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Forward

The following Proceedings of the 103rd Annual Encampment of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War were prepared 15 years after the fact. While every conceivable effort has been made to present an accounting as complete as possible of the Encampment, there are many areas where information was no longer available.

Special acknowledgment needs to be made Sandi Crawford, Steve Fought, John Heseltine, Glenn Knight, Celeste Lewis, Carole A. Mason, Richard Orr, Jim Pahl, Rebecca Pratt; and Robert Wolz, without whose assistance these Proceedings could not have been completed to their present extent.

Keith G. Harrison, PC-in-C Proceedings Editor April 1999



William L. Simpson Commander-in-Chief

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

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

Brother Simpson graduated from High School in 1949 and served with the U.S. Marines in the Korean War. He is also a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, American Legion and the Marine Corps League. He has been employed for 31 years by the Parish Division of Dana Corps as an assembly line worker.



Past Commander-in-Chief Elton P. Koch 1920 - 1983

Elton P. Koch was elected Commander-in-Chief of the Sons of Union Veteran of the Civil War at the 98th Annual Encampment held in Hartford, Connecticut on August 11 – 15, 1979.

Brother Koch's eligibility to the Order was based on his maternal great-grandfather, Benjamin F. Gerhard, served as a Private in Company C, 153rd Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteers and his paternal great-grandfather, John L. Koch, served in Company H, 101st Regiment, Ohio Volunteers.

Brother Elton was obligated into Corporal Weaver Camp #295 in Hellertown, Pennsylvania, on November 4, 1935, by Past Commander-in-Chief C. LeRoy Stoudt. He served as Camp Commander in 1941 and has served as Camp Treasurer since 1963. After holding many Department Offices, he was elected Commander of the Pennsylvania Department in 1961. He was a member of the Sons of Veterans Reserves where he served on the Pennsylvania Brigade Staff and the 2nd Military District. In 1972, he was elected Commanding Officer of the Pennsylvania Brigade, the oldest Brigade connected with the Sons of Veterans Reserves.

In addition to his activities within the Order, Brother Elton was a Past President of the Chester Pike Rotary Club, a member of the Ridley Park Businessmen's Association, a member of the Royal Arcanum, and was a volunteer of the Ridley Park Fire Company. He was also a Deacon of the Ridley Park Presbyterian Church.

Past Commander-in-Chief Elton P. Koch suffered a heart attack on November 19, 1983, in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, after attending the Department of Pennsylvania's Past Commanders' and Past Presidents' dinner held each year in conjunction with Remembrance Day. He died November 20, 1983. His burial took place at Chester Rural Cemetery, Chester, Pennsylvania.

National Officers for 1983-1984 Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

Commander-in-Chief	William L. Simpson
Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief	Eugene E. Russell
Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief	Donald L. Roberts
Council of Administration	Joseph S. Rippey, PC-in-C Edward G. Kater Richard C. Schlenker, PC-in-C
National Secretary-Treasurer	Chester S. Shriver, PC-in-C
National Counselor	William W. Haskell, PC-in-C
National Chaplain	Lewis Garney
National Patriotic Instructor	Thomas W. Graham
National Historian	Forest F. Altland
National GAR Highway Officer	Robert L. McCandless
National Personal Aide	Paul C. Kegerise
Washington Representative	Richard C. Schlenker, PC-in-C
National Membership-at-Large Coordinator	Richard C. Schlenker, PC-in-C
National Chief of Staff	Norman R. Furman, PC-in-C
Banner Editor	Robert J. Wolz
National Genealogist	Jerome L. Orton
National Graves Registration Officer	William W. Vanderhoof (Deceased)

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PRE-103RD ANNUAL NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION MEETING

QUAKER HOTEL AKRON, OHIO

SUNDAY, AUGUST 12,1984

The pre-103rd National Encampment meeting of the Council of Administration, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War was called to order by Commander-in-Chief William Simpson.

Members present included: Commander-in-Chief William L. Simpson, Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief Eugene E. Russell, Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief Donald L. Roberts, National Council of Administration members PC-in-C Richard C. Schlenker and PC-in-C Joseph S. Rippey, National Secretary-Treasurer PC-in-C Chester S. Shriver, and National Counselor PC-in-C William W. Haskell.

The minutes of the post 102nd National Encampment Council of Administration meeting were read. It was moved and seconded to accept the minutes as read; motion passed.

Commander-in-Chief Simpson appointed the following Encampment committees: Budget Committee, Joseph S. Rippey and Eugene E. Russell; Audit Committee, Richard C. Schlenker and Donald L. Roberts. Commander-in-Chief Simpson called for a report of the *Banner* Editor. National Secretary-Treasurer Shriver reported nothing was received by National. It was moved and seconded that the Council wait until the post Encampment meeting to discuss this item; motion passed.

Richard Schlenker presented as summary of his report as National Membership-at-Large Coordinator. Subject to the resignation of PC-in-C Fred H. Combs, Jr., at the 102nd National Encampment in Portland, Maine, he was appointed National Membership-at-Large Coordinator by the Council of Administration. A total of \$1,561 in dues and \$390 in initiation fees were collected this year. A major item of contention continues to be the Order's inability to deliver the *Banner*. Some membership renewals hinge on the *Banner* delivery. A motion was made and seconded to accept the National Membership-at Large Coordinator's report; motion passed.

National Secretary/Treasurer Shriver distributed copies of the financial and membership statistical report.

The following items were discussed; the resignation of the Order's CPA, the problem in printing of the 1982 and 1983 National Proceedings due to a search of a printer within the budget of the Order.

National Secretary-Treasurer Shriver reported on the pending application for Camp charters at Kalamazoo, Michigan and a provisional camp in Lincoln, Nebraska. An application for a provisional department was returned to Brother Robert L. McCandless.

A discussion was led by Commander-in-Chief Simpson regarding the Sons' obligation in terms of charges against members by insubordination, slander, etc. Strong compliance with the Constitution and Regulations is the answer plus respect for the office of the Commander-in-Chief.

National Secretary-Treasurer Shriver reported in length the efforts regarding the first class priority mailing on March 21, 1984. Included in this mailing were General Orders of the Commander-in-Chief plus past issues of the *Banners*. The mailings went to all National Officers, Department Secretaries, Past Commanders-in-Chief, Camps-at-Large and the Membership-at-Large Coordinator

The pre-encampment Council of Administration meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted in F., C., & L., Chester S. Shriver, PC-in-C National Secretary-Treasurer

SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR ONE HUNDRED THIRD ANNUAL NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT

QUAKER HOTEL AKRON, OHIO August 13 - 15, 1984

The 103rd Annual Encampment of the National Organization, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War (SUVCW) was called to order by Commander in Chief, William L. Simpson.

Commander-in-Chief Simpson turned the gavel over to Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief Russell.

REPORT OF THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF

On August 17, 1983, in Portland, Maine, you bestowed upon me the greatest honor within your power by electing me to the office of Commander-in-Chief. I promised that I would serve the office to the best of my ability. I trust that my years of service has merited the confidence you placed in me. Following is a report of my activities as your Commander-in-Chief.

August 17: Elected and installed as Commander-in-Chief, Portland, Maine.

My first official visit was to PC-in-C Cleon Heald who was in Chesire Hospital, Keene, New Hampshire recovering from a heart attack. Brother Heald was glad for the visit.

September 10: Attended Testimonial Dipper for Department Commander and

September 10: Attended Testimonial Dinner for Department Commander and Auxiliary President, Maryland Department, Fairfax, Delaware.

September 16: Attended the Annual Bean Soup Celebration in McClure, Pennsylvania. This soup is made the same as it was during the Civil War and is very tasty.

September 24: Was honored along with my wife the National President of the Auxiliary at a Testimonial Dinner held in Reading, Pennsylvania. This was a wonderful affair and many thanks to Meade Camp #16 and Auxiliary #6 for making this a great evening.

October15: Attended Anniversary Banquet of Anna M. Ross Auxiliary #1, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

October 15: Attended Pennsylvania Department Commander and Department President Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic Testimonial. Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

November 5: Attended Testimonial Dinner for Pennsylvania Department President of the Faye Auxiliary Carlisle, Williamsport, Pennsylvania.

November 6: Attended Veterans Day Church Services, Salvation Army Chapel, Reading, Pennsylvania.

November 11: Veterans Day Services, City Park, Reading, Pennsylvania. Served as the master of Ceremonies.

November 18: Attended the 100th Anniversary Party of Gettysburg Camp #112. It is good to see the young members as officers of this Camp.

November 19: Attended the Remembrance Day activities at Gettysburg, Parade and services at the Wilson Monument. In the evening, I was a guest of the Past Commander and Past Presidents Association. I presented the scholarship award to Miss Jodi Hopper of Mechanicsburg, Pennsylvania, a History student at Gettysburg College. It was after this banquet that PC-in-C Elton P. Koch suffered a heart and was taken to Gettysburg, Pennsylvania hospital.

November 20: A telephone call from Brother Shriver informed me that Brother Koch had been called to his reward.

November 24: Attended viewing for PC-in-C Elton P. Koch in Chester, Pennsylvania where services were held by the. Bros. attending.

November 25: Returned to Chester, Pennsylvania for the funeral of Elton P. Koch where I served as one of the pallbearers.

December 8: Journeyed to Carlisle, Pennsylvania for the Christmas Party of Camp and Auxiliary #50. This was a real nice affair and Santa Claus gave out gifts.

January 9: Installed the Officers of George Meade Camp #16, Reading, Pennsylvania.

February 11: Attended the Sons of Veterans Club Dinner, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

February 12: Journeyed to Washington, D.C. for the program at the Lincoln Memorial where I placed a wreath for the National Organization. The day started out dismal, but the sun came out and turned into a beautiful day. We then attended a luncheon at the Rayburn Building. The Committee in charge of this program are to be commended for doing an excellent job.

March 1: Attended the New Jersey Lincoln Dinner, Highstown, New Jersey.

March 17: Lehigh Valley Lincoln Dinner, Hellertown, Pennsylvania.

March 24: Journeyed to Akron, Ohio for a meeting of the Encampment Committee.

March 31: Attended the Rhode Island Encampment, Warwick, Rhode Island; a small Department, but lots of action.

April 7: Attended the 51st Annual Appomatox Banquet, Reading, Pennsylvania.

April 13-18: Attended Massachusetts Department Encampment, Fairhaven. The Massachusetts Department is very active and very interesting meetings.

April 18: Journeyed to Milford, New Hampshire, where my wife and I were the guests of Emma And Ken Wheeler. Many thanks to these folks for a real nice time. We were shown some of the

sights of the State and visited the Capitol where we met the Governor.

April 19: Attended the meeting of Camp Spaulding #38, Milford, New Hampshire. Attended the meeting of Spaulding Camp #8,

Milford, New Hampshire

April 20: Attended the New .Hampshire Department Encampment,

Merrimac, New Hampshire. This is another Department that is

very active and growing in membership.

April 28: Attended the Maryland Department Encampment, Wilmington,

Delaware.

May 3: Attended Camp and Auxiliary #20 Meeting, E. Hampton,

Connecticut.

May 5: Connecticut Department Encampment, Hartford, Connecticut.

This is a small, but determined Department.

May 6: Visit to VA Hospital, Rocky Hill, Connecticut. After walking

through this hospital and seeing the Veterans we realize how

fortunate we really are.

May 19: Called meeting Maine Department, Waterville, Maine. This was

a very nice affair and well planned.

May 20: Memorial Day Services, Grace Lutheran Church, Reading,

Pennsylvania. Attended the Riverfront Services for Civil War

Sailors, Schuylkill River, Reading, Pennsylvania.

May 28; Journeyed to Gettysburg, Pennsylvania where I placed a wreath

at the National Cemetery.

May 30: Attended New Jersey Department Encampment, Avon, New

Jersey. A real nice Encampment and very active meetings.

June 7: Called meeting Indiana Department, Indianapolis, Indiana. This

was a really nice visit. We were taken on a tour of the Benjamin Harrison Home and a trip to the National Cemetery by

Department Commander Allen Moore.

June 9: Attended the Michigan Department Encampment, Clare,

Michigan.

June 17-20: Attended Pennsylvania Department Encampment, Butler,

Pennsylvania. This is always a live wire encampment. Several

important topics were brought on the floor and discussed.

June 21: Visit to Ladies of the Grand Army Home, Swissvale,

Pennsylvania. This is the first time I had been there in three years and they are really making the improvements. I was also told they are going to break ground for a new building. This will

certainly make it nicer.

June 23: Attended the Ohio Department Encampment, Mt. Union

College, Alliance Ohio. This was a new experience, staying in the dormitories, but I really did enjoy it. The Ohio Department is a really active Department and their meetings are well worth

attending.

July 20: Attended the Iowa Department Encampment, Des Moines, Iowa. This is another small Department, but very active.

I had hoped to visit more Departments, but some Departments chose the same dates for their Encampments and because of distance between cities, it was almost impossible to make a visit. We should make an effort to avoid conflicting dates. Perhaps we should pick the Encampment dates on a seniority basis according to the year the Department was instituted. The Commander-in-Chief should visit all Departments during his year in office. I attended 10 Department. Encampments and two called meetings, traveling 13,687 miles all by car. I had the honor of installing the new Officers at all of the Encampments that I attended.

Many thanks to the Departments for all courtesies extended to that office, and to me personally. It was nice to see old friends and make new ones. Many thanks to Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief Eugene Russell for representing me at the Cathedral of the Pines and several occasions in the New England Departments. Also to Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief Donald Roberts for representing me on several occasions and Rick Bury for representing me at Springfield, Illinois.

Sons of Veterans Reserve

The Sons of Veterans Reserve continues to be the showpiece of the Order. Their presence at parades and functions are a deciding cause for new members. To the officers and men. I say thank you for all courtesies extended to me.

Memorial Day Restoration Committee

The Memorial Day Restoration Committee is still trying to have May 30th designated as the day to celebrate Memorial Day. Some states have changed the day to the 30th but more are needed.

Legislative Committee

The Legislative Committee, under the devoted leadership of Thomas L.W. Johnson, has done another fine job of keeping the membership informed as to the status of Legislation of a patriotic nature, and also of any bills which might be of any interest to the Order.

Banner

The *Banner* continues to be a problem, due to the unforeseen problems of the Editor; Brother Bob Wolz, and also to the problems of distribution via the new mailing system. Perhaps we should go back to having the Department secretaries mail the *Banner*. This is the only line of communication some of the members have with the Order and when they do not receive one, they do not know what is being said or done.

Allied Orders

Again this year a husband and wife team have served as National Heads. To my wife, Mary Jane Simpson, National President of the Auxiliary, I want to say thank

you for all the hours we spent traveling together and for all the good times. To Ethel Johnson, National President of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, Agnes Brooks, National President of the Daughters of Union Veterans, and Laurene Wentworth, National President of the Woman's Relief Corps, you have been a concerned and dedicated team, and it has been a sincere pleasure to be associated with you. I wish to thank you for the memories and may you enjoy a happy, harmonious and constructive Encampment.

Serious losses have been experienced this year with the passing of Past Commander-in-Chief Elton P. Koch and National Graves Registration Officer William W. Vanderhoof. Their leadership and knowledge will be sorely missed. We mourn with our Auxiliary Sisters the loss of Past National President Anita Selby and National Chaplain Lillian Iona Walker Sutton.

Membership

The year has produced a growth in our membership due to the efforts of some of our Brothers. I have appointed 15 National Aides who are entitled to wear the National ribbon, nine of theses are for five or more members. We also have two new Provisional Camps (one in Michigan and one in Nebraska). We must keep up our quest for new members, as they are the lifeblood of the Order.

To the Officers and Staff who displayed a willingness to perform the duties required of the office, proved efficient in handling details and showed a devotion to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, I offer my sincere thanks and appreciation. A special thanks goes to Brother Shriver who was always ready to help and for his dedication to his office.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 1. That we continue with the allotments for the Lincoln Birthday Observance in Washington, D.C., the Gettysburg Remembrance Day Observance, the Lincoln Tomb Ceremony in Springfield, Illinois, and the Memorial Day Observance at the Cathedral of the Pines,
- 2. That we continue the scholarship in the amount of \$300 to be presented to a worthy student at Remembrance Day,
- 3. That a memorial page be placed in the 1984 Proceedings for Past Commander-in-Chief, Elton P. Koch, and
- 4. That the amount for Memorial Wreaths be increased to \$50.

Respectfully submitted in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty, William L. Simpson
Commander-in-Chief

A motion was made and seconded that the Commander-in-Chief's report and all subsequent officers' reports be referred to the Encampment Committee on Officers' Reports; motion passed. Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief Russell returned the gavel and the control of the Encampment to Commander-in-Chief Simpson.

REPORT OF THE SENIOR VICE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF

Probably many who have been accorded in the past the high honor of election to one of the top national offices in our Order feel immediately infused with great plans for outstanding accomplishments, and then, like, myself, as the term of office nears its end face stark reality that deeds may not have equaled expectations. Of course, we in the northeast corner of the country (which some wag has said should be cut off at the Hudson River and allowed to drift out to sea) have a built-in and perhaps worn-out alibi -- the difficulty of travel from New England into the hinterlands. Nevertheless, I have represented our Commander-in-Chief whenever requested and, as a matter of protocol, extended National greetings at all types of meetings that I have attended.

The most dramatic event was the annual presentation of a flower at the "Altar of the Nation" at the Cathedral of the Pines in Rindge, New Hampshire on the true Memorial Day, May 30th. Ours was one of the 64 Organizations scheduled to offer a memorial flower or wreath and a verbal tribute.

Particularly heartening was a visit to Boscawen, New Hampshire by the Massachusetts Department degree team, headed by Past Department Commander (PDC) Miles Harrington, at which ten new members were initiated.

Other activities in which I participated included: Lincoln Day ceremonies at the Massachusetts State House; two Camp initiations; one Camp installation of officers; Massachusetts Department Encampment; Connecticut Department Encampment; Massachusetts Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War Encampment; reception to our National Leaders at Reading, Pennsylvania; Remembrance Day at Gettysburg; receptions for the Massachusetts and New Hampshire Department Officers; meetings of the Massachusetts Department of the Allied Orders of the Grand Army of the Republic (GAR) at our Memorial Shrine and Museum at the State House; New England Regional Association; Plymouth County Association; and numerous Department Committee meetings at the Rockland Headquarters.

Interesting sidelights included my participation at a service on George's Island in Boston Harbor at a Confederate Memorial to those who died there while held at the prison, and my attendance at a signing ceremony by Governor Dukakis of a bill passed by the Massachusetts legislature designating an area adjacent to the famous Hall of Flags in the State House as Massachusetts GAR Hall; a project initiated by PDC and Captain Frank Tucker of the Capitol Police.

There are perhaps two reasons why the present set-up for fund-raising on the part of the Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief does not result in any appreciable amount to effect a truly viable program of development. First, the absence of proper communication with the membership because of publication difficulties with the *Banner* and second, the fact that we do not have a clear-cut, dramatic

project to fire up financial interest as we had in the years preceding our 100th birthday celebration (of course too remote to be considering collecting for a bicentennial). I have two recommendations:

- 1. That this Encampment by vote decide on one definite project for use of Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief funds, and
- My personal preference is for publicity (through both free notices 2. and paid advertising) about our organization in various publications, newsletters, etc. of as many patriotic and veterans' groups as possible. I believe we have had good response as to membership prospects from ads in the Civil War Times in the past. The January 1984 issue lists many organizations particularly interested in the Civil War, such as Round Tables, other members of the GAR family, reenactment groups. In looking over some of the reports of former Senior Vice Commanders-in-Chief, I found previous similar recommendations. The Encampment Committee on Officers' Reports would invariably "concur in principle" and in one case thought such a fund could come from other sources. In other words; do nothing. To select a desirable fund-raising project from the wealth of worthy suggestions is a formidable task, but the above proposal would be a continuing need and one that could be financially expanded as it became progressively advertised and generally recognized by the membership.

Contributions received to date for the Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief Fund

PC-in-C Fred H. Combs	\$ 10.00
New Jersey Department	15.00
Massachusetts. Department	25.00
Massachusetts PDC Eugene E. Russell	10.00
Massachusetts' Camp 104: Charles H. Bond	15.00
	\$ 75.00
Previous balance on hand as reported to me	\$202.40
	\$277.40

In F., C., & L., Eugene E. Russell Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief

REPORT OF THE JUNIOR VICE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF

I wish to express my sincere thanks, to the members of our order who elected me Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief at last year's National Encampment in Portland, Maine. I also wish to express my thanks to those in our Organization for responding to my communications.

As National Membership Chairman, I haven't fully realized the efforts of a year, as I was late in receiving a list of Department Officers to communicate with. This has caused my assigned duties to be backed up, and some of my work is incomplete as of this date. Inquiries that I received in November were answered; but the response was slow in return, requiring a second letter. The letter included an application, a form for military service records and Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War(SUVCW) promotional flyers. The second mailing brought the response of three parties, one is working to obtain more information, another returned his completed application and check. His wish is to become a member in the Fort Lewis area of the state of Washington. His interest is to meet fellow descendants from the 133rd and 202th Pennsylvania and collectively put together a regimental history. The third has placed his with Department of Indiana. He would like to obtain a membership certificate with his grandfather's and his own name.

In a mailing to Department secretaries, I asked for any information on membership of their Department that they might have. I also included a form asking if they would provide the names and addresses of their new Department Officers, so copies could be made and given to the National Patriotic Instructor, National Chaplain and the Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief. This would be of a service to establish an earlier contact with those officers that require National communication. I have received reports and completed forms from about one half of the Departments.

One question that received was, what was going on back east, no one has received a *Banner* in a year, and have lost contact. To help in the communication area, I have copied the cover of the Autumn *Banner*, the 1st, 2nd and 3rd General Orders from the *Banner*, mailed them who requested information.

The priority mailing with the simplified form for Life Members enclosed was received at the most appropriate time, as I had just received an inquiry on what was necessary in applying for Life Membership in our Organization.

Throughout the year I have made several contacts, and have received others. PCinC Richard Greenwalt forwarded two names, obtained at the Sons of Veterans Reserve National at Branchport, New York, and I have followed up with a letter to each. A contact made in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania on July 5, 1984, from the Illinois was one requesting information on forming a new Camp in

Carterville, Illinois. A letter to the Department Commander of Illinois, brother Willliam C. Reed has been sent informing him of the request.

Once the chain of communication was established, this has become a very interesting and rewarding year, though the several letters, some information on applications, and having the opportunity to again serve our National Organization.

I was honored on several occasions, to bring the greetings of the National Organization, especially at the New York Department Encampment.

I trust my efforts meet with your approval, and my wish is to follow up on and complete my unfinished work, to the point of a workable plan with the incoming Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief.

In F.,C., &L., Donald L. Roberts Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief Chairman, Membership Committee

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL SECRETARY-TREASURER

In submitting this formal report of the operations of our Order for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1984, I feel obligated first - to advise that it is reported with mixed emotions, both mental and physical, and in turn I pray for your understanding of several unavoidable circumstances during the past year that reflected some ""unfinished work", but thanks to a few Brothers who came through in the time of need during the past few weeks, these situations will be resolved in the few coming months. I have shared these with the Council of Administration held this past Sunday at this Encampment and pledged my total efforts to overcome these few problems. The following paragraphs will explain.

This formal report of the operations, activities, financial and membership standings for the fiscal year 1983-1984, must be credited to the leadership of our Commander-in-Chief, Brother William L. Simpson, his Staff of Officers and those Brothers who contributed in any degree, time, effort and dedicated spirit of patriotism. Some of these Brothers served on National Committees or on a Department level and others in service to their Camps back home. Especially in today's society of ever-changing situations, requires the understanding of where we have been - how we stand today - and then chart our course for tomorrow. Thank God today, we are experiencing a rebirth of new blood in our membership to help carry on our future. At the conclusion of this report, I trust you will continue to evaluate the huge scope of work performed at the Headquarters of your National Secretary-Treasurer.

The Headquarters of your National Secretary-Treasurer is established on RD #3, Box 3283, Spring Grove, PENNSYLVANIA 17362. Here all files, records, supplies and administrative duties are performed. Yet for the identity of historic Gettysburg, the mailing address on all correspondence, forms and supplies continues to be Post Office Box #24, Gettysburg, Pennsylvania 17325 where mail is picked up five days a week.

A large supply of those forms necessary for reporting; filing and requisition for supplies are maintained. Medals, badges and jewelry problems of a year ago have been resolved with our manufacturer. The Albert E. Bachmann Co. in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania resumed to supply our needs after experiencing a problem in that operation. Requisitions have been filled the past year for forms and medals totaling \$2,003.95.

A large volume of inquiries is received weekly regarding inquiries for membership or regarding lineal ancestry for genealogical purposes. These have been forwarded to Brothers Donald L. Roberts, Junior Vice-Commander-in-Chief (Membership Chairman), and Richard L. Schlenker, Membership-at-Large Coordinator, for acknowledgment regarding membership and those requesting genealogy information, forwarded to Brother Jerome Orton, National Genealogist - who has done an excellent job in his assignment. The Gettysburg National Bank continues to be the depository for the checking account, investment of our three certificates of deposit as reported in the financial report and a Bank Security Box # 68Q where special records are stored.

During the past fiscal year ending June 30, 1984, a continued series of situations have caused close communication with Commander-in-Chief Simpson and other National Officers. Many of these were related to the interpretation of our Constitution and Regulation (C&R) and the work performed by Past Commander-in-Chief Joseph S. Rippey, Chairman of the Committee on the C&R, is to be commended in his acknowledgment of inquiries. Several Departments elected new Secretary-Treasurers and in many cases, these Brothers were not familiar to reporting of per-capita/membership quarterly. Letters and telephone calls were required heavy-laden resulting in more hours than ever to perform the duties of your national Headquarters. Most Departments and Camps-at-Large, were prompt in reporting per capita and membership quarterly to maintain the flow of cash required meeting monthly obligations.

The irregularity of the distribution of the *Banner* caused tremendous slowdown in requisition for supplies, Life Memberships and Honor Roll contributions. This forced the issue of getting the General Orders and other material to the National Officers, National Committee Chairman, Departments and Camps-at-Large, a special 1st Class Mail-Priority mailing was postmarked March 26th, 1984 prior to the opening of the Department Encampments. As of this date, the summer 1984 issue of the *Banner* arrived at National Headquarters to complete the four required issues for 1983-1984.

Two unavoidable situations currently exist and serious as they are, both will be over come in the coming few months:

- Printed National Proceedings for 1982 and 1983: By action of the Council of Administration meeting on Wednesday, August 17, 1983, the National Secretary-Treasurer was granted permission to pursue a new printer for future Proceedings. As of this Encampment, four printers' estimate quotations have been received. Of these, one will be selected by the National Secretary-Treasurer, and with the help of Brother Richard C. Schlenker, PC-in-C.; all pending Proceedings will be printed by December 31, 1984,
- 2. Mr. Clay Garrett, CPA of Hanover, Pennsylvania, has served as accountant for 16 years. Several years ago, Mr. Garrett became ill and found it harder to perform our service due to the shortness of time between the end of the fiscal year and the National Encampment. In September 1983, Mr. Garrett submitted to surgery and upon his return to work, found it difficult to continue. On Monday July 9, 1984, upon taking all records to Mr. Garrett's office on appointment, we were advised he had the prior day entered into a partnership with a young man, and that in the re-alignment of the accounting office, the future would be geared toward industries and companies, and that they were discontinuing many small accounts including the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. A letter regarding this decision from Mr. Garrett, was postmarked August 1, 1984.

Therefore, be advised that three prospective Certified Public Accountants have submitted letters of interest and one will be selected upon the ending of this Encampment. Meanwhile the financial report was prepared by the National Secretary-Treasurer and reviewed by the Audit Committee appointed at this Encampment.

To preface my opening paragraph of this report, I can only comment briefly, that in giving of 100% time in the conducting of the duties of your National Secretary-Treasurer plus the pressure of employment in long days resulted in a three week medical leave in July 1984 ordered by my doctor for nerves, stress and leading to a serious illness.

Our membership continues to increase by a few over the last few years. Special recognition must be given to those brothers in New Hampshire and Indiana who have recruited "new blood" into our Order. National Headquarters has been advised that these new members are being elected and appointed to positions in their respective Camps. This reflects future leadership for our Camps, Departments and National Organization. Congratulations to those Brothers who "reached out to touch someone" who respects our heritage and patriotism.

Several efforts are in the making toward formation of new Camps. A new Camp in the Department of Michigan, in the Kalamazoo area, will be chartered at this Encampment as will be a new Camp-at-Large in Lincoln, Nebraska. These will be reported into membership in the third Quarter 1984 per-capita reporting.

The Financial Statistical Report (copies of which have distributed to each Brother at this Encampment) reflects a balanced condition in comparison to the Budget adopted at the 102nd National Encampment in Portland Maine, one year ago. Although per-capita tax received reflects a total of \$8,547.00 with several Departments late in reporting, it is noted that the income from other sources such as the income from Certificates of Deposit provided \$4,271.26, the uncommitted funds from the Membership-at-Large and earned monthly interest on the general checking accounts - provide the basic income. This year, our Organization received a gift of \$5,000.00 from the estate of Past Commander-in-Chief George L. Cashman of Springfield, Illinois, who passed away in the spring of 1983. This amount has been invested in a Certificate of Deposit No. 10668 at 10.50 %

Expenditures must be continued to be budgeted on a sound basis. Although an allocation of monies from the GAR Fund was approved at the 102nd National Encampment, it was not processed due to the pending printing of the Proceedings. Supplies cost are leveling off. Printing of forms, letterheads, postage and telephone expenses remain heavy.

With a total income of all funds totaling \$25,218.80 for the past fiscal year, should not alarm our membership to "spending" any surplus but rather invest soundly and budget the income to provide constant flowing cash. Our total Investments in Certificates of Deposit of \$37,000 is our foundation for our Order.

During the fiscal year 1983-1984, the following Brothers or Sisters have submitted memorial contributions to the Permanent Fund of our Order by entering names on the Permanent Honor Roll as follows:

Norman L. Combs and Fred H. Combs, Jr., PC-in-C
In memory of Fred H. Combs, Sr., PDC New Jersey
Fred H. Combs, Jr., PC-in-C,
In memory of Fred H. Combs, Sr., PDC New Jersey
Edna S. Lambert, PNP., (Auxiliary)\$10.00
In memory of Albert C. Lambert, PC-in-C, New Jersey
Jerome L. Orton, PDC, New York
In memory of Elton P. Koch, PC-in-C, Pennsylvania
LTC Jerome L. Spurr, Ret\$25.00
In memory of Nathaniel Lynn, BG Volunteers, Missouri
Maj. John D. Blauvett, Ret.,
In memory PVT John DeWitt Blauvett
Jerome Orton
In memory of Elton P. Koch, PC-in-C

Nellie P. Hawley, PNP	\$12.00
In memory of Elton P. Koch, PC-in-C	
•	Total \$120.00

The following have purchased Life Memberships in full in the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1984. Each have been issued Life Member Bars and their ID Cards and listed in past issues of the *Banner*.

No. 145	Norman A. Bowen	125.00
No. 147	Keith D. Ashley	150.00
No. 148	Kevin Lee Johnston	150.00
No. 149	Keith Allen Johnston	150.00
No. 150	Donald L. Roberts	125.00
No. 151	DeVene Williamson	125.00
No. 153	Frank J. Tucker	125.00

Total \$950.00

In recognition of many, many situations that have been brought forth to your National Secretary-Treasurer that apply to our changing society, and to present a challenge to our Organization to keep our sights on target, may I present the following recommendations:

Recommendation No. 1

Whereas there was excellent response to the recommendation of this Headquarters one year ago in the annual report, to the request that National Officers and Committee Chairman were requested to submit a typed copy of their reports to the National Secretary-Treasurer prior to the annual National Encampment, so that an easier file may be retained and assist in the future printing of the National Encampment Proceedings; therefore, be it recommended that this practice shall be continued in future years.

Recommendation No. 2

To keep abreast of the necessary reconstruction of our funds to provide the maximum income from the National Treasurer funds in the General Fund, that this Encampment provide the authority for National Secretary-Treasurer to invest the minimum required amount of \$2500.00 (as per the Federal Banking Law), into a short term Money Market investment of eight days, automatic renewal at 10.50%. The interest is added to the principle as earned and right of withdrawal every eight days.

Recommendation No. 3

Based on the tremendous response by Department Secretaries and many Camp Secretaries that the procedure of submitting the names and addresses of ALL Camp Members to the National Secretary-Treasurer as of January 1st each year be continued.

Recommendation No. 4

With the ultimate problems confronting the systematic and regular editing and distribution of the *Banner* the past few years, and based on a personal survey of many Brothers the past year by correspondence, telephone or in person, be it recommended that effective with the Fall I984 issue - that a single copy be mailed to each National Officer, each Past Commander-in-Chief and individual subscriber. All other members' copies to be mailed in bulk to the Department and Camps-at-Large Secretaries and the Coordinator of the Membership at Large.

Recommendation No. 5

In the highest respect for the Memorial Gift of \$5,000.00 as provided for by Past Commander-in-Chief George L. Cashman of Illinois, who passed away in March 1983, and received at the Headquarters of the National Secretary-Treasurer in March 1984 as per the Will and Testament of Brother Cashman, be it resolved that some type of Memorial be established in the name of Brother George L. Cashman. Such Memorial not to exceed \$25.00.

Many routine duties were performed during the past fiscal year plus several special requests were complied with. The Departments of New Jersey and Michigan reviewed, updated and approved their Department by-laws. unanimous approval of the National Council of Administration, a quick Claim Deed was processed by the National Organization through the efforts of the Department of Wisconsin and Brother Thomas L.W. Johnson, granting permission to the city of Madison to maintain a GAR Plot and Cemetery. It was my pleasure to participate in the Annual Lincoln Memorial Parade and Service on February 12, 1984 - an even that has seen a change in planning and sponsorship which has provided our annual program of highest respect. The 27th GAR Remembrance Day at Gettysburg on November 19, 1983 was the greatest ever. Over 1,500 participated in the parade and by sharing the planning with the fellowship of Pennsylvania, brought a tremendous feeling of the exact day in November 1863 when the President delivered his Gettysburg Address. A complete story appears in the report of the 27th Annual GAR Remembrance Day Committee.

To you Commander-in-Chief Simpson, you have served a full and fruitful administration. You Staff of Officers assisted you in many ways and you carried your message of leadership into many Camps and Departments. It was my pleasure to serve under your Command. As the General Chairman for the Joint Veterans Memorial Day Committee in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, it was a great credit to our Organnization to have you and your wife Mary Jane (National President of our Auxiliary) to participate on May 28th - Memorial Day for the 117th Annual observance.

To all Officers and Brothers present, and to each one back home, may I say thank you for your cooperation. May your obligation be more sincere today than ever. Patriotism is a show of your heart. Faith is a test of your heart and if you put these two ideals into daily practice in the work of our Order together, we will continue to march side by side to reach our goals.

Yours in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty Chester S. Shriver, PC-in-C National Secretary-Treasurer

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR

One year ago in Portland, Maine, I was asked to serve as National Patriotic Instructor. I took on this job with much pride and hope for the coming term. Brother Ralph Pieper of Pennsylvania gave me confidence by starting my fund. Unfortunately, the rest of the year has not continued in that way. In November, I changed jobs and was unable to attend Remembrance Day. My wife and family did attend and brought home \$93.00 for their efforts. Thank you to Ivan Frantz, Jr. for his help in the 50-50 raffle. After this date it was downhill all the way.

Since the Banner had not been published for several issues and I had no other way to reach the general membership, I wrote two letters on January 14, 1984. One to PCinC Chester Shriver and one to our Commander-in-Chief seeking their advice and counsel. To this date, I have had no return correspondence from Brother Simpson whatsoever. Hearing nothing from PcinC Shriver, on February 21, I sent a letter to every Department Secretary for the roster. I knew this would be time consuming, but felt it necessary under the circumstances. My own Department of Ohio had their list back within the week. Many thanks to PC-in-C Richard Greenwalt for "being prepared." Other Departments who responded were: Colorado and Wyoming, Michigan, Massachusetts, New York, Vermont, Membership-at-Large, Maryland and Delaware, and New Jersey. Thank you, Brothers. In the mean time, I received a telephone call from PC-in-C Shriver indicating that he had gone ahead and mailed my plea cards to Brother Bob Wolz. He was under the impression that they were printed and that the Banner would be going out. As you can all see from my financial report, the publication never went out. Brother Shriver was also under the impression that PDCs Bury and Corfman were going to aid Brother Wolz in this. Knowing their competency, I am surprised at the lack of Banner publication.

I am sorry that this has to be written in a letter, but I was unable to take time off work. Maybe, it is better this way, though. I guess I question in my own mind why? It feels as though I was asked to take on a task and then placed in a box to do it. Instead of support from people that I assumed would be backers, I have had nothing. It is a good thing we didn't have some of our National Officers in command at Gettysburg - the Civil War might still be going on.

To those of you who "remembered" that every year we have the same GAR Memorial Fund, and sent in your donations, goes a big thank you. Thank you for your support and friendship.

During this year, I raised a grand total of \$921.00; \$906.00 of which has been deposited through monthly reports with the National Secretary-Treasurer and \$15.00 enclosed in this report.

In F., C., & L., Thomas W. Graham National Patriotic Instructor

REPORT OF THE WASHINGTON REPRESENTATIVE

To be able to serve our Order as Washington Representative for another year has been an honor and a privilege. The appointment was greatly appreciated.

Washington, D.C., being a city of many monuments, memorials and ceremonies, provides many occasions to represent the Order in a highly visible manner, which has been done with a deep sense of duty and pleasure.

Affiliation with other Civil War interest groups such as the Lincoln Birthday National Commemorative Committee, the Lincoln Commission, the Lincoln Group, the Civil War Round Table and a number of hereditary societies affords both input and exposure.

The Order was represented at the Lincoln, Washington, and Jefferson memorials, Arlington National Cemetery, Gettysburg, Fort McHenry, Fort Meade, many banquets and committee meetings and reenactments. Participation in these public events generates queries about our Order which are always cheerfully encouraged and answered. Being a member of the SVR and appearing in uniform has increased the number of inquiries.

An honorary membership bestowed by the Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States has provided for a closer relationship between our Orders.

Close contact was maintained with the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War at local and national levels.

It is a pleasure to report that there was no cause to represent the Order in any legal affairs this year.

Lincoln-Cushing Camp #2 and Auxiliary in Washington continue to also serve in a highly visible manner further attesting to the fact that the Sons of Union Veterans is a viable and active organization.

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

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL CHAPLAIN

(No report).

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL MEMBERSHIP-AT-LARGE COORDINATOR

Subsequent to the resignation of PC-in-C Fred H. Combs, Jr. at the 102nd National Encampment in Portland, Maine, in August 1983, the undersigned was appointed as Membership-at-Large (MAL) Coordinator by the Council of Administration at its post-encampment meeting.

A smooth and timely transition was effected and Brother Combs is to be commended for the sound business practices and meticulous records he established, making the assumption of his duties pleasuresome.

The MAL program continues to be a viable part of our Order and we should thank the wise Brothers who saw to its inception 10 years ago.

While the statistical report of the National Secretary-Treasurer reflects the numerical status, other facts are worth noting.

An article in the January *Civil War Times* mentioned our Order along with other Civil War oriented groups, giving our address and resulted in 95 inquiries; all of which were answered with information kits. Twenty-five new members were realized from that effort, offsetting the number dropped for two years non-payment of dues. A total of 80 MALs are currently in arrears for 1984 dues; however.

MAL financial support amounted to \$1,561 in dues and \$390 in initiation fees. Two new members became Life Members. One hundred sixty-two MAL wives' names and addresses were referred to our Auxiliary for possible recruitment. Numerous contributions were made by MALs to our various funds. We also have 15 Associates in Belgium.

A major item of contention continues to be our inability to deliver the *Banner*. It is our sole contact with MALs except for response to personal letters. Numerous letters of complaint have been received and some membership renewals hinge on the delivery of the *Banner*.

In F., C., & L., Richard C. Schlenker, PC-in-C National Membership-at-Large Coordinator

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL PERSONAL AIDE

It has been a privilege and an honor to serve as your Personal Aide during the past year. It was my pleasure to assist you with some of the details in order to make a few of your tasks a little easier. May your Encampment be constructive and harmonious.

In F., C., & L., Paul C. Kegerise National Personal Aide

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL COUNSELOR

As your National Counselor, there has been no formal request for any decisions. Generally speaking, the year has been very harmonious due to your great leadership. I appreciate being a member of your staff and wish for you a very successful Encampment.

In F., C., & L., William W. Haskell, PC-in-C National Counselor

REPORT OF THE USS MONITOR LIAISON OFFICER

Presently there is little to report on efforts to recover further parts of this historic ship. After 122 years on the bottom of the sea, the old ironclad is pretty fragile, and sits in its grave, a weak and badly deteriorated hulk.

Last fall, divers recovered the 1,300 pound anchor and took pictures of ship on floor of ocean. The day before its recovery, gusting winds and high swells prevented divers from getting it to the surface. They had brought it part way to the surface, but it fell back to the ocean floor, when a flotation bag burst. They also took core samples of the ocean floor in the area. What they want to do is to make sure the turret is safe and that the ground around the base of the turret is stable. Their findings will help determine if the nine foot high, 21-foot diameter turret and two guns can be salvaged.

The *Monitor* is lying upside down on the turret. Some of the scientists hope a supporting structure might be built to hold up the hull so the turret can be removed. Propped up by the turret, the ship sticks ten feet up and out of the sand at the stern. The stern was crushed when the ship hit bottom and the *Monitor's* port side is almost buried in sand.

The *Monitor's* anchor is presently at the University of East Carolina, in a large holding tank, undergoing procedures to preserve it. There is a possibility that five of

the *Monitor's* crew members that died in the wreck may be buried near the Cape Hatteras Lighthouse.

There have been no new developments at this time but further efforts will be reported in the *Banner* as they become available.

In F., C., & L., John B. Davis USS Monitor Liaison Officer

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL HISTORIAN

Indeed, it was an honor to have been appointed National Historian by the newly elected Commander-in-Chief at the 102nd National Encampment. It has afforded me an opportunity to serve our Order in honor of my ancestor who fought to preserve unity in this nation. I am grateful to PC-in-C Harry Gibbons and Brother Thomas L.W. Johnson for the material that they sent to me as National Historian.

In F., C., & L., Forest Altland National Historian

REPORT OF THE BANNER EDITOR

(Copy of report was not available)

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL GRAVES REGISTRATION OFFICER

(Copy of report was not available)

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL GAR HIGHWAY OFFICER

(Copy of report was not available)

NATIONAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

National Committee on Program and Policy

(Copy of the report was not available)

National Committee on Remembrance Day

(Copy of the report was not available)

National Committee on Americanization and Education

(Copy of the report was not available)

National Committee on Fraternal Relations

(Copy of the report was not available)

National Committee on Legislation

(Copy of complete report was not available)

The Committee made the following recommendations:

- 1. That the Order continue its long-standing avocation to returning the observance of Memorial Day to May 30th at both the federal and state levels of jurisdiction.
- 2. That the Order support measures to reestablish the National Archives and record service as an independent agency free from political pressures and influence,
- 3. That the Order urge the Congress to consider favorably the enactment of House Resolution 4571, the National Observance Advisory Act, and
- 4. That the Order advocate the use of English as our primary language in all official transactions and in instruction in our schools and opposes efforts to promote and encourage bi-lingualism among our people.

It was moved and seconded to accept the report of the Legislative Committee and its recommendations; motion passed.

National Encampment Site Committee

It was reported that the Order has a signed contract with Wilmington, Delaware for August 9 - 15, 1985, for 125 rooms.

It was moved and seconded that 1985 Encampment be held at the Radisson Hotel in Wilmington, Delaware; motion passed. It was moved and seconded that the 1986 Encampment be held in Lexington, Kentucky; motion passed.

National Military Affairs Committee

(Copy of the report was not available)

National Committee on Lincoln Tomb Observance

(Copy of the report was not available)

ENCAMPMENT COMMITTEES

Resolutions

- Resolved: That the SUVCW National Encampment is opposed to the granting of the Charter of the VVW I that the same be committed to a written communication by our National Secretary directed to the Senate - Concur -Passed
- Resolved: Whereas, the Soldiers of World War I, World War II, Korean War and Vietnam are interned in Arlington National Cemetery, we request that a Committee be appointed to investigate the possibility of having an unknown Civil War veteran interred at Arlington Cemetery with the other unknown soldiers - Concur - Passed
- 3. Resolved: That we notify our Congressmen that we support legislation setting aside a moment of silence in all our public school systems **Concur Passed**
- 4. Resolved: That we are opposed to the use of bilingual teachers in our public schools **Concur Passed**
- Resolved: That we deplore the disgraceful condition of Grant's Tomb known officially as General Grant's National Memorial in New York City - Concur -Passed

Officers' Reports

Commander-in-Chief

- 1. That we continue with the allotments for the Lincoln Birthday Observance, the Gettysburg Remembrance Day, the Lincoln Tomb Ceremony and the Cathedral of the Pine,
- 2. That we continue the scholarship in the amount of \$300 to be presented at the Remembrance Day,
- 3. That a Memorial Page be placed in the 1984 Proceedings for Past Commander-in-Chief, Elton P. Koch, and
- 4. That the amount for memorial wreaths be increased to \$50.

Committee concurs in all four recommendations. A motion was made and seconded to refer the financial matter in the recommendations to Budget Committee; motion passed.

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief Special project use of Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief Fund A motion was made and seconded to table the recommendation of the Senior Vice Commander-in-and refer it to the Committee on Constitution and Regulations; motion passed.

National Secretary/Treasurer

- 1. A recommendation that National Officers and Committee Chairmen be requested to submit a typed copy of their reports to the National Secretary/Treasurer prior to the National Encampment **Concur Passed**
- 2. The Encampment provides authority to the National Secretary-Treasurer to keep abreast of the necessary reconstruction of our funds and to invest \$2,500 into a short term money market investment of eight days; automatic renewal at 10 1/2 percent, the interest is added to the principle as earned and the right of withdrawal every eight days - Concur - Passed
- 3. Recommendation that the procedure of submitting the names and addresses of all Camp members to the National Secretary/Treasurer as of January first each year be continued **Concur Passed**.
- 4. Recommendation that effective with the fall 1984 of the *Banner* that a single be mailed to each National Officer, each Past Commander-in-Chief, and individual subscriber. All other members' copies to be mailed in bulk to the Department and Camp-at-Large, secretaries and the Membership-at-Large Coordinator **Nonconcurrence. Motion made and seconded to table; motion passed**.
- 5. Recommendation for the creation of a Memorial to Brother Cashman Concur with reservation. Motion made and seconded to table; motion passed.

National Genealogist:

- 1. That the Office be made a permanent appointed office.
- 2. That the National Genealogist be a certified genealogist or have some specific training in genealogical research,
- 3. Form #100 be eliminated as an application for membership except for real sons, respective Members or Associates,
- 4. A committee be established to create an additional inner page to our membership application Form #3 to allow prospective members to list genealogical references for each generation listed,
- 5. The Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War History Book Committee be a permanent appointed committee,
- 6. Each Department and Camp-at-Large appoint a member to compile a history of each Department, and
- 7. The incoming Commander-in-Chief appoint a new Chairman.

The Committee does not concur or concur with recommendations 1 - 4. Motion made and seconded to refer all four recommendations back to the

Committee for further study and reporting back at the next National Encampment; motion passed.

The Committee concurs with recommendations 5 - 7. Motion made and seconded to approve; motion passed.

Constitution and Regulations

The Committee presented the following on dual memberships and voting:

- 1. There is no express prohibition in either the Charter or the Constitution or Regulations against dual or multiple membership in camps. Accordingly, it is allowed without the necessity of any amendment to the Regulations.
- Once a man has been validly chosen into membership into more than one camp and is in good standing in all, his membership cannot be terminated without his consent except for personal cause in accordance with the disciplinary procedures provided in the Regulations
- 3. On the subject of voting rights the following applies:
 - At the Camp level, a Brother can vote in every Camp in which he is a member;
 - At a Department Encampment, there are two categories that is, the automatic numbers as listed in the Regulations, Chapter 2, Article 2, Section 1 and the elected Delegates; one vote only except dual membership and elected Delegate from each Camp. His status is that of a representative of each Camp and he has a separate vote for each Camp, and
 - At a National Encampment, there are two categories, automatic members, Chapter 3, Article 2, Section 1 and elected Delegates; one vote only, except if person is elected Delegate from each of two or more departments. Status is that of Representative of each department and therefore has a vote for each department.

It has been recommended that the Order adopt a one man, one vote policy and change the C&R accordingly - Nonconcurrence. A motion was made and seconded to table this and refer it back to the Constitution and Regulations Committee for reporting back to the National Encampment next year; motion passed.

4. Currently, a Department may be formed by authority of the Commander-in-Chief. A provisional department may be created in states having three or more regular or provisional camps. After one year, a provisional department shall be granted permanent department status by the Commander-in-Chief.

It has been recommended that Article 6, formation and disbandment regarding provisional departments change the requirement from one year to three year thus

causing it to read, after three years a provisional department shall be granted permanent department status by the Commander-in-Chief - **Concur - Passed**

Budget

Receipts

- Per capita tax: 2,700 member estimated at \$4.00 per member: \$10,800
- Registration fee \$4.00 for each member, estimated at 100: \$400.00
- Sale of supplies estimated at \$2,454
- Auxiliary Gift: \$500.00
- Income from the Permanent Fund and the investments and this includes income from all savings accounts: \$4,300
- New camp application fees and charter fees an estimate of \$100.00

Disbursements

- Commander-in-Chief's expense: \$1,800.00
- National Secretary/Treasurer expense: \$1,300.00
- Purchase of supplies: \$2,500.00
- Printing, stationery, postage and telephone, office expenses combined: \$1,800.00
- Printing and mailing of the proceedings of 1982, 1983, 1984 at an average of \$2,000.00 each: \$6,000.00
- Encampment expense: \$200.00
- Transcribing proceedings: \$300.00
- The Banner: \$3,500.00
- Past Commander-in-Chief jewel: \$400.00
- Certified Public Accountant: \$500.00
- New Department Charters: \$100.00
- Fire and extended coverage insurance: \$54.00
- Bond, does not come due this year: \$0.00
- Miscellaneous: \$100.00

Appropriations from the GAR Fund:

- Scholarship award: \$300.00
- Lincoln Memorial Ceremony: \$50.00
- Lincoln Tomb Ceremony: \$400.00
- GAR Remembrance Day: \$400.00
- Memorial at the Cathedral at the Pines, for wreath: \$25.00
- National Military Department Sons of Veterans Reserve: \$200.00
- GAR Campfire Program expense: \$300.00
- Fraternal Relations Committee: \$25.00
- Printing of contribution forms, solicitation for the money: \$100.00
- Lincoln's Birthday National Committee: \$25.00
- Major Davis plaque: \$400.00

A motion was made and seconded to adopt the budget as presented; motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS

It is moved and seconded that this Encampment reaffirm the supreme authority of the Commander-in-Chief to act on his behalf and limited only by the Constitution and Regulations; motion passed.

A motion was made and seconded to disband the Encampment committees; motion passed. A motion was made and seconded to declare the minutes of this Encampment as the Official Proceedings for the Order for 1984; motion passed. A motion was made and seconded to move to the nomination and election of officers for 1984 - 1985; motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS

(There was no new business)

FINAL REPORT OF ENCAMPMENT COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS

Delegates registered include one Commander-in-Chief, 12 Past Commanders-in-Chief, 10 Department Commanders, 33 Past Department Commanders, and 26 Delegates for a total of 82 registrations. The voting strength is 68.

Commander-in-ChiefEugene E. Russell

NOMINATION, ELECTION, AND INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS FOR 1984/1985

The following offers were nominated and elected:

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief
Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief
Council of Administration
The following appointments were announced by Commander-in-Chief-elect Eugene E. Russell:
National CounselorWilliam W. Haskell, PC-in-C
National Chief of StaffNorman R. Furman, PC-in-C
National Patriotic InstructorCharles Corfman
National Chaplain Sherman Weaver
National Historian & GenealogistJerome L. Orton

National Graves Registration Officer	Charles E. Sharrock
National GAR Highway Officer	Robert L. McCandless
National Personal Aide	Miles E. Harrington, Sr
National Aide (USS Monitor Liaison Officer)	John B. Davis
National Washington Representative	Richard C. Schlenker, PC-in-C
National Membership-at-Large Coordinator	Richard C. Schlenker, PC-in-C
Banner Editor	Robert J. Wolz

All elected and appointed officers were duly installed and then escorted to their respective stations.

ADJOURNMENT

Commander-in-Chief Russell ritualistically adjourned the 103rd Annual National Encampment until the 104th Annual National Encampment in 1985 at Wilmington, Delaware.

SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR

POST-103RD ANNUAL NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION MEETING

QUAKER HOTEL AKRON, OHIO WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 15, 1984

The post-103rd National Encampment meeting of the Council of Administration, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War was called to order by Commander-in-Chief Eugene E. Russell.

Members present included: Commander-in-Chief Eugene E. Russell, Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief Donald L. Roberts, Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief Gordon R. Bury, II, National Council of Administration members PC-in-C Joseph S. Rippey and PC-in-C William Simpson, National Secretary-Treasurer PC-in-C Chester S. Shriver; PC-in-C Richard C. Schlenker, and *Banner* Editor Robert J. Wolz.

The minutes of the pre-encampment meeting of August 12, 1984, were read. A motion was made and seconded that the minutes be approved as read; motion passed.

A discussion regarding the *Banner* resulted in a motion being made and seconded to hold a special meeting on November 16, 1984 to follow up on the situation; motion passed.

A motion was made and seconded to (1) establish of a goal of \$2,000 for the National Patriotic Instructor and (2) establish the interest payment on life memberships at \$8.00 for 1985; motion passed.

The post-encampment Council of Administration meeting was adjourned.

Respectively submitted in F., C., & L., Chester S. Shirver, PC-in-C National Secretary-Treasurer

APPENDICES

Appendix 1. Commander-in-Chief General Orders, Series 1983-1984.

Series 1983 – 1984 GENERAL ORDERS NO 1.

(Copy of the Order was not available)

Series 1983 – 1984 GENERAL ORDERS NO 2.

- 1. Best wishes are extended to all Brothers for a Happy and Prosperous New Year and let us dedicate ourselves to work for the betterment of our Order in 1984.
- 2. All Camps are reminded to hold proper observances for Lincoln's Birthday February 12th and Appomatox Day April 9th. These are important dates to our Organization.
- 3 Due to lack of communications, I did not include William Vanderhoof as the Graves Registration Officer in the 1st General Orders. To replace the late Elton P. Koch as Chairman of the National Encampment Site Committee, I appoint Frank M. Hencock, St.
- 4. James Hearshman of Iowa is hereby appointed a National Aide for recruiting five new members. Let's all try to get a new member for these are the life blood of our Order.
- 5. The National Organization, Sons of Union veterans of the Civil War presented the Annual Scholarship Award to Miss Jodi Hopper of Mechanicburg, Pennsylvania, a History Senior at Gettysburg College.
- 6. Past Commander-in-Chief Elton P. Koch suffered a heart attack following the Banquet at Remembrance Day and passed away Sunday November 20th 1983 at Warner Hospital, Gettysburg, Pennsylvania. All Camp and Department Charters are hereby ordered draped for a period of 30 days.
- 7. The following are to be commended: Brother Jerome Orton for his continued work as genealogist and work on the SUVCW History Book; Gettysburg Camp #112 for a really nice 100th Anniversary Party and the arrangements for Remembrance Day; Sons of Veterans Reserve (SVR) Brig. Gen. Chester S. Shriver for his efforts in getting the large turnout of Union And Confederate Troops for the parade; and National Military Affairs Committee for their interest in keeping with the programs and details of the S.V.R.
- 8. Don't forget to support the G.A.R. Memorial Fund. Brother Thomas W. Graham is working toward his goal of \$2,000.00 set by the National Council of Administration.
- 9. I have received Encampment dates from most Departments. If you have not sent me yours, please do so. I am planning my travel schedule. Any Camps-at-Large who would like to have a called meeting, please leave me know.
- The following proposed amendment to the Constitution having been favorably acted upon and ratified by not less than 50 percent of the Departments, it is by this proclamation a part of the Constitution of the Order:

Article VI, Formation and Disbandment. Delete from Section 3 "to Consist of five or more camps with a minimum aggregate membership of one hundred and fifty members." Thus causing it to read:

Section Three. A Department may be formed by the authority of the Commander-in-Chief. Add a new Section 4 reading: A Provisional Department may be created in States having 3 or more regular or Provisional Camps. The Commander-in-Chief may call a meeting for the purpose of

organizing a Department and election of Department Officers. After one year a Provisional Department shall be granted permanent Department status by the Commander-in-Chief. Sections 4 and 5 will be renumbered Sections 5 and 6.

There was submitted prior to the last National Encampment by the Pennsylvania Department a proposed amendment to Constitution which would change the time for a Provisional Department to be eligible for permanent Department status from one year to three years so that the last sentence of section 4 as stated above would then read "After three years a Provisional Department shall be granted permanent Department status by the Commander-in-Chief."

Since the first amendment stated above is not at this time in effect and to avoid a legal technicality, the Pennsylvania Department should revote this at it's next Department encampment, submit it in writing to me as Commander-in-Chief not later than 60 days preceding the next National Encampment so I can publish it in General Orders preceding the National encampment of 1984. This is in accordance with Article IX of the Constitution.

11. To those who have suffered the loss of loved ones, I extend my deepest sympathy, to those who are ill, my sincere wishes and prayers for a speedy recovery.

By Order of: William L. Simpson Commander-in-Chief

Attest: Chester S. Shriver National Secretary-Treasurer

Series 1983 – 1984 GENERAL ORDERS NO 3.

- By this time all Camps should have elected and installed Officers for 1984. To these Brothers, whether newly chosen or re-elected, we extend congratulations and our best wishes for a most productive and a active year. The full support of your National Officers is hereby pledged and hopes that Camps will have active programs which will bear witness that the SUVCW is still alive and active.
- 2 Important days of special interest to us are coming up and appropriate programs and ceremonies should be planned; April 10, the assassination of President Lincoln and Memorial Day on May 30. It is important that we lead the way in the observance of these days in our communities.
- 3 Department Encampments will be starting soon and the Commander-in-Chief will visit as many as possible. I have received many invitations and has accepted as many as I could. There are conflicts of dates and many decisions had to be made. Rest assured that no slights were intended, but visits are being made to attend the most amount possible.
- The *Banner* continues to be a problem, but we are working hard to have this resolved within the very near future.
- The Commander-in-Chief and National Auxiliary President presented our wreaths of tribute at the Lincoln Memorial in Washington, D.C. on a very beautiful day. President Lincoln is remembered each year on his birthday with services at the Memorial.
- National Officers and Committee Chairmen are reminded that year end reports to the National Encampment are due in the National Secretary-Treasurer's offices by July 15 in order to permit time for printing and assembling.
- 7. Commendations:

Brother Bob Lawrence, New Hampshire for acquiring new members; William T. Sherman-Billy Yank Camp No. 65-St. Louis, Missouri for the continued interest and growth of the Camp; and Brig. Gen. Chester S. Shriver for his great showing of Union and Confederate troops for the services at the Lincoln Memorial.

- 8. It is with regret that I announce the death of Brother William W. VanDerhoof, who was serving as the National Graves Registration Officer. Brother Bill knew his job and did it well. He will be missed.
- 9. Do not forget to support the Patriotic Instructor Brother Thomas W. Graham, who has a goal of \$2,000.00 to reach.
- 10. To all who have lost loved ones. I extend my deepest sympathy and to those who are ill, my sincere wishes for a speedy and permanent recovery.

By Order of: William L. Simpson Commander-in-Chief

Attest: Chester S. Shriver National Secretary-Treasurer

Series 1983 – 1984 GENERAL ORDERS NO 4.

- Department Encampments have now been completed and I wish to congratulate all newly elected Officers. May you and your Department face this new year with a rededication of faith and efforts to promote our Order.
- Official visitations during the past three months have taken me to all the Departments of the New England Region, eastern United States, and the central United States. Conflict of dates has prevented me from visiting all the Departments for which I am regretful.
- 3 All Department and Camp Officers are requested to study the Constitution and Regulations and the Ritual and acquaint himself with the contents. Present lack of knowledge of business of our Order is in evidence and should be corrected. Copies of these can be ordered from the National Secretary-Treasurer.
- The following Brothers are appointed to serve on the Credentials Committee: Miles E. Harrington, Sr., Chairman Ralph E. Peiper, Charles P. Lowe, and Charles Corfman.
- 5. All other Committees and Appointments will be announced at the opening of the Encampment sessions.
- 6. The following Brothers have been appointed National Aides for obtaining three new members and are entitled to wear the National Ribbon: Larry Swogger, Ralph Shadel, John Hurst, Charles A. Lowe, James Ron Davis, Jr. Certificates of Merit have been awarded to the following Brothers for obtaining five or more new members: Allen Moore, David Rowley, Sherman Weaver, Edward Moore, Wm. J. Little, and William James. Congratulations to these Brothers for their efforts in Membership.
- 7. The 103rd National Encampment will convene in Akron, Ohio, Sunday August 12th through Thursday August 16th. Headquarters will be the Quaker Square Hilton and. hosted by the Ohio Department who have worked long and hard to make this a very special Encampment. Let's all try to attend.
- 8. All members of the Sons of Veterans Reserves attending the National Encampment in Ohio are

requested to bring their Uniforms.

- 9. This being the last General Order of the current administrative year, I take this opportunity to express my thanks and gratitude to everyone in the many places I have visited and to my many friends for the splendid cooperation and courtesies extended to me and for the honors accorded to my office.
- 10. Congratulations and appreciation to the officers of my staff, the members of my committees, Department Commanders and each member of the order, for the fine work they have done and for the loyal support they have given me.
- 11. To my wife, Mary Jane Simpson, National President of the Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans, Ethel Johnson, National President of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, Agnes Brooks, National President of the Daughters of Union Veterans and Lurene Wentworth, National President of the Women's Relief Corps, my deepest appreciation for the many courtesies extended to me, and my wish for a most progressive and harmonious Encampment.
- 12. To my many friends, one and all, all across the Nation, my greetings and best wishes for the greatest future in all their endeavors.
- 13. To those who have lost loved ones since the last General Order, go the heartfelt sympathy of the entire Organization.

By Order of: William L. Simpson Commander-in-Chief

Attest: Chester S. Shriver National Secretary-Treasurer

Appendix 2. Registered Delegates to the 103rd National Encampment.

- 1. Altland, Forest
- 2. Anthony, Merrill D.
- 3. Atkinson, Elmer F.
- 4. Baker, Edson W.
- 5. Black, Herman T.
- 6. Bodge, Newell T.
- 7. Bowen, Norman A.
- 8. Brown, Jon
- 9. Bury, Gordon R. II
- 10. Combs, Fred H.
- 11. Corfman, Charles
- 12. Davis, James
- 13. Dugan, Goodling H.
- 14. Evelien, Harry
- 15. Foulkrod, Raymond
- 16. Frantz, Ivan E. Sr.
- 17. Fredrick, Steve
- 18. Furman, Norman
- 19. Garney, Lewis E.
- 20. Gibbons, Harry
- 21. Goodman, Harold
- 22. Greenwalt, Richard
- 23. Gregory, Robert
- 24. Harrington, Miles E. Sr.
- 25. Harrison, Keith G.
- 26. Haskell, William W.
- 27. Heacock, Frank M. Sr.
- 28. Hearshman, James L.
- 29. Hoffman, Ralph
- 30. Hoffman, Thomas E.
- 31. Hutchinson, Ray
- 32. Johnson, Thomas L.W.
- 33. Kegerise, Paul C.
- 34. Keister, Wesley
- 35. Kramer, Edwin K.
- 36. Lainhart, John
- 37. Ledwith, James Y.
- 38. Long, George W.
- 39. Lowe, Charles
- 40. Mayhew, Jonathan T.
- 41. McCandless, Robert L.
- 42. Mellor, Clark W.
- 43. Miller, Leon S.
- 44. Monahan, Thomas A. Jr.
- 45. Nelson, Charles A.
- 46. Newmarch, William C.
- 47. Oakley, Kenneth
- 48. Orr, David B.
- 49. Orr, Richard D.
- 50. Partington, Richard O.
- 51. Peiper, Ralph E.
- 52. Poehler, Herman Sr.
- 53. Prince, Edgar A. Sr.

- 54. Reed, David N.
- 55. Richardson, Clarence
- 56. Riddell, Clarence J.
- 57. Rippey, Joseph S.
- 58. Roberts, Donald L.
- 59. Roberts, Royce A.
- 60. Rogers, Phillip
- 61. Rowley, David S.
- 62. Rowley, Norman O.
- 63. Rule. William C.
- 64. Russell, Eugene E.
- 65. Schenkler, Daniel
- 66. Schlenker. Richard C.
- 67. Shadel, Ralph
- 68. Sharrock, Charles E.
- 69. Shriver, Chester S.
- 70. Simpson, William L.
- 71. Smyser, Richard H.
- 72. Stoudt, LeRoy C.
- 73. Swogger, Larry K.
- 74. Swogger, Ralph
- 75. Townsend, Franklin R.
- 76. Townsend, Marion C.T.
- 77. Townsend. Robert E.
- 78. Weaver, Sherman
- 79. Werkheiser, Robert U.
- 80. Wheeler, Kenneth
- 81. Wolz, Robert J.
- 82. Wyman, Leonard A.

Appendix 3. List of Past Commanders-in-Chief.

HONOR CONFERRED BY THE COMMANDERY-IN-CHIEF

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

SONS OF VETERANS

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

THE POST SYSTEM

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

PAST GRAND DIVISION COMMANDER

*E. Howard Gilkey Ohio

^{*} Deceased

[!] Conferred by the Commandery-in-Chief

Appendix 4. List of Past National Encampments.

NUMBER	YEAR	DATES	LOCATION
1st	1882	October 18	Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
2nd	1883	August 6 - 7	Columbus, Ohio
3rd	1884	August 27 - 30	Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
4th	1885	September 17 - 18	Grand Rapids, Michigan
5th	1886	September 1 - 2	Buffalo, New York
6th	1887	August 17 - 19	Des Moines, Iowa
7th	1888	August 15 - 17	Wheeling, West Virginia
8th	1889	September 10 - 13	Patterson, New Jersey
9th	1890	August 26 - 29	St. Joseph, Missouri
10th	1891	August 24 - 29	Minneapolis, Minnesota
11th	1892	August 8 - 12	Helena, Montana
12th	1893	August 15 - 18	Cincinnati, Ohio
13th	1894	August 20 - 23	Davenport, Iowa
14th	1895	September 16 - 18	Knoxville, Tennessee
15th	1896	September 8 - 10	Louisville, Kentucky
16th	1897	September 9 - 11	Indianapolis, Indiana
17th	1898	September 10 - 14	Omaha, Nebraska
18th	1899	September 7 - 9	Detroit, Michigan
19th	1900	September 11 - 13	Syracuse, New York
20th	1901	September 17 - 18	Providence, Rhode Island
21st	1902	October 7 - 9	Washington, D.C.
22nd	1903	September 15 - 17	Atlantic City, New Jersey
23rd	1904	August 17 - 19	Boston, Massachusetts
24th	1905	September 18 - 20	Gettysburg, Pennsylvania
25th	1906	August 20 -23	Peoria, Illinois
26th	1907	August 20 - 21	Dayton, Ohio
27th	1908	August 25 - 27	Niagara Falls, New York
28th	1909	August 24 - 26	Washington, D.C.
29th	1910	September 20 - 22	Atlantic City, New Jersey
30th	1911	August 20 - 25	Rochester, New York
31st	1912	August 27 - 29	St. Louis, Missouri
32nd 33rd	1913	September 16 - 18	Chattanooga, Tennessee
34th	1914	September 1 - 3	Detroit, Michigan
35th	1915 1916	September 28 - 30 August 30 - 31	Washington, D.C. Kansas City, Missouri
36th	1917	August 22 - 23	Boston, Massachusetts
37th	1918	August 20 - 21	Niagara Falls, New York
38th	1919	September 9 - 11	Columbus, Ohio
39th	1920	September 22 - 23	Indianapolis, Indiana
40th	1921	September 27 - 29	Indianapolis, Indiana
41st	1922	September 26 - 28	Des Moines, Iowa
42nd	1923	September 4 - 6	Milwaukee, Wisconsin
43rd	1924	August 12 - 14	Boston, Massachusetts
44th	1925	September 1 - 3	Grand Rapids, Michigan
45th	1926	September 21 - 23	Des Moines, Iowa
46th	1927	September 13 - 15	Grand Rapids, Michigan
47th	1928	September 18 - 20	Denver, Colorado
48th	1929	September 10 - 12	Portland, Maine
49th	1930	August 26 - 28	Cincinnati, Ohio
50th	1931	September 14 - 17	Des Moines, Iowa
51st	1932	September 19 - 22	Springfield, Illinois

NUMBER	YEAR	DATES	LOCATION
52nd	1933	September 19 - 21	St. Paul, Minnesota
53rd	1934	August 14 - 16	Rochester, New York
54th	1935	September 9 - 12	Grand Rapids, Michigan
55th	1936	September 22 - 24	Washington, D.C.
56th	1937	September 6 - 9	Madison, Wisconsin
57th	1938	September 5 - 8	Des Moines, Iowa
58th	1939	August 29 - 31	Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
59th	1940	September 10 -12	Springfield, Illinois
60th	1941	September 15 - 18	Columbus, Ohio
61st	1942	September 15 - 17	Indianapolis, Indiana
62nd	1943	September 20 - 23	Milwaukee, Wisconsin
63rd	1944	September 12 - 14	Des Moines, Iowa
64th	1945	October 1 - 4	Columbus, Ohio
65th	1946	August 25 - 29	Indianapolis, Indiana
66th	1947	August 10 - 14	Cleveland, Ohio
67th	1948	September 26 - 30	Grand Rapids, Michigan
68th	1949	August 28 - 31	Indianapolis, Indiana
69th	1950	August 20 - 24	Boston, Massachusetts
70th	1951	August 19 - 23	Columbus, Ohio
71st	1952	August 24 - 28	Atlantic City, New Jersey
72nd	1953	August 23 - 27	Buffalo, New York
73rd	1954	August 8 - 13	Duluth, Minnesota
74th	1955	August 21 - 25	Cincinnati, Ohio
75th	1956	September 1 - 15	Harrisburg, Pennsylvania
76th	1957	August 18 - 22	Detroit, Michigan
77th	1958	August 17 -21	Boston, Massachusetts
78th	1959	August 16 - 20	Long Beach, California
79th	1960	August 21 - 25	Springfield, Illinois
80th	1961	August 20 - 24	Indianapolis, Indiana
81st	1962	August 19 - 23	Washington, D.C.
82nd	1963	August 18 - 23	Miami Beach, Florida
83rd	1964	August 16 - 20	Providence, Rhode Island
84th	1965	August 15 - 19	Richmond, Virginia
85th	1966	August 14 - 15	Grand Rapids, Michigan
86th	1967	August 6 - 10	Chicago, Illinois
87th	1968	August 18 - 22	Wilmington, Delaware
88th	1969	August 17 - 21	St. Louis, Missouri
89th	1970	August 23 - 27 August 15 - 19	Miami Beach, California
90th 91st	1971	August 13 - 17	Boston, Massachusetts
92nd	1972 1973	August 5 - 9	Philadelphia, Pennsylvania Palm Springs, California
	1974	•	Bretton Woods, New Hampshire
93rd 94th	1975	August 18 - 22 August 10 - 14	Rochester, New York
95th	1976	August 15 - 19	Columbus, Ohio
96th	1977	August 14 - 18	Des Moines, Iowa
97th	1978	August 13 - 17	Grand Rapids, Michigan
98th	1979	August 12 - 15	Hartford, Connecticut
99th	1980	August 10 - 14	Richmond, Virginia
100th	1981	August 9 - 13	Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
101st	1982	August 14 - 18	Providence, Rhode Island
102nd	1983	August 15 - 19	Portland, Maine
1021d 103rd	1984	August 12 - 16	Akron, Ohio
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