inspiring remarks you have made. Dr. McClelland will be glad to answer any questions relative to the institution that you may have.

Dr. McClelland: Ours is a work school. Every student works his way. It is a self-help school, but the Lord helps them who help themselves and he is calling on you today to do his work here on earth for him.

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: We have literature on the Lincoln University, which you may get at the table. (Dr. McClelland was escorted out).

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: Before proceeding with the Reports of Committees, I would like the Acting Chief-of-Staff to make a report.

Acting Chief-of-Staff Stoudt: There were forty-nine in the Reserve escort this morning, and praise is due to each one who took part in it.

I commend you, Commander. I realize we are not soldiers, but you kept step in the parade. I thank you for participating.

REPORT OF ACTING CHIEF-OF-STAFF.

To Albert C. Lambert, Commander-in-Chief,
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War:

The Military branch—The Sons of Veterans Reserve, has functioned during the year. Naturally owing to the war activities, we were greatly interfered with; many members having entered the vari-

ous branches of the U. S. Armed forces. Contact was maintained personally and by communication with the respective units.

Under the conditions incident to transportation difficulties, necessary application to War work production, etc., our representation at this Encampment was not as large as desired; but reflected the interest and pleasure of Reserve Members to perform their obligation—comprise the official escort to the Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic in their Annual Encampment parade.

Preceded by the U. S. Marine Band, the Sons of Veterans Reserve was escort to the Comrades; followed by a large turn-out of many military organizations.

Fifty-two (52) Comrades were able to be in the parade, escorted by forty-nine members of the Reserve, augmented by a number of Brothers who volunteered service in our ranks.

Respectfully submitted, in F. C. & L.,

C. LEROY STOUTD, P. D. C.,

Acting Chief-of-Staff.

Indianapolis, Ind., September 17, 1942.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SCHOLARSHIPS

Past Commander-in-Chief Kirchgassner, Chairman of the Committee to Study and report on Scholarships: We recommend the following:

(A) That the sum of \$100.00 be given for a scholarship in Lincoln Memorial University at Harrogate, Tennessee.

Delegate D. M. McLane, Illinois: What does a scholarship mean?

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: Money for the use of some boy toward his tuition.

Delegate McLane: How is the selection made?

Past Commander-in-Chief Kirchgassner: The money is given to the school, and the scholarship is open to any scholar. If he wins the scholarship he gets \$100.00 toward his education, and must earn the rest of the money.

Delegate Andrew F. Burns, Pennsylvania: Perhaps I can answer the question. The usual procedure, for cases where no beneficiary is specified is that the use of the money is left to the discretion of the President of the University. The award of the money, therefore, would be left to the President of the University.

Delegate Luther B. Hafer, Pennsylvania: I move that the resolution be amended, that it be \$100.00, to be awarded at the discretion of the President of the University. Seconded by Department Commander Heacock, Pennsylvania, and Delegate F. R. Reimann, Connecticut. (Adopted).

(Recommendation B) "Additional sum of \$50.00 be given the University, \$25.00 for a Competitive Essay on Lincoln and \$25.00 for Achievement in American History." Delegate Luther B. Hafer, Pa., moved its concurrence. Patriotic Instructor DeForest seconded. (Adopted).

Past Department Commander Weiler, Massachusetts: I noticed the last paragraph, which sounds like a recommendation—"That we consider establishing in each Department, scholarships in colleges open to descendants of good standing members of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War."

Past Commander-in-Chief Kirchgassner: This recommendation comes out of the discussion at the last two Encampments, particularly

in regards to what each Department might do. If you feel that your Departments will gain popularity by taking part in such a project and if we endorse this proposition here, it is then sent back to the Departments with the backing of the national body; that they take action in the Department and provide scholarships for students in that vicinity. If you have a man to whom you want to give a scholarship, that is up to your Department. It simply wants the endorsement of this Encampment.

Delegate Hafer, Pennsylvania: I understand that it is not mandatory.

Department Commander Heacock, Pennsylvania: I think this is one of the finest pieces of legislation that can be adopted by the Commandery-in-Chief. It is giving the individual in the schools to know what the Civil War means, and that it was not a war between the states. I move you, therefore, concurrence in this recommendation. (Seconded by Delegate F. W. Reimann, Conn.)

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: If there are no objections, the recommendation will be adopted. So ordered. (Adopted).

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

Past Commander-in-Chief Craig: As Chairman of the Committee on Resolutions, I submit the following report:

September 16, 1942.

Commandery-in-Chief, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War,
Sixty-first Annual Encampment,
Indianapolis, Ind.

We, your Committee on Resolutions, beg to submit the following report:

Section 1—

In the first place, we, the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, wish to express our sincere appreciation to the Manager of the Severin Hotel and his staff for the exceptionally fine manner in which members of our organization and our Auxiliary have been entertained during our stay in Indianapolis.

We would also voice our appreciation to His Excellency, Governor Henry S. Schricker, and his wife for extending such gracious hospitality to the Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, Comrade George A. Gay and his staff, to Albert C. Lambert, Commander-in-Chief of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, and his staff, and to Mrs. Margaret Schroeder, National President of the Auxiliary, and her staff, and members of the Allied Organizations; to the Indiana Sons of Union Veterans and Auxiliary; to the local committee for the buffet supper; to the Chamber of Commerce; to the press and all others, including individuals, organizations and agencies, we are profoundly grateful for the joy that has come during these days of high privilege and fine fellowship. (Adopted).

Section 2—

We note with considerable satisfaction that some of the sentiments expressed by the Committee on Resolutions for 1941 Encampment, have become operative and effective in regard to work in National Defense projects. (Approved).

Section 3—

Inasmuch as a recent extensive survey shows that many of our educational institutions including colleges, universities, state normal schools and similar institutions of higher learning seem to have a dearth of courses dealing with the history and progress of our nation

—we would, therefore, recommend to the National Educational Association in Washington, D. C., and to the University Senate that this matter be given consideration and that steps be taken to enrich the curricula of our educational institutions, in order that students, teachers, and others shall come to know and appreciate more fully the price that has been paid for our democratic institutions and our American way of life. (Approved by Committee).

Past Department Commander Michael G. Heintz, Ohio: As a member of this Committee, I desire to offer an amendment—"That the New York Times be commended for the survey it recently made and published of the teaching of United States history in institutions of higher learning, and that the secretary of the New York Times be sent a copy of this Resolution." This has aroused a great deal of indignation.

This survey shows that 82% of the institutions of higher learning do not require the study of United States history for an undergraduate degree; 18% require such study of history before a degree is awarded and only one-half of the teachers' colleges require it, even for entrance or to get a teacher's degree. It was found that many students complete four years in college without any history course and many high schools do not have a course in history of our country.

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: I believe that very few of us knew that the situation existed.

Past Department Commander Heintz: I move that Section 3, together with its amendment, be adopted. Seconded by several. Adopted).

Section 4—

We must recognize the fact that this nation is now at war and that it will never be won by half-hearted service, of men either in the service or civilian life. They say we are now only "ankle deep." It is time to take a plunge. This means, as we hear so frequently, that we must buy war stamps and bonds and be ready to make additional sacrifices and render additional service in order to have the joy of a speedy and complete victory as well as a lasting peace, a new world order, and real honest-to-goodness world brotherhood. We must keep faith with our boys and maintain faith in our cause. (Adopted).

LADIES OF THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC VISIT

A Committee from the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic consisting of the following, was introduced:

Margaret Grandle, Past National President, Kansas.
Mary Keppen, Past Department President, Indiana.
Mary Williams, Past Department President, Kentucky.
Clara W. Sawyer, Past National President, California.

They extended their greetings to the Commander-in-Chief and the Encampment, and presented the Commander-in-Chief with a gift. Past Commander-in-Chief Holbrook responded.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS [Continued]

Past Commander-in-Chief Craig continued with the report:

Section 6—

The New York Department passed and submits the following resolution:

"Resolved, That the Commander-in-Chief arrange with the publishers of The Banner for the printing in various issues an Honor Roll by Departments; alphabetically arranged, the names, Camp numbers and branch of the Service that members of the Order are in."

The Committee concurs in principle, leaving the details to the incoming Commander-in-Chief and the publishers of The Banner.

Past Commander-in-Chief Craig: May I explain why we left it that way. It wasn't clear in our minds if there should be a permanent Honor Roll with additions made each time The Banner is published, or if it was to be a special copy of those now in the service and then later another with additional names. If we publish continually in The Banner the names of all men plus the additional ones, I am afraid you won't get very much Department news and General Orders. (No objections—adopted).

Section 7—

The Department of New York submits several resolutions, as adopted at their Department Encampment held in Utica in June. Most of the material embodied in these resolutions was considered and approved by the 1941 Encampment at Columbus.

(a) In addition to the foregoing, the New York Department submits the following:

We recommend the addition of the word "unlawful" in the first line, after which it would read as follows:

"That any person, who through unlawful cessation of work in essential defense industry or otherwise, has changed his status from one entitling him to a deferred classification, should forthwith be reclassified by his draft board in the light of his changed status and be brought within the rule of equal treatment without favor among all those who are under the law and are required to be called into active military service for the Nation." We recommend concurrence. (Adopted).

(b) The following Resolution also comes from the New York Department:

"Whereas, The right to vote is the essence of free government, is a priceless heritage and cannot be destroyed without the dissolution of democracy itself, be it

Resolved, That we recommend to the Congress of the United States and the legislatures of the several States that Laws be enacted making it impossible for any political organization or group whose evident purpose is to encroach upon the right to vote or whose principles and doctrines advocate the overthrow or destruction of our form of government in an unlawful or unconstitutional manner, to procure or be given a place upon the ballot of any National, State or Local election."

The Committee concurs, but calls attention to the fact that recent legislation has been passed whereby men in the service may have an opportunity to exercise the right of franchise. (Adopted).

Section 8—

The New York Department submits a resolution regarding the War Fund, recommending investment of these funds in United States defense or war bonds.

While the Committee concurs in principle, we have no recommendation inasmuch as this matter will be brought to the attention of the Encampment by the Committee on Officers' Reports, dealing with recommendations of the Commander-in-Chief.

Section 9—

A resolution from the Department of Pennsylvania recommends an amendment to the pending resolution in Congress to codify existing customs pertaining to the display of the Flag of the United States as follows:

"When displayed on a staff erected on a sidewalk or adjacent to a street or highway, the staff should be of sufficient length to raise the Flag above persons, or objects customarily using the sidewalk, street or highway."

Shortly after this amendment was proposed, the Flag code was passed. It was signed by the President and is now the law. It will be more difficult now to secure the enactment of the above amendment. We feel, however, that the display of the Flag along sidewalks, on staffs too short that the Flag brushes the clothes of pedestrians, dusts off the tops of automobiles, or wraps itself around lamp posts, trolley poles, etc., is an improper use of the Flag and should be discouraged.

We recommend that the incoming Commander-in-Chief be requested to use such means as he thinks best to call attention to the advisability of the amendment; and that a copy of this recommendation be sent by the National Secretary to Hon. Sam Hobbs, the member of Congress who introduced the Flag code in the House of Representatives. (Adopted).

Section 10—

A request has come from a member of General Arthur MacArthur Camp No. 47 of Elizabeth, N. J., requesting the Commandery-in-Chief to adopt officially a poem entitled, "The Red, White and Blue," which reads as follows:

The Red, White and Blue, the flag of our nation
Proudly it waves o'er each celebration
With honor and pride, it flies high above
For liberty, justice, wisdom and love.

It stands up for justice on land and on sea
As proudly it waves o'er the brave and the free
While its colors inspire truth, joy and beauty
It's a symbol of faith, hope, love and duty.

For its beauty and glory, justice and art
We thank thee, O Lord, for the flag of our heart
As proudly it waves o'er each celebration
The Red, White and Blue, the flag of our nation.

—By Cal. J. McCarthy.

While we are glad to have this lovely poem printed in our Proceedings, the Committee recommends that we do not approve it as the official poem of this order. (Adopted).

DR. J. K. CRAIG, Chairman,
MICHAEL HEINTZ,
C. W. JACKMAN,
JAMES E. GALLAGHER,
A. C. THORNBURG,
Committee.

Past Commander-in-Chief Craig: When we want to know anything we ask Secretary Hammer, but some of us have not always agreed with him 100%. He has suggested that all these recommendations and resolutions must be printed in the proceedings. I move that only a condensation of this material, which the Committee has suggested, be printed and that we do not print in full all resolutions from the various Departments. (Seconded by several. (Adopted).

Past Commander-in-Chief Sautter: I move that the Committee

be authorized and instructed to draft and present such resolution that is proper on the support of the national government in this war.

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: I will not discharge the Committee until tomorrow and if you wish to bring in a suitable resolution, that will take care of it.

Past Commander-in-Chief Craig: That will be done if there is a second to the motion.

Delegate Hafer, Pennsylvania: I second the motion. I think it is entirely proper, and we should place ourselves squarely behind the Government. I believe we can do it, and because of that I want to second the motion.

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: You have heard the motion. Are you ready for the question? (Motion carried).

Past Department Commander James E. Gallagher, Illinois: Final action has not been taken on the report of the Committee. In the first paragraph, in which we thank the hotel management, etc., I would also include that we send a vote of thanks to the President for the U. S. Marine Band and the War Department for the participation of army units in the parade.

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: Brother Craig, will you include that, please?

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RITUAL AND CEREMONIES

Past Commander-in-Chief Wm. C. Coffin, Ohio: Commander-in-Chief. The Committee on Ritual and Ceremonies reports as follows:

Resolution No. 1—From the Department of Colorado & Wyoming concerning joint installation ceremony be adopted, the Committee recommend non-concurrence. (Adopted).

Resolution No. 2—From the Department of Minnesota, recommending deletion of "The American's Creed," from page 9 of the Ritual and substitution therefor of a certain declaration of loyalty called "Americanism," the Committee recommends non-concurrence.

PARK F. YENGLING, Chairman,
M. J. WARNER,
WM. C. COFFIN,
FRED F. HALL,

Committee.

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: Unless there is objection, the report will be adopted.

Past Department Commander Irving Best, Minnesota: I do object, and I move the resolution from the Department of Minnesota for the substitution of the definition of "Americanism" in lieu of the American's Creed, be adopted.

Let us understand the issue—it is to take out of the Ritual the American's Creed and substitute therefor a definition of Americanism, adopted at the joint conference of the Commanders-in-Chief of the five big Veterans Organizations in Washington on February 18, 1927.

As to the American's Creed, the objection is to the phrase on "State sovereignty"—namely a sovereign nation of many sovereign states," which we wish to remove from our ritual. State sovereignty is the objection, as it refers to the sovereignty doctrine of Jefferson Davis, and I do not wish to follow it. I will show you that there is a way out; by following the leadership of the great organizations of America.

In the matter of State sovereignty, the constitution of the United States amounts to very little, and the Federal government amounts to even less as each state is a sovereign state—we cannot be “a sovereign nation of many sovereign states”—that is impossible.

At this convention, we might just as well face the controversy. I will ask you to go back one hundred years. At that time, John Tyler was President of the United States, and, at that period, there had been some talk of co-operation among the southern states for the purpose of effecting a secession program, based on the doctrine of state sovereignty. It was followed, in 1832, by nullification of the tariff, when the state of South Carolina, under the leadership of John C. Calhoun, her senator in Congress, nullified an act of Congress and threatened to secede and set up an independent government if interfered with. This was the first real difficult crisis. Daniel Webster was fighting it down in the U. S. Senate—he and Clay were the leaders of the opposition to nullification. President Jackson did hold them in the Union, at least, for the present. It went on until South Carolina finally did secede in 1860.

Tyler was an advocate of this theory and he followed it. He was a member of the Confederate Provisional Congress, was later elected to the regular Congress of the Confederates, and died in 1862. I am not going to refer to Tyler as a traitor. I merely mention him because his name is mentioned in regard to the American's Creed. William Tyler Page, the author of the American's Creed, is a descendant of John Tyler.

The question of state sovereignty will have three points which should be considered carefully:

- (1) A state may secede without committing treason—

If both government of the State and the nation are equal, then the State can secede from the union at its own will. That is a very unfair thing, for it will result in injury to the government. If they can secede from the Union, then all the members of the rebel armies were doing an act of patriotism. We should be consistent in our ritual, if this is admitted, and the ritual should be amended on Page 25, line 5, the “Flag Charge”—“Later on, it dipped down into the darkness of treason's mad attempt”; since if the states are sovereign, they could secede without committing treason and secession would be an act of patriotism instead of rebellion.

- (2) That a state may nullify an act of the National Congress—

Under this doctrine, this can be done, because a State can do anything it likes. South Carolina did this in 1830, under Calhoun's leadership.

- (3) There is a third use of the word which might be referred to, but it is never used in our histories relative to this matter—that is the use of the word “sovereign,” merely to engender respect by a citizen to the laws of his own state. It is the other two which are the important things.

- (4) A state can control matters within its borders at all times—That also is settled in the United States Constitution because it provides that as long as the States stay in the Union they must yield to it—the supreme law of the land.

President Madison, in the “Federalist” refers to the danger to the Union by State action being greater than National action, because the States are closer to the people.

The cry of state sovereignty is always whispering in the ears of some; floating in the air, screaming to them in times of crisis. It screamed behind the rebel host as they drove the lines of blue down

to the river banks at Shiloh; for every man who killed Union soldiers on that bloody field was a believer in state sovereignty.

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: I must ask you to save time. Please state your motion as briefly as possible.

Past Department Commander Best: (Declining to speak under the above limitations). Let me inform you, sir, you have just killed the Department of Minnesota in this order.

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: I believe in proper procedure so firmly, that I will do anything in my power for anything that is correct.

Past Department Commander Best: I have spoken for the last time in this order.

Past Commander-in-Chief Coffin: Commander-in-Chief and brothers; it becomes my duty to give the reasons for our stand with reference to this proposed resolution.

This resolution, as proposed, amends the ritual on page 9. It is dangerous to lift one clause from the context of any document this way or that way, based on that clause alone. The removal of clauses from context is the familiar trick of the demagogue. It is proposed that we amend a ritual adopted three years ago. On page 9, as a part of the opening ceremony of the Camp, occurs this: Commander—"We will now recite in unison"—then follows the American's Creed. The point I want to get to you is that in the make up of the ritual the American's Creed is a declaration of belief which serves the same purpose as the Apostle's Creed in church. Therefore, it has to be taken as a whole. We give the pledge—that too, is a part of the ritual and the only difference is that one is a pledge and the other a declaration of principle, and therefore, it should occupy this place in the ritual. But, let us see what the American's Creed is.

William Tyler Page wrote it during the last war. I am not sure that I am completely accurate, but I believe that a magazine sponsored a contest for a declaration of American principles, and he won the contest. This creed is really a composite of many well known clauses and phrases from public documents or speeches of famous men. Let me read it to you. (Reads American's Creed). The first line is a quotation from Abraham Lincoln—from the Gettysburg address, and yet it is proposed that we substitute for that, not a declaration of principles but something which I will read, headed "Americanism," but is in no sense a definition of Americanism as I understand it. Americanism is something different to each man; it is the feeling of each individual; it is hard to put into words. Patriotism and loyalty is something else again. This, which I will read, might apply to any nation in the world—it does not state anything peculiarly American. This is the definition of "Americanism"—

"Americanism is an unflinching Love of Country; Loyalty to its Institutions and Ideals; Eagerness to Defend it against all Enemies; Undivided Allegiance to the Flag; and a desire to secure the blessings of Liberty to Ourselves and Posterity."

That might apply to any democratic country. This is well enough: this statement has a declaration of loyalty, and patriotism but it is not peculiarly American. That is the gist of the resolution, to substitute this for the American's Creed and it would not fill the mission at all. For that reason, the Committee recommended non-concurrence.

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: The motion is for non-concurrence with the Committee, or adoption of the substitution. (Motion lost).

Past Commander-in-Chief Coffin: I move that the report be adopt-

ed as a whole. (Seconded by Past Department Commander Reeger, New Jersey).

Past Department Commander Heintz, Ohio: I am not opposed to the adoption of the report of the Committee, but I believe the brothers from Minnesota raise a question for our earnest consideration.

I do not think it is up to us to suggest a substitute for the American's Creed, but I do think we should get the history right before we take any action.

The first time I read the Creed, I discovered the very thing they now call to our attention.

The States were never sovereign; the Constitution is supreme. The Creed says we are made up of many sovereign states. A sovereign state may appoint ambassadors, ministers and consuls and has no one else to answer to. It can declare war and make a treaty of peace. None of our states have any such powers.

In 1935, the people of the United States celebrated the sesquicentennial of the adoption of the Constitution. There was a commission of very able men, having in charge the celebration of this anniversary. Over the commission presided the President; the Vice President was a member, as was the speaker of the House of Representatives; also Senators Ashhurst of Arizona, Van Nuys of Indiana, Wm. E. Borah of Idaho, McNary of Oregon and Congressman Bloom and Taber of New York, McLaughlin of Nebraska and Dorsey and Darrow of Pennsylvania. This commission got out a book called "The Story of the Constitution," in which there are many facts concerning the adoption of the Constitution; also many questions and answers pertaining thereto. On page 175 of this book, I read this question:

Q. When referring to various States in the Union, is the term "sovereign states" correct?

A. No. A sovereign is that person or State which recognizes no superior. The states of the Union have a superior—the Constitution of the United States, which is "the supreme law of the land . . . anything in the Constitution or laws of any State to the contrary notwithstanding."

After all the discussion that has gone before, I do not think that any of us will leave this hall with the idea that the American Creed is perfect in every respect. I am not in favor of our adopting a substitute for the American's Creed, however, and I think the Committee should be sustained. I wanted to express my personal opinion that the use of the term "sovereign states" is unfortunate.

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: Question on the motion. (Report of Committee adopted as a whole).

Delegate Hafer, Pennsylvania: I am in favor of the motion to adopt the report. However, in view of the fact that Brother Heintz has made objections to the word "sovereignty" I would like a minute to say a word about that. I am in favor of the adoption of the report.

Department Commander Geo. O. Dewey, Indiana: I am in favor of the motion to adopt the report of the Committee. I think there is a misunderstanding of what is meant by a sovereign nation and State.

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: All that has been disposed of; we are forced to defer that.

Delegate Hafer, Pa.: I understand that the sovereignty of the nation and the states are both limited.

The Greetings Committee from the Woman's Relief Corps was introduced to the Encampment, consisting of:

Mrs. M. Dell Moats, Past Department President, Ohio.
 Nellie S. Cooper, Past Department President, Indiana.

These ladies extended the greetings of their National President and their organization, and presented the Commander-in-Chief with a gift. Past Commander-in-Chief Barrett responded.

National Secretary Hammer: The Credentials Committee submits a supplementary report; the total roll at this time is 152.

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: Are there any other committee chairmen who have not yet reported? Does anyone have anything to offer at this time?

ACTION FOR PENSION LEGISLATION

Delegate D. M. McLane, Illinois: Yesterday, a resolution was presented with reference to legislation for widows of soldiers married after 1905. Today, I was up at the Claypool, and met a lady 84 years old, with no means of support at all. I wish that the delegates from the different states would go back home and communicate with the Senator of their State with reference to this matter, and call his attention to it, for it is a serious matter. I will write the Iowa and Illinois Senator, Wisconsin has one good Senator, Pennsylvania has one that is all right and if we put our power behind it we can bring relief to those widows who are deserving of it. Won't you take this to your heart and do it for the remaining widows?

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTION AND REGULATIONS

Past Commander-in-Chief Barrett: Commander-in-Chief, the Committee on Constitution and Regulations has this report to submit. We have spent considerable time, on the following matters referred to this Committee:

(A) Resolution from the Department of Massachusetts—"Legislation to clarify Section 3, Article 2, page 9, in the C. R. & R. with reference to dropped members rejoining the Order in a Camp other than that from which they were dropped"—we believe this should be referred to the National Counselor for an opinion as to the interpretation of the section, and we do not concur.

National Secretary: The Department of Massachusetts did not offer anything in which you could concur or non-concur. It wants the section clarified, so if it is referred, that is all that is necessary.

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: We will have that opinion later.

Past Commander-in-Chief Holbrook: Does that mean at this Encampment?

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: Yes.

Chairman Barrett: (B) Resolution from the Department of Massachusetts—"That men going into the Service shall be exempt from paying dues during the War, and Departments together with Camps shall also be exempt from paying per-capita tax for these members." We feel this would be a fine thing to do, but it should be taken up by each individual camp, so we refer it to the Departments and Camps. The committee does not concur. (Adopted).

(C) Resolution from the Department of Minnesota—"Sectarianism and partisanship shall not be introduced or discussed in the order. This prohibition shall not extend to discussion of or action upon questions of legislation or public policy of either national, state or local importance." We do not concur. We believe it dangerous to adopt proposed amendment as same would open door to discuss matters of

a political nature. However, you might read your rules and regulations and see if it doesn't take care of it anyway. (Adopted).

(D) In report of National Secretary-Treasurer—"Chapter 3, Commandery-in-Chief, Article V, three last lines, Section 3, page 35, C. & R. which read: "He shall receive as compensation the sum of \$2,000.00 per annum" be amended by striking out \$2,000 and insert in lieu thereof \$1,300.00. The Committee does not concur. Tackle the job yourselves and see how you like it. It calls for some sacrifices. (Adopted).

(E) In report of National Patriotic Instructor. Recommendation No. 1—"Camp and Department urged to make office of Patriotic Instructor elective rather than appointive." The Committee does not concur. (Adopted).

Recommendation No. 2—"For eliminating all but essential facts in making statistical report, or adopt new form for such report." As to this recommendation, we agree that the statistical report of the Patriotic Instructor be referred to a committee to study on the advisability of revising this report, after the present supply is exhausted.

National Secretary Hammer: We adopted the patriotic instructor's reports three years ago. I am opposed to having a committee study them. If you want to put in any reports, put in Department and National Chaplains. I move that we do not concur unless revised form be submitted. Seconded by Delegate Julius Isaacs, New York. (Carried).

Department Commander Heacock, Pennsylvania: How many of these forms do you have on hand?

National Secretary Hammer: I have just ordered 2,000.

Past Department Commander Reege, New Jersey: Yesterday, you adopted the report of the committee on the revision of blanks and forms. Changes of revision of any blank forms was considered seriously and we recommended no change at the present time, so, therefore, it was disposed of.

Past Commander-in-Chief Barrett: Thank you, gentlemen.

(F) From the Report of the National Secretary—That Section 7 Article IV, Chapter 2, Departments, Page 25, C. & R. be repealed, stricken out, and, in lieu thereof insert: "The Commander-in-Chief and Department Commanders shall have power to remove any Officer of a Department, delinquent in and failing to fulfill the duties of his office."

The committee concurs. (Adopted).

(G) Recommendation No. 11—Commander-in-Chief's report. Article 4, Section 2, page 12—"That Camp Officers shall be elected at the first regular meeting in June." Article 4, Section 3, page 12—"Strike out 'between the first meeting in November and the first meeting in the following January' and substitute 'at the first meeting of the Camp in July,' Article 4, Section 5, page 25—"Installation of Department Officers shall be performed during the first ten days of July."

This matter has been spoken of to some extent in the past. In regard to the recommendation made by the Commander-in-Chief in his report, namely: Article IV, Section 2, page 12 of the Regulations; also Article IV, Section 3, page 12; and Article IV, Section 5, page 25 of the Regulations, we recommend that this be referred to the individual Departments for consideration at their next Department Encampment. They are to report to the National Secretary-Treasurer their action, giving the number of votes in favor and those opposed; who

shall, in turn, report the determination of each Department to the next session of the Commandery-in-Chief for action thereon.

RALPH R. BARRETT, Chairman
JULIUS ISAACS
HOWARD SANBORN
WM. C. KRONMEYER
FRANK M. HEACOCK

Past Commander-in-Chief Barrett: We have discussed this change, and I do not think at this time when the affairs of our country face so many serious propositions, that we should stop to make changes in our Rules and Regulations because we will find some things which need re-writing, changes to the ritual and other work. We feel that this is a sort of referendum, and that it should go back to the Departments. And so, in justice to all, we felt this was the thing we would recommend to you. I thank you.

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: Are there any objections to the report of the committee on this recommendation?

National Counselor Mabie: This places me in a peculiar situation because, being a Past Commander-in-Chief, I know how when you present recommendations you present them with a feeling that it is for the good of the organization. Another reason is because I am the Commander-in-Chief's Counselor, and I should not fight the thing that he wants, but if he had consulted me I would have said "Don't present it."

Our Camp in Philadelphia has a Memorial hall, turned over by the Grand Army of the Republic valued at \$50,000; the only building of its type in the United States, but I must confess to you that, for the three summer months, we have not held a meeting. We have a membership of 400 and we cannot get together enough men to have a quorum. If you are going to change elections to the summer, when both the younger men and older men are not interested, how are we going to hold those elections in our Camps? I think it would be one of the most unfortunate things that could happen to us.

If you will remember, some years back, we changed the time for the benefit of the New England States and what happened? We were so mixed up that, even now, I am still receiving letters from Camps and Departments asking the proper time for election and installation of officers.

I believe that Al. was sincere in this recommendation, but I am now speaking as an individual who is interested in this organization and I believe if there is a thing that will start us on the final crack-up, this is it.

We must consider the small Camps in the summer months too, Brothers. I do hope you will consider this because I am sure they do not get their members out for meetings during the summer months.

Possibly, Al. in going around this year, might have found some reason for this recommendation but I do not think he could convince me that in Philadelphia, with all our Camps, there would be a possibility of election in the summer months for it is my prayer and hope that we can get our membership together again after the summer months. If you take away the election and installation of officers during the winter months, which brings about our main social events, I am fearful.

Past Commander-in-Chief Sautter: I had the same thought. I move you that, in lieu of the recommendation of the committee, we

non-concur in the recommendations of the Commander-in-Chief. Seconded by several.

Past Commander-in-Chief Barrett: I am not so sure about this proposition about having meetings. If we are serious about the things which are going on today, we certainly can find out when the meetings are to be held, and hold those meetings, regardless of the season of the year. Many a Camp in this country has had to change the routine by which it formerly operated.

I am Commander of a Camp in Los Angeles, and we gave up a splendid meeting hall, dedicated to the Civil War. We did it without any kicking. We were deprived of our meeting hall, even the pictures on the wall, but we wended our way into the library of this building where we have our meetings now. The members of our Camp know that is where we meet the third Monday night of each month at 7:15. They know, too, that we will be through by 9 p. m. because of blackout conditions, turning out lights, etc. These are war days and we must conform to that.

We felt that this was a fine way to dispose of this recommendation. It was referred to our Committee and we felt that we wanted the individual Departments and members of Camps to have something to say about it. That's the reason for the recommendations of your Commander-in-Chief and we tried to conform with his requests, but we wanted to simplify this thing. We must prepare for an emergency, and I can explain the feeling of this committee who spent two and one half hours on that item. We came to the conclusion that was the proper way to do it, although it may take some time to do it. We may have to change a lot of things but we are going to win this war first, even if we must lay everything aside. Some are willing to do the best they can.

The Commander-in-Chief has thought carefully on this matter before presenting it to you, and I think it should be up to the Departments and Camps. We will have to make some little changes, but can't you trust the membership of the organization?

National Secretary Hammer: The Doctor has the wrong attitude. Nobody wants to injure the committee, or reflect on you. The idea isn't that the Camps can't meet, but they don't want to meet. Mine does not meet during July and August, because the members do not want to. If you come to Reading, we will have a meeting for you, but our people do not want to attend meetings during those hot months. The idea is simply to have in their by-laws that during July and August there are no meetings. Commander-in-Chief, might I ask if you had that presented to you by any member?

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: I have presented this sincerely after a great deal of thought over a period of time. No Department made any suggestion; it is mine entirely. The fact that we do not have meetings in the summer irks me; perhaps this will give them an incentive to have meetings. That is only one of the purposes of the change.

Department Commander Robert W. Doughty, New York: I move that we recess until tomorrow morning. Seconded by several.

Past Commander-in-Chief Sautter: I will not detain you very long. I wouldn't have directly opposed the recommendation of this committee, although I am opposed to the recommendation of the Commander-in-Chief.

I want to simply say this: I agree with all that Brother Mabie has said with reference to a change in the election and installation

of Camps. I agree, also, with what he said as to what compelled our Commander-in-Chief to make this recommendation, and I informed him so last night.

This is not a personal matter; simply a difference of opinion but since it is before this Encampment and since Past Commander-in-Chief Mabie has spoken so forcibly, may I call your attention to another part which is more objectionable. Department Encampments do not all take place at the same time. Some of them elect in April, some in May and the majority of them in June. I am not referring to that angle, but they elect and do not install. How will you get the officers together the first ten days in July to install them? That's the particular portion of this recommendation to which I object, because the Department would not support it. If you elect in April, who would head your Department from April until July if you do not install at the same time?

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: The Committee refers the recommendation back to the Departments and Camps to come to their individual conclusions. Brother Sautter's motion disagrees with the committee and disapproved the entire recommendation. The question will be acted upon. (Motion adopted).

Past Department Commander Reeger, New Jersey: I move that we recess. Seconded by Department Commander Doughty, New York. (Carried).

THURSDAY MORNING SESSION

9:30 A. M. September 17, 1942

The Session was opened in regular form.

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: When we recessed, we were under the reports of committees. Have any committee chairmen any reports at this time?

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PROGRAM AND POLICY

Past Department Commander Henry F. Weiler, Massachusetts: In the matter of the report of the Committee on Program and Policy, our recommendation No. 5, page 45 (that a standard form be provided, and a plan be outlined, to provide for annual visitations to the Departments, etc.) and we also find that the National Secretary called attention to delinquent notices.

The recommendation was that a standard form and a plan be outlined as this would provide for some sort of regular system. If the plan is approved, it can be embodied in the form of a blank.

Action was deferred, so I am personally recommending that this matter be gone into more thoroughly. I move that it be referred to a committee of three, to include National Secretary Hammer. Seconded by Department Commander Harold V. Kemery, Wisconsin.

National Secretary Hammer: The Chairman of the Committee on Program and Policy wants a form. Why must another committee be appointed for that purpose? Why doesn't this committee study the matter, then submit the proposed form? I move to amend the motion to that effect. Seconded by Delegate N. J. Borden, Illinois. (Adopted).

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: On the original motion of referring it to a committee of three, we must dispose of that motion. Are you ready for the question? (Motion lost).

National Secretary Hammer: As I understand it, the chairman of the Program and Policy committee is to submit a form.

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: That is correct.

National Patriotic Instructor DeForest: At the time the printed Officers' Reports were made up, there were delinquent reports which were still to be made a part of my report. All of those have been received, and the supplementary report is in the hands of the Committee on Officers Reports.

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: We are advancing to new business. Has anyone anything to offer?

CONTRIBUTION TO ARLINGTON HALL

Delegate Julius Isaacs, New York: This morning, I received a letter from Past Commander-in-Chief Wm. Allan Dyer, asking me to extend his greetings and express his regret that he is unable to attend the Encampment.

He asked me to present a resolution or motion to the effect that

the sum of \$50.00 be donated to the home at Arlington Hall, in Des Moines, Iowa. I now make that motion. Seconded by Past Department Commander Reeger, New Jersey.

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: It has been moved and seconded that we make a donation of \$50.00 to Arlington Hall.

Council-in-Chief Theo. H. Mohr: I believe this is a worthy cause, but where are we going to get the money to make the contribution? Our funds are very low, and if you wait until the Council-in-Chief makes its report, you might change your mind. I am opposed to it at this time.

Past Commander-in-Chief Craig: I am in favor of the motion. Let the Council-in-Chief raise the money or find it; they can do that. I am heartily in favor of giving our support to Arlington Hall, and we can find the money somewhere.

Past Department Commander Perle Fouch, Michigan: Commander-in-Chief, since a member of our finance committee has taken the floor and says we are practically in a bankrupt condition today, I move that the motion be laid on the table until such time that we have a report from the Council.

Delegate Hafer, Pennsylvania: I wanted to do the same thing, but in a little different wording. I do not think we want to amend this motion, but defer action on it until after the report from the Council-in-Chief. Seconded by National Counselor Mabie. (Adopted).

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

Past Commander-in-Chief Craig: Commander-in-Chief, and members of the Encampment, I beg to submit an additional section to the report of the Committee on Resolutions.

(A) We wish to add to the list in Section I of our report the following musical organizations, to which we are greatly indebted for the wonderful time we have had here, namely: The U. S. Marine Band and the Harrisburg Fife & Drum Corps. (Committee sustained by Encampment).

(B) I move that we strike from the records the recommendations in Section 5 of our previous report, and that all discussions, and motions regarding the same be excluded from the records. Motion seconded by Delegate Francis M. Smith, Minnesota. (Carried).

(C) As a substitute for that section, the committee submits the following:

"While retaining our personal rights and prerogatives regarding opinions and ideas as to methods of procedure in the conduct of local, state, national and international affairs, we, the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, do hereby go on record regarding the following matters:

a—We commend the Commander-in-Chief of our armed forces, President Franklin Delano Roosevelt, for the courageous manner in which he has established contacts both directly and indirectly with the leaders of those nations which are now Allies in the present world struggle.

b—We would also commend the Chief Executive and the Department of Justice as well as the special military tribunal in that even alien enemies have extended to them the right of trial by justice. We would also commend these leaders for the just decisions rendered in these cases.

c—Inasmuch as it has become necessary to establish special commissions and to appoint National leaders to direct the af-

fairs of the nation regarding production of war materials, the conservation of material resources and waste materials and the fixing of ceilings and floors for needed commodities and the products, we would again go on record as giving our assurance of the fullest possible co-operation in these matters, even to the extent of personal inconveniences and sacrificial service.

d—We would voice our disapproval of the many unfair, unjust and uncalled for criticisms of those agencies, organizations and individuals that have been giving much time and effort to protect our shores from invasion and the interior portions of our nation from intrigue, conspiracy and revolution engendered by the enemies of our country, our democracy and our Flag, with all that it symbolizes.

e—We would like to go on record that we are in hearty sympathy with the gathering of waste materials, but we do not feel that War memorials, cannon balls and other war relics should be turned over to be diverted into scrap metal until all other resources have been taken into consideration and used.

We pledge anew our best efforts in helping to win the war, to bring order out of chaos in order that the governments of the people, by the people and for the people shall never perish from the earth.

While pledging our unstinted support of the Commander-in-Chief of the Army and Navy, we renew our allegiance to the Constitution of the United States of America. The Constitution is the charter of democracy, and it must and will survive the grim processes of war.

Therefore, on this, the 155th anniversary of the adoption of the Constitution, which has been described as "the most wonderful work ever struck off at a given time by the brain and purpose of men," we pledge ourselves anew to its support and defense."

J. KIRKWOOD CRAIG, Chairman
MICHAEL G. HEINTZ
C. W. JACKMAN
JAMES E. GALLAGHER
A. C. THORNBURG

Past Commander-in-Chief Craig: In behalf of the committee, I move the adoption of these additional resolutions. Seconded by Delegate Francis W. Smith, Minnesota. (Adopted).

Delegate Wm. C. Kronmeyer, New Jersey: In connection with the report of the Committee on Constitution and Regulations pertaining to the recommendation No. 2, made by the National Patriotic Instructor in his report on page 32 of the Officers' Reports, I would like to say something about that. The committee made certain suggestions pertaining to that recommendation and a motion was made, seconded and carried on the suggestion made by the committee; but no action was taken on the recommendation itself. In order to keep the record straight, I think a motion should be made pertaining to that recommendation.

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: There was a motion for non-concurrence on that recommendation; it was disposed of in that way.

DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS AND DEPARTMENT SECRETARIES

Commander-in-Chief Lambert asked that all Department Commanders and Department Secretaries rise; they were then introduced to the Encampment.

REPORT OF AMERICANIZATION COMMITTEE

Delegate Julius Isaacs, New York: Commander-in-Chief, I present the report of the Americanization Committee, with reference to the award of the Grant Trophy:

"The committee has carefully considered such material as submitted to it, and regret to say that only four departments have seen fit to interest themselves in this project.

The Grant Trophy is to be annually presented to the Department showing outstanding patriotic endeavors and also showing their efforts and results in increase of membership.

Your committee, on the basis of reports submitted, feel that the Department of Maryland is entitled to the honor of having this trophy for the coming year."

JULIUS ISAACS, Chairman
CLEON E. HEALD

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: You heard the report of the Americanization Committee. The Grant Trophy is to be awarded to the Department of Maryland. Who will receive this trophy for the Department? Will the Maryland delegation please come forward.

National Chaplain Hopfield: Commander-in-Chief and Brothers—Time has passed and very quickly. We, in the Department of Oregon, have been the proud possessor of this plaque for the last year. I want to congratulate you on taking it this year, and it is my pleasure to surrender possession and turn it over to you. We have been keeping it diligently, and I hope it will be an inspiration to you and all the members of your Department.

Council-in-Chief Casey: On behalf of the Department of Maryland, I thank you for letting us take this into our Department. You know, it is just a little Department taking in West Virginia, Virginia, District of Columbia, Maryland and Delaware. We are little fellows, have as much as 264 miles from one camp to another so we do not have much to do, but I feel that Chairman Isaacs, was very lenient in letting it come to the Department of Maryland.

The little scrap book happened to be my own. It was not made up with the idea of bringing back the trophy with me. The scrap book from New York was very gratifying, and beautiful to look at; mine only has scraps. I thank you.

National Chaplain Hopfield: In Oregon, I have traveled 315 miles to one camp.

Past Department Commander, W. J. Hiland, Minnesota: I think that, during the fifty years of my membership, this is the first time I come before you and ask special privilege, because I have two or three things in mind.

In looking over the Officers' Reports, I find in the Patriotic Instructor's Report that Minnesota had no report. That is not the fault of the National Patriotic Instructor but the Department Patriotic Instructor, who forwarded the report to Brother Craig and it got back to me late. I brought the report with me, and it is now in the hands of the National Patriotic Instructor.

Minnesota is still on the map, and we are still doing things for this organization. I am, myself, training the pupils of twelve public schools to get in places of safety in case of an air raid, and the Superintendent of Public Instruction gave the highest compliment to me for my work along that line and I am proud of it.

I am very much chagrined by the action taken with reference to Arlington Hall. Our Auxiliary has appropriated \$50.00 and, I feel that, if we want to build up something for ourselves—for our general good, we should have followed in their footsteps. As to where we get the money, I think that should have been left out and the thing should have gone through.

As to grave marking—In our state in Ramsey County, we have a man paid for hunting up graves that are not marked, and marking them. There will be no graves in our section that will not have a marker on them.

We had two essays in the contest for this organization; while neither one came into the national money, yet these children took pride in what they had to do.

I have something to present to this Encampment that I think is worthwhile, and I hope it will be embodied in the record. We have an old Civil War Veteran, 94 years old, in the Minnesota Soldiers' home, who wrote a poem entitled, "A Tribute To the Flag." I want to present that to the Encampment.

A TRIBUTE TO THE FLAG

That's a beautiful Flag. It's your flag and my flag. Our forefathers brought it home from the Revolutionary War, the War of 1812 and the Mexican War. Our Sons brought it home from Puerto Rico, the Philippines, and the First World War.

We "Boys in Blue" love that old flag. We followed it from '61 to '65. Sometimes it came out tattered and torn with shot and shell, but that flag has never gone down in defeat and never will, for it stands for freedom and justice.

I'd like to see our little lads stand up in school, face the flag and sing "My Country 'Tis of Thee." Teach them patriotism. I'm willing a foreigner should come to this country, but I want him to leave his former country at home and honor THAT FLAG.

Our motto is "One country, one language and one flag." And I love that old flag so that if I had the power, I'd take a brush and dip it in the colors of the rainbow, and high up in the Western sky I'd paint in gold, and when the morning sun arose in all its glory, the nations of the world could view that beautiful flag, the Red, White and Blue—Watts Wells Hubbard, Civil War Veteran, Minnesota Soldiers Home, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: Thank you. Brother Hiland.
Past Commander-in-Chief Kirchgassner presented the following:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON OFFICERS' REPORTS

Indianapolis, Ind. September 16, 1942

To the Officers and Members of the Sixty-first annual Encampment,
of the Commandery-in-Chief:

The reports of the Officers show the earnest desire of each officer to render helpful and effective service.

This is particularly true of Commander-in-Chief Lambert. The enthusiasm with which he assumed the duties of his office impressed everyone that he would give faithful and conscientious service. He surrounded himself with a board of officers who were inspired by his sincerity of purpose and always ready to give their help. The report of the Commander-in-Chief reveals a clear understanding and knowledge of the principles and objects of our organization. His recommendations show careful thought of the conditions of our Order and his desire to strengthen and make it more effective.

He had made many plans to awaken interest in our purposes, visited many departments and contacted the members regarding his ideas and plans; but unfortunately, for us, when our country was plunged into war, these plans were upset and contact with many other Departments prevented.

Nevertheless, he will retire from his office with the satisfaction of having rendered a real service to us, with the sincere affection of all, and is entitled to the plaudit of "Well done, good and faithful servant."

The Commander-in-Chief makes several recommendations which received our careful consideration. Some of these have been referred to other committees; the others we present with our opinion, for your adoption, modification or rejection.

Commander-in-Chief's Report

No. 1. "The Banner contract be renewed on present basis, 6 issues a year, issues to appear even months." The committee concurs. (Adopted).

No. 2 "That the Essay Committee; Grave Marking Committee; Americanization Committee and the Grand Army of the Republic Highway Committee be continued." Committee concurs. (Adopted).

No. 3 "Award system for enlisting new members be discontinued." Committee concurs. (Adopted.)

No. 4 "Proceeds of the War Victory Fund drive be invested in Series G United States War Bonds, in units of \$500.00 each." Committee concurs.

Department Commander Frank Heacock, Pennsylvania: It was my opinion, when the orders came that we were to raise this Victory Fund, that it was to be used for equipment or something that would be of direct benefit to the fighting forces. I understand that our Auxiliary is purchasing two canteens; at least that is their intention. It seems to me, that while the Commander-in-Chief received the communication advising him that the Government would suggest investment in war bonds, we are not giving a thing; we are only lending. If we want to give anything, then let us give it. Our Fathers and Grandfathers gave plenty, why shouldn't we? We are not giving, but lending and in ten years it will come back with interest, for the organization. I cannot see how we can afford to commercialize on this project. We should do what the Auxiliary is doing. I cannot, as Commander of the Brothers of Pennsylvania, see that we, as an organization are doing what we should do.

Delegate D. M. McLane, Illinois: It was my understanding that the Victory Fund was to be used for some definite war activity. In our preliminary report, we showed a total of \$61.00 in contributions, which we didn't consider very much but since that time we have put on a special effort and have now increased it to \$100.00 and a pledge for additional funds, with the understanding that the money

was for a gift—for some war purpose. I do not believe you would be carrying out that purpose unless we did that—we should help some war activity.

Acting Chief of Staff Stoudt: "Amen" to our Department Commander's remarks. Our Camp in Reading donated \$100.00, the highest in the country. We could do just as much good at home investing that sum in war bonds as by giving it to the Commandery-in-Chief to invest here; so I am wondering whether this is the proper move.

Delegate Andrew F. Burns, Pennsylvania: In the solicitation for these funds at our Camp, it was my recollection that the money was to be donated to the Government or some purpose of that nature—for a canteen or something along those lines.

Department Commander Mickelbacher, California & Pacific: At our last Department encampment the question was brought up and, at that time, it was the understanding that when we had this National Encampment that we would vote how this money would be used; for a battleship, or planes, etc.

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: We did not commit ourselves, and subsequent to that I have stated that I didn't know what it would be used for. My answer, in every case, was that it would be disposed of by the Encampment.

National Chaplain Hopfield: I would like to have read again the letter from Washington, in response to your letters, as to what we should do with this money.

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: (Reads letter.) Out of a total of 671 Camps, 163 contributed, as compared with 1243 in the last war.

Acting Chief-of-Staff Stoudt: Our Auxiliary contacted the National Red Cross asking what they could do. The Director of the Red Cross in Hawaii had requests in for mobile canteens, which cost \$1800.00, and they advised the Auxiliary to contribute one, or as much as possible for that purpose. I understand that the Auxiliary is endeavoring to purchase two for the Red Cross in Hawaii. I believe your letter was in January. A lot has happened since January 1st, which would give us an opening.

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: Suppose we have a motion.

Department Commander Heacock, Pennsylvania: I move you that the recommendation of the committee be not concurred in. Seconded by Delegate Ernest E. Barnum, Connecticut.

Delegate Ernest E. Barnum, Connecticut: In Connecticut, \$200.00 was raised. We believe there, that it would be a good policy to buy war bonds with this money and instead of benefitting our own order, turn these bonds over. The delegation from Connecticut would like to go on record to buy these bonds with the understanding that our organization is not going to be aided by them, but to turn them over to the American Red Cross to use as they see fit and we would be doing two things at once.

National Patriotic Instructor DeForest: This is not the sentiment of the entire delegation. I do not feel that they should be turned over to any other organization to use as they see fit, as we can best help the situation by buying a canteen unit or give it to the War Department for use for fighting equipment. I think that the War Department would know what was needed, and where it could best be placed and rather than give the contribution to the Red Cross, give it to the War Department, with instructions that it is to be used in the place most needed.

Past Department Commander Wm. O. Fuller, Massachusetts: We are getting the issue very much confused. We want to help the U. S. Government; not the Red Cross. The Red Cross is a private corporation and the money was not raised for them. I would like to see the money put into bonds, and the bonds burned.

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: The motion is non-concurrence with the committee. If you pass the motion, then we must consider it further.

Delegate Julius Isaacs, New York: The Department of New York has gone on record as being in favor of the purchase of war bonds, and I have a check for \$215.83 for that purpose.

Past Department Commander Reeger, New Jersey: Regarding donations to this fund, there were several letters from Camps and individuals in our Department, and they wrote that it would be one of the best things to use the fund for War Bonds. They always wind up the letter that the opinion of the Commander-in-Chief would be O. K. with them.

Department Commander Heacock, Pennsylvania: May I say that quite a number of the brothers of Pennsylvania have made the remark that they were giving, but they would not give if it was to be used for War Bonds. In Pennsylvania, we have well over \$300.00.

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: The motion is non-concurrence with the committee. In other words; to defeat the purchase of bonds, you will vote in favor of this motion.

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: We will have a rising vote on the motion.

Opposed to the motion—56 (motion lost)

For the motion —48

Therefore, we will buy bonds.

Delegate Hafer, Pennsylvania: As I understand it, we haven't adopted the committee's concurrence. I move that we approve the recommendation of the committee. Seconded by Past Department Commander Reeger, New Jersey. (Adopted.)

No. 5 "Continue Victory Fund Drive." Committee concurs. (Committee sustained).

No. 6 "That the per capita tax be increased from 36 cents to 40 cents per member." Committee concurs, but it will be referred to the Council-in-Chief.

No. 7 "Organization Fund Drive (for \$10,000 action 1941 Encampment) be discontinued." Committee concurs. (Adopted).

No. 8 (a) "Honorary membership to General Douglas MacArthur."
"Honorary membership to U. S. Grant 3rd and Robert Lincoln Beckwith."

The committee commends this worthy thought, but feels that it would start a precedent that we might find hard to control. Perhaps at the close of the war we are now in, some consideration might be given to such thoughts. We, therefore, recommend non-concurrence in both Section a and b. (Adopted.)

No. 9 "That if conditions make it necessary next year's Encampment be a 'streamlined' one day session, composed of the following representation:

a—All National Officers.

b—All Department Commanders.

c—All Past Commanders-in-Chief."

The committee concurs, with the following changes:

a—All Constitutional National Officers, as provided by the C. & R., pages 34-36.

b—All Department Commanders, or a delegated representative for each Department.

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: You have heard the report of the committee, with some changes suggested by them. Are there any questions?

Past Commander-in-Chief Sautter: With reference to Department Commanders, is it "and" or "or?"

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: "Or."

Past Commander-in-Chief Craig. Do I understand that it eliminates the Past Commanders-in-Chief?

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: Yes.

Past Commander-in-Chief Craig: On what basis and why?

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: This does not include Past Commanders-in-Chief or Past Department Commanders. The purpose was to bring it down to a minimum, and still be able to transact business by the national officers. The Past Commanders-in-Chief will not have a vote or voice in the proceedings.

Past Commander-in-Chief Craig. That will be a disappointment to some of us birds.

National Secretary Hammer: Article 4, Section 5 of the regulations reads: "Any vacancy which may occur in an elective office of the Commandery-in-Chief shall be filled for the unexpired term by the Council-in-Chief, until the next regular meeting of the Commandery-in-Chief, when an election shall be held." If the next Encampment is not to be held all terms expire; therefore, the Council-in-Chief would fill the vacancies until the next Encampment. You haven't submitted any changes for the regulations.

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: I have to rule that point of order is not correct. The regulations provide the Council-in-Chief shall fill vacancies until the next Encampment. On the other hand, an officer is elected until his successor is elected and installed.

National Secretary: Why provide for these specially to hold election and installation?

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: I do not favor anyone. It provides for National officers, Department Commanders or a representative from each department.

National Secretary Hammer: I am not opposed to what you want. I am standing for the regulations.

Department Commander Louis E. Winchell. Massachusetts: I move concurrence with the committee. Seconded by Delegate Francis M. Smith, Minnesota. (Adopted).

No. 10 "That we participate in 75th anniversary of Memorial Day." Committee concurs. (Adopted.)

No. 11 "Recommending changing Article IV, Sections 2 and 3, page 12, C. & R., and Article IV, Section 5, page 25, C. & R., Election and installation of officers. Referred to Committee on Constitution and Regulations.

The reports of the Senior and Junior Vice Commanders-in-Chief show a fine spirit of interest and loyalty to their duties. The Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief presents a report of activities seldom seen in

the reports of that officer. He has traveled many miles at a great personal expense, to give assistance where ever he could and help to arouse a new interest.

The report of the National Secretary-Treasurer is as usual a concise, comprehensive account of his stewardship, duties which he has faithfully and efficiently performed for many years. His efforts are not confined merely to fulfilling his duties, but by readily and willingly giving helpful suggestions to officers and members. To say "Thanks, Horace" for your splendid services, is a small way to express our real sentiment for you. We know you can be depended upon to continue your loyal and helpful service through the years ahead. We find the following recommendations in the report:

(a) Discontinue awards for membership.

(b) That Commander-in-Chief be authorized to allot a sum from Organization and Historical Fund as reasonable compensation for outstanding organization work.

Action has already been taken on the first part, but we concur in the second part. (Adopted.)

(c) That this Association be given continued publicity. The committee concurs. (Adopted.)

(d) Section 7, Article IV, Chapter 2, Departments, page 25, C. & R., be changed.

This recommendation referred to the Committee on Constitution and Regulations.

(e) Appropriation of \$300.00 to the Grand Army of the Republic be made from the Permanent Fund.

We concur in the recommendation, and if adopted, the matter should be referred to the Council-in-Chief for insertion in the budget. (Adopted),

The report of the National Chaplain is one of service that is rather unusual for this officer. His efforts were in new territory and the influence for good cannot now be estimated. We commend him for his fine zeal, enthusiasm and interest.

The report of the National Patriotic Instructor shows he has given much time to the study of historical data and facts as evidenced by his splendid and thorough report. Combined with the duties of his office has been that of the Committee on Essays, both of which have entailed many hours of arduous work. It is fortunate that an enthusiastic and earnest member filled that position. The thanks of the Encampment are due him for his fine efforts and achievements.

Two recommendations he made were referred to the Committee on Constitution and Regulations.

The report of the National Counselor speaks for itself showing that Counselor Mabie has a grasp in the laws of the organization. He can be depended on to give continued service.

The report of the National Organizer is encouraging. It shows much effort was made to organize Camps and with some results. Had not Brother Ball been stricken with illness, greater results would surely have been reported. We wish for him a complete recovery that he may continue his work for our organization. The recommendation in his report "that the office of National Organizer be continued." The majority of the committee concur. (Committee sustained). *Note—Report attached.

We trust that the officers and members will return to their homes

ready to spread the results of our officers' efforts, and urge their members to greater service for our organization.

Respectfully submitted,

CLEON E. HEALD, New Hampshire.

URION MACKKEY, Michigan.

JOHN L. REEGER, New Jersey.

LOUIS E. WINCHELL, Massachusetts.

FRANK L. KIRCHGASSNER, Massachusetts, Chairman.

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: Does that cover all recommendations? The reply was "Yes."

REPORT OF ORGANIZER

Indianapolis, Ind. September 1, 1942.

Albert C. Lambert, Commander-in-Chief,
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

Dear Commander-in-Chief:

As your appointed Organizer, I respectfully submit the following report. The duties have been pleasant, many friends have been made and most of those contacted responded graciously; putting forth a real effort of co-operation in increasing an interest in our membership.

At the time of entering upon my duties, I wrote a personal letter to each Department Organizer and each Department Commander. At the time of my appointment, November 27, 1941, thirteen Department Organizers had been appointed. In response to my letters five more were appointed. Of these eighteen Departments, seven showed a gain in membership for the year.

This gain represents a great deal of effort of Department Officers as well as the Organizers. It takes all working together to attain success. This is shown so plainly in some Departments where the Organizer worked hard but met with no co-operation so the Department showed a loss for the year. The report of your National Secretary-Treasurer gives complete figures.

I recommend that this Encampment set some objective that will show to our membership the need of our Organization taking its place on the Home Front. Perhaps in striving towards this objective more of our members will awaken to their duty. Only with the interest and help of the rank and file of our members will we be able to stem the tide and start growing.

Supporting this belief, I could cite you a Department where Officers and Organizer worked hard but failing to meet a response from the membership ended the year with a heavy loss. This Department Commander upon entering his office sent a personal letter to every member but only a few co-operated.

Our fathers preserved our nation. We are now called upon to protect our heritage and to become an asset to our country. I believe we are beginning to awaken as our losses in both camps and membership is much less than last year. This can be accounted for in several ways:

First—We have had as our leader a young man full of energy and wisdom who has conducted our affairs in a business-like manner, using great diplomacy in bringing about desired ends.

Another spur of greater activity, is the war and the great crying need for active patriotic organizations. To this end and after a great

deal of thought, I am convinced a National Organizer will be worth while. Especially when we have reached the place we can ask him to give this full time. I therefore offer:

Recommendation No. 1—The office of National Organizer be continued and that at the earliest date possible it be made a full time job.

Sincere thanks to my Commander-in-Chief for this opportunity to serve and for his many kind considerations.

Thanks too to our National Secretary-Treasurer for his many helps and encouragements. My thanks go also to the Department Organizers, Officers and members that co-operated.

Submitted in F. C. and L.,
WILLIAM H. BALL, National Organizer.

Delegate Chester L. Charter, Minnesota. I think I have something appropriate for the diamond anniversary of Memorial Day. Can we invite the concurrence of other organizations to take that up and go along together in this matter?

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: It goes without saying, that we recommend all patriotic organizations to go with us.

Delegate Charter, Minnesota: Could that be included in their recommendations?

Past Commander-in-Chief Kirchgassner. The committee only went as far as Officers' reports which had not been previously taken up. We had reports of other committees, and we acted upon them individually; such as that of the Grave Marking Committee, which has been taken up by the Encampment.

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: I will entertain a motion to accept the report as a whole.

Past Department Commander Reeger, New Jersey: I move that the report be adopted, as a whole. Seconded by Past Commander-in-Chief Craig. (Adopted).

Past Commander-in-Chief Barrett: I take it for granted that the Committee on Constitution and Regulations was discharged yesterday. The reply was "no."

Past Department Commander Howard W. Michael, Maryland: I move the committee on Constitution and Regulations be discharged. Seconded by Delegate Reimann, Connecticut.

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: All committees are discharged, with thanks.

REPORT OF THE COUNCIL-IN-CHIEF

Council-in-Chief Casey: I present the proposed budget. (Reads proposed budget, in which they include per capita tax at 44 cents per member less 1/12 for permanent fund.)

Council-in-Chief Casey: You will note that if the Commander-in-Chief had spent his full \$1,000.00, we would be starting off in the red.

Recommendations:

(A) We recommend that the per capita tax be increased to 44 cents per member per year, effective with the quarter ending December 31st.

Past Commander-in-Chief Sautter: I move that we amend that to 40 cents per member per year. Seconded by Past Department Commander Reeger, New Jersey.

Council-in-Chief Casey: We figured from 9 p. m. to 1 a. m. trying to get a balance with 40 cents. With a balance on hand of \$70.19, we cannot get a balance next year with 40 cents per capita tax; it is an impossibility to get it. Why take a chance on not having a balance next year. Think it over, because we don't want to go into the red, nor do we want to draw on the permanent fund. Therefore, we must have 44 cents per capita tax.

Past Commander-in-Chief Sautter: Commander-in-Chief, may I say that I have been accustomed to handling figures for many years. Figures are not mysterious to me. I am sorry that they are offered at a time when we do not have an opportunity to analyze them, but let us call attention to one thing.

They are sufficiently optimistic and I praise them when they base it on the same membership as last year. When the tax was 36 cents and left a balance of \$70.00, I can't see what they have taken into consideration when it is based on 8 cents more for this budget, but if you are basing it on the preceeding year I can't see why we can't exist on 4 cents more per member for the year, beginning with the December quarter.

Many of our Departments have fixed the per capita tax for this year. Speaking for the largest Department, Pennsylvania, if you hit us between the eyes and I feel that you will by an increase of 8 cents, it can easily put them in the red. I, therefore, support the motion that it be changed from 44 cents to 40 cents.

Council-in-Chief Casey: We were optimistic. We tried to figure the whole membership as it is. We had a drop in membership from last year. We took this into consideration, and in order to keep our body and soul together, I see no other way than a per capita tax of 44 cents. If you get out and increase the membership in your Departments, we might consider holding it at 36 cents, but can we get your guarantee on holding your same membership.

Council-in-Chief Mohr: Brother Sautter asks a question about our expenditures. Do you realize that with our balance of \$117.86 that we just adopted a recommendation to take \$300.00 from that balance and I would like to know how we are going to do that without going deep in the red. On these figures, based on our proposed membership, I think we are way off, because if you go into the individual Departments and Camps, or other organizations of our type, you will find everyone will show a loss and will for many years to come.

I do not believe that 44 cents is too much for this organization to carry on their work. Other organizations are much higher; I think we are the cheapest organization with reference to per capita tax. In fact, I was asked when we organized a new camp, "Is that all?" They wanted to know how we carry on; they expected it to be at least 25 cents per quarter.

It was a mistake in reducing it three years ago, and I think this is the proper time to increase it.

Delegate Julius Isaacs, New York: I agree with the member of Council that we made a mistake in reducing it, but I am not in favor of increasing it any more than 40 cents.

He and I, and the other Department Secretary-Treasurers know

only too well how conditions are in their Camps and Departments and we cannot, under any conditions, go back to our Departments and make them pass legislation to increase the per capita tax 8 cents per member. 8 cents increase in per capita tax for the coming year would mean \$148.00 for my department, based on our present membership. If we take that out of our Department Treasury, we will be very much in the red. I am sure that if the Council-in-Chief will study very carefully their budget, some other provisions can be made. I hope the per capita tax stays at 40 cents.

Past Department Commander Reeger, New Jersey: In making this motion, the primary thought was to increase the per capita tax, because 36 cents is inadequate. I think 40 cents is a legitimate advance.

We want more money for the Commandery-in-Chief, but this is too great an advance in the year that is ahead for the Departments. Many of them are now in difficulty and that would only make matters worse. Some of the Departments are carrying members who are in the service, and if we try to raise the per capita tax to 44 cents, it just can't be handled by them. A raise to 40 cents is a good compromise.

Past Department Commander Howard W. Michael, Maryland: When we made up our budget, we were in the red. If we raise this per capita tax, I do not think we will have enough.

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: There is a motion before the house that the per capita tax be increased to 40 cents per member per year, effective with the quarter ending December 31st. (Adopted.)

(B) We recommend that the contract of "The Banner" at two cents per member per issue based on six issues, to be issued on the even months of the year be continued.

Past Department Commander W. J. Hiland, Minnesota: I move that the recommendation be amended, that "The Banner" be issued quarterly instead of bi-monthly; every three months instead of every two months.

Department Commander Champlin, Connecticut: As a point of information with reference to The Banner, would it increase your production costs?

Past Commander-in-Chief Holbrook: Yes.

Past Commander-in-Chief Craig: It would increase the cost of production per issue. How much would we save?

Past Commander-in-Chief Holbrook: It is pretty hard to get together any figures on a proposition without sitting down and going over it but, in my estimation, I do not think the saving would be a great deal. I can't tell what things are going to cost in the next year, but you certainly can't print four issues on the same basis as six.

Past Department Commander Reeger, New Jersey: I move that the recommendation of the Council-in-Chief be adopted. Seconded by Past Commander-in-Chief Craig. (Adopted).

(C) We recommend that the names and titles only of visiting delegations be printed in the Commandery-in-Chief proceedings, thereby making quite a saving in printing costs. (Council sustained).

(D) We recommend that no meals to officers of the Commandery-in-Chief attending the National Encampment be allowed.

National Secretary Hammer: I move adoption of the recommendation. Seconded by several. (Adopted).

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: I would like a motion to dispose of the report as a whole.

Past Commander-in-Chief Sautter: May I ask a question? Did the Council-in-Chief prepare their figures on the basis of their recommendation?

Council-in-Chief Casey: That doesn't go into this year's budget.

Delegate Hafer, Pennsylvania: I move adoption of the report as a whole.

Council-in-Chief Smith: I have before me the report of the Department Secretary-Treasurer of Maryland, stating that the Clarksburg Camp was instituted, with 68 members, in the Department of Maryland. This is the largest membership secured last year. I move that the award for the largest membership secured, be made to Brother Michael Casey.

Delegate Judson N. Knapper, Maryland: I saw that institution, and it was a beautiful ceremony.

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: We are under a motion to adopt a report. Brother Smith, will you withdraw your motion, so that we can finish with that report. (Motion withdrawn by Council-in-Chief Smith).

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: Brother Casey, are you finished?

Council-in-Chief Casey. No. During the past 1/12 of the per capita tax has been going into the Permanent fund. What are you going to do with the 1/12 of the 40 cent per capita tax?

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: The procedure would be for the Council to bring in a recommendation.

Council-in-Chief Casey: I recommend that, for the coming year of 1943, the 1/12 be eliminated.

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: How is that 1/12 provided for?

National Secretary Hammer: It is provided for by the Encampment, through the budget. They can do that; it is not a part of the Regulations.

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: It is the recommendation of the Council-in-Chief that the 1/12 be eliminated, and the entire amount of per capita tax be used for the working fund.

National Secretary Hammer: They don't have to take it out of the budget; they have it out. You adopted that when you adopted the 40 cents.

Past Department Commander Reezer, New Jersey: I move that we refer the budget back to the Council-in-Chief for correction.

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: Shall we work as a committee as a whole and dispose of it now? Council based their original estimate of 44 cents with 1/12 going to the Permanent fund and they would now like to use the entire 40 cents, just adopted, in the working fund.

Past Commander-in-Chief Craig: I move that we concur with this recommendation regardless of what the proposed budget says, as to eliminating 1/12 for the coming year. The corrected budget can be submitted later. Seconded by Past Department Commander Reezer, New Jersey.

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: The Council-in-Chief has recom-

mended that we award to Brother Michael Casey \$100.00, for the highest number of members brought in during the year. If there are no objections, this award will be made to Brother Casey.

There is another brother, who, during the past year brought in fifty-one members. That's an achievement for one man. Of course our rules designated that the brother getting the highest number of members be given the award, but we do want to recognize him—Past Commander J. G. Gilliland, Stoker Camp No. 9, Findlay, Ohio.

Delegate Hafer, Pennsylvania: Earlier this morning, we considered the proposition of a contribution of \$50.00 to Arlington Hall. It was deferred, and I think we should take up that proposition now and clear the records.

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: There was a motion to contribute \$50.00; seconded and adopted, but Council-in-Chief was to find the money for it.

Delegate Julius Isaacs, New York. What did the Council say?

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: They are in favor of it.

National Patriotic Instructor DeForest: A successful contest was held by the Essay Committee this year, leaving a balance of \$56.87 from the appropriation. Due to circumstances now existing, I believe this can be done again. Therefore, I move the appropriation to the Essay Committee be reduced \$50.00 and that \$50.00 be donated to Arlington Hall. Motion seconded by Past Commander-in-Chief Craig.

Council-in-Chief Smith: Brother Casey neglected to read our appropriation for the Essay Fund, which is \$200.00.

Commander-in-Chief Lambert Unless the motion is withdrawn, I must place it. The motion is that the appropriation to the Essay Committee be reduced \$50.00 and that \$50.00 be donated to Arlington Hall. Are you ready for the question? (Motion carried).

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: There was a matter referred to the National Counselor. There was a question from the Department of Massachusetts which was referred to him for an opinion. Counselor Mabie, will you please explain?

CLARIFY MEMBERSHIP—REFERRED

National Counselor Mabie: Commander-in-Chief, I couldn't quite get this clear in my mind when the committee reported on it. I questioned some of the brothers from the Massachusetts Department as to what it was they wanted to know and it seems they have lost or mislaid the papers that contain the details. It is contained in their proceedings, which are in the hands of the printer. The committee referred it to the National Counselor for interpretation. Honestly, I do not know what to interpret; they do not make it clear.

Past Commander-in-Chief Kirchgassner, Massachusetts: Nobody knows. It pertains to dropped members rejoining the Order in a Camp other than that from which they were dropped. They recommend that you take back members without a fee, and some think it goes on indefinitely.

Department Commander Winchell, Massachusetts: I move that the matter be referred back to the Department of Massachusetts. Seconded by Past Department Commander Weiler, Massachusetts. (Carried.)

REPORT OF GREETINGS COMMITTEE TO G. A. R.

Past Commander-in-Chief Sautter: Perhaps a report of this kind just at this time might relieve some tension.

Your Committee, which is made up of all the Past Commanders-in-Chief visited the session of the Grand Army of the Republic this morning.

I wish it were possible for all of you to do what we did and see what we saw. Thirty seven men, ranging in age from 94 to 102 were in their Encampment. I was surprised, first, at the number and attention of those dear old men to what we tried to say to them and, I was tremendously affected because I had recollections of four G.A.R. Encampments where there were 2,000 or more Comrades in the room; and today there are thirty-seven. What will it be next year?

I might only say that we were gratefully and cordially received, and each member of the committee was given the opportunity to express to those dear old men our feeling toward them.

Just occupying another moment of time—last night, following the dinner, I did something which I do not often do. I went to the Campfire and I got there when they were calling on these dear old fellows. I said to Brother Heintz, who was standing beside me, that if it were possible for the members of this organization to see and to hear them, perchance it might be possible to inject some life blood into our organization.

Then I had this other thought; some people of today seem to think that we ought to forget the story of 1861-1865. May I say to you that I know of no more important work that we, individually or as an organization, could do than to keep before the people of this nation, that period of our nation's history that saved and preserved this nation and made it possible for our country to do what it is doing today.

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: I understand that there are two or more men in the room, who are ready to enter the armed service. Department Commander Jonathan Michelbacher of California and Pacific is one of them.

Department Commander Michelbacher: If I pass my physical, I am set.

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: Doubtless, there are more. Will these men who are about to leave for military service please rise, in order that we might make a record of it. The following responded:

Delegate Warrington G. Baldwin, Delaware.

Past Department Commander Cleon E. Heald, New Hampshire.

Department Commander Heacock, Pennsylvania.

Delegate Paul Liston, Michigan.

Delegate Hafer, Pennsylvania: Our Department Commander, Frank Heacock, has orders to report next Monday morning.

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: Good luck to all of you. The question has been asked as to how many Grand Army of the Republic men were in the parade; there were fifty-two.

Council-in-Chief Smith: For the Council-in-Chief I present the corrected budget.

PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 1942-1943 TERM

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand, September 17th, 1942	\$ 70.19
Membership Fees, 600 new members at .50c	300.00
Per Capita Tax, 18,500 members at 40c	7,400.00
Charter Fees, 5 New Camps at \$5.00	25.00
Supplies	1,400.00
Premium on Bonds	37.50
Miscellaneous	12.50
Total Receipts	\$9,245.19

EXPENDITURES.

General Expenses:	
Supplies	\$ 800.00
The Banner	2,200.00
Encampment	1,600.00
Printing	60.00
Shipping Supplies	60.00
Salaries	2,200.00
Premium on Bonds	70.00
Federal Tax	44.00
State Tax (Unemployment)	60.00
Committee on Marking Graves	25.00
Miscellaneous, incl., P.C.C. Badge	200.00
Scholarship (Lincoln University)	150.00
	\$7,469.00

OFFICE EXPENSE:

Postage, Expenses, etc. (express, telegrams, etc) ..\$	110.00
National Officers' stationery	150.00
Rent	420.00
Miscellaneous	40.00
	720.00
Commander-in-Chief's Expenses	\$1,000.00
	720.00
Total Expenditures	\$9,189.00
Balance	\$ 56.19
Permanent Fund, September 11, 1942	\$4,199.59
G.A.R. Testimonial for 1942	500.00
Balance	\$3,699.59
Organization and Historical Marker Fund	
September 15, 1942	\$ 849.98
Balance, Essay Committee	56.87
	\$ 906.85
Appropriation to Committee on Essay Fund.....	
(from Organization and Historical Fund) ..\$	150.00
Contribution to Arlington Hall	50.00
	200.00
Balance	\$ 706.85

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: There is a question as to legality of procedure. As you know, we present to the G.A.R. a testimonial from this organization. That is done on Monday evening; so you do not have an opportunity to discuss it.

I explained to the Council-in-Chief that the \$150.00 was not used for Historical Markers and asked for \$500.00 for the G.A.R., and which I presented to the Comrades Monday night. I would like a motion to cover that. (Motion by Past Department Commander Reeger, New Jersey; seconded by Council-in-Chief Casey. (Adopted).

Council-in-Chief Smith: I move that the report of the Council-in-Chief, as revised, be accepted. Seconded by Delegate Judson Knappen, Department of Maryland. (Adopted).

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: The question has been raised if the Council-in-Chief can make an appropriation; I can't see how it can be otherwise.

Past Department Commander Reeger, New Jersey: I move that this Encampment appropriate \$500.00 as the G.A.R. testimonial next year.

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: Leave that to the Chairman of the Council, because it means considering what they have to work with. The Commander-in-Chief and National Secretary have similar recommendations affecting the budget and I would assume that we should leave this matter rest, to take the same procedure as previously.

Past Commander-in-Chief Craig: I move that we go into the nomination of officers.

Delegate Francis M. Smith, Minnesota: I have something which I would like to bring up under new business. First of all, I want to thank the Encampment for the consideration that it has given the Minnesota propositions. My motion, at this time, is based on consultation with some of the brothers; and partly inspired by this printed summary which Brother Heintz had printed, to the effect that the "War of 1861 to 1865 was not a War between the States, but a Civil War."

THE WAR OF 1861 TO 1865 WAS NOT A WAR BETWEEN THE STATES — BUT A CIVIL WAR

By MICHAEL G. HEINTZ, Historian, Department of Ohio,
18 East Fourth Street, Cincinnati, Ohio.

1. *The States* never had and do not now have the power to make war upon one another. Constitution of the United States, Art. I, Sec. 10.

2. *The Supreme Court of the United States* has held in a number of cases that the war was a Civil War. *Texas v. White*, 7 Wall. 700; *White v. Hart*, 13 Wall. 646; *Keith v. Clark*, 97 U. S. 454; *Daniels v. Tearney*, 102 U. S. 415; and others.

3. *Congress* has published the record of the war in 130 volumes entitled "*War of the Rebellion. Official Record of the Union and Confederate Armies.*"

4. *In the second sentence* of the Gettysburg Address President Lincoln said: "Now we are engaged in a great *civil* war, etc."

5. *Many Confederate generals*, including Beauregard, Law, Joseph E. Johnston, Hood, Kirby Smith, Cheatam, Imboden, Early, Wade Hampton, Basil W. Duke and others wrote articles for the *Century Magazine* under the title, "*Battles and Leaders of the Civil War.*" and not one of them used the term "War Between the States."

6. *A War between states sovereignties* is usually suspended by an armistice, terminated by a treaty and followed by a proclamation by the executive authorities of the states involved, announcing to neutrals that the war is over. *No such steps followed the end of the Civil War.*

7. *Andrew Johnson* of Tennessee was elected Vice President of the United States in 1864, and became President in 1865. If the war then in progress was a Civil War, Andrew Johnson was a citizen of the United States; otherwise not. But his citizenship was never doubted.

8. *If the war was a War Between the States*, all the states at war should have paid their debts. The 14th amendment to the Constitution of the United States forbids a state "to assume or pay any debt or obligation incurred in aid of insurrection or rebellion against the United States." Under this amendment all the so-called Confederate States defaulted in the payment of their war debts.

9. *During the war*, there were *thirty-four stars in the United States Flag*, which at all times contained a star for each state in insurrection.

Approved September 1st, 1942. Issued by Department of Ohio
LOUIS G. BLAIR, Commander Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War
—Department of Ohio

I move that the present Commander-in-Chief be authorized to appoint an interim committee of three to study this question about the use of the term "sovereign states," to correspond with other Allied Orders, and patriotic orders, and report back to the next National Encampment, so that it doesn't involve any change, at this time, but it gives a chance to study the question and give us the benefit of their thoughts. Seconded by Past Commander-in-Chief Craig.

Delegate Smith: Our Commander-in-Chief suggests that since this committee is to be appointed now, it will work with the new Commander-in-Chief. Brother Craig, if you will rescind your second to my original motion, I will amend the motion to that effect. Seconded by Past Commander-in-Chief Craig. (Adopted).

Delegate D. M. McLane, Illinois: Early this morning during a committee report on recommendation No. 5 of the Program & Policy Committee, there was a motion that a committee be appointed to do special work. That motion was amended, and the amendment referred back to the committee. The point is that the amendment was carried, then the original motion defeated. To my mind, that is out of order.

Past Commander-in-Chief Sautter: I rise to a point of order. A brother cannot raise a question on something we passed two or three hours ago.

Delegate McLane: I may be out of order, but you have an amendment carried and the original motion lost.

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: You can have an amendment carried, and the motion lost. Is there any further new business?

Delegate Isaacs, New York: I have presented to the National Secretary a check for \$215.83 for the Victory Fund. I ask that notice be published in The Banner, in accordance with the last issue.

Past Department Commander James Gallagher, Illinois: I wish to make a special announcement to the delegations from Illinois, Wisconsin, Iowa and Minnesota, as the Commander of the upper Mississippi Valley region. There will be a meeting in Des Moines on the second Sunday in October, following this Encampment. Commanders, please notify your membership.

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: Is the Credential Committee ready to report now?

National Secretary: Commander-in-Chief, first I would like to report additional contributions to the War Fund.

Minneapolis Camp No. 8, Dept. of Minnesota	\$ 5.00
Massachusetts (Allen B. Howland, Camp No. 50)	5.00
Camp No. 43, Somerville, New Jersey	10.00
New York Department	215.83
Camp No. 16, Reading, Penn. (additional)	1.00
Camp No. 121, Milton, Penn.	2.50
Previous balance	2610.48
Total	\$2849.81
173 Camps out of 671 donated.	

CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE—FINAL REPORT

To The Officers and Members,
61st Encampment, Indianapolis, Ind.
Commander-in-Chief and Brothers:

Your Credential Committee presents its final report:
Number of members enrolled, 156, composed of:

National Officers, 10	10
Past Grand (Division) Dept. Commander, 1.....	1
Past Commanders-in-Chief, 10*	1
Past Dept. Commanders, 58**	49
Department Commanders	13
Delegates (Elected)	52
Alternate Delegates	
Appointed Substitute Delegates	30

Total156

*9 Past Department Commanders.

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Three Departments—
Rhode Island,
Vermont,
Washington, not represented.

Committee:

H. H. HAMMER, Chairman
CHARLES C. WEBSTER,
EDWIN R. SHAW,
LOUIS G. BLAIR,
GEORGE L. CHAMPLIN.

Report adopted on motion of Chairman.

Past Commander-in-Chief Sautter: I move that we proceed with nomination, election and installation of officers. Seconded by Past Department Commander Howard W. Michael, Maryland. (Carried).

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: Will the guards let any Brother in who wants to come in, then secure the door. It is not to be opened after we start. We will now go into nomination of officers.

NOMINATION OF OFFICERS

Commander-in-Chief

Commander-in-Chief Lambert. Secretary, you will call the roll for nominations from Departments for Commander-in-Chief.

The National Secretary called Alabama and Tennessee when Past Department Commander Jackmann gave way to Maine.

Past Department Commander Charles C. Webster, Maine: Officers and members of this Encampment, the man I am nominating has been a member of the organization for forty-seven years. I never have yet endorsed a candidate for Camp, Department, or National office more worthy, equal in ability and able to carry on this work for the benefit of this organization. He has shown you of his interest and ability to carry on for the interest of the order. He was endorsed by his Department Encampment; also by other Departments. In Maine we have thirty-four camps and twenty-seven Auxiliaries which shows you that in Maine they are carrying on together.

We have not had a Commander-in-Chief in fifty nine years, and we feel that we should be given a chance to prove to you that, although we are in the woods in Maine, we can produce a man who will work hard for this organization, and that you will not regret the choice you have made. I take great pleasure in presenting the name of Past Department Commander Henry Towle of Portland, Maine. (Delegate Julius Isaacs, New York seconded the nomination).

Department Commander Heacock, Pennsylvania: Last June, at the Department Encampment in Pennsylvania, we endorsed a candidate; not specifying, however, any particular time when he was to be presented.

Thinking of the welfare of the organization; looking forward to unity, progress and good fellowship, in behalf of the Pennsylvania boys, in behalf of Captain C. L. Stoudt, Past Department Commander of Pennsylvania—our candidate—and the Department of Pennsylvania I second the nomination of Henry Towle, and say that we shall present Captain Stoudt in the near future. Nominations closed.

Delegates Isaacs, New York: I move that where there is but one candidate, the Secretary be authorized to cast the ballot. Seconded by Past Department Commander Reeger, New Jersey.

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: Nominations are now open for Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief.

Secretary Hammer called the roll, to California and Pacific.

Department Commander Jonathan Mickelbacher, California and Pacific: Commander-in-Chief and Brothers, there is a man out in the west who has done a lot for the good of the order. He has been a member for over thirty years, helped to build up his own local Camp and our Department; is also a Past Department Commander of the Department of California and Pacific. He can well afford to travel around the country, and do what he can for the good of the order. Therefore, I take great pleasure in presenting the name of J. Wilbur Coursey, for Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief.

The National Secretary continued with the roll call to New Hampshire.

Past Commander-in-Chief Craig: Commander-in-Chief, I rise as a personal friend and admirer of one who has been a member nearly forty years, who has served our organization honestly—both local and state. He has served our country in the cause of democracy and now occupies a position of leadership. He was also one of our National Officers last year.

I was attracted to him as one with ability, leadership and courage and, therefore, I am very happy to present the name of Colonel

Hopfield, of Oregon, for Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief for the ensuing year. Nominations closed.

Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief

The National Secretary called the roll to Indiana for the nominations for Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief.

Department Commander George O. Dewey, Indiana: Members of this Encampment, as Department Commander of Indiana, I have been asked to place in nomination a man from this Department who is very well known and who has been a member of this organization for a long time. Therefore, I take pleasure in presenting the name of Past Department Commander A. C. Thornburg, of Muncie, Indiana, for Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief.

The Secretary continued to call the roll; no other nominations.

Council-in-Chief

The National Secretary called the roll to Massachusetts for nominations for Council-in-Chief.

Past Commander-in-Chief Kirchgassner: It is my pleasure to present for your consideration for Council-in-Chief a member of the Department of Massachusetts, who is a loyal and active member. He is a business man who knows business methods; that is necessary in making a choice for our Council-in-Chief. May I present to you this man, who attends Camp, Department and National Encampments, and one upon whom you can depend at all times—Past Department Commander William O. Fuller, of Massachusetts.

The Secretary called Missouri.

Past Department Commander Reeger, New Jersey: I have been requested to pinch hit for the Department of Missouri. I nominate for re-election as Council-in-Chief, Brother Theo. H. Mohr, of Missouri.

Roll Call of Department continued to Ohio.

Past Commander-in-Chief Coffin: On behalf of the Department of Ohio, I have great pleasure in presenting one whom I knew when I first entered the Order, was Department Commander thirty five years ago, is now our Department Secretary-Treasurer and one whom I know will serve you well as a member of the Council. I have great pleasure in nominating Past Department Commander R. J. Williams, of Ohio. Nominations were declared closed.

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: I appoint Delegate Isaacs, New York and Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief Arthur G. Gibbony, as tellers. We will now proceed with the election for the office of Commander-in-Chief, Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief and three members of the Council-in-Chief. Where there is no opposition, the ballot will be cast by the National Secretary.

National Secretary Hammer: I cast the unanimous ballot of the Encampment for the election of officers without opposition.

Delegate Isaacs, New York: We find 154 votes for Henry Towle, for Commander-in-Chief.

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: I declare Henry Towle, Past Department Commander of Maine elected Commander-in-Chief. Brother Towle, do you accept?

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief Towle: I do, and will serve to the best of my ability.

Delegate Isaacs: We find 154 votes for A. C. Thornburg, for Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief.

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: Past Department Commander Thornburg, you have been elected as Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief. Do you accept?

Past Department Commander Thornburg, Indiana: I do, and will serve to the best of my ability.

Delegate Isaacs: We find 154 votes for William O. Fuller, Massachusetts; Theo. H. Mohr, Missouri and R. J. Williams, Ohio for Council-in-Chief.

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: I declare Brothers Fuller, Mohr and Williams elected as Council-in-Chief. Do you accept? (Each responded affirmatively).

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: We will proceed to election of the Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief.

The National Secretary called the roll, with the following result.

Delegate Isaacs: We find the result to be as follows: Past Department Commander Coursey—27

National Chaplain Hopfield—96

Commander-in-Chief Lambert: Brother Hopfield, I declare you elected as Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief. Will you accept?

National Chaplain Hopfield: I accept, to the best of my ability so help me my God.

Past Department Commander Coursey. I would like to make a motion that this election be made unanimous. Seconded by several. (Carried).

Delegate Isaacs: I move that the tellers be discharged. Seconded by Delegate Hafer, Pennsylvania. (They were discharged).

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

Commander-in-Chief-elect Towle designated Past Commander-in-Chief Sautter, Pennsylvania, as Installing Officer, and announced the following appointments:

National Counselor—Past Commander-in-Chief Kirchgassner, Massachusetts.

Personal Aide—Past Department Commander Chas. C. Webster, Maine.

Acting Chief of Staff—Past Department Commander C. L. Stoudt, Pennsylvania.

Past Commander-in-Chief Sautter: Past Department Commander, Cleon E. Heald, New Hampshire, please act as Guide.

The National Secretary will call the names of the newly elected officers (complied with) and

Commander-in-Chief—Henry Towle, Maine;

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief—Leonard S. Hopfield, Oregon;

Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief—A. C. Thornburg, Indiana;

Council-in-Chief—Theo. H. Mohr, Missouri;

William O. Fuller, Massachusetts;

R. J. Williams, Ohio;

National Counselor—Frank L. Kirchgassner, Massachusetts;

Personal Aide—Charles C. Webster, Maine;

Acting Chief-of-Staff—C. Leroy Stoudt, Pennsylvania were installed in Ritualistic form.

Past Commander-in-Chief Lambert: I wanted to get in here and be the first one to address you as Commander-in-Chief. I congratulate you, and guarantee that I will help you as much as you helped me last year. This badge of the Commander-in-Chief was pinned on my coat by Past Commander-in-Chief Craig, and it gives me pleasure to present it to you; also the bond of the National Secretary.

Commander-in-Chief Towle: Thank you, Brother Al. My association with you has been very pleasant.

Past Department Commander Henry Weiler, Massachusetts: I move that we give the retiring Commander-in-Chief a rising vote for the splendid work he has done this year, and for the able way he conducted the Encampment. Seconded by Department Commander Heacock, Pennsylvania. (A rising vote and hearty applause were given the retiring Commander-in-Chief.)

Commander-in-Chief Towle: It is customary for the Commander-in-Chief to make a speech. I composed a good one, but I know you want lunch. I am trembling all over, but I want you to remain for a few minutes longer. Stop and consider that the two highest offices went to Portland; one to Portland, Maine, and the other to Portland, Oregon. I am not going to keep you very long.

BROTHERS—After a lapse of approximately 59 years, history has repeated itself and the Department of Maine has, for the second time, been honored by the election of one of its members to serve you as Commander-in-Chief of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

As the individual accepting this honor for the Department of Maine, I am unable to adequately express my personal feelings at this time. Words fail me, but, please be assured, Brothers, that I do, from the bottom of my heart, most sincerely appreciate that which you have given me this day. I hope that the Brothers of the Department of Maine will show their appreciation by actions, rather than by mere words.

I ask you to believe me when I say the idea of trying for a national office did not originate with me. It was first suggested by my good Brother, the Rev. Arthur M. Soule, Past Department Commander of Maine, and he was backed up by Past Department Commander Charles Webster and other Past Department Commanders in Maine.

If I live until the 17th of January next, I will have been an active member of this Order for fifty years, and until the suggestion was made by Brother Soule, I can say, and truthfully, that the thought of holding a National office never entered my mind. Well, here I am, nevertheless.

You have elected a new set of officers. It is possible that there are those among you who are not perfectly satisfied with the choice that has been made. If such there be, and you were sincere in subscribing to your obligation as a new member, you will put aside your personal feelings and continue to work for the benefit of the Sons of Union Veterans. Please remember that this is not a one man organization, that you are not working for an individual, but for the Order as a whole. You do that, and you are helping to carry out the principles and objects for which your ancestors gave so much.

I have no desire to be considered a pessimist, but we must face facts. You certainly must realize that for the next two or three years it is going to be extremely hard sledding for all fraternal organizations. A large number of our young members, and also young men who are eligible to become members, are now in the armed

forces of the United States, and many more will follow. Therefore, it is the duty of us older members to do our utmost to keep this Order alive.

Altogether too many members are being dropped for non-payment of dues. We should do everything possible to keep these members on Camp rolls. I know that in many instances, substantial discounts are offered to members in arrears, and by this means, good members are saved to us. Don't be satisfied with just sending letters to delinquent members. See them personally, lay down hard upon the fact that when they drop their membership, they are throwing down the men who made it possible for them and their families to live the priceless American Way. I know that many of you have heard me describe the American Way of living, but for the benefit of those who have not, I am going to impose upon your good nature and do it again.

There is no way of living like the American Way, because:

You can go to any church you please;
 You can read, see, and hear what you choose;
 You can express your opinions openly;
 Your mail reaches you as sent—uncensored;
 Your telephone is untapped;
 You can vote for what and whom you please;
 You have a constitutional right to trial by jury;
 You are protected against unlawful search and seizure;
 Neither your life nor your property can be forfeited without due process of law.

That is the American Way of living. Isn't it a priceless heritage, and one worth fighting for?

If any of you have occasion to write me, and I will be pleased to hear from any or all of you, I will reply as soon as possible. But, please be patient, as I am, by force of circumstances, obliged to do my own typing and I am no expert. In fact, I use the hunt and thump system, and it's mostly thump, so again I say, please be patient.

I would like to visit as many Department Encampments as possible, but for various reasons cannot visit all. Dates conflict, and distances are often too great. I would like also to accept as many invitations to installations, receptions, patriotic gatherings as is consistent, but feel that the Department Encampments are of more importance, as I have learned from experience that the attendance of a National Officer at an Encampment is greatly appreciated by the members, and is a sort of inspiration to them.

You doubtless are aware that the Government is trying to discourage civilian travel, and I learned a short time ago that it is to be more tightly restricted and travel may be by priorities; furthermore, railroad rates have been increased ten per cent and the Passenger Association have asked the Public Utilities for permission to jump the fares another ten per cent. Travel is going to be expensive and expense must be cut down. We formerly were able to do quite a bit of traveling by automobile, but that mode of travel is out for the duration.

Now, Brothers, we are members of a grand Order. We have a duty to perform. The Grand Army of the Republic is looking to us to carry on. In a very few short years, ours will be the only male organization in the Grand Army family, and by right we should be the head of that family when that time comes; therefore, let us

show that we are worthy of that title, and worthy to take up where our father's left off.

The following is an extract from Orders No. 1 of the Department of Ohio.

"We, as a nation are passing through trying times.. Not since the heroic spirit of 1776, which gave us our independence, or the attack on Fort Sumter, which brought on the Civil War, has there been such an awakening of patriotism as there is at the present time.

Every loyal and true American wants to win this war, and thus preserve the democracy which we have built through the years at such great sacrifices. This is a time when patriotic societies should flourish. There is not a patriotic organization with a heritage equal to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, and every Son and Grandson of a Union soldier should recognize this heritage and show his patriotism by becoming a member of the Order."

In closing, I would like to read an ancient prayer that the people of Guatemala always recited on their New Year's Day. These are the words, and I believe they should be echoed in the heart of every man here:

"Today I beg of you, God of the winds,
Lord of Thunder and Hurricane . . .
Infuse us with the spirit of our fathers
Until their strength becomes ours.
Cause the fire of righteous resentment
To course through our veins;
And grant us to leave to our children
Unsullied and free—the fair Land
Left by our Fathers."

Commander-in-Chief Towle: Past Commander-in-Chief Mabie has a duty to perform at this time.

PRESENTATION TO PAST COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF LAMBERT

Past Commander-in-Chief Mabie: Brothers, I have a duty to perform. I do not know what I might say to measure up to that wonderful demonstration you made when someone moved a rising vote of thanks be given the outgoing Commander-in-Chief; it was wonderful.

I do not know why I was asked to do this, unless that for many, many years I almost felt that I belonged to New Jersey. Brother Heacock, last night as master of ceremonies, in a humorous manner, kept saying that Pennsylvania was the only State and I thought, for awhile, some of them were going to let him have something. I guess he thinks that is true. I know you think your State is the best, and he has the same privilege.

We are very close to New Jersey. We know New Jersey. It is just a little strip of land and we can get to every point in New Jersey in one to one and one half hours and we, in Philadelphia, are part of the things they do in New Jersey.

Since Geo. W. Pollitt was Commander-in-Chief of this organization in 1909, a number of us, including Horace felt that New Jersey should again be recognized. There was Arthur Veselius, of Paterson, N. J., but just as we wanted to present him for Commander-in-Chief, death took him away from us. There were other men who felt they should be placed in this position, so we waited and watched. As the

years rolled on, we saw one man come in; we watched him and noted he was doing things; that man was Al Lambert.

In Pittsburg, because of some disagreement or contest, we were approached to put up a man from Pennsylvania. Immediately we felt this was the chance for New Jersey and we hunted and found Al outside the hotel. We gave him our proposition, and we nearly dropped dead on the pavement. He said he didn't feel that he was ready; he is the only one who thought that. He said that he had just gone into his own business, and if he expected to eat during the year he would have to devote his time to the business and wouldn't be able to handle the job of Commander-in-Chief and, therefore, declined. Last year, we elected him at Columbus; and from what I know, no man could possibly do more than he has done. My only feeling of sorrow is that he had to have a year in which everyon's thoughts were of everything except fraternity.

I feel sure that if your outgoing Commander-in-Chief would have had a normal year, he could have shown wonderful advancement. If you will look over the rolls for a good many years you will find that during those years we dropped a far greater percentage than during his administration. He hasn't left a thing undone that could be done. He has gone out of his way in many cases; but you showed how you felt about it and we know how the fellows in New Jersey and Pennsylvania feel about Al.

It gives me the greatest amount of pleasure that I could ever possibly attain in pinning this badge upon you. I do not need to say, "may you wear it long and proudly" or tell you that you now belong to the "has beens." I know that you will go right back into the ranks, and that we can depend upon you to do just as much, if not more, than as Commander-in-Chief.

Past Commander-in-Chief Al, you told me not to get sentimental, but my only words, at this time, would be to wish the very best for you, your Department, and your family.

Past Commander-in-Chief Lambert: First of all, I sincerely want to thank you, Walter, for that flattering oration. I hope I can measure up to it, in some degree. In leaving, I want to thank every member of the organization for doing—not for me, but for the organization all that they did, and that they think enough of the organization to retain membership in it. As a "has been" I will continue my activities for the rest of my life, to the best of my ability.

National Secretary Hammer then made the presentation of the gold lapel button to the retiring Commander-in-Chief.

Pas Commander-in-Chief Lambert: Thank you, Horace.

Past Commander-in-Chief Yengling, Ohio: I move that when we adjourn it be to meet at the same time and place as the G. A. R. and that the minutes, as taken by the stenographer, constitute the official record of the Encampment, that the necessary number of proceedings be printed and all committees discharged. Seconded by Delegate Hugh Snyder, Indiana. (Adopted).

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief Hopfield: Commander-in-Chief, I think it a great pleasure that I am able to address you as such. I want to say that, if it is any credit to me, I happen to hold a commission dated 1899, commissioning me as a Chaplain in the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War from the Department of Oregon. On the back of it, I have something which I would like to leave with you for thought:

FREEDOM! To feel the balm of privacy; to choose your own

dwelling, your own friends; to appear on the street and then go into your own church; to utter opinions; to win just recompense for industry, ability and for taking risks; to will wealth to your children; to be comfortable, clean and protected from disease. Freedom—boundless, brilliant and immortal freedom—that's what your Flag, untouched by suspicion or prejudice, means to you and to all Americans.

But what do YOU mean to the Flag? You have sucked of its strength and drunk of its inspiration. But are you adding anything personal, singular and special to the glory of Old Glory? Could your Flag exist without you and still mean everything it means today? Has your presence on American earth, your life in American life, added even infinitesimally to the lustre of that banner in the sky?

The Flag is grand and great because men, American men, made it so. Its design is surely the most beautiful in the world, but some artist could, perhaps, create a new flag, even more beautiful in appearance. For it isn't the design alone that gives Old Glory its beauty. Rather, it's the history of our patriots, those pure and true Americans who put that design into valorous deeds and who, loving freedom more than self-advantage, had the faith and energy to outlast the enemy.

Men made the Flag, your Flag, and men like you must keep it. In your country's hour of peril, arise! As a rock against the foe, as a furnace of living zeal, as an apostle of triumph through sacrifice!

Let your actions and your spirit in themselves be a beautiful Star Spangled Banner identical in color, design and virtue with the Flag of your Country. Let your life be everything your Flag is—and be forever proud that it represents a man and not a mite!"

Commander-in-Chief Towle: Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief, do you have anything to add.

Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief Thornburg: After listening to the Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief I would say let him do the talking for us and all we have to do is the work. I will say that I want to pledge you all the support I can possibly give.

We, in Indiana, are in the center of everything and any time you pass through, don't miss Muncie.

I am happy to do that which I can for this organization. I think that our greatest object is to take care of the home front during this war. We are in a difficult war; we must save the home front for the boys when they come back.

The Encampment closed in Ritual form.

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ALBERT C. LAMBERT,
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Attest:

H. H. HAMMER,
National Secretary.

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 House of Representatives,
 Washington, D. C.,
 October 28, 1942.

Mr. H. H. Hammer, National Secretary,
 Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War,
 Reading, Pa.

Dear Mr. Hammer:

Thank you for your letter and its suggestion. I will be glad to submit it to those who are considering the amendments and let you know the outcome.

With appreciation for your letter, I am,

Very truly yours,
 Sam Hobbs.

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NATIONAL EDUCATION ASSOCIATION OF THE UNITED STATES
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November 2, 1942.

Mr. Albert C. Lambert, Commander-in-Chief,
 Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War,
 Trenton, New Jersey.

Dear Mr. Lambert:

Thank you for your letter of October 26. We are pleased to note your interest in the teaching of history. In some respects the survey conducted by the *New York Times* left something to be desired, although we appreciate the fact that at times like these the attention of the American people is properly focused upon those phases of education which relate to the perpetuation of our democratic ideals.

To our knowledge, there is no elementary or high school under public auspices in the United States that does not offer and require study of American history. Some of the higher institutions do not list American history as a required course, although hundreds of students take it anyhow. The fact that an educational institution is not compelled by law to teach a course is in no way an indication that such courses are not taught and required. I think you would find little difference between the amount or the quality of the teaching of American history in states where there is no legal prescription and in the states where such a prescription is on the statutes.

Professor Erling Hunt, who is a historian and who heads one of our principal departments, the National Council for the Social Studies, has just had published in the *New York Times* a one-column analysis of the situation. This I am pleased to inclose.

While we do not feel that history is neglected in our schools, we would all be happy to see it more effectively taught. At times like these the community may help the schools by spotlighting an important subject like history. Ofttimes the history student feels that the things about which he reads in the history book are "long ago and far away." As a matter of fact, every community has its own history which reflects locally the aspirations of the American people. It is through these local contacts that history seems most vital and mean-

ingful to the boys and girls of any school. Local organizations might well work with the schools in interpreting local institutions of government and the processes through which they have been extended or improved.

We appreciate your interest and I am happy to pass your resolution on to the officers of our organization.

Sincerely,

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			Membership.	Delegates.	
1 Ala. & Tenn.	22	Mar. 12, 1889	56	2	7
4 Calif. & Pac.	19	July 1, 1886	549	6	22
2 Colo. & Wyo.	25	Mar. 22, 1929	130	2	9
10 Connecticut	5	May 15, 1883	1192	13	29
9 Illinois	10	July 1883	530	6	21
16 Indiana	18	June 12, 1885	478	6	17
3 Iowa	6	June 2, 1883	315	4	16
3 Kansas	9	June 1883	251	4	15
4 Maine	4	April 10, 1883	846	9	34
8 Maryland	20	June 15, 1887	378	5	23
10 Massachusetts	2	July 17, 1882	3167	33	25
13 Michigan	15	June 24, 1884	468	6	22
5 Minnesota	17	Jan. 1, 1885	168	3	13
1 Missouri	7	June 2, 1883	272	4	18
3 Nebraska	16	Sept. 2, 1884	115	2	13
2 New Hampshire	11	Aug. 1883	591	7	25
8 New Jersey	8	June 14, 1883	750	8	25
8 New York	13	Nov. 6, 1883	1781	19	27
21 Ohio	3	Aug. 1, 1882	1379	15	29
1 Oregon	24	June 8, 1923	200	3	11
23 Pennsylvania	1	July 4, 1882	3729	38	26
Rhode Island	14	Feb. 14, 1884	316	4	21
Vermont	12	Oct. 1883	457	6	26
Washington	23	Jan. 1, 1890	67	2	3
1 Wisconsin	21	Sept. 1887	344	4	17
156			205		494

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1887	*George B. Abbott	Illinois	
1888	*George B. Abbott	Illinois	
1889	*Charles F. Griffin	Indiana	
1890	*Leland J. Webb	Kansas	
1891	*Bartow S. Weeks	New York	
1893	*Joseph B. Maccabe	Massachusetts	
1894	*William E. Bundy	Ohio	
1895	William H. Russell	Kansas	La Crosse, Kan.
1896	*James Lewis Rake	Pennsylvania	
1897	*Charles K. 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 G. Dustin	Illinois	
1905	*Harley V. Speelman	Ohio	
1906	*Edwin M. Amles	Pennsylvania	
1907	Ralph Sheldon	New York	Lyons, N. Y.
1908	*Edgar Allan, Jr.	Maryland	
1909	*George W. Pollitt	New Jersey	
1910	*Fred E. Bolton	Massachusetts	
1911	*Newton J. McGuire	Indiana	
1912	Ralph M. Grant	Connecticut	18 Asylum S., Hartford, Conn.
1913	John E. Sautter	Pennsylvania	405 Hampton Ave., Wilkesburg, Pa.
1914	Charles F. Sherman	New York	46 S. Fourth Ave., Mt. Vernon, New York.
1915	*A. E. B. Stephens	Ohio	
1916	William T. Church	Illinois	134 So. LaSalle St., Suite 1410, Chicago, Ill.
1917	*Fred T. F. Johnson	Maryland	
1918	*Francis Callahan	Pennsylvania	
1919	*Harry D. Sisson	Massachusetts	
1920	*Pelham A. Barrows	Nebraska	
1921	*Clifford Ireland	Illinois	
1922	Frank Shellhouse	Indiana	Spink-Arms Hotel, Indianapolis, Ind.
1923	*Samuel S. Horn	Pennsylvania	P. O. Box 51, Easton, Pa.

1924	Wm. M. Coffin	Ohio	3755 Hyde Park Ave., Cincinnati, Ohio
1925	Edwin C. Ireland	Maryland	4300 Roland Ave., Apt. 6-2, Baltimore, Md.
1926	*Ernest W. Homan	Massachusetts	Address.
Elected.	Name.	Department.	
1927	Walter C. Mable	Pennsylvania	2227 South Ninth Street, Philadelphia, Pa.
1928	Delevan Bates Bowley	Calif. & Pac.	2550 Pine Street, San Francisco, Calif.
1929	*Theodore C. Cazeau	New York	
1930	Allan S. Holbrook	Illinois	Dwight, Illinois
1931	Frank C. Huston	Indiana	1071 Edgewood Ave., Jacksonville, Fla.
1932	*Titus M. Ruch	Pennsylvania	
1933	Park F. Yengling	Ohio	21419 Kenwood Ave., Rocky River, Ohio.
1934	Frank L. Kirchgassner	Massachusetts	20 Burr St., Jamaica Plain, Mass.
1935	Richard F. Locke	Illinois	Glen Ellyn, Ill.
1936	Wm. Allan Dyer	New York	995 James St., Syracuse, N. Y.
1937	Wm. L. Anderson, Sr.	Massachusetts	40 Robin St., West Roxbury, Mass.
1938	Ralph R. Barrett	Calif. & Pac.	7118 Rita Avenue, Huntington Park, Calif.
1939	J. Kirkwood Craig	N. Hampshire	10 View St., Franklin, N. H.
1940	Albert C. Lambert	New Jersey	2772 So. Broad St., Trenton, N. J.
1941			

Sons of Veterans

1881	†*Alfred Cope	Pennsylvania
1882	†*Alfred Cope	Pennsylvania
1883	†Edwin Earp	Massachusetts Lynn, Mass.
1884	†Edwin Earp	Massachusetts Lynn, Mass.
1884	†*Louis M. Wagner	Pennsylvania
1885	†*Louis M. Wagner	
1886	†*Louis M. Wagner	

The Post System

1880-00	†George W. Marks	New York	Brooklyn, New York
1890	†*George T. Brown	New York	

Honor Conferred by Commandery-in-Chief

	Honor Conferred by		
1883	*A. P. Davis	Pennsylvania	
1899	*R. M. J. Reed	Pennsylvania	
1939	Horace H. Hammer	Pennsylvania	Reading, Pa.

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*Deceased.

COMMANDERY-IN-CHIEF ENCAMPMENTS

No.	Year.	Date.	Place.	State.
	1882	Oct. 18	Pittsburgh	Pennsylvania
1st	1883	Aug. 6-7	Columbus	Ohio
2nd	1884	Aug. 27-30	Philadelphia	Pennsylvania
3rd	1885	Sept. 17-18	Grand Rapids	Michigan
4th	1886	Sept. 1-2	Buffalo	New York
5th	1887	Aug. 17-19	Des Moines	Iowa
6th	1888	Aug. 15-17	Wheeling	West Virginia
7th	1889	Sept. 10-13	Paterson	New Jersey
8th	1890	Aug. 26-29	St. Joseph	Missouri
9th	1891	Aug. 24-29	Minneapolis	Minnesota
10th	1892	Aug. 8-12	Helena	Montana
11th	1893	Aug. 15-18	Cincinnati	Ohio
12th	1894	Aug. 20-23	Davenport	Iowa
13th	1895	Sept. 16-18	Knoxville	Tennessee
14th	1896	Sept. 8-10	Louisville	Kentucky
15th	1897	Sept. 9-11	Indianapolis	Indiana
16th	1898	Sept. 12-14	Omaha	Nebraska
17th	1899	Sept. 7-9	Detroit	Michigan
18th	1900	Sept. 11-13	Syracuse	New York
19th	1901	Sept. 17-18	Providence	Rhode Island
20th	1902	Oct. 7-9	Washington	D. C.
21st	1903	Sept. 15-17	Atlantic City	New Jersey
22nd	1904	Aug. 17-19	Boston	Massachusetts
23rd	1905	Sept. 18-20	Gettysburg	Pennsylvania
24th	1906	Aug. 21-23	Peoria	Illinois
25th	1907	Aug. 20-21	Dayton	Ohio
26th	1908	Aug. 25-27	Niagara Falls	New York
27th	1909	Aug. 24-26	Washington	D. C.
28th	1910	Sept. 20-22	Atlantic City	New Jersey
29th	1911	Aug. 22-25	Rochester	New York
30th	1912	Aug. 27-29	St. Louis	Missouri
31st	1913	Sept. 16-18	Chattanooga	Tennessee
32nd	1914	Sept. 1-3	Detroit	Michigan
33rd	1915	Sept. 28-30	Washington	D. C.
34th	1916	Aug. 30-31	Kansas City	Missouri
35th	1917	Aug. 22-23	Boston	Massachusetts
36th	1918	Aug. 20-21	Niagara Falls	New York
37th	1919	Sept. 9-11	Columbus	Ohio
38th	1920	Sept. 22-24	Indianapolis	Indiana
39th	1921	Sept. 27-29	Indianapolis	Indiana
40th	1922	Sept. 26-28	Des Moines	Iowa
41st	1923	Sept. 4-5-6	Milwaukee	Wisconsin
42nd	1924	Aug. 12-14	Boston	Massachusetts
43rd	1925	Sept. 1-3	Grand Rapids	Michigan
44th	1926	Sept. 21-23	Des Moines	Iowa
45th	1927	Sept. 13-15	Grand Rapids	Michigan
46th	1928	Sept. 18-20	Denver	Colorado
47th	1929	Sept. 10-12	Portland	Maine

No.	Year.	Date.	Place.	State.
49th	1930	Aug. 26-28	Cincinnati	Ohio
50th	1931	Sept. 14-17	Des Moines	Iowa
51st	1932	Sept. 19-22	Springfield	Illinois
52nd	1933	Sept. 19-21	St. Paul	Minnesota
53rd	1934	Aug. 14-16	Rochester	New York
54th	1935	Sept. 9-12	Grand Rapids	Michigan
55th	1936	Sept. 22-24	Washington	D. C.
56th	1937	Sept. 6-9	Madison	Wisconsin
57th	1938	Sept. 6-8	Des Moines	Iowa
58th	1939	Aug. 29-31	Pittsburgh	Pennsylvania
59th	1940	Sept. 10-12	Springfield	Illinois
60th	1941	Sept. 15-18	Columbus	Ohio
61st	1942	Sept. 15-17	Indianapolis	Indiana

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