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Forty-ninth Annual Encampment Cincinnati, Ohio, August 26-28, 1930

TUESDAY MORNING SESSION

The Forty-ninth Annual Encampment was opened in regular ritualistic form, Commander-in-Chief, Theodore C. Cazeau, presiding.

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: The Forty-ninth Annual Encampment, Commandery-in-Chief, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, is called to order. National Secretary Hammer will call the roll which showed present:

Theodore C. Cazeau, Commander-in-Chief; Park F. Yengling, Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief; Robert L. Whitcomb, Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief; Everett F. Warner, A. A. Bronsdon, Fred G. Hansen, Council-in-Chief; John W. Kennedy, National Patriotic Instructor; H. H. Hammer, National Secretary-Treasurer; A. George Courtney, National Counselor.

National Secretary: Commander-in-Chief, all officers are present except the National Chaplain, Rev. Ralph C. Walker.

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: We meet again as Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War to review the work of the past year and direct our efforts to the improvement of our order.

I appoint Rev. A. A. Bronsdon as Acting Chaplain, who will invoke the blessing of Almighty God.

Invocation by Rev. A. A. Bronsdon, member of Council-in-Chief.
Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: Past Dept. Commander Neil D. Cranmer, of New York, will act as Color Bearer; Brother Salisbury of Illinois as Guard; William B. Wells, Delegate Department of Maryland, and George B. Cathers, Delegate Department of New York, are appointed to take the pass word and countersign. Chester A. White, Past Dept. Commander, Massachusetts, appointed Guide.

Commander-in-Chief: All Past Commanders-in-Chief will take seats immediately in the foreground. Those present—Harley V. Speelman, Washington, D. C.; Ralph Sheldon, New York; Ralph M. Grant, Connecticut; John E. Sautter, Pennsylvania; Charles F. Sherman, New York; Frank Shellhouse, Indiana; Samuel S. Horn, Pennsylvania; Wm. M. Coffin, Ohio; Edwin C. Ireland, Maryland; Ernest W. Homan, Massachusetts, and Walter C. Mable, Pennsylvania.

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: I appoint on the Credential Committee: Chairman, H. H. Hammer, National Secretary; Julius Isaacs, Delegate, New York; A. W. McDaniel, Past Department Commander, Indiana; W. C. Thobaben, Commander, Ohio.

National Secretary Hammer: The Credential Committee respectfully submits preliminary report. There are eight Past Commanders-

in-Chief, fifty-three Past Department Commanders, eighty-five delegates; sixteen Departments represented out of a possible twenty-five. There are 162 accredited members of the Encampment this roll call. I move all be accredited members and the names of additional members reporting be duly accredited and enrolled.

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

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Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: I appreciate this splendid gathering. It augurs well for a most happy time. I am pleased to see so many Past Commanders-in-Chief present. Doctor Sheldon, please introduce the Past Commanders-in-Chief.

Past Commander-in-Chief Ralph Sheldon, of New York: It is with great pleasure I present to you Past Commanders-in-Chief, Harley V. Speelman, (Ralph Sheldon), Ralph M. Grant, John E. Sautter, Charles F. Sherman, Frank Shellhouse, Samuel S. Horn, Wm. M. Coffin, Edwin C. Irelan, Ernest W. Homan, Walter C. Mabie. (Applause).

VISITORS FROM GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC.

Visitors, Past Commander-in-Chief and Judge Advocate-General Willett, Past Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief Brainard, of New York, and Past Department Commander Owen Nelson, of Iowa, were escorted in by Past Commander-in-Chief Shellhouse, Indiana.

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: In the very first moment of the opening of our Encampment, there are in our presence three distinguished members of the Grand Army of the Republic. Frank Shellhouse, I will ask you to introduce them.

Past Commander-in-Chief Shellhouse: Commander-in-Chief Cazeau and Brothers: When I represented this order in 1923, Commander-in-Chief Willett of the Grand Army invited the heads of all departments to travel with him to the far Northwest and down the Pacific Coast and now this same Commander-in-Chief Willett comes to us in our Encampment here assembled. I am so very glad in a personal way to meet and to greet him. There is only one man, if he were living today, of whom I could think better, and that is my own father, so it is with pleasure that I introduce Past Commander-in-Chief Willett to our Commander-in-Chief Cazeau and through him to the membership of this Encampment. (Cheers for Willett).

Judge Willett, Past Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic: Commander-in-Chief Cazeau, Past Commander-in-Chief Shellhouse, members of the 49th Encampment of the Sons of Union

Veterans of the Civil War. My heart is filled with emotion but I cannot help it. My memory goes back to the last Encampment in Des Moines in 1922 where I had the honor to be elected Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army. It had been the human cry among the several departments that they could not prevail on a Commander-in-Chief to make the proper entourage of the country, covering the several departments throughout the north, including the few in the south. You boys at that time were not ready for admission to the audience chamber of the G. A. R. in line with your position and heritage and had not received proper recognition. I had a conference with the official interests of the G. A. R., got the good will of that great organization of the Woman's Relief Corps, and they appropriated \$5000 for the expense of the administration, saying "spend it if you must, there is more to be had." Suffice it to say that before the completion of that trip we had expended it all, but were not required to ask for more, and we did not live extravagantly.

In conference with leaders of the Grand Army, I arranged for an itinerary that would cover every Department, or the majority of them. We conceived the idea that we would invite the heads of all the auxiliaries. Commander-in-Chief Shellhouse happened to be at the head of the Sons of Union Veterans. I did not know him, I invited the heads of all these organizations to join first in a trip throughout the great north to the Pacific coast. It was my good fortune to ask Commander Shellhouse to be aide. He came forward manfully, and on the trip with Mrs. Willett, it wasn't twenty-four hours out when she was directing Frank to do this and do that. He became endeared to me because of the fondness, the care he took of Mrs. Willett. There was plenty of company, for there were quite a number of bright sparkling women of other orders in our party, but her affection for Frank was as a son; his effort to make things comfortable for both Mrs. Willett and myself so endeared him to me on that trip, that I have always, ever since, looked upon him as my boy. (Applause).

I have two sons, one in the oil game in the great southwest, and the other a stalwart fellow, my legal partner in the practice of the law. The lad goes on the theory that what dad does not have in his head, son must have in his heel, and that was the way I used Frank Shellhouse during that trip in the great northwest and on the Pacific Coast, through the San Diego Valley, back to Los Angeles. We felt his care. It was the same year that the President of the United States was making an entourage of the great Northwest and Pacific Coast and they told us everywhere, and it was not our vanity, that the rear end that met our train surpassed that which met His Excellency, the President of the United States.

As baggage master Frank Shellhouse has no equal. The baggage that we had, the telegrams, the messages, all were referred to Shellhouse as the master of transportation, and our baggage filled a motor car at every station where we stopped, but we did not have to pay any attention to it.

The ladies of the entourage soon got so that they could talk quickly from the rear end of our train and Frank developed into a first class orator as well as master of transportation. The emotion with which I have approached this meeting is occasioned by the fact that since that time, after fifty-two years of pleasant life, my wife has been called to the Great Beyond, and my meeting with Shellhouse this morning recalls the surrounding, the circumstances, and the great pleasure of the hour.

I don't know whether Commander Shellhouse has ever detailed to you the trip made during the year of my administration as Commander-in-Chief, but I cannot exaggerate any language he may have used. It was magnificent, it was the beginning of the era that put you Sons of Union Veterans on the map. With my beloved co-worker, John R. King, we put our shoulders to the wheel and worked in every wakeful moment, as it were, for approximately five years until we accomplished our purpose, to see that the proper recognition was made of the Sons of Union Veterans, as an Auxiliary of the Grand Army of the Republic, and I am proud of the success attained.

I come before you in company with one of the most lovable companions, with all his eccentricities and differences from me, because we are not built alike, we don't think alike, except in common with the interests of the G. A. R. and its association. I have the honor to come here with Owen Nelson, who has the honor to be not only a Veteran of the Civil War and a prominent member who has worked hard in its growth, but Commander Nelson has the honor to also be a Son of a Union Veteran and a Delegate in your Encampment. Now for the denouement. I have the honor of being, by special appointment, Chairman of the Committee on Qualifications. We have what we call the Blue Book of 1922, and it was difficult during the last ten years, but I have, with the assistance of my co-workers been successful in compiling a history and inculcating in it your history as an association of the G. A. R. This qualified report will be made part of the 1930 Journal. If I have luck and die slowly from the bottom up, instead of at the top, I don't know how long I may stay, if I don't get knocked into eternity by a motor car. My trouble is sore feet, broken arches, if you will, and I have to ride.

Believe me in my eighty-four years of life I never had a greater, nobler object in view during all that life than riding in the entourage of 1923 with your Past Commander-in-Chief Frank Shellhouse as master of transportation. I wanted you boys to know that I had not forgotten them, and I have given you recognition in this report, which if you will supply your self with our Journal of 1930 you will see the history in detail of your position and the official recognition of the G. A. R.

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: Past Commander-in-Chief Willett, that was mighty fine of you and you will be answered in due time.

Past Department Commander Owen Nelson: Commander-in-Chief, Sons of Union Veterans, I have a message to bring to this Encampment. As a representative and a Delegate from Iowa to this Encampment, I have been delegated by the City of Des Moines to extend an invitation for the next National Encampment for 1931 to come to the city of Des Moines. As I am closely affiliated with camp No. 75, Des Moines, Iowa, and as a Past Commander of Iowa of the Grand Army, I say Des Moines is a grand city and the Governor of Iowa has delegated me with credentials to come before the National Encampment, which I will present tomorrow. I want to have you work that we may be successful that the Encampment will be in Des Moines in 1931. When I was in Portland, Me., last year I presented the same invitation. I also made this statement there, that the State of Iowa had appropriated money to assist the National Encampment in the City of Des Moines to make it easy for the Sons of Union Veterans, etc. The invitation of the Governor of the State will also be presented here as it was in Portland, Me.

Let me tell you boys just one item and that will be a little romance. My father and mother came from Norway, way up where the midnight sun is. My mother would not marry my father until

he would agree to come to America, and of that union, of that marriage, is this young man standing before you. In 1861 when the first call came, we did not go to school like you do, as we did not have schools in the state of Wisconsin, where I was born and educated. Going up to that school house where I learned the A. B. C.'s, my mother taught me the Norwegian language so thoroughly that I still write and speak it as well as I am speaking English to you now—my father told my mother going up to that school house in 1861 when the first call came. What was the conversation between Mother and Father? My father said, I am an adopted citizen of the United States and when the great President calls for volunteers to preserve the Union it is my duty to enlist, not only as a citizen of the United States, but as a Christian. He enlisted. He died in the hospital and was buried at Keokuk, Iowa, in Estes hospital, so called. I was down to Keokuk last year by invitation from that city, the Great Estes Building, where 1021 old soldiers passed away, was wrecked and they erected a new building. They took the corner stone out of that building and put it up in the National Cemetery. They gave me the honor of accepting the corner stone. It was put in a glass case and it is there in behalf of the Grand Army of the Republic of Iowa. As I stood before that audience, with 1500 school children around me, and probably as many more citizens and soldiers of the Civil War, the Spanish American and World War, I was within fifty feet of my father's grave to make that acceptance speech. It was the trial of my life. I had the inspiration, as I thought, but my emotion overcame me and I presume I made the shortest acceptance speech in my life at that place. I came to Iowa, where they have honored me in many ways outside the Grand Army and I, therefore, have the honor to say I have the credentials from the Chamber of Commerce of Des Moines, from the Mayor, from the Greater Des Moines Committee and from the Governor of Iowa, to invite the National Encampment to come to Des Moines in 1931.

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: We are mighty glad to have you with us and Judge Willett. There is but one man who can respond to you and that is Past Commander-in-Chief Shellhouse. We want to thank you for extending this invitation Brother Nelson, but according to a resolution, the Sons of Union Veterans meet with the Grand Army of the Republic, wherever that may be. Before Past Commander-in-Chief Shellhouse responds I want to introduce Calvin A. Brainard, Past Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army, of Rochester, who is to locate in Chicago, and I want you Chicago boys to know that we are losing one of the finest when Calvin A. Brainard goes to live in Chicago.

Past Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief Calvin A. Brainard: Commander-in-Chief, Brothers. I expected to appear in the rear of the hall where I would not be noticed. I wanted to be present, since going to Rochester, and becoming acquainted with your Commander-in-Chief. It is not because I am from his town, it is because I am a Son of a Union Veteran, I appreciated the most magnificent work he has done and it proves what we can do over the entire United States as Sons of Union Veterans by seeing and working for the interests of the G. A. R. and their memories after they have all gone. I know your time is precious, by experience. I am a Veteran and a Son of a Union Veteran. I had the distinction, about eighteen years ago of being the only father and son who served in the same regiment during the war, we were the only ones. I want to read you a very clever letter which I am sure will amuse you. (Here comic letter was read).

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: Brother Past Commander-in-Chief Shellhouse will you please respond.

Past Commander-in-Chief Frank Shellhouse: Past Commander-in-Chief Willett, in response to your very kind and encouraging remarks we desire that you know how much we enjoy your visitation here. We regard your presence an honor to our Encampment. When the 1930 Journal, of which you speak is published, I am sure we will be pleased and edified by carefully reading same. We know of the valuable service you have for many years been giving all branches of the Grand Army of the Republic. We well remember the great help you have given especially to our work and organization, and we most heartily thank you for same. Judge Willett, I never shall get through or grow weary trying to describe to our members and others, the experience, pleasure and honor while representing our organization of having had the privilege and association of that memorable Western Grand Army family tour. We feel that your invitation for our organization to be represented in such travels was indicative of a desire upon your part for a closer co-operative and more workable union between father and son than ever before, incident to the great work before us, relative to the welfare of the soldier of the Civil War. This achievement has been accomplished.

And now, Past Commander-in-Chief Willett, as you suggested, yes I certainly do remember the many little personal incidents which occurred all along our line of travel. You were the daddy of us all. You were the Commander-in-Chief and so respected in every sense of the word. You shouldered the burden of the heavy speaking for the party. Great throngs would assemble at the patriotic meeting places, sometimes two or three meetings in one afternoon and evening, plus the assemblies waiting for the rear platform speeches, as we passed down the Western Coast. It was my pleasant duty to attend to transportation facilities, baggage, taxis, messages, arrange for Com-mitties and in fact, any and everything that I could see or find to do for the success and happiness of the party. It was interesting to see how willing and ably the women representatives of other departments shared in every possible way toward the success of the occasion. Mother Willett was our social center, and if you please, the one to whom we "children" as you sometimes termed us, would go with our joys and our troubles. She knew what to do and what to say. Mother Willett, God bless her, is the only one missing. I cannot refrain from voicing the happy thought that even so, she is very near—yes, may we say that Mother Willett is only resting, watching and waiting in that "Beautiful Isle of Somewhere" amid sunshine, love and flowers, for the coming reunion of loved ones.

Commander Nelson, I am sure our membership appreciates your visit at this time and more than words can express, your wholesome and interesting remarks. We thank you for the invitation to have our Encampment in your good city, Des Moines, in 1931. We feel that we know the city and your good people pretty well, having had our Encampments there some few years ago. And say, your hospitality we shall never forget. However, we Sons of Union Veterans have but little to say as to where we meet in convention. We meet wherever the Grand Army meets—it matters not where. We only await the Grand Army decision and will certainly be pleased to go to your city if so designated.

In conclusion, Past Commander-in-Chief Willett and Commander Nelson, we, the members of this Encampment wish for you good health, your share of prosperity during the coming year, and look forward to meeting you at the 1931 Encampment. We invite you

to call upon us in these Encampments for many years yet to come. (Applause).

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: Thank you Brother Shellhouse. Brother Fred Phillips, of Chicago, come forward.

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: On this card is written the name of the gentleman who will locate in Chicago, and I want you to do everything possible in making him feel at home with the G. A. R. and allied units.

Past Department Commander Fred J. Phillips, of Illinois: Certainly glad to meet you, have you a member and when you get to Chicago just let me know. On the 8th of September, we are going to have a reception to the Past Commanders and would like to have you present.

Past Department Commander Chester A. White, and Past Commander-in-Chief Shellhouse escorted Judge Willett and Brothers Nelson and Brainard out.

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: Appointment of Committees. Following additional Committees are appointed.

Constitution and Regulations: William M. Coffin, Past Commander-in-Chief, Ohio; Past Department Commander H. M. Pratt, of Iowa; Department Commander Robert C. C. Smith, of Conn.; Department Commander Harrison W. Williams, of N. J.; Department Commander J. Z. Collier, of Wis.

Ritual and Ceremonies: Past Commander-in-Chief Samuel S. Horn, of Pa.; Department Commander Adelbert A. Taylor, of Md.; Department Commander Frank P. Corrick, of Neb.; Frank E. Small, Department Commander of Me.; Department Commander Leon M. Howard, of N. H.

Resolutions: Past Commander-in-Chief Charles F. Sherman, of New York; Past Department Commander Chester A. White, of Mass.; Past Commander-in-Chief Ralph M. Grant, of Conn.; Past Commander-in-Chief Harley V. Speelman, of Ohio; Delegate William B. Wells, of Md.

Officers' Report: Past Commander-in-Chief John E. Sautter, of Pa.; Past Commander-in-Chief William T. Church, of Ill.; Past Commander-in-Chief Edwin C. Ireland, of Md.; Past Commander-in-Chief Frank Shellhouse, of Ind.; Department Commander Eugene C. Somerby, of Cal. & Pac.

Press: Neil D. Cranmer, Past Dept. Commander, of N. Y.; Allan S. Holbrook, Past Department Commander, of Ill.; Past Department Commander Michael G. Heintz, of Ohio; Delegate Elmer H. Schubert, of Ohio.

Fraternal Greetings: Past Commander-in-Chief Ralph Sheldon, of New York; Past Commander-in-Chief Ernest W. Homan, of Mass.; Past Department Commander Col. U. S. Grant, III, of Md.

Badges for Executive Committee: Department Commander Frederick W. Geist, of Col. and Wy.; Department Commander F. C. Beardsley, of Mo.; Past Department Commander Walter S. Bellby, of New York.

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: Reports of officers are now in order,

Past Commander-in-Chief Charles F. Sherman: I move the presentation in person of the report of the Commander-in-Chief who should read it to this Encampment. (Agreed to).

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief Park F. Yengling called to the chair and Commander-in-Chief Cazeau then read his report.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

REPORT OF COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF.

In presenting this my annual report and address, I desire to be as brief as possible and will therefore conform my remarks as far as possible to activities of the year just past.

Before going into these, however, may I say a word in behalf of Commander-in-Chief Edwin J. Foster of the Grand Army of the Republic. Commander Foster is not only a veteran of the Grand Army, but also a Son of a Union Veteran. It has been my happy privilege to have been associated with him a good deal the past year. I have been impressed not only with him personally, but with his earnestness, his energy and his sincere desire on all occasions to be helpful to his fellow comrades.

This may be said in sincerity of all the National Officers of the Grand Army of the Republic.

BUSINESS RECESSION AFFECTED ALL ORGANIZATIONS.

Almost co-incident with the beginning of my term of office there fell on the country a business depression that has been severe and lasting. While this condition has been reflected in the affairs of the Order during the past year I am happy to say that the finances are in excellent condition. This fact is due, almost wholly, to the wise and efficient management of our Secretary-Treasurer. For twenty-five years Horace Hammer has been a loyal servant of our Order, a faithful counselor to its officers and leaders. We sincerely regret his retirement.

PATRIOTIC DAYS OBSERVED.

Patriotic days have been generally observed. The custom in our public and parochial schools of holding exercises appropriate to the day is generally practiced. The auxiliaries and allied units of the Grand Army of the Republic have encouraged and in many cases fostered these observances. County observances of Lincoln's Birthday are growing in numbers and importance in the different States.

MEMORIAL DAY GROWS IN REGARD.

Memorial Day, to our parent organization, the most important of all holidays, is generally observed, not only in our country, but in other countries where American soldiers are buried. Where there is no Grand Army of the Republic or Sons of Union Veterans, exercises are conducted by Spanish War Veterans, Veterans of Foreign Wars or the American Legion. This day grows in significance and in the affection of our people.

FLAG CODE APPENDED.

Flag Day is observed in most of our States. Interest in the code and etiquette of the Flag is increasing. Many inquiries have been directed to me the past year in regard to these things. I have appended the Flag Code and the latest law of Congress relative to the Flag to this report.

ROCHESTER AND MONROE COUNTY, NEW YORK, SYSTEM OF MARKING GRAVES CREATES GENERAL INTEREST.

Adequate marking and recording of soldiers' graves is a work that is gaining headway in our States. Connecticut is doing splendid work in this direction, under the leadership of Charles Hale, while

other States are indicating increased interest in this desirable work. In New York State, and in my own County of Monroe, we have undertaken to set up a system that is practical and complete. Inquiries regarding this plan of ours are received from all parts of the country. A synopsis of the plan is included in this report.

STATE OF ORDER ANALYZED IN ADDRESS.

In the booklet containing my monthly letters to The Banner and my annual report, with other things which I wished to have preserved, there is an address which I delivered to the Sons of Veterans Club of Philadelphia.

In this address I tried to analyze the conditions that inhere in the Sons of Union Veterans order. I hope you will read it, at your leisure.

Just now I wish to refer to the fact that the Sons of Union Veterans and similar patriotic organizations have suffered in their morale by reason of the World War and subsequent activities growing out of that war. Our Order, to the same extent at least, has been pushed into the background by them. However, there is nothing in the situation that should cause discouragement. Our organization is well rooted, its principles are sound and its morale is growing. The day will come when thousands of unaffiliated sons and grandsons will be proud to wear the badge of the Sons of Union Veterans.

INVITED TO SOUTHERN ENCAMPMENT.

On the invitation of John Ashley Jones, Commander-in-Chief of the Sons of Confederate Veterans, I attended the National Encampment of that Order in Biloxi, Mississippi, in June. Southern hospitality which we have read so much about is no myth. No one could be treated more cordially than I was treated by all the officials of the United Confederate Veterans and allied organizations. I trust the effect of the visit will make for friendship and understanding.

RED ACTIVITIES.

The activities of communists have attracted considerable attention the past few months. It has been my aim to keep informed on their activities. We regret that these misguided persons see fit to attack our institutions, but so long as they do not counsel insurrection or the destruction of property our laws permit them to talk. These activities nevertheless prompt us to be ever on the watch against these subtle influences. We should redouble our efforts in behalf of Americanization work. We should see to it that the standard of teaching in our schools is all it should be and that our teachers are Americans at heart and in deed.

APPRECIATE CO-OPERATION OF ALLIED ORGANIZATIONS.

I wish to say a word of appreciation for the Auxiliary of the Sons of Union Veterans. Their interest has been demonstrated in practical ways. The Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Woman's Relief Corps, Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, all have demonstrated their friendly feelings for our Order and deserve our cordial thanks.

I wish to acknowledge the assistance and cordial co-operation of the National Officers as follows:

A. S. Holbrook, Editor of The Banner.
 Park F. Yengling, National Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief.
 Robert L. Whitcomb, National Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief.
 A. George Courtney, National Counselor.
 Reverend Ralph C. Walker, National Chaplain.

Everett F. Warner, Council-in-Chief.
 John W. Kennedy, National Patriotic Instructor.
 Walter S. Beilby, Personal Aide.
 Colonel Samuel C. Pierce, Past Commander, Department of New York, Grand Army of the Republic.

Charles F. Sherman, Past Commander-in-Chief, N. Y.
 Miss Mayme Dwyer, Past National President, Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans, N. Y.

Charles R. Hale, Chairman of Committee on Marking Soldiers' Graves, Conn.

Dr. Ralph Sheldon, Past Commander-in-Chief, N. Y.

Miss Marion Cushman, Confidential Secretary.

To Department Commanders, Camp Commanders and all the rest who have assisted me, I extend cordial thanks.

A FINAL PLEA FOR THE FATHERS.

May I add just one paragraph more? I cannot close this report without enjoining on you all the task of continued service to the remaining members of the Grand Army of the Republic and their unaffiliated comrades. Were it not for the Grand Army of the Republic there would be no Sons of Union Veterans.

In a few more years there will be none left. It is our duty to see that those years are made cheerful and happy for them as the circumstances permit.

They never denied their country anything. How can you and I deny them anything within our utmost power to grant?

It is still within our power to do these things. Let us resolve to do them.

NECROLOGY.

Date Death

- May 24, 1930—Clifford Ireland, Past Department Commander and Past Commander-in-Chief, Illinois.
 Mar. 23, 1930—Frank H. Challis, Past Grand Division Commander, New Hampshire.
 Sept. 13, 1929—Joseph N. Larrimore, Past Department Commander, Alabama and Tennessee.
 Feb. 12, 1930—Henry C. Cull, Past Department Commander, Illinois.
 April 1, 1930—C. D. Thomas, Past Department Commander, Illinois.
 Oct. 25, 1929—E. S. Shumaker, Past Department Commander, Indiana.
 Oct. 1929—E. B. Colburn, Past Department Commander, Kansas.
 Sept. 1929—L. L. Merrifield, Past Department Commander, Kansas.
 Sept. 1, 1929—Miles W. Ross, Past Department Commander, Maryland.
 Dec. 8, 1929—Michael H. Crowley, Past Department Commander, New Hampshire.
 Dec. 21, 1929—Henry E. Chamberlain, Past Department Commander, New Hampshire.
 Mar. 4, 1930—John J. Corcoran, Past Department Commander, New Jersey.
 April 2, 1930—Herman L. Lange, Past Department Commander, New York.
 June 10, 1930—Robert E. Hopkins, Past Department Commander, Pennsylvania.
 May 17, 1930—Elmer Bartlett, Past Department Commander, Washington.
 Charles C. Pitcher, Past Department Commander, Michigan.

Aug. 19, 1930—C. S. Scott, Past Department Commander, California.
 Aug. 23, 1930—C. G. Marsh, Past Department Commander, Illinois.
 May 14, 1930—George H. Bangs, Past Department Commander, Maine.

All these have been active in the affairs of our Organization. Their passing is regretted by all of us.

THEODORE C. CAZEAU,
 Commander-in-Chief.

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief Park F. Yengling: You have heard the splendid report of your Commander-in-Chief and if there are no objections it will be referred to the Committee on Officers' Reports.

(A rising vote of thanks was given Commander-in-Chief Cazeau with much applause).

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: We are having other Officers' Reports.

National Secretary Hammer: Commander-in-Chief, I present the reports of (reading in title) the respective National Officers. Referred to the Committee on Officers' Reports.

REPORT OF SENIOR VICE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF.

Bassett Road, Bay Village, Ohio, July 29, 1930.

Theodore C. Cazeau, Commander-in-Chief,
 Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War,
 Rochester, N. Y.

My Dear Commander-in-Chief:

I have the honor to make this final report to you of some of the things I have done and observed during the past year.

It was your pleasure to have me keep in touch with the Departments of the Mid-west, and at an early date after the Portland Encampment, I made a comparison of the gains and losses of these Departments during the year 1929, urging them to place more effort upon recruiting, for we know too well, if we would perpetuate the Order of Sons of Union Veterans, we must replace losses from all causes by new members.

This does not seem to weigh very heavily upon some of the Departments, as replies to my letters were never received.

You, Commander, and Secretary Hammer, will agree with me that not enough attention is paid to answering letters which are of importance to the writers.

At your request the Commanders of the Mid-West Departments were called to a conference at Chicago, Ill., on January 11 and 12, 1930. As you know the Departments of Illinois, Indiana and Ohio were all that responded. However I feel that this meeting was a success as it resulted in the Department of Illinois mustering in a very large Camp at Springfield (the shrine of the immortal Lincoln) which the Officers of that Department said could not be done.

It was my pleasure to attend the Encampment of the Department of Pennsylvania, at New Castle, where the Pennsylvania boys entertained in their usual style, even though it rained all day Tuesday. One thing that particularly attracted my attention was the Reserve Camp, and the renewed interest the Pennsylvania Department has taken in the Reserve, under the able command of Colonel Edward John Prittie, Chief-of-Staff. You note the newly adopted Blue Uni-

form, which conforms to the Reserve Regulations, being an up-to-date copy of the 1861-65 uniform.

Having been connected with the Reserve since 1906, and the Commandant of the Ohio Department since 1911, I have always been of the opinion that the Military feature of our Order attracts more young men to the Camps than any other one thing.

The time seems opportune to again place the Reserve upon a National footing, by electing a National Chief-of-Staff, and I therefore RECOMMEND that action be taken at this Encampment to that end.

To a close observer of the representation by Camps at the Department Encampments it would indicate that not 50% of the Camps are represented. This was particularly noticeable at the Encampments of Pennsylvania and Ohio, and I have no doubt but that the same occurs at all other Department Encampments. Financial conditions may have been the cause of some of this this year, but this has occurred in Ohio for several years.

The Camp is the "back bone" of the Order, and if Departments cannot find the way to have at least one representative from each Camp at their Department Encampment, I would RECOMMEND to the incoming Commander-in-Chief that he appoint some ONE LIVE MEMBER of the Order a committee to find some means, with the several Department Commanders, whereby a 100% attendance may be had at their Encampments.

During a business trip to Atlanta, Ga., in February, it was my pleasure to meet P. D. C. Colonel Orville H. Hall, who as well as giving me an outline of the difficulties encountered in keeping the Department of Alabama and Tennessee upon the map, demonstrated that our membership in the South know how to entertain.

It has been a pleasure, Commander-in-Chief, during the past year to try to keep before the Commanders of the Mid-West Departments the things which you felt would do the most good for the Order, and if in some way I have contributed to the success of your year as Commander-in-Chief, I am happy to have been associated with you.

Respectfully submitted, in F. C. & L.,

PARK F. YENGLING,
Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief.

REPORT OF JUNIOR VICE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF.

Portland, Me., July 30, 1930.

Theodore C. Cazeau, Commander-in-Chief,
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

Dear Commander:

The following is my report as Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief.

As I stated on the occasion of my election to this office, I realized that the appointment came to me as the brother selected to receive the honor which was unanimously accorded to my State, my City, my Department and my Camp, because, in the name of the Department of Maine, Grand Army of the Republic, we were officially entertaining the Sixty-third National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic.

I promised to try to be worthy of the honor and the job. I have tried at every opportunity to uphold the dignity of the office and to promote the best interests of the Order. I give in brief detail a number of my activities during my incumbency of this office.

Throwing superstition "to the winds" I made my first official appearance on "Friday the Thirteenth" at a dinner given by the local Rotary Club as a compliment to the Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army and his official family, and our own Commander-in-Chief Cazeau and Past Commander-in-Chief Bowley.

On Saturday, September 21, in company with Colonel Charles E. Nason, the Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army, I had an important part in the unveiling and dedication of a memorial to the citizen soldiers and sailors of all wars in the historic town of Gorham, Maine.

On October 26 I participated in a conference called in Boston by Commander-in-Chief Cazeau, at which Commander-in-Chief Edwin J. Foster and thirty of the true and tried workers for our Order in New England were present. The Departments of Maine, Massachusetts, Rhode Island and Connecticut were represented and policies for the progress of the Order were presented and debated.

On Veterans' Night, November 19, I had the honor of acting as Chairman at a fine and appropriate program given by the Sons and Daughters of Union Veterans in honor of the Gettysburg Address of Abraham Lincoln. The Grand Army and the Allied Orders were well represented.

The Department of Maine, Grand Army of the Republic, on the evening of November 25, tendered to Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief Nason, National Council Nathaniel W. White, Augusta, Maine, and your Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief Whitcomb, a banquet at which two hundred and fifty were guests. It took the form of a great patriotic rally. Beautiful large silver cups, suitably engraved were presented to the Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts and Camp Fire Girls in recognition of their efficient service rendered during the Sixty-third Encampment of the Grand Army in Portland in September.

Your Junior Vice Commander was selected to act as chairman of a Union Defenders Day program. We presented an old fashioned Grand Army Camp Fire. Three of Portland's most prominent clergymen, a judge and the mayor were the speakers and there was not a pink or a professional pacifist among them. Sixteen members of the local Grand Army were in attendance. In Portland the Sons never miss a chance to work with and for the Grand Army "BOYS." We are also on the best of terms with the Spanish War Veterans and the Veterans of the Great World War. I believe that it is essential that we should cultivate the friendly relationship with all these Veteran Organizations.

On the 8th of April, at the Annual Encampment of the Massachusetts Department of Sons of Union Veterans, I was permitted to represent the Commander-in-Chief, who was barred by his physician's orders from traveling to Boston just at that time.

On Memorial Day I delivered the Memorial Day address at South Paris.

I visited Augusta, the State Capital, and in company with the Governor of the State of Maine, who is also a brother of our Order, participated in the observance of the fortieth anniversary of the muster of Gen. Henry G. Staples Camp.

Next I visited Hallowell, Maine, with the Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, Col. Charles E. Nason of the Grand Army of the Republic, to assist at a patriotic rally sponsored by the Camp and Auxiliary of that city. Again the Gospel of Patriotic Endeavor was the keynote of a very successful gathering.

June 10, 11 and 12 were the dates of the Annual State Encampments of the Grand Army, the Relief Corps, the Ladies of the Grand Army, the Daughters of Union Veterans and the Sons and their Auxiliary of Maine. I was kept busy, by the request of our Commander-in-Chief, in extending official fraternal greetings to the above named members of the Grand Army Family.

It has been a source of pleasure and pride to serve with you, Commander Cazeau, and your efficient officers. During the year now ending my duties have been agreeable and my performance of them only limited by my humble ability.

In closing I beg to offer one suggestion: It will be a wise and therefore helpful policy to co-operate with the veterans of the Spanish-American and World Wars on every logical patriotic or memorial occasion. We must not relinquish our rightful duties as Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, but on many issues we can well afford to work in unison with all the loyal veterans of our Country's wars.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT LINCOLN WHITCOMB,
Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief.

GRAND ARMY FLAGS.

There's a flag at half mast on the Post Hall to-day;
Do you ask what it means? One more "boy" gone away,
One more comrade advanced to the camp way beyond,
One more soldier to God's reveille doth respond,
And we stand with bared head while we honor our dead,
And another green mound with love's tokens is spread.

Those flags at half mast are more frequent each year,
As the "boys" are advanced leaving still fewer here;
So we cheer for the living who've lived for the right,
And drop tears for our heroes who fought the good fight
And the victory won, and whose souls still march on,
While we follow with reverence the pathway they've gone.

O'er the lowly green tents where our soldier dead lie
Floats a dear little flag and it floats mast-head high;
We sincerely salute it, with sentiment pure
And thank God for our soldiers who made it secure;
We recall once again those who live and those slain
That Old Glory might ever its proud place retain.

On this day we remember what glory was wrought
By the boys who for Union and Freedom have fought;
Those who died for the right and were willing to go,
Those who've lived for the right and are still living so,
Who the Union to save supreme sacrifice gave
For this "Land of the free and the home of the brave."

Thus recalling their deeds we resolve that we'll do
Our duty each day by the Red, White and Blue;
Show that dear starry flag with such glory bedecked
The sincerest honor and proudest respect;
Let all men understand that it symbols a land
Where real freedom and justice e'er reign hand in hand.

Let us highly resolve as our Lincoln has said,
 To increase our devotion from these honored dead;
 Though to die for your country's a sweet thing to do,
 Yet—to live as you should for it—that's noble, too.
 Let us due homage show, while with pride our eyes glow,
 Praising God for our free land for He made it so!

—ROBERT LINCOLN WHITCOMB.

REPORT NATIONAL SECRETARY-TREASURER.

Reading, Pa., August 21, 1930.

To Mr. Theodore C. Cazeau,
 Commander-in-Chief,
 Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

My Dear Commander-in-Chief:

I have the honor to present report for the term 1929-'30 of the transactions in this Department as follows:

Receipts were less than in last term for Per Capita Tax and Membership Fees by approximately \$1,000; for Charter Fees \$100; and for Supplies \$500; a total in entire receipts of nearly \$1,800.

The item for Per Capita Tax and Membership Fees indicates reduced number of members; in Charter Fees, fewer New Camps organized; in Supplies, falling off in the business and activity of Camps not requiring number of Badges, quantity of Forms, supplies, etc.

Our Cash Balance is over \$1,400 larger than last year, due to expenditures for supplies and stock not having been as large as previous year; approximately \$3,000 less.

FINANCIAL.

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Sept. 12, 1929, To balance	\$ 826.11	By General Expenses . . . \$12743.05
Rec'd for P. C. Tax and Membership Fees . . . \$15739.20		Office Expenses 1039.47
Charter Fees 110.00		Commander-in-Chief's Expenses 1425.28
Supplies 2535.99		By Total Expenditures . . \$15207.80
Miscellaneous 50		
Premium on Dept. Coms. Bonds 35.00		
To Total Receipts	\$18420.69	By Balance \$ 4039.00
	<u>\$19246.80</u>	<u>\$19246.80</u>

ITEMIZED RECEIPTS FROM DEPARTMENTS.

Department:	P. C. Tax Mem. Fees	Charter Fees	Supplies	Bonds	Misc.: And Premium on Dept. Coms.	Total
Alabama & Tennessee . . . \$	108.47	\$	\$ 6.77	\$	\$	115.24
California & Pacific	376.12		93.39			469.51
Colorado & Wyoming	236.97	45.00	268.09			551.06
Connecticut	776.41		118.04			894.45
Illinois	416.83	5.00	92.09			513.92
Indiana	389.22	5.00	64.17			458.39

Iowa	382.51	5.00	63.85	2.50	453.86
Kansas	176.86	5.00	7.45	2.50	191.81
Maine	649.60	5.00	143.88		798.48
Maryland	164.28		39.11	2.50	205.89
Massachusetts	2696.60	5.00	384.01		3085.61
Michigan	283.88		38.39	2.50	324.77
Minnesota	117.36	5.00	38.62	2.50	163.48
Missouri	158.36		23.98	2.50	184.84
Nebraska	107.22	5.00	31.74		143.96
New Hampshire	404.36		68.60	2.50	475.46
New Jersey	529.67		64.45	2.50	596.62
New York	1598.07	5.00	300.26	2.50	1905.83
Ohio	1373.05	5.00	173.65	.50	
				2.50	1554.70
Oregon	140.00		73.43		213.43
Pennsylvania	3674.30	5.00	203.48		3882.78
Rhode Island	184.90		23.61	2.50	211.01
Vermont	378.73		85.88	2.50	467.11
Washington	137.19	5.00	21.05	2.50	165.74
Wisconsin	278.24	5.00	107.00	2.50	392.74
Total	\$15739.20	\$110.00	\$2535.99	\$35.50	\$18420.69

ITEMIZED EXPENDITURES.

General Expenses:

Stock and Supplies	\$1418.43
The Banner, Subscription, October, 1929, to August, 1930, inc.	6818.49
Encampment, Printing and Shipping to Departments Journal of Proceedings 48th (1929) Commandery-in-Chief Encampment, etc.	392.44
Printing	56.91
Shipping Supplies	80.78
Salaries, August 21, 1929 - August 20, 1930, inc.	3300.00
Bonds: National Officers, \$25.00; Department Commanders, \$35.00	60.00
Miscellaneous, Floral Design, Refund to Auxiliary Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War (Contribution 1928), Dues Federated Patriotic Societies	561.00
Committee Marking Graves, Exp. a/c 1929-1930.	55.00
	<u>\$12743.05</u>

Office Expenses:

Wrapping Paper and Twine	\$ 5.43
Postage	131.00
Express	4.04
Telegrams	17.34
Stationery (National Officers)	165.50
Rent	602.19
Miscellaneous	113.97
	<u>\$ 1039.47</u>

Commander-in-Chief's Expenses:

Rent	\$ 12.00
Postage	236.00
Telegrams, Telephone	156.60
Traveling	836.93
Office	3.75
Stenographer	180.00
	<u>\$ 1425.28</u>

Total Expenditures \$15207.80

VOUCHERS.

No.	To Whom:	Account:	Amount
1.	Lehnert, Griffin & Anderson,	Bond Nat. Sec.-Treas.....	\$ 25.00
2.	Metal Marker Mfg. Co.,	Supplies—Seal Presses.....	42.55
3.	Wm. O. Flatt Co.,	Supplies, Printing, Stationery National Officers	424.35
4.	The Banner,	Supplies—Inserts C. & R.; Sub. October, 1929, 41850 copies, \$627.75	652.29
5.	T. C. Cazeau, Com.-in-Chief,	Exp. a/c Sept.-Oct., 1929, inc.	166.68
6.	The Robbins Co.,	Supplies—Mem. Badges.....	283.92
7.	Metal Marker Mfg. Co.,	Supplies—Seal Presses.....	28.69
8.	Wm. O. Flatt Co.,	Supplies, Printing, Stationery.....	259.75
9.	The Banner,	Sub. November, 1929, 41854 copies, \$627.81—Printing	658.47
10.	T. C. Cazeau, Com.-in-Chief,	Exp. a/c November, 1929....	208.00
11.	The Robbins Co.,	Supplies—P. D. C. Badges.....	64.05
12.	Metal Marker Mfg. Co.,	Supplies—Seal Press.....	7.95
13.	The Banner,	Sub. December, 1929, 41616 copies.....	624.24
14.	Colonial Trust Co.,	Rent January-March, 1930, inc.....	200.73
15.	T. C. Cazeau, Com.-in-Chief,	Exp. a/c December, 1929....	133.00
16.	Metal Marker Mfg. Co.,	Supplies—Seal Presses.....	17.59
17.	The Banner,	Sub. January, 41779 copies, \$626.68; Encampment, Printing, Shipping 48th (Portland) Encampment, 1929, Journal Proceedings to Departments, Delegates, etc., \$381.19	1007.87
18.	T. C. Cazeau, Com.-in-Chief,	Exp. a/c December, 1929, and January, 1930	271.50
19.	Metal Marker Mfg. Co.,	Supplies—Seal Press.....	8.15
20.	The Banner,	Sub. February, 41655 copies.....	624.82
21.	Grace Johnson, Sec.-Treas.,	Dues Federated Patriotic Societies Allied with G. A. R.....	25.00
22.	T. C. Cazeau, Com.-in-Chief,	Exp. a/c February	174.00
23.	Metal Marker Mfg. Co.,	Supplies—Seal Press.....	3.90
24.	The Banner,	Sub. March, 41364 copies	620.46
25.	Colonial Trust Co.,	Rent—April-June, 1930, inc.....	200.73
26.	Geo. W. Billman & Co.,	Insurance on Supplies.....	8.97
27.	T. C. Cazeau, Com.-in-Chief,	Exp. a/c March.....	65.00
28.	Metal Marker Mfg. Co.,	Seal Press.....	7.96
29.	Wm. O. Flatt Co.,	Supplies—Printing, Stationery.....	31.00
30.	The Banner,	Sub. April, 41166 copies, \$617.49; cut—March issue	624.99
31.	Lehnert, Griffin & Anderson,	Premium Dept. Commander Michigan, Bond	2.50
32.	H. W. Wilson,	Premium Dept. Commander New Hampshire, Bond	2.50
33.	The Robbins Co.,	Supplies—Badges	358.66
34.	John A. Gammons,	Premium Dept. Commander Rhode Island, Bond	2.50
35.	T. C. Cazeau, Com.-in-Chief,	Exp. a/c April	85.60
36.	T. C. Cazeau, Com.-in-Chief,	Exp. a/c May.....	129.50
37.	Wm. O. Flatt Co.,	Supplies	28.75
38.	Metal Marker Mfg. Co.,	Supplies—Seal Press.....	4.22
39.	The Banner,	Sub. May, 41020 copies.....	615.30
40.	Lehnert, Griffin & Anderson,	Premium Dept. Commander Maryland, Bond	2.50
41.	The Banner,	Sub. June, 40857 copies	612.86
42.	Lehnert, Griffin & Anderson,	Premium Dept. Commanders' Bonds: Iowa, Kansas, Missouri, New Jersey, New York, Vermont, Washington, Wisconsin, at 2:50 each	20.00

43. American Surety Co., Premium Dept. Commander Minnesota, Bond	2.50
44. E. F. Buck, Floral Emblem Past Com.-in-Chief Ireland's Funeral	20.00
45. Colonial Trust Co., Rent, July-September, Inc.....	200.73
46. T. C. Cazeau, Com.-in-Chief, Exp. a/c June-July, Inc.....	189.00
47. The Banner, Sub. July, 40824 copies.....	612.36
48. Lehnert, Griffin & Anderson, Premium Dept. Commander Ohio, Bond	2.50
49. Chas. R. Hale, Exp. a/c Committee Marking Graves....	55.00
50. The Banner, Sub. August, 40581 copies.....	608.72
51. Carrie E. Wilson, Nat. Treas. Aux. Sons Union Veterans Civil War, Refund of Contribution	516.00
52. H. H. Hammer, Nat. Sec.-Treas., Salary, Shipping Supplies, Encampment, Postage, Express, Telegrams, Stationery, Com.-in-Chief's Badge, Miscellaneous	3661.49
Total Amount of Vouchers	\$15207.80

STOCK AND SUPPLIES.

Receipts for Supplies were approximately as last term—within \$40.00 in the aggregate. Few of the Departments carry a sufficient quantity of supplies at their respective Headquarters. The Requisitions to the amount of a few dollars within a year inform. It would indicate that such Departments have the greater number of Camps not functioning instead of carrying on active operations and regular meetings. The budget of the Council-in-Chief estimated that receipts from this source would aggregate \$3,000. They were nearly \$500 less.

Cost of Supplies on hand August 29, 1929.....	\$3455.63
Cost of Supplies charged off: Incident to Change in Name, Titles, and furnished National Officers.....	162.87
Cost of Supplies on hand September 12, 1929.....	\$3292.76
Cost of Supplies purchased	\$1418.43
Cost of Supplies to account for	\$4711.19
Cost of Supplies on hand August 20, 1930.....	\$3017.15
Cost of Supplies sold	\$1694.04
Amount received for Supplies	\$2535.99
To cost of Supplies sold	\$1694.04
Cost of shipping	80.78
Cost of Wrapping Paper and Twine.....	5.43
Express on Supplies purchased	4.04
Total cost of Supplies sold	\$1784.29
Profit	\$ 751.70
Increased profit over 1928-'29, \$368.51.	

NEW CAMPS IN DEPARTMENTS.

Applications for Charters of New Camps were approved and Camps instituted in Departments as follows:

Department:	No. Applications	No. Applicants	No. Camps Instituted	No. Charter Members
Colorado & Wyoming	9	277	9	272
Illinois	1	40	1	50
Indiana	1	21	1	21
Iowa	1	46	1	43
Kansas	1	27	1	27

Maine	1	22	1	15
Massachusetts	1	20	1	15
Minnesota ..	1	20	1	20
Nebraska ..	2	52	2	49
New York	1	54	1	82
Ohio	1	40	1	39
Pennsylvania	1	16	1	16
Washington	1	25	1	24
Wisconsin ..	1	27	1	20
Total	23	687	23	693
1928-'29 ..	40	1214	39	1088
1927-'28 ..	14	379	15	416

CAMPS, MEMBERS—GAINS, LOSSES.

Department:	No. in Good Standing June 30th		Gain		Loss	
	1929	1930	Cps.	Mb.	Cps.	Mb.
Ala. & Tenn.	13	295	13	298		
Cal. & Pac.	26	1019	26	946		73
Col. & Wyo.	12	466	26	607	14	147
Connecticut ..	34	2125	33	1984		1
Illinois	33	1173	31	1067		2
Indiana	28	1365	30	1340	2	
Iowa	34	1064	29	998		5
Kansas	18	482	19	482	1	
Maine	43	1790	43	1652		
Maryland	12	601	12	550		
Massachusetts ..	142	7325	142	7112		
Michigan	18	738	19	723	1	
Minnesota	10	358	11	323	1	
Missouri	11	431	11	426		
Nebraska	11	273	12	318	1	45
New Hampshire ..	33	1074	32	1051		1
New Jersey	28	1476	27	1378		1
New York	100	4178	97	4175		3
Ohio	94	3891	84	3444		10
Oregon	12	412	10	373		2
Pennsylvania ..	154	10357	148	9776		6
Rhode Island	16	509	16	489		
Vermont	32	1021	32	989		
Washington	14	386	10	296		4
Wisconsin	19	787	17	726		2
Total	947	43596	930	41523	20	195
					37	2262

RECAPITULATION—MEMBERSHIP.

	Camps	Members
Number in Good Standing June 30, 1929.....	947	43596
Gain—		
By Organization and Initiation	26	2034
Transfer	3	106
Reinstatement	4	562
Total Gain	33	2752
Aggregate	980	46348

Loss—			
By Disbanded	26	374	
Death		563	
Honorable Discharge		186	
Transfer ...	2	66	
Dishonorable Discharge		1	
Dropped	22	3635	
Total Loss			50 4825
Number in Good Standing June 30, 1930.....		930	41523
Amount in Department Treasuries			\$ 7605.44
Amount in Camp Treasuries			65134.81
Amount Expended for Relief.....			40845.97
Number Members or their families relieved			792
Number Veterans or their families relieved			269

(Many Departments fail to report these last three items).

MEMBERSHIP—DEPARTMENTS—CONDITIONS.

Many Camps, it is to be regretted, do not meet regularly if at all, and do not function. This has been emphasized in previous reports. Apparently little success to remedy this condition has resulted in most of the Departments where it exists. A number continually note in their Quarterly Reports "No tax—no reports received," carrying them until the period to Drop or Disband them. In many instances no effort is made to have these Camps pay arrearages, become active. Visits to such by Department Officers would in some, if not numerous cases, revive, save such Camps and Members from loss. Camps failing to hold meetings is the first indication that they will soon pass out, be dropped with their members.

Suggestions to Department Officers that such Camps be visited to revive and have them function are frequently met with suggestions that the Commandery-in-Chief should bear such expense; that it would be useless to make the effort. Officers in a number of Departments are negligent and disregard importance of promptness and compliance with essentials for the conduct of business. To a great extent this might be remedied by a provision that the Department Councils be required to meet at certain periods or intervals during a term, check, audit, examine and pass upon all Department and Camp matters relating to affairs between each. It would develop the neglect of Department Officers, failure of Camps and Camp Officers to respond to requirements, and general conditions have consideration for action—removal of incompetent and negligent Officers from their positions.

These are in instances the cause for the conditions in the Order that are not of benefit—an injury and result in discouragement to Camps and Members—finally their justification or reason for being lost to the Order.

The Department of Colorado & Wyoming was the opposite during the past year, an example for results that can be accomplished. The active interest of Department Commander and Officers demonstrated that there still exists a spirit to produce effective and successful organization of New Camps. This, our youngest, (just a year old) Department recruited and organized nine New Camps, opened another State for Camps and has others under way. Past Department Commander James G. Noll and his Officers are to be commended on the success of their work and of their administration.

REINSTATEMENT OF MEMBERS.

The last Encampment provided for the reinstatement of desirable members dropped for non-payment of dues at a fee of One (\$1.00) Dollar—at the option of Camps. You urged a campaign be conducted to secure such former desirable members by Camps. Approximately 200 more reinstatements over 1929 were reported.

The losses in number of Camps should be more than impressive in that in every instance occurring it is a passing to an extent and absence of observance of Memorial Day and the ceremonies incident thereto. It is a depressing reflection that this tribute to the memory of the Boys in Blue of 1861-'65 is discontinued for the reason that a Camp of our Order once carried out the sacred lessons of the Day and the patriotism of the occasion is lost to such a community. The work of Memorial Day requires Camps. Every inducement and effort to secure New Camps should have united endeavor on the part of every Officer in all Departments. This is their responsibility.

PERMANENT HEADQUARTERS.

Permanent Headquarters of the Commandery-in-Chief for the office work, details, records, supply department, finances, etc., were established by the Twenty-fourth Annual Encampment at Gettysburg, 1905, when 778 Camps and 29,558 Members were reported in good standing.

A quarter of a century has passed since that time. There have been many, (almost without number) changes. The methods applying then for the conduct of affairs are to a large extent memories. The Constitution, Ritual, the Regulations, method of procedure and many revisions, alterations, the Name and Title of the Order, designations of officers changed; badges, charters, insignias, etc., revised and different. The "Old Order" has passed. With it many of our leaders, members conspicuous and prominent in the affairs of their respective communities, States and the Nation, have passed away. Their places are not being filled today; nor is the service or place of many of those still with us enrolled in the Order whose influence and advice would be of great benefit and their services of value—were they active as in the past. All are needed for counsel, service, for the "Good of the Order," with the present conditions. The membership in these times rarely fraternizes, as in former or the "Old Days," when friendships and ties were formed that continue to this time. It is a happy memory. It was the inspiration to do for and serve a Camp and the Order.

The greatest number of Camps enrolled was in 1915 with 1225 on the roster. In 1917 the largest membership, 57824 was reached.

FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY—PAST—FUTURE.

The Fiftieth Annual Encampment will be held next year, marking the Fiftieth Anniversary of the Orders existence in 1931. Organized in boyhood, grown to manhood and now fifty years of age. In its time many important issues and events have been encountered and met. After all it has successfully contended against it would appear that it can in the future compete with almost any other experience, continue in its existence for its purposes and objects. Action for observing or celebrating this anniversary event is suggested.

For the future let consideration be given to features that will tend to place the Order on the basis or standing it occupied in the past. Revive the old time campfires, patriotic affairs, gatherings, the "get-together" meetings of Camps and Members; provide for a distinction of Camps when on parade or turnout on Memorial Day. The civic attire should be uniform, of a character to indicate and impress that

the reverent occasion is representative of and under the auspices of the authorized official Order. Provide features that will be attractive and interesting; inducements to eligibles to unite with and impress members to retain their membership in the Order.

GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC—ALLIED ORDERS.

Officials of the Grand Army of the Republic have been cordial and in accord with us in all matters of mutual interest. The Officers of our other Allied Orders have been of assistance and in harmony in all efforts for the advancement of our affairs. The Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War is responsive to any call from Camp, Department or our National Headquarters. The National President, Mrs. Herman L. Lange, and all other National Officers, have rendered valuable service relating to Camps and Departments.

THE BANNER—OFFICIAL ORGAN.

Our monthly financial statements published in THE BANNER in General Orders, advises as to promulgation of the Official Organ under our existing contract. It is of great assistance to us and a benefit to the Members, Camps and the Order generally. Editor A. S. Holbrook is always at our service and with his efficient force co-operates and renders favors that are of mutual interest and advantage—the first consideration being the Order and its interests—is the rule in The Banner office.

CONCLUSION.

We sever official relations. It is a pleasure to record that the term has, as in the many years past under your esteemed predecessors, been pleasant and always in accord in all matters. You emphasized the patriotic feature and these references were quite interesting. Your services for the upbuilding of the Order, were the experiences of those whom you succeeded and as they have the confidence, respect of the Membership, you too have the regard and esteem of those you have had the honor to lead as Commander-in-Chief. Appreciation of favors, courtesies and assistance is expressed to you and all other National Officers.

Respectfully submitted, in F. C. & L.,

H. H. HAMMER,
National Secretary-Treasurer.

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT

National Secretary-Treasurer, August 28, 1930.

DR.:	CR.:
Aug. 21, '30, To Balance..\$4281.02	By General Expenses.....\$1131.92
	Commander-in-Chief 74.72
	Office 18.45
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	By Total Expenditures.\$1225.09
	Aug. 28, 1930, By Bal-
	ance\$3055.93
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\$4281.02	\$4281.02

ITEMIZED EXPENDITURES.

General Expenses: Encampment	\$1131.92
Commander-in-Chief: Postage, \$9.72; Traveling,	
\$35.00; Stenographer, \$30.00	74.72

Office: Postage, \$10.55; Telegrams, \$3.40; Miscellaneous, \$4.50	18.45
Total Expenditures	\$1225.09
August 28, 1930, By Balance	\$3055.93

VOUCHERS.		
No.	To Whom: Account:	Amount
53.	T. C. Cazeau, Commander-in-Chief, Encampment Expense, August Expense a/c	\$ 304.72
54.	P. F. Yengling, Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, Encampment Expense	16.65
55.	R. L. Whitcomb, Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief, Encampment Expense	60.00
56.	F. G. Hansen, Council-in-Chief, Encampment Expense....	92.00
57.	A. A. Bronsdon, Council-in-Chief, Encampment Expense.	106.45
58.	E. F. Warner, Council-in-Chief, Encampment Expense...	69.15
59.	J. W. Kennedy, National Patriotic Instructor, Encampment Expense	70.70
60.	H. H. Hammer, National Secretary-Treasurer, Postage, Telegrams, Miscellaneous—August Encampment Expense	146.72
61.	A. G. Courtney, National Counselor, Encampment Expense	33.84
62.	The Banner, Printing Officers' Reports, Roll of Encampment	133.84
63.	F. Lewis Phillips, Prize awarded by Encampment.....	100.00
64.	Marcelle Blaicher, Stenographic Report Encampment....	91.02
Total Vouchers		\$1225.09

Respectfully submitted in F. C. & L.,

H. H. HAMMER,
National Secretary-Treasurer.

REPORT OF NATIONAL COUNSELOR.

Syracuse, N. Y., August 1, 1930.

To Theodore C. Cazeau, Commander-in-Chief,
Officers and Members of the Forty-ninth Annual Encampment,
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

Dear Sir and Brothers:

I hand you herewith report of National Counselor for this Administration. We are pleased to note that our service was largely restricted to interpretations and clarifications of the printed law.

Opinions, (if so designated), except as specially noted "may" be attached hereto as exhibits to this report. (See Exhibit A). It seems as annual renewal of personal expression they could be waived as an encumbrance on valuable printed space.

Any formal opinion of controversial character not otherwise concluded may be brought to your attention through other channels.

The absence of disciplinary measures, as Court Martials and dismissals, coming through this office receives our mutual appreciation.

Possibly the best contribution was along general advisory lines, relating to procedure in bringing conflicting views into harmonious adjustment.

Problems *do* exist, but could well be solved within the several Camps, or at best not beyond Department Commander, freeing the *National* environment from a constant review of routine function that properly belongs to Camp and Department—a direct obligation and jurisdiction—except of course, in emergent matters that naturally should flow towards higher authority.

There is a noticeable inattention on the part of our membership in reading and studying the Constitution, official orders and general publicity material, breeding an indifference to a helpful member service.

A multitude of queries arise as to interpretation of the simplest rules or laws controlling our activities, where in each and every Camp there must be some one capable of furnishing information and advice meeting all reasonable requirements.

As goes the individual Camp as an *efficient* unit, so is measured the value of the National Order.

That the Camp member should learn well the lessons of an honored membership, I am tempted to offer the following suggestion, viz: That the incoming Commander-in-Chief be respectfully requested to stress in published orders, the value to each member of a careful study of the Constitution, laws and all co-related matter as is available, that the cultural standards of this Organization may be raised, leading to increased growth in understanding and numbers, emergently needed if we are to have continued existence of the right character.

We accept in part the suggestion of Past Commander-in-Chief John E. Sautter, whose ability and discernment is unquestioned, when as National Counselor a year ago, he referred to the "time, cost and talent requisite to bring our many years of decisions and interpretations up to date in a form for ready reference." Surely it at least would be most informing.

Richard Washburn Child (Saturday Evening Post, January 25, 1930) tells us that there are nearly two billion laws on our statute books. In the Government Printing Bureau there is about seventeen tons of type, in 1907 they started that type off on a codification of United States laws. After twenty-three years they are still unpublished because of additions, changes, substitutions and general accumulations.

Hon. Charles Evans Hughes has said, "If our laws were deemed to register our progress, there would be little disposition to boast."

So why codify *our* past accumulations of a more or less hectic past? The laws under which we function *through the current year* are all sufficient, and adequately met by present plan of annual review and acceptance. That is of course aside from any emergent need for amendment or substitution.

My thanks to National Secretary H. H. Hammer, the energetic Chief Guide of many years, the first with a message of welcome and offer of co-operation. To all Officials and members for an evidence of goodwill, the thing that welds the links in the chain of indissoluble friendship.

Having been privileged to enjoy many years of close fraternal relations with our respected Commander-in-Chief Theodore C. Cazeau, I deem it an outstanding honor to have been invited into his official family circle, for which my sincere thanks and appreciation is herewith expressed. There has been no failure in attempt to serve when

opportunity presented, therefore service either acceptable or ordinary has been a pleasure, recollection of which will be a choice morsel for future personal memory.

Respectfully submitted,

A. G. COURTNEY,
National Counselor.

(EXHIBIT A)

The following selected matter briefly illustrates the type of inquiries that come to our attention. The related correspondence there-to is available, but not material to quote in the absence of controversy or non-acceptance.

(In Re Application of John J. Derrig)

As to determining eligibility where Father enlists under assumed name.

The certification of service by War Department, in absence of discharge papers. HELD SUFFICIENT, where true relationship was proved, aided by fact of Mother's Widow's pension, and other acceptable data.

(In Re Inquiry from Camp 233, Buffalo, N. Y.)

As to rights of Camp entertaining petition to co-operate with a certain War service organization, in a designation for name change in National Anthem.

HELD. That it is the inherent right, or privilege, of Camps by vote to accept or reject any item of business that is not in conflict, or out of harmony with established laws under which they function.

(In Re Matter member dismissal, Santa Ana, Calif.)

As to member dismissal for religious or political activities.

HELD. That broadly and educationally speaking discussion of political or religious subjects are permissible where free from partisan or sectarian bias. The law controlling is inflexible that the Order is strictly non-political and non-religious.

Where a member accepts dismissal on invitation for law infraction, he waives any criticism of procedure. But all rights of appeal are not necessarily lost thereby.

(In Re Matter of Official Radio Broadcasting)

HELD. That in the absence of special appropriation for specific purpose, no funds are available other than those designated, with budget limitations.

(In Re Matter of Membership Renewal, Schenectady, N. Y.)
coupled with lost War records.

As to former member appealing for relief to Commander-in-Chief over Camp and Department.

HELD. That the eligibility record be sought locally or through Department headquarters. The certification for membership should first be determined through the customary channels. A prerogative of Camp and Department. So referred.

(Rights to attend sessions of Woman's Relief Corps, Barre, Vt.)

ANSWER. The local Grand Army of the Republic Post "may" if they choose open their meeting to the Sons, possibly the Woman's Relief Corps "may" be so minded, however that is a distinctly local matter and no one would wisely choose to enter without a formal invitation. The Sons have no right, but may be favored with a privilege.

(Interpretation "Sons of Veterans Reserve." Senior Vice Yengling)

HELD. The National authorized "Reserve" broadly speaking is our official right of line and is supreme in its field.

The independent military organization is merely the Camp in a different form and does not transcend the powers and prerogatives of the individual Camp.

The "independent" body was to cover a properly uniformed firing or drill squad,—a *detail* of restricted function,—in no sense to usurp Camp authority.

The question of precedence is not involved, the Camp independent Military organization can function only within its circumscribed area.

Where a "Military Organization" is enlarged, or desired, beyond the limited scope of its "independent" phase of creation as noted, the law is clear and mandatory that it must seek alliance with, and become subjected to, the "Military Reserve" jurisdiction. Membership in "good standing" implied.

(As to War record of one Leonard Bowers)
Organizer, Washington Department.

ANSWER. The question rests on a "proved service" and "honorable discharge." The right procedure is local, use form 16 of Camp supplies, for "ancestor's record."

Proving eligibility is a function of Camp and Department and their services should be utilized where and when available. So referred.

(Request for co-operation from S. F. Stewart,
Illinois Department, G. A. R.)

The exposition of matters relative to Confederate activities in affairs local and National, that should receive possibly formal recognition and action from the G. A. R. and allied bodies.

ANSWER. The recommendation in substance was a requested reference to the "legislative committee" for study and report, and consideration of the subject by the National bodies when in annual legislative assembly.

The *expediency* of individual expression carrying a seeming official endorsement, may be open to debate, especially when a desired "good will" is at stake.

(As to insurance claim in D. B. A.) Mrs. —, Philadelphia, Pa.

Can the Commander-in-Chief assist in claim adjustments?

ANSWER. The Commander-in-Chief is without jurisdiction to advise or assist, other than that the fact be verified as to the brother's status of membership.

The adjustment of any claim rests solely in the authority of the D. B. A., joined with the fact of membership in the Camp at time of death with all requirements having been met by the insured.

(As to special meetings) per — Amsterdam, N. Y.

ANSWER. The Camp Commander has authority to call a special meeting for any reasonable time or place, after due notice to the members, at which, action is restricted to the business as stated, and in harmony with Camp by-laws.

The Charter being present is not material, but a quorum is necessary.

(As to eligibility of Thomas L. Graut)—per, Camp 140, N. Y. Dept.

ANSWER. This party's ancestor apparently was engaged in a special contract relation in South Carolina during the Civil War. There seems to be ample proof of this service, but it has every appearance of a case of "civil employment," and there being no evidence of a "muster in" or "honorable discharge" we were compelled to rule that the said Thomas L. Graut is not eligible for membership in the organization of the "Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War."

(As to reinstatement of certain Camps) per, Com. J. G. Noll,
Department of Colorado & Wyoming.

Also the feature of Department groupings.

ANSWER. The adjustment of specific cases as to "reinstatements," might well be left with the National Secretary who is in possession of available data. Under some conditions a compromise or deviation from the usual procedure would be warrantable.

Where an emergent condition may, or is deemed to exist, it is HELD that ample power is vested in the Commander-in-Chief to authorize a temporary rearrangement of units in Department groupings, later seeking Commandery-in-Chief endorsement.

A better plan would be to have *each* State a Department *unit*, for reasons of retention of morale and self respect, which from native State pride might encourage development. Where less than the constitution required number of Camps and members now or may exist, jurisdiction would be direct from National headquarters.

Incentives to Department forming should be encouraged, eliminating future shiftings with attendant unwelcome features.

(In the matter of "good standing" of Camp in arrears)
Washington, D. C.

As to the question, Can a Camp that is one or more quarters in arrears with its per capita tax, present a candidate for Department office, or vote thereon? This should properly be acted on, or come through, Department headquarters.

ANSWER. The Camp in arrears is *negligent* possibly, but not yet *discredited*, until the Department Commander "may" or may not suspend same. Therefore the members rights are held intact, but it is assumed that a Camp or member in arrears calls for some action by proper authority to make *complete* the ineligibility, or restore by adjustment to "good standing." The Department Commander has *first* ruling.

(As to descendants entering Soldiers or Sailors Homes) Mrs. M. Ohio.

ANSWER. No general provision is made for descendants to enter Veterans Homes. It is recommended that information be requested of State Officials wherein inquirer is resident.

(In Re Matter of "Anthem" change in Ritual) per, Wisconsin Dept.

A resolution to eliminate the Anthem "America" from Ritual, and making the "Star Spangled Banner" the exclusive and official Anthem.

This resolution is presented in ample time and form as required by the Constitution for purposes of law change. It is therefore recommended that its receipt be acknowledged, and it to take the usual course for introduction to the Commandery-in-Chief.

(As to National authority in control of *local* judgment)

A series of proposals advanced through Frederick J. McMurtrie of Michigan Department, raises the question of how adjustable our Organization laws should be to control methods and practices of Camp or Department where activities for "good of the Order" are considered.

ANSWER. Any permitted departure or flexibility of established law should be reviewed by the Commandery-in-Chief. And either a fixed position be affirmed, or consent be given to freely utilize local judgment.

A formal Official Camp inspection has been partly discarded, therefore supervision and uniformity of function has ended as a National plan.

A reference of the subject to the Commandery-in-Chief is advised.

Respectfully submitted,

A. G. COURTNEY,
National Counselor.

REPORT OF NATIONAL PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR.

Denver, Colo., July 25, 1930.

To Mr. Theodore C. Cazeau,
Commander-in-Chief,
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

Dear Commander and Brother:

I have the honor to submit herewith the Consolidated Reports of all Department Patriotic Instructors for the year ending May 31, 1930.

In submitting this report we cannot help but realize its many shortcomings and that it leaves much to be desired. In the first place, the Patriotic Instructors, in about equal numbers, have used both the old and new Form, Report No. 51. It is therefore manifest that it was impossible to combine these reports in one tabulation and I have therefore been compelled to submit two tabulations, one of the old form and one of the new.

The tabulated report shows that a total of \$5,470.05 was spent by those Departments making reports for patriotic work. The largest Department, Pennsylvania, and the third largest, New York, lead in these expenditures, Pennsylvania with \$1,171.50 and New York with \$1,118.00. Five Camps report no expenditure and one a "good sum." Others range from an expenditure of \$10.00 up to \$500.00.

While this is a goodly sum to expend for Patriotic work, we feel that the amount recorded is far less than was actually spent, for the reason that in my own Camp considerable money is spent that could be properly charged to patriotic work.

Eighteen Camps report flag presentations to schools and churches, to the number of 1318, of which 1013 went to schools and 305 to churches. Illinois leads with 452 presentations to schools and New Hampshire is second with 200. Pennsylvania leads with 113 flag presentations to churches and Illinois is second with 97.

All Camps have participated in all patriotic functions, especially on Memorial Day and Memorial Sunday. This is as it should be, for it is only by our patriotic work and appearing as Sons of Union Veterans in public on all appropriate occasions that we advertise our "Beloved Orders" and advertising pays big dividends.

Patriotic Instructor Elam T. Murphy of the Department of Illinois calls particular attention to General George A. Custer Camp No. 6 of Chicago as deserving of special mention. They give a Fathers and Sons dinner every fall at the Sherman Hotel to which are invited all members of their two G. A. R. Posts. Illinois gives a Fathers and Sons dinner at the Department Encampment and the Sons and Daughters of Cook County give a banquet the Saturday night closest to the 6th of April, which is an annual affair and to which every Grand Army of the Republic Comrade is invited.

J. R. Warner, Department Patriotic Instructor of California & Pacific, sends in a very elaborate joint program of all the Grand Army of the Republic and Allied Orders and other Veterans Organizations in observance of Memorial Days. We note that the Sons of Union Veterans have a very prominent part in the same. It seems the time is coming when we must combine with other Patriotic Societies to perpetuate Memorial Day and Memorial Sunday.

One of the features of the Department Encampment of Colorado & Wyoming was the unveiling of a granite monument erected by the citizens of Canon City, Colorado, where the Encampment was held, in memory of the "Soldier Dead of All Wars." The dedicatory services were conducted by the Sons of Union Veterans, and the principal address was delivered by Major Chaplain Brasted, U. S. Army Chaplain, located at Ft. Logan, Colorado, who is a member of Colorado State Camp No. 1. Immediately following, the Sons and Auxiliary presented a large flag to the city, Department Commander Frederic Geist giving the "Eulogy to the Flag" and Robert J. Hill, Department Secretary-Treasurer, making the presentation speech.

In closing I wish to thank you, Commander-in-Chief, for the great honor you have conferred on my Department in appointing me your National Patriotic Instructor for the past year. I only wish I could have brought greater experience and ability and had more time to devote to this very important office. I also wish to thank all of the Brothers and Department Officers for their loyal support and co-operation during my term of office.

THE MEN OF '61

By Callie Llewellyn

Pres. Kit Carson Aux., Trinidad, Colo.

They're marching from this human stage
 The men of Sixty-one,
 All battle-scarred and bent with age
 —Are leaving one by one;
 Those men who stood the battle shock,
 Or filled the hero's grave,
 Who pitched their tent on Freedom's rock
 —The bulwark of the brave.

Their step is slow, their eyes are dim,
 Those few who still remain—
 Who once were full of fire and vim
 On battle hill and plain;
 They fought to make this nation free
 United once again;
 The world admires that noble band
 Who fought—but not in vain.

Their noble gave true courage
 To the men of Minutely fight,
 Who freed those herds of dusky hue
 From Spain—that once proud state,
 Whose haughty rule died in the West,
 Never to rise no more,
 The hand of Justice did the rest
 And swept her from our shore.

Again that fire of Sixty-one
 Lit up the fields of France
 And triumphed o'er the Grant Hun
 —Left nothing there to chance.
 The bell that rung in Seventy-six
 Still echoes 'round the world,
 And warms the blood where freemen mix
 And Freedom's flags unfurled.

I've watched our heroes marching past,
 Their ranks are growing thin;
 And soon along will come the last
 And all have "mustered in."
 To cross the bridge for Yonder Shore,
 That men can never shun;
 Their earthly records gone before—
 The men of Sixty-one.

We all, with patriotic pride,
 Pay homage to the brave,
 Who sacrificed, on Freedom's side,
 To free the chattel slave;
 They earned that higher recompense
 Which stands for sire and son,
 Reward awaits—they pass from hence,
 The Men of Sixty-one.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. & L.,
 JOHN W. KENNEDY,
 National Patriotic Instructor.

REPORT OF NATIONAL CHAPLAIN.

To the Commander-in-Chief:

I am happy to report that the Department Chaplains throughout the United States have given excellent co-operation in getting in their Department reports. Most of the Department reports show that the Camp Chaplains have done their duty splendidly too. A study of recent years of National Chaplains' reports indicates that there is very little deterioration, if any, in the loyalty and activity of our Order.

National Patriotic Instructor's Consolidated Report

Departments Reporting on Old Form No. 51, and Patriotic Instructor of Department.	1. Do Public Schools Have Flags?	2. Flag Salute Given in Schools.	3. Observe Patriotic Days.	4. Do Teachers Show Interest?	5. Flag Given To Schools.	6. Prizes Given Public School Pupils.
California and Pacific J. R. Warner	yes	yes	yes	yes	21	yes
Indiana A. L. Pauley	yes	yes	yes	yes	30	four
Iowa W. E. Barber	yes	yes	yes	yes	none rept.	yes
Kansas C. M. Correll	yes	yes	yes	fair	none rept.	no
Maryland Frank P. Gentieu	yes	yes	yes	yes	none	no
Michigan Wm. H. Malone.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	four	yes
Missouri Clay Platt	yes	some	yes	some	four	no
New Hampshire Stanley A. Spiller.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	Apr. 200	50% camps
New Jersey Edward Young	yes	yes	yes	yes	none	none
New York Fred C. Barnard	yes	yes	yes	most	35	some
Ohio H. H. Anderson	yes	yes	yes	yes	27	no
Rhode Island John W. Maguire.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	none	no
Washington C. T. Roscoo	yes	yes	yes	yes	seven	1 camp

National Patriotic Instructor's Consolidated Reports of Department Patriotic Instructors using "Old" Form No. 51 for Year Ending May 31, 1930.

Departments Reporting on Old Form No. 51, and Patriotic Instructor of Department.	1. Do Public Schools Have Flags?	2. Flag Salute Given in Schools.	3. Observe Patriotic Days.	4. Do Teachers Show Interest?	5. Flags Given To Schools.	6. Prizes Given Public School Pupils.	7. Gettysburg Tablets Presented to Schools.	8. Sunday Schools Asked to Help Memorial Day.	9. Public Schools Asked to Help Memorial Day.	10. Memorial Sunday Observed by Churches.	11. Objectible School Histories in Use.	12. Spent for Patriotic Work.	13. Do Camps Offer to Assist G. A. R. Memorial Day?	14. Do Camps Take Charge Memorial Day for G. A. R.?	15. For Good of the Order and to Stimulate Patriotism
California and Pacific J. R. Warner	yes	yes	yes	yes	21	yes	yes	most	yes	yes	none known	good sum	yes	some	Observe all patriotic days and keep them before public.
Indiana A. L. Pauley	yes	yes	yes	yes	30	four	seven	many	15	yes	no rept.	\$138.60	yes	all but 2	
Iowa W. E. Barber	yes	yes	yes	yes	none rept.	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	\$45.00	yes	some	
Kansas C. M. Correll	yes	yes	yes	fair	none rept.	no	one	one	yes	yes	no	none	yes	yes	
Maryland Frank P. Gentieu	yes	yes	yes	yes	none	no	one	yes	yes	yes	no	none	yes	yes	Activities promoted by Camps, special programs in Camp rooms, attendance of public celebrations, etc.
Michigan Wm. H. Malone	yes	yes	yes	yes	four	yes	one	yes	yes	yes	no	\$15.00	yes	yes	Joint meeting with U. S. W. V.; Washingtons and Lincoln's birthdays, and blowing up of Maine.
Missouri Clay Platt	yes	some	yes	some	four	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	\$105.00	yes	yes	Nothing special.
New Hampshire Stanley A. Spiller	yes	yes	yes	yes	Aprx. 200	50% camps	several	most	yes	yes	none known	\$500.00	yes	most	
New Jersey Edward Young	yes	yes	yes	yes	none	none	none	yes	yes	yes	no	\$170.00	yes	most	Hold patriotic services at two Soldiers' Homes each year.
New York Fred C. Barnard	yes	yes	yes	most	35	some	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	\$1115.00	yes	yes	Camps observe public events on all proper occasions.
Ohio H. H. Anderson	yes	yes	yes	yes	27	no	yes	few	yes	yes	no	\$150.00	yes	some	Co-operate with all allied patriotic societies.
Rhode Island John W. Maguire	yes	yes	yes	yes	none	no	no	no	yes	yes	no	none	yes	yes	
Washington C. T. Roscoe	yes	yes	yes	yes	seven	1 camp	3 camps	2 camps	yes	yes	no	\$12.45	yes	2 camps	Observed all patriotic holidays and assisted G. A. R.; contributed to Lincoln monument.

National Patriotic Instructor's Consolidated Reports of Department Patriotic Instructors Using "New" Form No. 51 for Year Ending May 31, 1930.

Departments Reporting on New Form No. 51 and Patriotic Instructor of Department	SCHOOLS												CHURCHES				GENERAL						
	1. Public Schools in Department.	2. Flags Displayed Outside.	3. Flags Displayed in Halls or School Room.	4. Using Pledge of Allegiance.	5. Memorial Day Programs.	6. Those Giving Patriotic Programs.	7. Flags Presented by Camps or Individuals.	8. Pupils Participating in Memorial Day Programs.	9. Schools Visited by Patriotic Instructor or Others.	10. Those Having Lincoln's Gettysburg Address.	11. Do State Laws Require Display of Flag?	12. Do State Laws Require Pledge of Allegiance.	1. Churches in Department.	2. Number Displaying Flags.	3. Flags Presented.	4. Churches Visited by Patriotic Instructor.	1. Programs for G. A. R.	2. Prizes Given by Camps for Patriotic Contests.	3. Number Contests.	4. Public Patriotic Programs.	5. Monuments or Tablets for Civil War Veterans.	6. New Memorials During Year.	7. Money Spent for Patriotic Instruction.
Alabama & Tennessee Alex R. McAdam	1200	600	600	60	None	600	25	300	?	None	Yes	?	1500	500	?	?	10	?	?	?	1	None	Nil
Colorado & Wyoming H. G. Kiggins	Est. 3242	All	All	All	1232	105	14	Est. 10542	20	3000	Yes	Yes	Est. 2846	1542	12	20	520	20	50	60	212	3	\$350
Connecticut E. W. Goodale	372	371	763	355	331	149	62	29116	67	112	21 Yes 10 No	5 No 11 Yes	502	404		13	56	8	370	45	33	20	\$315
Maine John A. Flye	Aprx. 300	All	376	All	All	159	None	2000	38	49	No	No	196	109	None	24	62	3	3	55	54	None	\$300
Massachusetts Ned H. White	405	405	477	346	352	73	8	3231	86	84	No	No	418	377	5	35	52	None	None	55	72	None	\$415
Minnesota H. H. Hoy	221	Most	Most	All	Don't Know	All	Not Rept.	Aprx. 5000	None	Most	Yes	Yes	100	All	No Rept.	No Rept.	15	None	None	25	Few	None	None
Nebraska Frank N. Noland, Jr. ...	244	244	244	All	All	All	6	18000	244	All	No	No	120	All	None	12	33	None	None	33	2580	None	\$10
Oregon C. A. Howard	2600	2600	Not Known	All	All	All	16	No Rept.	No Rept.	No Rept.	All	No	No Rept.	No Rept.	No Rept.	None	?	1	No Rept.	No Rept.	No Rept.	No Rept.	\$10
Vermont Geo. W. Utley	175	175	241	133	118	41	64	1719	24	15	Yes	No	114	89	78	1	16	None	None	19	8	2	\$308
Wisconsin H. A. Goldsmith	364	364	All	All	All	26	18	No Rept.	10	58	Yes	No	235	80	None	19	56	None	None	34	15	1	\$71.50
Illinois Elam T. Murphy	1000	896	1060	937	851	614	452	75000	44	41	Yes	Yes	128	125	97	37	50	3	19	28	Over 900	3	\$245
Pennsylvania Wm. J. Blakely	1435	1408	2492	1155	704	249	20	30492	326	660	Yes	Yes	1116	731	113	117	140	23	2374	108	1723	46	\$1171.50

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Alabama & Tennessee Alex R. McAdam	1200	600	600	60	None	600	25	300	?	None	Yes	?	1500
Colorado & Wyoming H. G. Kiggins	Est. 3242	All	All	All	1232	105	14	Est. 10542	20	3000	Yes	Yes	Est. 2846
Connecticut E. W. Goodale	372	371	763	355	331	149	62	29116	57	112	21 Yes 10 No	5 No 11 Yes	502
Maine John A. Flye	Aprx. 300	All	376	All	All	159	None	2000	38	49	No	No	196
Massachusetts Ned H. White.....	405	405	477	346	352	73	8	3231	86	84	No	No	418
Minnesota H. H. Hoy	221	Most	Most	All	Don't Know	All	Not Rept.	Aprx. 5000	None	Most	Yes	Yes	100
Nebraska Frank N. Noland, Jr. ...	244	244	244	All	All	All	6	18000	244	All	No	No	120
Oregon C. A. Howard	2600	2600	Not Known	All	All	All	16	No Rept.	No Rept.	No Rept.	All	No	No Rept.
Vermont Geo. W. Utley	175	175	241	133	118	41	64	1719	24	15	Yes	No	114
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Illinois Elam T. Murphy	1000	896	1060	937	851	614	452	75000	44	41	Yes	Yes	128
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"New" Form No. 51 for Year Ending May 31, 1930.

CHURCHES			GENERAL						
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500	7	2	10	2	2	2	1	None	N11
1542	12	20	520	20	50	60	212	3	\$350
404		12	56	8	370	45	33	20	\$315
109	None	24	62	3	3	55	54	None	\$300
377	5	35	52	None	None	55	72	None	\$415
All	No Rept.	No Rept.	15	None	None	25	Few	None	None
All	None	12	38	None	None	33	2580	None	\$10
t. No Rept.	No Rept.	None	7	1	No Rept.	No Rept.	No Rept.	No Rept.	\$10
89	78	1	16	None	None	19	8	2	\$308
80	None	19	56	None	None	34	15	1	\$71.50
125	97	27	50	3	19	28	Over 900	3	\$245
731	113	117	140	23	2374	108	1723	46	\$1171.50

My own activities have been confined to a rather active correspondence with the various officers of the Order in all parts of the country, and with a number of patriotic meetings in Ohio and vicinity, but especially in attempting to bring the claims of the Order upon the general public of Cleveland.

This year's experience has proven the validity of the recommendations made in the clearly spoken words of J. Kirkwood Craig, Past National Chaplain:

"I see no reason why the Department Chaplains should feel it necessary to send to the National Chaplain reports covering each Camp Report. The consolidated or tabulated reports from the Camps should be submitted by the Department Chaplain, submitting only the summary. This would not only simplify matters for the Camp, Department and National Chaplain, but would also save considerable cost in printing the forms."

I heartily recommend the approval of this recommendation.

Very sincerely yours, in F. C. and L.,

RALPH WALKER,
National Chaplain.

COMMUNICATIONS, RESOLUTIONS, ETC.

Commander-in-Chief: The National Secretary will call the roll for resolutions, which was followed, and from Maryland two were received, Illinois one, Michigan one, New Jersey one, Pennsylvania one, Washington one, Wisconsin one.

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: Communications will be referred to the proper committees, who will receive same from the National Secretary.

National Secretary Hammer: Read letter from W. H. Russell, Past Commander-in-Chief, of Kansas, "I had counted earlier on attending the Encampment this week, but owing to ill-health, I must forego that pleasure. Please convey to all the brethren and to the Encampment my cordial greetings and best wishes. With high personal regards to you personally, I am, Yours fraternally."

Telegram from Delevan Bowley, Past Commander-in-Chief, of California and Pacific. "Best wishes for successful Encampment. Regret exceedingly my inability to be with you. Greetings to all. With sorrow we announce the death of Past Department Commander Col. C. S. Scott, who will be buried August twenty-seventh, by Newark, New Jersey, Lodge B. P. O. Elks."

Telegram from Geo. W. Nexsen, Past Department Commander of Indiana. "My dear Commander, it is with regret that I express my inability to be with you at Cincinnati, but God bless you for your untiring efforts in the past year as your work has been wonderful. From coast to coast, your name will never be forgotten in the history of our beloved order. God grant that the principles and ideals embodied in your breast will spread and ignite a spark in the breast of every son and grandson in the nation. Your administration I think has been most successful. Remember me kindly to all the boys, and wishing you a most pleasant closing, I remain, Most loyally yours."

VISITOR FROM GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC

Comrade R. N. Spohn, Aspinwall, Pa., was presented and said: I am glad to meet the sons of those whose fathers were with us as patriots in the Civil War. The patriot is a man who is willing to sacrifice everything he has for the good of his fathers, and such were your fathers. I mixed with them on the battle fields, in the prison pens, and I know what kind of fathers you had. I have been for forty years a member of the Grand Army. What we want now are leaders who will encourage men to join your organization. Any men who today are outside the Sons of Union Veterans should be members, get your sons and grandsons to belong. Always do everything you can to teach patriotism. For 41 years I have been in the same schools of Pittsburgh. Do you ever think of the colors? Where white flags come from, the angels came down from heaven with the message of peace on earth good will to men; so white was born. Blue shows loyalty and red shows love of sons of God, so that they are in honor bound to honor the flag, and do everything you can to keep the purity of the flag. One country, one flag and one God over all. (Applause).

Past Commander-in-Chief Charles F. Sherman: I move that we recess until 2:00 P. M. (Adopted).

TUESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

(2:00 P. M., August 26, 1930)

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: The Encampment will come to order on unfinished business. At 4:00 P. M. we will have Joint Memorial Services with the Auxiliary of the Sons of Union Veterans. The members who have passed on, in whose memory we will stand at attention are the names listed under the heading of Necrology, appearing at the end of the Commander-in-Chief's Report.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

National Secretary Hammer: I submit the Report of the Committee on Marking Graves, and also Report of National Legislative Committee, and move they be adopted as printed. (Seconded by Department Commander Frank P. Corrick, of Neb., and carried).

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MARKING GRAVES.

Hartford, Conn., July 24, 1930.

To Theodore C. Cazeau, Commander-in-Chief, and Members of the Forty-ninth Encampment Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War:

I have the honor to present the report of the Committee on Marking Graves for the past year.

Several Departments report commendable work in locating and marking graves. In the Michigan Department Chairman Francis E. Hall reports that they have now located a total of 8201 War Veteran graves: 7343 Civil War, 254 Spanish-American, and 604 World War in a total of 186 cemeteries. They expect to finish Ottawa County this summer. In Michigan the Ladies of the G. A. R. have appointed a committee to work with Brother Hall.

In the Department of New York most of the work has been in the central part of the state. Commander-in-Chief Cazeau has charge of the work in Monroe County. He has a wonderful card index of all deceased soldiers and sailors buried in the city of Rochester and the county of Monroe. Brother L. S. Abrams, Commander Camp No. 58, has for years given all his spare time to making lists of Veterans buried near Rome, and has more than three hundred cemeteries completed in the counties of Oneida, Madison, Herkimer and Lewis. He has caused many of the abandoned cemeteries to be cleared of weeds and brush. Some of the D. A. R. Chapters are assisting him. Brother Morey reports the work as progressing in Utica.

The Indiana Department reports work of this nature as being done under Brother Will H. Ball, Chairman. Most of the work has been at or near Indianapolis. Thus far they have ordered thirty-two government markers, and placed many bronze markers.

In the Maine Department Past Department Commander Frank A. Webb reports Isaiah S. Webb Camp No. 25 of Bridgton, Maine, as having marked every Veteran's grave in Bridgton, and having ordered many government stones.

Illinois Department reports that it has forty-one counties organized; six by the Sons, eleven by the Woman's Relief Corps, sixteen by the Daughters of Veterans, and eight by the Ladies of the G. A. R. They report as having placed in the last year 886 markers. During the past five years the Sons have been engaged in this work, 7642 graves have been located, 2789 markers have been placed, and 1098 family monuments have been inscribed with the soldiers' records. They have marked the graves of veterans of the following wars: Revolution, 1812, Mexican, Black Hawk, Indian, Civil, Civil War Nurses, Spanish-American, and World War. Truly a wonderful work!

The work in the Iowa Department centers mostly around Fort Dodge. Brother Pratt for years has been gathering records of all soldiers connected with Webster County. While the Sons may have been delinquent in some things, they have been faithful in this connection.

A Camp of Sons in Alabama is doing fine work in locating Union Veterans' graves and ordering United States markers for them.

Several Massachusetts Camps are actively engaged in locating and marking soldiers' graves. Also the Camp at Hellerstown, Pennsylvania, should receive special mention for the wonderful work they are doing.

The Adjutant-General of Minnesota has been given full charge of marking soldiers' graves in that state; and the State of Wisconsin has appointed an Overseer of Soldiers' Graves, and will locate and map all the graves of soldiers buried in Wisconsin.

In the Connecticut Department the work of locating and marking soldiers' graves is progressing. They have in their files more than 80,000 cards containing the following lists: A complete list of all who have been members of the Grand Army; a list of members of the Sons of Veterans with their fathers' records; a list of all Sons of American Revolution; a list of applications for Revolutionary Markers; a list of the returns of deaths by the Secretaries of the Connecticut Regiments; and a list of all cemeteries of the State. All of the foregoing material is of much assistance in making complete the list of veterans buried in the State. Connecticut, as you know, locates the graves of fifteen wars. About 800 stone markers are placed each year. They have the valuable co-operation of the State Librarian, George S. Godard, and the Adjutant-General.

One article calling attention to this work has been printed in The Banner. Your Committee has received requests from all parts of our country for information as to the location of graves of veterans, their date of death, etc.; also a request from the Daughters of the Confederacy as to where Confederate soldiers are buried.

I regret that I cannot give you a report of greater progress in such a laudable work. I fear that some of the Department Committees on Marking Graves do not take the subject seriously enough to make a success of it in their respective Departments. In such cases Department Commanders should appoint new committees. With good strong committees at work in all Departments, locating and marking graves of deceased soldiers, our organization would have a worthy aim, and be a greater success than we have been in recent years.

For typewriting, postage, etc., the expense for the past year has been fifty-five dollars.

Yours in F. C. & L.,

CHAS. R. HALE,
Committee on Marking Graves.

REPORT OF NATIONAL LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE.

Washington, D. C., July 22, 1930.

Hon. Theodore C. Cazeau, Commander-in-Chief, and Members of the Forty-ninth Annual Encampment, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

Brothers:

The closing year has been one of more than usual activity for the Legislative Committee, both as to the volume of official correspondence taken care of, as well as the attendance upon hearings held at the request of the Grand Army of the Republic, other affiliating patriotic organizations attending.

The Committee has kept in touch with the membership of the Order by submitting to the Official Organ such news articles as were thought to be of interest and value. These have appeared from time to time.

As usual close touch has been kept with the work of Congress, particularly with reference to pension legislation. Several bills have been introduced in both branches of Congress during the year. The Nelson bill (H. R. 12013) was enacted into law, it being signed by the President June 9, 1930.

The salient provisions of the law are as follows:

Every person who served ninety days or more in the Army, Navy, or Marine Corps of the United States during the Civil War, and who has been honorably discharged from all contracts of service, or who, having so served less than ninety days was discharged for a disability incurred in the service and in the line of duty, or is now on the pension roll as a Civil War veteran, under existing service pension laws, shall be entitled to and shall be paid a pension at the rate of \$75 per month.

Every person who served ninety days or more in the Army, Navy, or Marine Corps of the United States during the Civil War and who has been honorably discharged from all contracts of service, or who, having so served less than ninety days, was discharged for a disability incurred in the service and in the line of duty, or is now on the pension roll as a Civil War veteran, under existing service pension laws, and who is now or hereafter may become, by reason of age or physical or mental disabilities, helpless or blind or so nearly helpless or blind as to require the regular aid and attendance of another person, shall be entitled to and shall be paid a pension at the rate of \$100 per month.

The widow or remarried widow of any person who served in the Army, Navy, or Marine Corps of the United States during the Civil War for ninety days or more and was honorably discharged from all contracts of service, or regardless of the length of service, was discharged for or died in service of a disability incurred in the service and in the line of duty, or who has heretofore been allowed a pension as a Civil War veteran, under existing service pension laws, such widow having been married to such Civil War veteran prior to June 27, 1905, who is now or who may hereafter attain the age of seventy years, shall be entitled to and shall be paid a pension at the rate of \$40 per month.

Many inquiries have been received and answered pertaining to data on different questions. These include questions relating to pension legislation, eligibility to membership in our Order, soldiers' rec-

ords, and such like. We are pleased to report that in most cases we have been successful in furnishing the data asked for. It is always a pleasant duty to comply with these requests.

Commander-in-Chief, we are happy to say that it has been a very great honor and pleasure to serve under your direction. For you the year now coming to a close has been one of hard work. May much good come from your earnest, conscientious, and able efforts. Our hope is that your fondest wish be that you may see the Order that we all love so well live long and prosper, and that we may prove ourselves worthy of membership in the Order of Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, made possible through the loyal services rendered by the "Boys in Blue" in 1861-1865.

Fraternally submitted,

HARLEY V. SPEELMAN, Chairman,
J. CLINTON HIATT,
JAMES W. LYONS,
Legislative Committee.

PRESENTATIONS—25 YEARS OF SERVICE

Past Commander-in-Chief John E. Sautter, of Pennsylvania: Commander-in-Chief and Brothers. You have all experienced, I am sure, at some time or other in your lives an occasion which brings to you considerable pleasure. Such an occasion comes to me at this time and I can truthfully say that at no time in all the years of my connection with the Sons of Union Veterans has the task that I intend to perform at this time, given me more pleasure than this. Some of our minds go back in the history of this organization for many years. For the purpose of this occasion, I am permitting my memory to drift back to the year 1905, and I wonder how many there are in this room who were present at the session of the Commandery-in-Chief when they met in Gettysburg in 1905. Please stand (16 present). You remember brothers, that at Gettysburg in 1905 this organization decided upon something that has had more to do with its success than any step that was ever taken, because at that time we decided to establish headquarters and to elect a Secretary and Treasurer for a fixed term, and at Gettysburg we elected a certain individual, most of you know him, if you were at Gettysburg or not, as our National Secretary. Five times since Gettysburg upon the completion of each term of office we elected this individual as our National Secretary, so that today he is completing twenty-five consecutive years as the National Secretary of this organization. Brothers, don't you know we are living in a sort of a particular world? We are disposed too frequently to criticize people instead of recommending them. By that I mean we are disposed to omit the words of commendation, even though the individual be entitled to them and we are too prone to give the words of condemnation.

I have a clipping that is yellow with age, but it is a sermon that was delivered many years ago in the city of Pittsburg, that the pastor saw fit to designate under this title, "More Taffy and Less Epitaph." There are words that he might have used in this text instead of the reference he used from Holy Writ, but I want to quote these words at this time.

If with pleasure you are viewing any work a man is doing,
 If you like him or you love him, tell him now;
 Don't withhold your approbation till the preacher gives his
 oration,
 And he sleeps with snowy lilies o'er his brow.
 For no matter how you shout it, he won't know a thing about it,
 He'll never see the teardrops that you shed.
 If you think some praise is due him, now's the time to tell it
 to him.
 For he cannot read his tombstone when he's dead.

More than fame and more than money, is the comment kind
 and sunny,
 And the hearty, warm approval of a friend;
 For it gives to life a savor, and makes you stronger, braver,
 For it gives you heart and spirit to the end.
 If he earns your praise, bestow it; if you like him, let him
 know it;
 Let the words of true encouragement be said;
 Do not wait till life is over and he's underneath the clover.
 For he cannot read his tombstone when he's dead.

And because I feel and I know other men in this room feel as I do, I am imposing upon you while I say something about one that we all love, Horace. As I said, he has served for twenty-five years as National Secretary. That means he has served twenty-five of the men who served our organization as Commander-in-Chief. Prior to his election as Secretary, he served two Brothers, so he has served twenty-seven of the Commanders-in-Chief of this organization as National Secretary. Of all the living Past Commanders-in-Chief there are but three whom he has not served in that office. Nineteen of the twenty-seven whom he has served, thank God, are yet with us.

I was interested the other day in looking over some of the proceedings of the other sessions of the Commandery-in-Chief. We know every Commander-in-Chief in his report has made reference to the exceptional services of our dear Brother Hammer and I thought it fitting that I use the words of some of these men, so you might know what some in the past thought of him. So I will read a few of these excerpts:

His record needs no characterization—it speaks for itself. Horace is efficiency plus, he lives and breathes the atmosphere of Sons of Veteranism.

He has a wide knowledge of the affairs of the Order, and possesses that rare faculty, the ability to apply his knowledge to the best advantage—and he does it.

His interest is of the enduring kind. He knows all the ramifications of the multifarious duties, and is of exceptional value.

He is more than a mere Secretary. He gives to the administration of this Order expert service of high quality, coupled with accurate knowledge of the Order's history, its accomplishments and its failures, and keen appreciation of its present demands and future needs.

Trusted and true he serves you in a manner equalled by few and surpassed by none. Prompt and efficient, no officer or member could truthfully criticize him for inattention to his duties.

We are fortunate in having an able, efficient, active, thorough, and aggressive National Secretary, a man who does the work of his office in a most satisfactory manner.

Words cannot be found to measure his true worth. The organization of the Sons of Veterans is truly fortunate in its possession of a Secretary-Treasurer like Brother Hammer.

Our Secretary is a vertiable encyclopedia of Sons of Veterans wisdom and information.

Brothers, what more need I say. Every one of you knows of the words of these men. Everyone of you knows he has lived practically all his life in the administration of this organization. Everyone of you knows he has been devoted all these years to our organization and it seems because of this eminently fitting that upon the completion of a quarter of a century of continuous service that he be the recipient of something showing in a slight way the real love and affection that members of this organization have for Horace. (Mrs. Horace Hammer was here called into the room). Brother Hammer, Horace,—This does not represent what the organization in reality thinks of you. The real sentiment is imbedded in the hearts of the membership of this organization and it is only that the members want to show their love and esteem for you. From Maine to California, every Department of our organization is represented and in the name of the order of the Sons of Union Veterans and in the name of every one of the more than 40,000 members of this organization who love you as no individual is loved, in their name, Horace, I present to you this beautiful clock. And may I say another word, there was something particular in the designation of this gift. The success of any man is made greater and the love that men bear for that man, when that man has a good wife. In this room is the good wife of this good brother. Come on Molly, and as we loved Horace we also love Molly and because we loved the two of them we felt the gift should be such that both could find pleasure in it. Horace, it is yours. (Applause).

(A beautiful electric clock with chimes was presented to Mr. and Mrs. Hammer).

National Secretary: Commander-in-Chief, Brothers, I thank you,—I cannot say more—This is such a surprise, I cannot express myself. I have had nothing but kindness shown me in all the years of my service. I appreciate this gift more than I can tell. It will always be treasured. I thank you all. (Applause).

Mrs. Horace Hammer: Commander-in-Chief, Brothers. This gift is for our home. We share everything in our home, our happiness, our joys and our sorrows and we share in appreciation for this beautiful gift you have given your National Secretary. I know in his heart, if he cannot express it in words, he appreciates this lovely clock. I shall share this beautiful gift with him. From the bottom of my heart. I thank you. (Applause).

Past Commander-in-Chief Samuel S. Horn: Commander-in-Chief, and Brothers, when Horace Hammer speaks he speaks elegantly. The chimes of Normandy are most beautiful and they brought out refrains from that country of the love and the heartfelt feeling of that country. The chimes you have just heard are indicative of the heart beats of every member of this organization and the words of Past Commander-in-Chief Sautter, very poorly sound the feelings of the members. He went back twenty-five years because that was the number of consecutive years that as National Secretary Horace Hammer has served us. We in Pennsylvania knew Horace Hammer many years

previously. I speak for Pennsylvania. We knew him before Molly was a partner and while she waits until 12:00 P. M. for the Postmaster of his city, until his duties are over and his duties for the Sons of Union Veterans takes much of his time, while Molly listens to the clock and the segments of the hour bring out the beautiful tones of the chimes, they will have a message to carry to Molly.

The members of Pennsylvania, and I speak for all of them, asked me to add a few words. We know Horace is not in the habit of listening to speeches. Horace, you are approaching the diamond jubilee of your service in the organization. When I was taken into the organization in 1889, Horace Hammer was a bulwark of Pennsylvania. Though small in stature he has strength for the organization. As our personal testimonial to you personally. (Past Commander-in-Chief Horn here presented National Secretary with a diamond scarf pin from the members from Pennsylvania). (Applause).

National Secretary Hammer: I can't begin to convey to the Pennsylvania Brothers, all of whom have always been so good to me, my appreciation and gratitude for this beautiful gift. I am surprised beyond expression. This is a most trying moment for me. I want all to be assured of my grateful appreciation for this. It will ever be cherished with affection and regard for each and all. Thank you all. (Applause).

GREETINGS COMMITTEE FROM AUXILIARY OF FOREIGN WAR VETERANS

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: There are representatives of the Auxiliary of the Foreign War Veterans, waiting to greet us.

The Committee was escorted in by Past Commander-in-Chief Edwin C. Ireland, Maryland, and Delegate Elmer H. Schubert, of Ohio.

Past Commander-in-Chief Edwin C. Ireland: Commander-in-Chief, I have the honor to introduce to you the National Judge Advocate of the Auxiliary of Foreign War Veterans and their representatives, Mrs. Julia L. Pitcock, Mrs. Adelaide Nelson and Mrs. Pearl Deckey.

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: We welcome you.

Mrs. Julia L. Pitcock: Commander-in-Chief, it is a very happy privilege that I have of being here as representative of all organizations of the Grand Army of the Republic. I am happy to see so many of the Sons of Union Veterans. I wish you a most successful Encampment. Now, Commander-in-Chief, I have the pleasure of presenting to you, a miniature brick, that represents a brick from the Cottage at Eaton Rapids, Mich., which our organization maintains for widows of soldiers. It shows what we are doing and will try to do this year in Ohio. If any of you want to do anything, we want you to help us keep that home going. Commander-in-Chief, take it home and keep it, and remember that the maltese cross on it, the emblem that it represents, to our organization is very precious. (Applause).

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau. I am sure I will treasure it as a gift from the delegation representing the Auxiliary of Foreign War Veterans. Brother Horn, have you a message?

Past Commander-in-Chief Saumel S. Horn: Commander-in-Chief, Spanish War Veterans, American Legion, are a close association of the disabled veterans. I know Commander Cazeau will value that gift and take back from us to your organization, wherever it may be, the message that we are true veterans and will preserve that flag, and as your men did their bit for Uncle Sam, we will also continue to do our bit, we are really one large organization. (Escorted out).

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON \$100 PRIZE

Past Commander-in-Chief Walter C. Mable: Commander-in-Chief Cazeau and Brothers, I recommended when Commander-in-Chief that a Committee be appointed to ask for suggestions, or essays, if you please, stating how to best hold the interests of our younger members, and that a prize of \$100 be awarded to the one sending in the best essay as you might call it. The Encampment approved of that idea and a Committee was appointed. The Committee served for one year and reported back at the Encampment at Portland, and wanted a new Committee to be appointed. Your humble servant was named a Committee of one to read and judge the letters sent in.

During my term as Commander-in-Chief I felt we were slowly, as an organization, going out of existence, due to the fact that the old timers that we depended upon were slowly passing off the stage and if anything was to be done, now was the time to do it. It seemed that in various localities we didn't have the members we should have. That was the reason for asking for the \$100 award. I thought that with that prize we could draw out plans to get new members. For two years I have received postal cards, notes scribbled on the back of envelopes and suggestions running up to twenty or thirty pages, from Brothers. They all had a theory and a lot of them had grunts. Some members said "Why don't you put back the old Ritual and the young men will become interested?" "Why not make them go into the Reserve?" "Have the Sons and Daughters meet at the same time." "Why don't we do this, and do that?"

That wasn't what I was trying to get. When I was just about ready to close the Committee in disgust, no entries were received that I was trying to get, along comes this. (Showing a Book). I did not make it up in this way. Being a printer I thought it was a sample of paper of some sort and then I started to read it. This is what we want. In the United States there is one man who has proved that the interest of the younger men can be secured. Here are the experiences of this young man, almost a boy, who through his father's interest became Commander of his Camp and he found what he wanted to do. In one place he says something has been tried for forty years, etc. He shows you how he had various appointments, various offices, how the young men worked, inspired him. The report is for one year back. During that year he took in thirty-one members and one year later the thirty-one members are still members of that Camp. All these notes are in this book. The Committee recommends that the award be paid to Brother F. Lewis Phillips, of Chicago, and further recommends that some provision be made that reprints may be made that can be sent to the many camps, so that we can take a copy of this book home, go through its pages and see how the youngster did. Just imagine if each camp can do this for a year or two what each camp could show. I move, if it is in order, that this award of \$100 be awarded to F. Lewis Phillips, of Chicago, a member of Camp 6 of the Illinois Department. (Duly seconded by several. Carried).

Past Commander-in-Chief Charles F. Sherman: It is a distinct honor and I think members of the Encampment are pleased that we have Brother Phillips with us at this meeting.

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: Let us hear from Delegate Phillips.

Delegate F. Lewis Phillips, of Illinois: I feel somewhat lost up here like Rastus, who went to court, and the Judge asked him what was the matter and he said he wanted a divorce. The Judge said, "You need grounds," and Rastus replied, "Judge what are grounds?" When the Judge explained Rastus said "I don't like my wife. She

sort of overrecommended herself." I think Past Commander-in-Chief Mabie has just overrecommended the writer of this report. I am very glad to receive the award and want to thank the Commander-in-Chief, and I hope there will be some definite good derived from this report. I hope all will be able to get some good ideas from it. I believe some of them will fit into any camp, those in smaller camps will have different problems than those in larger cities. Problems are probably easier settled in small camps than in large cities. Camp No. 6, Chicago, of which I am a member, meets down town and that means we have members from all over the city. Some of our members are twenty-five to thirty minutes out. We have more to contend with than some of you have. May I stress while we are all here that the place to get members is through the Auxiliary, the Woman's Relief Corps, the Daughters of Union Veterans, etc. They are the most fertile places. That is the place you can find sons of the most patriotic families. You will have less trouble in approaching them, in arousing their interest than total strangers to our affairs.

I don't want to go into the report as I understand it will be circulated among those who want it. While there have to be definite plans there have to be men to put those plans through, and to do that you need aggressive, clear thinking and energetic members, someone to give a lot of time to it, 365 days a year, 7 days a week. When I was Commander of my camp I served about 120 days out of the year. Young members will have time to give to this. Older members will not have this time. Therefore, it is an advantage to get the younger members. Some don't have the money but you can get that money from your well-to-do members. That is the most important thing I believe to consider in using your members. Some will say that they put in a grandson and he was a fizzle, or washout, but it is probably your fault in securing the wrong type of man. The best efforts put forward will bring results just the same as some of you were making successes about thirty-five years ago. I want to thank you again for awarding this prize to me and any time I can do anything to aid the Sons of Union Veterans, will be glad to do so.

National Secretary: Commander-in-Chief, the Credential Committee reports 176 members entitled to be on the Roll, all Departments represented with the exception of Oregon and Washington. There are 17 Department Commanders present.

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief Park F. Yengling and Department Commander Geist, of Colorado & Wyoming, made remarks regarding the G. A. R. parade and the Order's part therein.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE SHELLHOUSE PRIZE AWARD

Past Department Commander Frank C. Huston, of Indiana; Past Commander-in-Chief Frank Shellhouse, of Indiana, offered four prizes of \$100, \$50, \$30, and \$20, respectively, for the five best reasons "Why I am a Son of Union Veteran." and this was in accordance with announcement in the proceedings.

To Mr. Theodore C. Cazeau, Commander-in-Chief, and the 49th Annual Encampment, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

In submitting the report of the Shellhouse Prize Committee, it is with conflicting emotions. The proportion of responses has been rather disappointing, even after sustained effort to enlist the interest of every brother in the order. However, so many fine statements have been received by the Committee, that this fact has been greatly inspiring, and, to a degree, neutralizes this disappointment.

Each issue of The Banner has carried a statement (usually boxed and given prominent display) relative to these prizes given by Past Commander-in-Chief Frank Shellhouse, of \$200.00 in total divided into four prizes of \$100.00, \$50.00, \$30.00 and \$20.00, to be awarded to the four camps or brothers who would score the highest in setting forth "THE BEST FIVE REASONS WHY I AM A MEMBER OF THE SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR." Twelve issues of the Banner have carried into the homes of our Order 454,560 invitations and urging to reconsider, and set forth the Five Reasons for being a member of the order, with the assurance that the four who did the job the best would be paid, and well paid, in cold cash, or its equivalent, for their work, added to the honors incident to winning such a prize.

In addition to this the Chairman wrote every Department Commander, save Indiana, requesting his cooperation, also advising of the willingness to send letters to every Camp Commander urging them to enlist their camps in the Prize Contest. These were sent to the new Department Commanders. To these letters to the new Department Commanders, but six Departments responded, namely: California, Illinois, Maine, Maryland, Nebraska, and Pennsylvania. Indiana Department was not written to because the matter was presented in person at the Department Encampment. Some of the Department Commanders who did not submit lists of Camp Commanders made special mention of the matter in their Department Orders; and some did both.

And the result is that 170 responses have been made out of a membership of 41,500 after 454,560 general appeals in The Banner, and perhaps 2,000 or more special appeals by letters and orders. This means to those interested in statistics that it took by the law of averages 2612 appeals, and four chances to win from \$20.00 to \$100.00 to get one single response. What's the answer?

The response by Departments is as follows:

Alabama & Tennessee.....	2	Nebraska	4
California & Pacific.....	14	New Hampshire	1
Colorado & Wyoming.....	1	New Jersey	7
Connecticut	6	New York	11
Illinois	6	Ohio	7
Indiana	9	Oregon	6
Iowa	1	Pennsylvania	23
Kansas	3	Rhode Island	3
Maine	12	Vermont	3
Maryland	3	Washington	4
Massachusetts	23	Wisconsin	2
Michigan	5		
Minnesota	6	Total	170
Missouri	3		

It was thought by one member of the committee that an added feature should be combined with the contest, namely; that there being five reasons from which the score would be determined, making 20 points for each of the five reasons, it might be well to add 20 points for securing one new member, and scoring on a basis of 120 points. This seemed reasonable, but appeared to act as a deterrent, in the judgment of the chairman, and this emphasis was discontinued, though all sending in their new member application will be judged on the 120 point basis, and receive due credit. This feature was instrumental in bringing in 3 new applications for membership in the order.

After ten issues of The Banner had carried over 400,000 appeals to the brothers; with the co-operation of Commander-in-Chief Cazeau in his General Orders; also having the co-operation of the National President of our Auxiliary, Mrs. Ida B. Lange, in that she, too, made mention of the matter in her General Orders, with less than 100 responses from a membership of over 40,000, we decided to use the medium of the direct letter to the Camps. This was why we made direct appeal to the Department Commanders for a list of their Camp Commanders, and with what disappointing results you are already advised.

Some very fine statements have resulted from the contest, and the project is far from being a failure. We believe some very fine short sales talks have been formulated, which should prove of considerable value if put to proper use.

It has been no small task to select the winning entries. Many of them are very fine and show that those who produced them are keenly sensitive to the meaning of being a Son of a Union Veteran.

Some of the statements did not measure up to the standard set by others, but the Committee wants to thank those who did think enough of their heritage and citizenship that they were willing to do their best. Not all in an army can be Generals,—nor Colonels,—nor Captains, though we need them all,—but an army of Generals, or Colonels or Captains, alone, would be a rather poor army. So all of these who did their best have the sincerest and heartiest thanks from the Committee, and we believe, of Col. Shellhouse.

In order that all might have the most time possible the Committee kept the time open to the Encampment, giving consideration to all received. This meant extra work, but we were only too glad to serve in this capacity.

We want to thank Brother Frank Shellhouse for his splendid loyalty, and patriotic impulse which prompted the giving of \$200.00 in this way to promote the welfare of the order. The entire membership owes to Brother Shellhouse a great debt of appreciation.

We thank Brother A. S. Holbrook for his every effort to make this contest a success, and accomplish worthy results for the order.

We also thank Brother Leon W. Hammond of the Department of Washington for his kindly offer, in addition to submitting a very artistically drawn, and splendid set of Five Reasons, to engross in his superb style the winning set of reasons for engraving and printing direct from his engrossed copy. This fine offer is most heartily appreciated.

After most careful and painstaking consideration, we announce the winners of the prizes, in order as follows: First Prize, F. H. Collier Camp No. 139, Sharpsburg, Department of Pennsylvania, S. O. Six, Secretary; Second Prize, H. H. Hoy, Robert L. McCook Camp No. 2, Brookings, S. D., Department of Minnesota; Third Prize, L. A. Handley, Benton Camp, Department of Indiana, Richmond; Fourth Prize, W. H. Hatteroth, Manderson Camp No. 1, Department of Nebraska, Omaha.

Past Department Commander Frank C. Huston, of Indiana: I further want to say that this Committee was composed of John W. Kennedy, National Patriotic Instructor, and Past Commander-in-Chief Delevan B. Bowley, who, absent and unable to serve here, was represented by Past Commander-in-Chief John E. Sautter, and your humble servant.

In addition to the prize winners honorable mention is given to Arthur G. Gibbony, Mount Vernon, Ohio, Press Correspondent, Depart-

ment of Ohio, and A. E. Ewing, Robert Finch Camp No. 14, Grand Rapids, Mich.

You will be interested, Commander-in-Chief, and you may say there are some wonderfully fine statements in these letters and reports. Some of these were short, too short; some were long, too long, and there had to be a happy medium. The essays selected we believe contain matter that shows how new members may become a part of the organization and all express the very sincere purpose of their hearts to infuse the other men with the spirit to come in. We wanted the essays to be long enough to express the purpose of the order. I think we should now hear the prize winners. (1), (2), (3), (4).

WHY I AM A MEMBER OF THE SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR.

BECAUSE—

First—It is only through such membership I can best show to the world my pride in being a descendant of one who served his country in the darkest period of its history, thus helping to preserve it, and my own gratitude for such service.

Second—The Principles and Objects of this organization prove it to be one with a purpose. They are such as should appeal to every eligible, urging his support in a worth while and very necessary patriotic work, without the fulfillment of which, upon the part of our citizenry, there can be no assurance of the perpetuity of our Republic.

Third—The GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, through its official and by individual action, has repeatedly shown their faith in the Order of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, and their desire that through it shall be continued the great work of that Order, composed of the preservers of the Union.

Fourth—In the years of its existence the Order has been true to its Purposes and Objects, and has accomplished a telling work for good, especially in maintaining a true demand for a proper observance of Memorial Day, that it shall be, what its founders the GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, intended it should be, a Holy day, not a holiday.

Fifth—its eligibility insures its continued existence. It is destined in the future, if the membership be true to their obligation, to be the greatest patriotic fraternity in our beloved country, as is due an Order with such a purpose.

Respectfully submitted by Colonel F. H. Collier Camp
No. 139, Department of Pennsylvania, Sharpsburg, Pa.,
August 14th, 1930. S. O. Six, Secretary, 1333 S. Canal St.
(First Prize Winner).

WHY I AM A MEMBER OF THE SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR

1. To perpetuate the memory of the defenders of the Union.
2. Because I can be of greater patriotic service when in the organization than when working alone.
3. Because the organization exemplifies patriotic devotion to American institutions and ideals.
4. Because the organization stands for the instruction of our school children in love and honor of our country and our flag.

5. Because belonging to such an organization is a privilege and an honor to be coveted by any eligible person.

H. H. HOY,

Robert L. McCook Camp No. 2, Department of Minnesota,
Brookings, So. Dakota.

(Second Prize Winner).

WHY I AM A MEMBER OF THE SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR

1. Because of the natural pride I have in the fact that my father bore arms in defense of the Union, and that he laid aside every other consideration that he might have a part in its preservation.

2. Because the membership of the organization is pledged to shed its own blood to defend and to preserve that it has so gladly received from the hands of the patriots who served on the side of the Union in the Civil War.

3. Because it is by keeping alive the patriotic memories and sacrifices of our ancestors that we hope to avoid in the future such a calamity as civil war.

4. Because the Order teaches Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty, and instills into the minds of its membership love of country and reverence for the flag and what it represents.

5. Because the Order has high ideals for itself and for the nation, and by striving to reach these ideals it better serves to preserve the fundamental principles upon which our nation is founded.

LAWRENCE A. HANDLEY,

Past Department Commander, Ind. Dept.
Richmond, Ind.

(Third Prize Winner).

WHY I AM A MEMBER OF THE SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR

1. Because it is a duty and a debt of gratitude that I owe to my father and to the other brave men who sacrificed so much in order to preserve the Union.

2. Because it is my patriotic duty to be a member of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, which is one of the outstanding, purely patriotic societies of the Country.

3. Because, by being a member of the Order, I set an example to others who are eligible to membership,—thus encouraging them to join and take an interest in the work of the Order.

4. Because the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War is a necessary and vital force in America in fostering and inspiring patriotism and loyalty, and in combatting the insidious and Godless forces which are now endeavoring to undermine the principles of our Government.

5. Because, by being a member of the Order, and taking an active part in its work, it affords to me an opportunity to do my part in carrying on the work so nobly advanced by our fathers, to the end that the United States of America shall not only remain

one great Nation, but that "Government of the people, by the people, for the people shall not perish from the earth."

H. H. HATTEROTH,
720 Bankers Reserve Life Building, Omaha, Neb.
Past Commander Manderson Camp No. 1, Omaha, Neb.
(Fourth Prize Winner).

Past Department Commander Frank C. Huston, of Indiana: I feel also that the essays given honorable mention should be read at this time.

First honorable mention, Arthur G. Gibbony, Mount Vernon, Ohio, Press Correspondent, Department of Ohio: First—Because I am proud of my father's part in preserving our Union in that great time of trouble, the Civil War.

Second—Because I want to do my share to perpetuate these principles for which he fought.

Third—Because I want to see Patriotism and Loyalty to the United States of America maintained in the high positions necessary to our continued liberty and freedom.

Fourth—Because I want to help keep Memorial Day the beautiful, properly observed occasion it should always be.

Fifth—Because I want to have an active part in seeing that the final resting places of those true patriots who preserved our Union, shall never become neglected nor lost to posterity.

Second honorable mention, A. E. Ewing, Robert Finch Camp No. 14, Grand Rapids, Mich; First—I owe it to my God to be patriotically thankful for the blessings incident to my citizenship of this free, independent and firmly united country.

Second—I owe it to my country to belong to and support an organization which swears allegiance, promotes loyalty, and upholds its laws and institutions.

Third—I owe it to my beloved father who shed his blood to preserve the Union, and to the legion of loyal men who fought, bled and died to uphold our flag and our Republic for which it stands, to keep green their sacred memory.

Fourth—I owe it to myself as an involuntary recipient of the blessings bequeathed to me by the patriotic sacrifices of my loyal forefathers, and particularly the Union Veterans of the Civil War, to thus express my gratitude.

Fifth—I owe it to posterity to thus inculcate and perpetuate love of country, and life-sacrificing loyalty to our blood-bought freedom, independence, and the Union.

Past Department Commander Frank C. Huston, of Indiana: Now in addition there are very few of these additional entries but what contain at least one of two very fine statements. I think we have collected in this contest, brothers, a most valuable collection from our most active members. I hope that some disposition will be made and put in permanent form in some folder or card form so that they can be carried in the pockets of our brothers and committed to memory and become useful and operative. I move adoption of this report.

(Duly seconded by several). (Carried).

National Secretary Hammer: I move to amend the motion of preparing the pamphlet and having them promulgated at the expense of the Commandery-in-Chief.

Department Commander Frank P. Corrick, of Nebraska, seconded the motion.

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: A motion has been made to have these prepared in pamphlet form and promulgated at the expense of the Commandery-in-Chief. Any objection?

Department Commander Frank P. Corrick, of Nebraska: If I may make a suggestion to members of other Departments, I intend going to Omaha and present this check and see if we can start a campaign for a larger membership.

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: Anything further?

Department Commander F. G. Beardsley, of Mo.: I am wondering if a large amount of this data secured for this Committee, which they now have in their hands, will not be lost when the Committee is disbanded. Why not leave it with the Committee who is familiar with all of this.

Past Commander-in-Chief Charles F. Sherman: I am not in favor of having the Commandery-in-Chief print all of the replies. I favor the printing of those that were awarded the prizes, and the entire correspondence should be turned over to the Commandery-in-Chief and should become the property thereof and they should utilize any part which may be helpful or useful in campaign work. Just the five prize winners should be printed in card or pamphlet form.

National Secretary: With your permission I will withdraw my motion.

Past Department Commander Fred J. Phillips, of Illinois: I suggest we find out the cost of printing pamphlets of these winners.

Past Department Commander Frank C. Huston, of Indiana: My idea in making this motion was that the substance be made available in the way of cards or small folders that can be carried in the pocket. It may be that the idea of getting a large quantity might be prohibitive. It should be printed in reasonable quantities at least. Brother Holbrook, what is your suggestion?

Past Department Commander Allan S. Holbrook, of Illinois: It is pretty hard to estimate on the spur of the moment the cost of pamphlets containing this amount of copy. I would suggest that 5000 copies be printed, sufficient number be sent to each Department with request that they send a few to each camp. Then if there is demand for any part they could have it printed and distributed to their people. The Commandery-in-Chief could supply the copies to each Department.

Past Department Commander Walter A. Waterman, of New York: One thought I hope we won't lose sight of. Brother Huston says there are some gems of these letters that had only one outstanding point. It seems to me that the one who prints should have the privilege of using some of these outstanding and strong statements.

National Secretary Hammer: Why wouldn't it be sufficient if published in The Banner. There cannot be better publicity in the Order.

Past Department Commander Fred J. Phillips, of Illinois: In connection with The Banner it might work out, if that publication printed five or six or ten each month. If you publish one hundred they might not look them over. I move that the chairman of the Committee pick out some and publish a few each month.

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: That is, 5000 copies of the prize winning papers submitted be printed and then out of this mass the Chairman cut out those paragraphs that would be of interest.

Department Commander Frank P. Corrick, of Nebraska: All will read these five winners and then we will think there is such a mass that none will read.

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: The question before us is that we proceed to vote that The Banner publish in pamphlet form what has been said in all those five prize winners.

Council-in-Chief Fred C. Hanson. There could be twenty-five reasons printed on each card. Why not print a thousand of each.

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: All those in favor of the motion to have 5000 copies printed by Brother Holbrook and distributed to the camps—

Past Department Commander Fred J. Phillips. Who made the motion?

National Secretary: I move the report of the Committee be adopted, the Committee be discharged and the prize winners be officially announced.

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: The motion is that the report be accepted and that the names of the prize winners be officially announced.

Delegate Wm. O. Fuller, of Massachusetts: I understand that the object of this prize winning contest was to get good reasons for securing members. I think you ought to have 5000 of these prize winning reasons printed.

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: All in favor of that signify by saying aye. (Vote counted).

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: The motion of National Secretary Hammer stands, is there any further discussion as to the adoption of this report.

National Secretary Hammer: Commander-in-Chief, there are 63 in favor of and 26 against this motion.

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: 63 for and 26 against. Motion Carried.

Department Commander Frank P. Corrick, of Nebraska: I move that 5000 copies be printed and distributed.

Delegate C. W. Dodson of Wisconsin: Seconded. Adopted.

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: 5000 copies of the prize winning papers are to be printed by The Banner.

Council-in-Chief Fred G. Hanson, of New Jersey: I move we turn them over to Brother Holbrook for him to pick out some of these answers.

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: Ten or more gems from these essays are to be published each month in The Banner.

National Secretary Hammer moved to recess untill 2:00 P. M August 27th. Carried.

JOINT MEMORIAL SERVICES

(4:00 P. M. August 26, 1930)

The Joint Memorial Services of the Sons of Union Veterans and Auxiliary took place in the Metropole Hotel, National Chaplain Mrs. Mary A. Powers, of Winfield, Kansas, and Rev. A. A. Bronsdon, Past Department Commander of Massachusetts, having charge of the services. These services followed the usual schedule.

The hymn "Nearer My God to Thee" was sung.

Invocation by Mrs. Mary M. Powers, National Chaplain of the Auxiliary of the Sons of Union Veterans.

Brother Frank C. Huston, Past Department Commander of Indiana sang solo "The Old Rugged Cross."

Past Department Commander Frank C. Huston, of Indiana then sang "Lest We Forget."

Responsive Readings followed.

Sons—I am the resurrection and the life; He that believeth in me, though he were dead yet shall he live. Whosoever believeth in me shall never die.

Auxiliary—God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; There shall be no more death nor sorrow or crying, neither shall there be any more pain.

Sons—For the former things have passed away; all life is one, all service, one, be it here or there.

Auxiliary—The path of the just is as a shining light; that shineth more and more unto a perfect day.

Sons—The nation raged, the kingdoms were moved, He uttered His voice, the Earth melted, the Lord of hosts is with us, the God of Jacob is our refuge; they that trust in the Lord are as Mount Zion, which cannot be moved, but abideth forever.

Auxiliary—As the mountains are round about Jerusalem, so the Lord is round about his people.

Sons and Auxiliary—O death! Where is thy sting? O, grave! Where is thy Victory? The sting of death is sin; The strength of sin is the law, but thanks be unto God which giveth us the Victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Solo by Rev. Frank C. Huston, Past Department Commander of Indiana, "Crossing the Bar."

Mrs. Mary A. Powers: Several of our members have crossed the bar in the past year, 268, I believe our report shows, though I did not get a report from every city. I have asked Commander-in-Chief Cazeau to place a wreath in memory of the Comrades of the Civil War who have crossed the bar during the past year.

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: In loving memory we deposit this wreath in memory of the 11,000 members of the Grand Army of the Republic who have passed away during this past year.

Taps by Adelaide Kern, member of the Girls Reserve of Cincinnati.

Roll Call followed, by Mrs. Mary A. Powers.

Connecticut—Alice M. Odell—Sadie Stevens placed a tribute.

Iowa—no report.

Kansas, three have passed—Tribute, For our Department Sisters I place this flower in memory of those who have passed away.

Maine, twenty-three have passed away—Former Department President of Maine gave tribute, I place this flower in loving memory.

Maryland, two have passed—Chaplain, Mrs. Shauteau responded. I place this flower in memory of the departed.

Massachusetts, no report.

Michigan, lost four of their members—Mrs. Florence White responded, In loving memory of those who have passed on since our meeting last year, I place these flowers.

Minnesota, five have crossed the bar.

Missouri has lost two of their members—Tribute, To honor our beloved dead.

New Hampshire, eight.

New Jersey, fifteen.

New York, no report.

Ohio, fifty-two, I am sure we are very much in sympathy with Ohio. Is someone present to place tribute. Tribute, I place this in memory of our departed sisters.

Oregon, no report.

Pennsylvania, forty-two.

Rhode Island, three. Is there someone from Rhode Island to respond.

Vermont, fifteen—Molly Bernard, as Past President of the State of Vermont, I place this tribute for those who passed away, our beloved sisters.

Washington, one—Nellie Pick placed a tribute.

Wisconsin, thirteen, Tribute, As Past Department President, I place this flower in loving memory.

Newport, Ky., have lost two of their members, Evelyn Mason and Lillian Gehring.

Rev. A. A. Bronsdon, Past Department Commander of Mass: There has always been a very fine memory of our dead and the messages have always been that of love. Love carrying its love and friendship into the heart and life of home. Love is one of the great forces of the life and of the world. It is God given and these have reared and fostered the love and affection of all until the world passes its tribute this day to the ministry and message of memory. 561 brothers in the organization of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War have passed to the great beyond, leaving behind an affection and remembrance that remains in the affections and hearts through life of the individuals in this world to ever remember them for their gifts and as we hallow this hour in paying our tribute of memory to men we do so with remembrance and love and gratitude.

Illinois. There is the remembrance in the living heart of that Department as well as in the heart and life of that Commandery, the remembrance of the life and service of Clifford Ireland, Past Commander-in-Chief. Will someone pay tribute to his memory?

Past Department Commander, E. F. Buck of Illinois: Past Commander-in-Chief and Past Department Commander Ireland, who passed away May 24th 1930. It was well that our Past Commander-in-Chief delegated to Past Commander-in-Chief W. T. Church this duty. He had intended to be here to give to you his message but matters interfered over which he had no control and it was impossible for him to come. It has been delegated to me and I assure you I consider it not only a privilege but a great honor to read to you the tribute of Past Commander-in-Chief Wm. T. Church to our distinguished and beloved Past Commander-in-Chief Ireland.

The Department of Illinois comes to these services with hearts overflowing with sadness because of the passing of four of its most distinguished sons during the last fiscal year, who walked in high places. Henry C. Cull, Department Commander 1911-12, died February 12th; Charles D. Thomas, Department Commander 1903-4, died April 1st; Cerdric G. Marsh, Department Commander 1893-4, died August 21st, 1930; Clifford C. Ireland, Commander-in-Chief, 1921-22, died May 4th, 1930. To us who knew best these distinguished brothers and our privilege yet to carry on, their outstanding characteristics of personal rectitude, loyalty to their friends, regard for high ideals and patriotic devotion stand out preeminently as a beacon light to guide and enthuse us to continued and greater effort.

‘Past Commander-in-Chief Clifford Ireland—

There came among us in years gone by one who accepted leadership reluctantly when urged upon him by his fellows who rightly estimated his worth. He made no bid for command. He sought no advancement. He was content to follow, where he had ability to lead; but when placed in a position of authority, he discharged the duties of office with masterly efficiency and skill.

We, of Illinois, found him in one of our large and prosperous Camps. Without his wish we placed him at the head of our Department, and with a loyalty born of love for his soldier Father and his country, he accepted the duty placed before him. His wise and forceful administration so endeared him to his members and his associates in State and Nation, that very soon thereafter he was again called to leadership and made Commander-in-Chief of Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

In this high office he again gave positive evidence of those superior qualities that enable some few men to both please and guide others to nobler ideals. He was not a follower of plans made by his predecessors in office, but sought to develop action along lines of his own origination on planes of high worth and magnitude. Here again, he won the confidence and admiration, not alone of the members of our Order, but as well of all of its Allied Associates and of the Grand Army of the Republic to which he was intensely loyal.

Clifford Ireland served his State and nation in public office, with an eye single to duties of the trusts reposed in him; and uninfluenced by the baneful trend of party politics, and wide departure from rectitude by some party leaders of his time, he rendered service able, true and honorable to those whom he was chosen to represent.

In the casualties of the year 1930, this well loved Chieftain of our Order was taken from us, and today we mourn the departure of a leader and a friend. We have seen the trail of usefulness winding away before him into the future suddenly barred by the hand of the silent Reaper of Time. We had hoped to walk down the years with him, but find ourselves alone.

We, of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, pay tribute today to a brother and a friend, loved by all who knew him. His fine ability elicited our lasting admiration. His generous impulses created cords of affection none would consent to sever. His greeting was like the rising sun, and his farewell was like the passing of a splendid day. He was neither prophet nor sage, but he brought into life the things that are most worth while. He gave unstintedly of good will and friendship to all who touched his hand. He played the game of life with all the instincts of clean and honest sportsmanship that adheres to the rules and tolerates no unfair advantage. He gave to every cause he championed the best of his efforts, guided by a clear sense of right and duty. He had the ability to measure men and test their quality of performance. His honor was a blazing sword that cut away all compromise and craft.

We had a brother, faithful and true to his high standards of moral worth, faithful and true to those who held with him to these ideals. He has passed from among us into that illimitable future from which the light of his memory shall shine like a beacon of the morning, inspiring us to greet the coming of a nobler and fairer day.

Rev. J. Kirkwood Craig, Past Department Commander of New Hampshire: As Past Department Commander of New Hampshire, I respond with a tribute to the memory of Frank H. Challis, who died March 23rd, 1930. By virtue of the fact that Frank H. Challis, of New Hampshire was a Past Grand Division Commander, is indicative that Frank H. Challis filled a place to be numbered among the patriarchs of our Order. He was exceptionally zealous of the Order giving of his time, influence and his money. He likewise served his community in the various ways that he could and he also served in the Legislative House of New Hampshire. Men and women of New Hampshire will be glad to have someone say this word to pay tribute to Frank H. Challis.

I also refer here to Mike Crowley, Past Commander of New Hampshire. We do not say that in any slurring way. There was a man who has given all his time and influence and money for what he thought were the good interests of the Sons of Union Veterans, not only to our Order but to the Auxiliary. In National Encampments as well as Department Encampments, with all his enthusiasm he was back of it all and underneath it he had a pounding and beating of heart for the earthly affairs of his organization. As Past Department Commander of New Hampshire I am glad to have this part of saying just a word.

Of Henry E. Chamberlan, Past Department Commander, I say I knew him not but as he was Past Department Commander, I am sure he was a very fine character or the Sons of Veterans would not have chosen him as a leader.

Roll call of Alabama and Tennessee, Jos. H. Larimore, Past Department Commander, (no response).

Past Commander-in-Chief Shellhouse responded for E. S. Shumaker, Past Department Commander of Indiana: It had been arranged for our Senior Past Commander-in-Chief, N. J. McGuire, to say a word of tribute but at the last moment he is not here so it gives me an opportunity to say just a word. He could not be considered one of the old members of the Sons of Union Veterans. I think about twelve years was the life of his membership. He was so enthusiastic, that he endeared himself to all members. He was made Department Commander of Indiana and his earnestness in that position earned him the respect and honor of our members. He had one of the most successful years of any Department Com-

mander. It was not his privilege to attend in a regular way the National Encampments. He was a minister of the Gospel, which kept him quite busy, also for about twenty years he served as Superintendent of Schools of Indianapolis. In that work and the interest he had in that organization he was kept so busy he could hardly ever attend the National Encampments so he was not as well known as some of us.

One of the most wonderful tributes I ever saw or heard relative to a man was one time in Indianapolis. Dr. Shumaker was to be speaker of the day and a great many small children were there and Dr. Ballard who had charge of that meeting said "Boys, I want to introduce one of the most hated men in the State of Indiana, by bootleggers, gamblers, etc. Answer quickly." Those little fellows answered "Dr. Shumaker." His name was a household name in our city. Then Dr. Ballard stated "This man is the most loved man in the state by all in all walks of life," they answered, "Dr. Shumaker," and I thought that was a tribute. Anti-saloon men did not believe in him but they did believe he was honorable in his work. He brought the State of Indiana to one of the topmost States. Dr. Shumaker was considered by some to have a very determined mind and I would say he did, but he was fighting for Christianity, for the anti-saloon and everything good, as he considered it. His whole time was spent in that fight. He did fight for what he thought was right, until death. They think a lot of Dr. Shumaker in Indiana, even those who did not believe in his work. These few words are wholly unprepared. There is no friend who passed away of whom I would rather speak than of Dr. Shumaker.

In the Department of Kansas two passed away, E. B. Colburn, Past Department Commander of Kansas, and L. L. Merrifield, Past Department Commander of Kansas. (No response).

In the Department of Maryland, Miles W. Ross, Past Department Commander passed away. (No response).

Past Department Commander of New Jersey, John L. Reeger, responded for John J. Corcoran, Past Department Commander of New Jersey, who passed away March 4th, 1930. I feel honored to speak a tribute to John J. Corcoran. After the election of John Corcoran of New Jersey as Department Commander, he aided the Sons of Union Veterans and planned a layout for future years. He was an active, energetic worker. Not only for the Sons of Union Veterans but in other fraternal matters and also in the Government. At the time of his death he was Chairman of the Fair Department of the State. He died March 4th, 1930. A loving man, he left a sorrowing wife and two sons, members of the Order, and leaves a memory of good cheer and an example of good, especially in the Department of New Jersey.

Delegate Julius Isaacs of New York responded for Herman L. Lange, Past Department Commander of New York, who died April 2nd, 1930. To Past Department Commander Lange I place this tribute. He was a man who was known throughout this broad country of ours for his love for his flag, for his Country, and his stability. He was very highly esteemed, revered and respected by all who came in contact with him. He served the twenty-nine years membership. He was called upon to serve in various departments in New York, until he served as Department Commander. During his term he overcame obstacles and he was able to place our Department in the rank where it has never been before. On April 2nd he passed before the Great Commander, where he might join his father and mother and his comrades. The New York Department honors, reveres and respects his memory. As I

said, I was his friend, pal, brother, he was our Commander. Farewell, in death, sorrow ceases and all his pain is past, his sorrows gone.

Perle L. Fouch, Department Commander of Michigan responded for Charles L. Pitcher, Past Department Commander. In the passing of Charles L. Pitcher on the 30th of May last, Michigan lost a distinguished man. There was never a more patriotic heart. A splendid citizen, one revered by all in the State of Michigan. One widely known, respected throughout the State of Michigan. In the passing of Brother Pitcher, Michigan lost the son of a patriotic father.

(Rev. Frank C. Huston here substituted for Rev. A. A. Bronsdon).

Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief Robert L. Whitcomb responded for George H. Bangs, Past Department Commander of Maine. We offer tribute to the passing of one of our greatly beloved brothers. George Bangs was a Son of Union Veteran of the type that we believe we and you need, and he was of great good to the Order. A man who was exalted as an official of the State in offices of trust. One who was exalted to the highest positions in the State in Masonic orders, our Past Commander, one whom to know was to love, to know was to respect and trust. The Maine Department places this tribute to the memory on the altar of our love for George H. Bangs.

Department Commander Eugene C. Somerby, of California and Pacific, responded for C. S. Scott, Past Department Commander of California and Pacific. It was indeed with sincere regrets that the message came here of the loss of Brother Scott who passed away the day before yesterday in New Jersey and will be buried tomorrow. Brother Scott was indeed a loved brother by his comrades. For the last four or five years Brother Scott has been on the east coast and his passing was a distinct shock to our Department. I will now place a sprig in his honor and for the good of our order.

Past Department Commander Robert E. Hopkins, Pept. of Penna. Response by Past Commander-in-Chief S. S. Horn as follows: The Department of Pennsylvania mourns the loss of one of its most esteemed Past Commanders—Robert E. Hopkins. It was during the meeting of our Encampment at New Castle that the news of his passing away came to us.

"Bob" as we knew him in Pennsylvania was a real member of the "Old Guard" and his passing away severs another link of that golden chain which age has not tarnished, but rather brightened through the space of time because of the deeper value we rate those who have been practically companions all our fraternal life.

Before the consolidation of the groups of the organizations, Commander of the Eastern Division of Pennsylvania, he served in 1885, and always since has been a loyal member and active in the work.

He was one of those who practiced those principles which brought to us that character of sowing seed which was reaped to the benefit of the Order, and he believed in that motto which I here quote:

If I have sowed one seed that has ripened into grain,
No matter who shall reap, mine will be the gain.

Bob Hopkins is with us no more, but his spirit hovers over us in all our gatherings, and sweetens the atmosphere surrounding us as a friend pays this tribute to his memory.

Past Department Commander Elmer Bartlett, of Washington. No response.

Rev. Frank C. Huston: This concludes our Memorial to those who have passed on. Are there any who have been overlooked?

Past Commander-in-Chief Samuel S. Horn: The chain is broken, the speech of silver must express our feelings for our departed comrades.

Mrs. Mary A. Powers, National Chaplain: I am very grateful to the Sons of Union Veterans for their aid today. Massachusetts lost fifty-three members (no response). Nebraska—Tribute, Friends, all we have left in this world after our loved ones have departed is the memory of their lives with us. Today we have assembled here in loving memory to those who have gone beyond the bar. I place these flowers not only for Nebraska but for all those who have passed and time will not erase it from our memory until all eternity. Sister Chaplain, I think it would be a fitting tribute for you to place the wreath for Massachusetts.

Mrs. Mary A. Powers, National Chaplain: I place this tribute in the basket and in the memory of all who remain.

Rev. Frank Huston: I think it well that we pause as we do for one minute of silence. I think we are inclined to be impatient. I think it is well that we keep the fact in our minds that we have had this hour of remembrance for our friends. Some of those who have been mentioned are strangers to some of us and yet every one who has been mentioned has been a really true friend and son of our friends and this should bind us more closely.

Who is there can measure the worth of a friend,
 The kind that is true to the very end,
 The one above others who knows you still
 Stands by you and loves you thru good and ill.
 Withhold if you will all the riches of the world.
 Take from me all things men have said are of worth,
 Yet, I shall be rich, whatever fate sends,
 If I still have the love of my wonderful friends.

One minute of silence, followed by fourth verse of America, and Rev. Kirkwood Craig, Past National Chaplain closed with prayer and benediction.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

(2:00 P. M., August 27, 1930).

The Encampment was opened in ritualistic form, Commander-in-Chief Cazeau presiding.

Commander-in-Chief: Reports of Committees are in order.

National Secretary: The Credential Committee now reports 182 members enrolled.

It was announced that in the parade this morning there were 49 Sons of Veterans in uniform, 25 bands, 458 band members, 631 Veterans in line, and others marching numbered 308.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RITUALS AND CEREMONIES

Past Commander-in-Chief Samuel S. Horn: The Committee on Ritual had submitted to it two propositions, one from the Department of New Jersey to change the Ritual to include an appropriate Memorial Service for use in the Camps to do honor to the memory of deceased members. The second is from Wisconsin to eliminate the song America from our Ritual, as the Star Spangled Banner is the national anthem. The Committee feel on the first proposition it is up to each Camp and on the other that question is now pending in Congress and we, therefore, recommend no change in the Ritual. I move the adoption of the Report of the Committee.

Moved and seconded by several. Adopted.

August 26, 1930.

To the Officers and Members of the Commandery-in-Chief of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Cincinnati, Ohio. Greetings!

By action of the Department Encampment of New Jersey, the following resolution was adopted. Asbury Park, N. J., June 19th, 1930. Resolved—That the delegates to the National Encampment to be held at Cincinnati, Ohio, are herewith instructed to request the National Encampment to include in the Ritual of the Order's Ceremonials an appropriate Memorial service for use in our Camps to do honor to the memory of departed Brothers.

Fraternally yours in F. C. and L.,

HARRISON M. WILLIAMS,
Department Commander.

Attest—John L. Reeger,
Department Secretary-Treasurer.

Headquarters C. K. Pier-Badger Camp No. 1, Department of Wisconsin:
A resolution by the C. K. Pier-Badger Camp No. 1, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, adopted at the meeting at Memorial Hall, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, April 11, 1930.

Whereas, a bill is now pending in Congress for the legal establishment of the "Star Spangled Banner" as the official National Anthem of the United States, and

Whereas, Sinister efforts have been made for some time past tending to relegate this honored and memorable anthem and the substitution of the song "America" in its place; and

Whereas, The "Star Spangled Banner" by common custom and consent, always has been, now is, and always will be our National Anthem; be it therefore

Resolved, That this Camp heartily endorse the pending bill in Congress, and that we urge its passage; and be it further

Resolved, That we urge the Department and National Encampment of our Order to correct our Ritual to eliminate the song "America" from the same, so far as any question of the position of the "Star Spangled Banner" being accorded full honors and veneration as the National Anthem, without division as to its use by our Order; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be sent to the Commander-in-Chief, Department Commander, and to "The Banner" and that this resolution be spread upon our records.

(Signed) L. C. FENSIL,
Commander.

Attest: E. S. McKay, Secretary.

State of Wisconsin, County of Dane, ss:

C. H. Hudson being first duly sworn, on oath deposes and says, that he is Department Secretary-Treasurer of Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, and that the foregoing is an exact copy of the resolution introduced at the last Encampment, and which was there adopted.

C. H. HUDSON.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 30th day of June, 1930.

H. S. Siggelko, Notary Public, Dane Co. Wis. My commission expires June 18th, '33.

C. W. Dodson, Delegate of Wisconsin: Commander-in-Chief and Brothers: As representative of the Department of Wisconsin I would like to explain our proposition as submitted by us.

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: Go ahead, but the motion has been passed.

Delegate C. W. Dodson: I wish to speak on this second proposition as relates to the Star Spangled Banner and the hymn America. The resolution which is submitted came from C. K. Pier-Badger Camp No. 1, of which I have the honor of being a member. It was adopted by the Wisconsin Department. We do not question the song America or have any objection to it but we question the right of any organization to call the hymn America the National Anthem, and I refer especially to our Ritual, page 17, where it says: "Our national anthem America or the Star Spangled Banner." We feel, in view of the agitation of last year or so by all patriotic organizations of the country, that Congress should adopt a law to make this the national anthem. This organization is the best of us and they should claim and adopt the Star Spangled Banner as the National Anthem alone. We feel there cannot be and never has been more than one national anthem which is entitled to more respect than such as Battle Hymn of the Republic, etc., which are not in the same class with the Star Spangled Banner. We should change our Ritual to read Star Spangled Banner

and leave out America. We feel this organization should be one of the first to take this action. Our organization has gone on record as recommending the adoption of this before Congress. It has passed the House but is still in the Senate and I feel we should take action so that there is official action that we not only recommend the Star Spangled Banner but our Ritual should be changed. The Star Spangled Banner is our National Anthem and it was from the time it was first written at Fort McHenry. I respectfully argue that a vote be taken on it.

Commander-in-Chief: I submit this to the Chairman of the Committee on Rituals.

Past Commander-in-Chief Charles F. Sherman: Commander-in-Chief, the recommendation of the Ritual Committee was adopted. I don't think there is any objection to adopting a resolution to calling the Star Spangled Banner the National Anthem, but until it is passed by Congress there is no National Anthem.

Department Commander J. Z. Collier, of Wisconsin: I move that the Commandery-in-Chief here go on record as favoring the adoption by Congress and recommending the Star Spangled Banner as the National Anthem. We should do it now.

Seconded by Wm. B. Wells, Delegate from Maryland.

National Secretary Hammer: We did that a year ago. Do we want to do it again?

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: We will not repeat our action of a year ago.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

Past Commander-in-Chief Charles T. Sherman, of New York: Commander-in-Chief, and Brothers, I have tried to make this report as abbreviated as possible, and it is not due to any desire to prevent the presentation in full of any resolution which came into the hands of your Committee. The Committee met in formal session and endeavored to analyze each of these several resolutions, some of them are considerably longer than I think you will care to listen to. Your Committee on Resolutions herewith submit the following report:

To the Officers and Members of the 49th Annual Encampment of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War—Greetings:

Resolution No. 1.—In re, to have on Board of Directors of the Grand Army of the Republic Memorial Day Corporation for Arlington Cemetery and the District of Columbia, representatives of the Sons of Union Veterans, offered by Lincoln Camp No. 2 of Maryland and approved by the Department Encampment. Committee recommends its adoption and National Secretary to communicate this approval to the proper authorities.

Resolution No. 2.—In re Restricting Immigration, offered by the Maryland Department. Committee recommends its adoption.

Resolution No. 3.—In re Establishment of Home for indigent Sons of Union Veterans, offered by J. R. Herring Camp No. 10, Illinois, approved by the Illinois Department Encampment. Committee report unfavorably.

Resolution No. 4.—In re "Red or Communistic Propaganda" offered by the Michigan Department. Committee recommend its adoption and the incoming administration be charged with taking the proper steps to make it effective.

Resolution No. 5.—In re Funds for Restoration and Preservation of Flags in National Museums. Not sponsored by any Camp or Department. The motive seems to be worthy and the Committee recommends its adoption.

Resolution No. 6.—In re Observance of 200th Anniversary of the Birth of George Washington, suggested by the George Washington Bicentennial Commission, which I will read.

RESOLUTION.

WHEREAS, The Congress of the United States has created a Commission to arrange a fitting nation-wide observance of the Two Hundredth Anniversary of the Birth of George Washington in 1932, and

WHEREAS, The Commission so created, composed of the President of the United States, the Vice President of the United States, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, four members of the United States Senate, four members of the House of Representatives, and eight citizens appointed by the President of the United States, is charged with the duty of planning and directing the celebration, and

WHEREAS, The high purpose of the event is to commemorate the life, character and achievements of the most illustrious citizen of our Republic and to give every man, woman and child living under the Stars and Stripes an opportunity to take part in the celebration which will be outstanding in the world's history, and

WHEREAS, The George Washington Bicentennial Commission, desiring the full co-operation of the people in the United States has extended a most cordial and urgent invitation to our organization to participate in the celebration, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR does hereby endorse the program of the Two Hundredth Anniversary of the Birth of George Washington, to take place in 1932; accept with appreciation, the invitation of the George Washington Bicentennial Commission, and pledge this organization to extend earnest co-operation to the United States Commission in all possible ways, so that future generations of American citizens may be inspired to live according to the example and precepts of Washington's exalted life and character, and thus perpetuate the American Republic, and be it further

RESOLVED, That this resolution be incorporated in the official proceedings of this meeting and that a copy thereof be transmitted to the George Washington Bicentennial Commission, Washington, D. C.

The Committee recommends its adoption.

Two invitations for our organization to hold its next annual Encampment at Memphis, Tenn., and St. Paul, Minn., were not given consideration because we meet with the Grand Army of the Republic.

WHEREAS, This annual Encampment has been made unusually significant by the presence of the Marine Band of Washington, which was largely initiated by the energetic efforts of our Commander-in-Chief, be it

RESOLVED, That such effort is to be highly commended and that further efforts along that line be continued so long as there is an annual meeting of the Grand Army of the Republic.

WHEREAS, We have enjoyed the hospitality of the good people of Cincinnati, and the State of Ohio, including all efforts of the Sons of Union Veterans of this Department, we are deeply grateful for these unselfish services.

The newspapers of the city have opened their columns most liberally to the end that the Boys in Blue might be given the largest amount of publicity and for this we are grateful.

WHEREAS, The Boy Scouts of this city have rendered much needed assistance to all of our Encampment Officers, being available for anything desired in the way of service, therefore be it,

RESOLVED, That we fully appreciate such loyalty on the part of the youth of this city, thank them most heartily and instruct our National Secretary to communicate such thanks to the Boy Scout Executive of Cincinnati.

Our Commander-in-Chief has set an example during the entire year of whole-hearted devotion to the interests of the Union Veterans, and the upbuilding of our Order, sparing not himself, forgetting the obligations to his family and business, devoting his mind, his ability, his time, his personal fortune to the sole end of creating and fostering a love of the "Old Veterans," and the work of the Sons of Union Veterans. He has truly caught the torch of patriotism and loyal endeavor passed to him by his compeers in Rochester. He has carried it high above all else that it might illumine the dark places of ignorance, superstition and un-American. Surrender it he will not so long as there remains strength in his hand to hold it aloft or need of its light to help humanity. He has engendered the co-operation of his associate officers who will ever retain vivid impressions of the year's work. He has published and circulated, at no expense to the Order, a valuable handbook. All these things mentioned, and many more known only to himself and the beneficiaries he has done, meriting your approbation, which is hereby most graciously extended.

When any organization has an auxiliary of women it is fortunate but when it has an Auxiliary such as the Sons of Union Veterans has, headed by that loyal minded, capable, efficient patriotic sister, Ida B. Lange, and assisted by thousands of like minded sisters, then indeed as it to be congratulated. Our Auxiliary has ever been true to its traditions, failing us never and gives promise of rendering all aid necessary. And we do well to recognize their aid as most timely, for when our chief inspiration, the Grand Army of the Republic shall be no more, then indeed will we need as never before the aid that can come in no other way and from no other source. We tender to them our grateful appreciation and desire that our National Secretary should give to them a copy of this particular part of the report.

No need to restate our attitude toward the Grand Army of the Republic. It will ever be that of a loving son to a noble father. What they desire we will endeavor to do. Loving loyalty shall actuate every act of our lives. Their noble sacrifices shall inspire us to live daily with the love of God and Country as the noblest ambition of us all.

(Signed) C. F. SHERMAN, Chairman,
C. J. WHITE,
W. B. WELLS,
RALPH M. GRANT,
H. V. SPEELMAN,
Committee.

Past Commander-in-Chief Charles F. Sherman: Commander-in-Chief, I move the adoption of this report as read.

Motion seconded by several.

Delegate James G. Wolff, of Massachusetts: There is one resolution which I am not ready to vote on unless I know something about

it, that regarding restricting immigration. We ought to know what it is about.

Past Commander-in-Chief Charles F. Sherman: Brother Wolff is in order and I will give him any information I can. We are not endeavoring to cram anything down your throats at all. I want all to feel satisfied with the report and the action of this Encampment. The resolution comes to us from the Department of Maryland, regularly, I judge, in their own Encampment and not in a Camp.

Delegate R. J. F. McElroy, of Maryland: The resolution had its inception and consent by Committee, was not submitted to the Department of Maryland as there was not sufficient time and so we constructed it for the purpose of submission to the Encampment.

Past Commander-in-Chief Charles F. Sherman: Brother McElroy, I am at fault in my statement and you have made it clear. The Resolution (No. 2) reads:

The Delegates of the Maryland Department present the following proposed resolution:

WHEREAS, One of the fundamental purposes and objects of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War is to oppose all tendencies that may threaten the maintenance of high standards of American citizenship and to favor the exclusion of all aliens unwilling to conform to such standards, and

WHEREAS, As a result of the immigration policy which prevailed in the United States until a recent date, a large number of aliens were admitted who have failed to avail themselves of the privileges, duties and responsibilities of American citizenship and who are a menace to our American ideals and institutions, and

WHEREAS, The recognition by Congress of the necessity of restricting immigration by the passage of the existing "quota laws" has only partially remedied the evils heretofore existing, and such evils still exist, and

WHEREAS, This patriotic organization deems it necessary that all efforts to weaken the existing laws be opposed and that the present laws should be strengthened in many particulars, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That we, the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, in our 49th Annual Encampment assembled, now reaffirm the constitutional objects and purposes of our order, mentioned in the foregoing recitals, and pledge ourselves to oppose any weakening of the present immigration laws, and to work for the adoption of further laws which will still further bar the admission of aliens who would be unsympathetic toward our institutions, or otherwise undesirable, and

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Commander-in-Chief is hereby authorized and instructed to appoint a standing committee of five members of our organization to be known as the Legislative Committee, whose duty it shall be to carry out the spirit and intent of the above resolution.

(Signed) O. P. M. BROWN,

Chairman Legislative Committee, Harding Camp.

U. S. GRANT, 3d, Past Dept. Com.

EVERETT F. WARNER, Past Dept. Com. and Sec.-Treas.

JAMES W. LYONS, Past Dept. Com.

DRUID H. EVANS, Past Dept. Com.

ADELBERT A. TAYLOR, Dept. Com.

R. J. F. McELROY, Delegate

WILLIAM B. WELLS, Delegate

ELMER P. CORRIE, Past Dept. Com.

Past Commander-in-Chief Charles F. Sherman: We have such a Committee (Legislative) and we did not consider that part had any bearing on the matter. The important part is that we oppose ourselves to any further weakening of the present laws and to work for any further laws that would further bar alien immigration. That is why the Committee recommended its adoption. I don't need to speak if there are no further questions.

Delegate James G. Wolff, of Massachusetts: I am not going to argue on the resolution, I just wanted the brothers to know what they are voting on.

Past Commander-in-Chief Harley V. Speelman, Ohio, seconded the motion, of adopting the report of the Committee on Resolutions, as read. Carried.

Past Department Commander J. Kirdwood Craig, of Minnesota: Did that motion cover all the resolutions?

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: Yes.

RESOLUTIONS SUBMITTED.

RESOLUTION NO. 1.

DEPARTMENT OF MARYLAND
SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR

Washington, D. C., May 8, 1930.

The Maryland Department, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, in Encampment assembled, May 8, 1930, unanimously endorsed the attached resolution from Lincoln Camp No. 2, of Washington, D. C., dated April 11, 1930, for presentation to the Commandery-in-Chief for their earnest consideration and action.

Respectfully submitted,

Attest:

EVERETT F. WARNER,
Secretary-Treasurer.

ADELBERT A. TAYLOR,
Department Commander.

Washington, D. C., April 11, 1930.

At a meeting of Lincoln Camp No. 2, Department of Maryland, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, held this date, the following preamble and resolutions were adopted:

WHEREAS, The arrangements for the observance of Memorial Day (May 30th) of each year in the District of Columbia and Arlington National Cemetery, Virginia, is vested in an organization known as "THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC MEMORIAL DAY CORPORATION, DEPARTMENT OF THE POTOMAC, DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA" the articles of such corporation reading as follows:

"First. That the name and title by which this corporation shall be known in law shall be The Grand Army of the Republic Memorial Day Corporation, Department of the Potomac, District of Columbia.

"Second. The term for which it is organized shall be perpetual.

"Third. The particular object and business of said corporation shall be to take charge of and conduct all Memorial Day exercises on the 30th day of May each year in the District of Columbia and at Arlington National Cemetery in Virginia, and to secure funds and make all arrangements of every kind and description that may be necessary to properly carry out the patriotic objects and purposes of said day, and to secure speakers and music for all of the services, and to direct all other matters relating to memorial affairs and cemeteries.

"Fourth. The officers of said corporation shall be a president, and one vice president from each organization represented herein, a secretary, treasurer, and assistant treasurer, whose terms of service shall be for one year, unless sooner removed by resignation, death, or a two-thirds vote of the board of directors, all of whom shall be members of the board of directors of this corporation and elected by a majority vote of said board of directors.

"Fifth. The board of directors of this corporation shall consist of not less than three directors from each organization represented herein and the Department Commanders for that year of each organization represented herein. The president of the corporation shall be the president of the said board of directors. The term of office of one-third of said directors from each organization shall expire each year, so that the entire board may be changed in three years, this arrangement to continue perpetually. Their successors shall be selected by the organizations to which they respectively belong.

"Sixth. The directors shall make such by-laws and regulations as they may deem necessary and advisable for the conduct of the business of this corporation.

"In testimony whereof we have this 17th day of November, A. D. 1928, hereunto set our hands and seals as incorporators:

"G. A. R.—Harry T. Dunbar, Department Commander; Hosea B. Moulton, Past Department Commander; E. D. Godfrey, Assistant Quartermaster General; and William F. Dorsey, Junior Vice Department Commander.

"U. S. W. V.—James G. Yaden, Department Commander; James A. Burns, Department Judge Advocate; Arthur H. League, Past Department Commander; and Charles W. McCaffrey, Past Department Commander.

"V. F. W.—Frank Lockhead, Department Commander; Charles H. Reilly, Past Department Commander; Fred C. Lucas, Department Historian; and William I. Jenkins, Department Adjutant.

"American Legion—Harlan Wood, Department Commander; J. Thad Baker, Past Post Commander; Miss Helen Sprague, Assistant Department Adjutant, and William F. Franklin;" and

WHEREAS, The Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War are not represented in the above named corporation, although the organization of Disabled War Veterans has since been added, which would indicate that the charter of such Corporation may be amended so as to include other organizations, and

WHEREAS, Memorial Day was established by the Grand Army of the Republic and participated in by them and their sons who are now organized into Camps of Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, for many years before the Spanish-American and subsequent wars, the fact is patent that the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War are justly entitled to representation on the Board of Directors of the above named corporation, as the ranks of the Grand Army of the Republic are being rapidly depleted by death and it is the duty of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War to take up the work of their fathers where they lay it down and to see that due honor is paid to their memory on each Memorial Day. As each year adds new graves to be taken care of by the organizations left in the Corporation after the Grand Army of the Republic is no more, such organizations will naturally be more interested in their own dead than in the Civil War soldiers; it is, therefore, highly important that the organization of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War be included in the above

named Corporation with equal rights and authority as are enjoyed by each of the organizations now comprising such Corporation, in order that the interests of the Grand Army of the Republic shall not suffer or be inherited by other organizations. We are related by blood; the other organizations are related merely by comradeship, therefore this inheritance *belongs* to us.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, That the Department of Maryland, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War be requested to take suitable action at their next Encampment session in an endeavor to have included on the Board of Directors of The Grand Army of the Republic Memorial Day Corporation, Department of the Potomac, District of Columbia, a representation of our organization equal to that of any other organization now or at any future time a member of such Corporation. Such representation to be not less than four members until such time as changed to conform with the number of representatives of the other organizations forming such Corporation. These four members to be elected by our Department Encampment at its annual session each year for the following terms: One for three years; one for two years and two for one year at our Encampment for 1930 and one for three years and two for one year at each succeeding Encampment. Such members to be elected to function as soon as our organization becomes a part of the above named Corporation and in the interim to keep in close touch with and render every possible assistance to the Grand Army of the Republic.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That if it becomes necessary, in order to secure the recognition of our order by the Corporation in question, that the Department of Maryland be asked to bring this matter to the attention of the next session of the Commandery-in-Chief which will convene in Cincinnati, Ohio, in August, 1930, with the recommendation that they take the matter up with the Commandery-in-Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic and solicit their good offices in bringing about the recognition asked for. This matter is one that interests the whole Grand Army of the Republic organization as Arlington National Cemetery and other National cemeteries are involved, and it is believed that our fathers as a body will not be in favor of having the rights of their sons trampled upon and killed.

Respectfully submitted,

Attest:

JOHN GILMAN BUGBEE,
Secretary.

GRANT W. VAN DEMARK,
Commander.

RESOLUTION NO. 3.

HEADQUARTERS OF JOS. R. HERRING CAMP NO. 10
SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR

Canton, Illinois, Feb. 12, 1930.

To the Officers and Members of Joseph R. Herring Camp No. 10, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War:

We, your committee appointed to investigate the proposition for the establishment of an Old Folks' Home or home for indigent Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, hereby make the following findings and recommendations:

(1). Because of our limited membership in the Department of Illinois we find it out of the question to even consider the establishment of a Home to be maintained by and for the express use of our members in the State of Illinois. What is true in Illinois is true in

practically every Department in the jurisdiction of the Commandery-in-Chief.

(2). Because of certain specifications and restrictions contained in the bills establishing homes for indigent soldiers and sailors of the Civil War your committee can see no possibility of the doors of these institutions ever being thrown open to members of our order, except to those who have or who may hereafter bear arms in some conflict in defense of the American government.

(3). Your committee feels that, with approximately 50,000 members of our order scattered over the entire country a national home for indigent members of the order could be established and maintained without becoming a serious burden upon our membership. This is a larger body of men than a few years ago constructed and still maintains two fine homes for Knights of Pythias in the State of Illinois. It is a larger body than in many states is now maintaining or building splendid homes for aged and orphans connected with different fraternal organizations. What other orders have done your committee feels the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War can do if they but set themselves to the task.

(4). Your committee recommends that the proposition for the establishment of a national home for aged and indigent members of our order, be submitted to the next annual Department Encampment for consideration, and we further urge that the said Department Encampment take the necessary steps to bring the matter before the 1930 Encampment of the Commandery-in-Chief.

Fraternally submitted in F. C. and L.,
W. C. GULLETT,
LEWIS HUFF,
CHARLIE CONLIN,
Committee.

Adopted this 12th day of February, A. D., 1930.
JESSE SMITH, Camp Commander.

Adopted this 11th day of June, A. D. 1930, at the Forty-eighth Annual Encampment of the Illinois Department.

A. S. HOLBROOK,
Department Secretary-Treasurer.

RESOLUTION NO. 4.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN
SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR

Jackson, Michigan. June 17, 1930.

Mr. H. H. Hammer,
Reading, Pennsylvania.
Dear Brother Hammer:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, About the first of June there appeared in the Public Press an article giving to the public, the propaganda which is being spread by the people who are advocating the Communistic Doctrines in this Country, and

WHEREAS, That Doctrine is in direct opposition of this Order, and of all other Patriotic Bodies, the said article which is hereto attached, explaining itself more fully.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That this Organization place itself most firmly in opposition to the Doctrines herein propagated, and

BE IT HEREBY FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the National Secretary to be presented at the Commandery-in-Chief Encampment at Cincinnati.

Yours in F. C. & L.,

GEORGE E. COGSHALL,

ARTHUR E. LEWIS,

Committee.

Attest:

R. E. FRENCH,

Department Secretary.

PERLE L. FOUCH,

Department Commander.

RESOLUTION NO. 5.

RESOLVED, That we urge the introduction of a Bill in Congress to provide funds for the restoration and preservation of the Battle Flags in our National Museums and under the custody of the Federal Government.

RESOLVED, That the proper official be instructed to send a copy of the resolution to the Hon. T. C. Cochran, House of Representatives, Washington, D. C.

FLAGS IN VERY POOR CONDITION UNDER FEDERAL CONTROL.

41st Infantry national color. 34 stars. Civil War.

U. S. Infantry national color. Mexican and Civil Wars. 34 stars. Carried in four engagements of the Mexican War and in ten engagements of the Civil War.

11th national color. 42 stars.

17th Infantry national color. 43 stars.

18th Infantry national color. 35 stars. Carried in thirteen engagements of the Civil War.

17th Infantry national color. 38 stars.

U. S. Engineers national color. Mexican and Civil Wars. 39 stars. Carried in six engagements of the Mexican War and in ten engagements of the Civil War.

16th Infantry national color. Civil War. 39 stars. Carried in ten engagements.

U. S. Engineers national color. Mexican and Civil Wars. 36 stars.

U. S. Engineers color. Civil War. 36 stars.

Battles: Siege of Yorktown, Mechanicsville, White Oak Swamp, Gaines Mills, Antietam, Fredericksburg, Rappahannock Station, Chancellorsville, Kelly's Ford.

This movement for the preservation of the flags of the National Museums under federal control was first begun by the Col. William G. Murray Post, No. 39, of Pennsylvania, in 1927, and has been endorsed by many G. A. R. Posts and allied organizations of Pennsylvania, by the Ladies of the G. A. R. at Denver in 1928, by the National Bodies of the Spanish-American War Veterans, American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars. The museums affected by this measure will be the Smithsonian, the New National, West Point and Annapolis Naval Academy, the latter two having the most flags to be preserved. As the majority of the flags in these museums were carried in the war of 1861-65, the endorsement of the G. A. R. and its organizations is most conducive to its success.

Respectfully yours,

(Miss) BESS DEAL,

Past President Tent No. 22,

Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War,
Holidaysburg, Pennsylvania.

PRESENTATION OF GAVEL.

Delegate Fred O. Arnold, of Rhode Island: I have a little duty to perform and I think this is a good time to do it. You know, one of the things that is always interesting to this Order is some way to get all we can out of the meeting. Rhode Island is a small State and we are better able to do that than some of the larger States. There are sixteen Camps in Rhode Island and all within visiting distance of each other. We have this gavel which was used in visitation work and went to each Camp until all the Camps in Rhode Island had it. Each Camp placed a ribbon on it and we called it a traveling gavel, and when this was done we thought no finer honors could be given it than to present it to the National Encampment. So, at this time in the name of the Department of Rhode Island, I wish to present this to you for the Commandery-in-Chief. We don't want this to be carried home and be tucked away. We want to see it year by year at the National Encampment. That silver shield bears the names of the Rhode Island Camps. We feel this should be turned over to the Commandery-in-Chief to be carried from meeting to meeting.

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: Very nice and beautifully decorated. While we are on this subject of beautiful gifts, I want to say that someone sent me a bronze enlargement of our badge that could be placed on the radiator of autos. I took it home and my daughter said, "I think I will place it on my car," which she did. Wherever I may go, using her car, someone wants to find out what it is, and I tell them. I do not know where that came from, but I want to thank the senders. It is a pleasing way to advertise.

Delegate Allen B. Howland, of Massachusetts: The medal which you received was from Massachusetts, and was modeled in the State of Massachusetts. These are now on sale by us and each Camp in the organization will receive one. It is of solid bronze and will not tarnish or stain and the letters are very plain and can be read very easily by anyone. They can be secured at \$1.25 each.

BOSTON TRICENTENARY.

Past Department Commander William L. Anderson, of Massachusetts: Commander-in-Chief and Brothers: Boston, Massachusetts, is celebrating its tricentenary anniversary during this year, in other words Boston was founded as a city 300 years ago. When I left Boston the Mayor knew I was coming here and asked me to present to the Officers of the Commandery-in-Chief a tricentenary medal and I am very happy at this time to present them to the Officers of the Commandery-in-Chief; and the Mayor, James M. Curley, hopes that before his office is up that this Encampment of the Grand Army will again come to Boston for their Annual Encampment.

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: I thank you. Take my compliments to the Mayor of the City.

(Brother Anderson then presented medals to the Officers of the Commandery-in-Chief).

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: When I took office a year ago I was hurt when I learned that there was no Camp in Springfield, Illinois, where Lincoln lies buried. I wish to introduce to you Department Commander Morton G. Slocum of Illinois, and to express publicly before you good people that there is now an active Camp in the city of Springfield, Illinois, and it will stay there forever.

Department Commander Morton G. Slocum, of Illinois: Commander-in-Chief: I expected to be called upon and it is very interesting to me to be able to report to this Encampment. I was elected the

Department Commander of Illinois and as I sat in the Encampment listening to the various reports, some of them regarding our membership, I noted there was a gradual decline in the membership in Illinois. After I was elected Department Commander I resolved I would stop the declining membership. With that in view we started out to build up our order. I am now working on new Camps. We have a Camp in Springfield which is in a flourishing condition. I will visit it soon and we will assist in all we can. I think we should all work to this end. This holds good not only in the Department of Illinois but everywhere. Let us resolve that when we go out to build up our respective Camps so that when we meet a year from now the Commander's report will show a decided increase in our membership. I thank you, Commander-in-Chief, for this opportunity of speaking.

FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY.

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: As a matter of information we will be fifty years old next year. Any Brother want to say anything about it?

Delegate W. J. Hickox, of California & Pacific: I think we should make arrangements to have an appropriate celebration, appoint a committee of five members and make this an incentive to attend the next Encampment. I move a committee be appointed to handle this matter accordingly.

Delegate Wm. B. Wells, of Maryland, seconded the motion. Adopted.

MEMORIAL DAY.

Department Commander Eugene C. Somerby, of California & Pacific: The brothers of this Encampment probably have noted the fact that our organization, all over the country, and I know in my Department, is running into the proposition of who should take charge of the ceremonies each Memorial Day. In the state and towns of the Pacific we are having trouble with the Spanish War Veterans and the American Legion wanting to take charge. Those organizations have taken up this matter in an active way to have the Grand Army of the Republic appoint them as rightful heirs. No one is more entitled to be the heir of the G. A. R. than their sons and grandsons and I feel something should be done to put us on a friendly basis with these organizations. I have mentioned this to various men. The proposition is, that we change the eligibility of our organization now or before other organizations put in sons of veterans and let the sons of members of all wars become members of our organization. We should just think about it.

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: We thank you for your suggestion but it wouldn't be in order. There is some confusion as regarding the action of various groups, especially on the Pacific Coast. We are not organized as a Memorial group. Some advise we are forgotten in various localities. If there is a G. A. R. man in the town, let him handle it. Personally in my own state I have been approached by one or two organizations when there is a death. The intelligent part of these groups is for wanting to co-operate. They are co-operating with us. We are the leaders and don't let them take that away from us.

Past Department Commander F. W. Combs, of Ohio: We have two Camps of the World War Veterans and one of the Spanish-American and the Sons of Union Veterans in our town and all over the

county every Memorial Day morning the Spanish-American boys go and have their ceremony for their dead members. About 1:30 in the afternoon 3000 school children form and we put them together and we have a G. A. R. parade, the other boys stand along the sidewalks and salute the Grand Army as they go by, so, we have no conflict in our county in Ohio, and this is the way it is going to be as long as there is a Grand Army veteran left.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVE.

Mrs. J. K. Nickerson, Chairman of the Women's Committee and Executive Committee to arrange for Cincinnati Encampment was announced and escorted in by Past Department Commander White of Massachusetts.

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: In introducing you, Mrs. Nickerson, I wish to say that when I was first called out here as a Grand Army representative, you represented the live units in a most able manner; satisfactory in every way.

Mrs. J. K. Nickerson: Mr. Cazeau, Gentlemen; I don't believe I would have had the courage to be here to see you but I have been in the selling game twenty-five years and I know to get a customer you have to come back. You have taught the City of Cincinnati more in a few days about your organization than many months of our work. When we began working on this in February, we got very little response from the public and we have had some hard times getting things started and organized. The Committee is very well pleased with the pleasant fulfillment of our plans. (Rising vote of thanks given Mrs. Nickerson).

Past Commander-in-Chief Samuel S. Horn presented medal to Mrs. Nickerson and escorted her out.

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: I introduce to you Past Commander-in-Chief Newton J. McGuire.

Past Commander-in-Chief Newton J. McGuire, of Indiana: While it may be that I have missed a couple of Encampments and didn't answer to the first roll call, I have attended twenty-nine Encampments of the Sons of Union Veterans and I don't think there are many men in the room that can say that. I see a great many new faces that weren't here back in the '80's and '90's and a great deal of encouragement comes to me that these new faces mean they are going to take the places and do the work better than the old boys have done. I was glad to be here at the session. I couldn't get here sooner, business and other reasons sometimes prevent and I am getting to the age when I sometimes attend to my own work. Most of my time has been spent with the Sons of Union Veterans and I believe it has proved results. (Applause).

FLAG PRESENTATION.

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: Department Commander Geist, please come forward. At the beginning of the year I offered a flag to the Department which had shown the greatest increase in the last year. You have won the flag by your earnest work, and I will ask Past Department Commander Neil Cranmer of New York to present this flag to you.

Past Department Commander Neil D. Cranmer of New York; Commander-in-Chief, Brothers, Brother Geist: The Department of Colorado & Wyoming just a few years ago was very small but it has grown fast. We feel that this organization of the Sons of Union Veterans has not been of the mushroom type but it has been the

steady increase which has counted. Those who attended the Encampment at Denver in 1928 and who were in the State Museum, saw their species of minerals, particularly gold and silver, and your members are of the same metal as gold and silver and you have demonstrated that in making the splendid gain you have and in winning for the Colorado Department the flag offered by the Commander-in-Chief. Red stands for the streams of blood that the Boys in Blue offered to their Government. If you were called upon we feel that you would spring to action just as splendidly as did the Boys in Blue, because of the red blood you possess, and many times the honors of peace are just as great as the honors of war. I need not remind you that the white stripes stand for virtue, right living, etc., the basis of our organization. All members should be, on all occasions, a credit to this organization. And the blue, of course, stands for faithfulness and we expect that you will be faithful to the heritage which is yours, as the sons of the men in '61-'65, and that you will be loyal to this organization.

It is now my pleasure to present to you Old Glory because it comes from my Commander-in-Chief from my State of New York, who has given us this splendid administration this year, and because you have shown the best gain. I am glad to present it also for what the flag stands. I believe in turning it over into your hands you will love and revere it and continue such principles in the future as you have carried out in the past. Our fathers carried this at Chickamauga, and climbed up more than 14,000 feet to Pikes Peak with it. We are not asking you to carry it to Pikes Peak but in your hearts of noble endeavor as the Sons of Union Veterans. (Applause). (Flag presented and the Star Spangled Banner sung.)

Department Commander, Frederick W. Geist, of Colorado & Wyoming. Commander-in-Chief, Brothers, in behalf of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming, we accept the Star Spangled Banner and can assure you there will be no action of any member of that Department that will ever cause a stain on this flag. The credit is not alone due me. If we win again next year please give us something else as we now have two flags, having won last year's flag as the Department making the greatest gain. It is an all-day job. I want to say that since our report in June we have organized one camp of thirty-four at Trinidad, Colo., and we are about to institute a camp at Oklahoma City, of twenty-two. To Brother Arnold I say we have the same trouble with the Spanish American soldiers. We had some trouble, but we have them with us now. (Applause).

STATE AID FOR MEMORIAL DAY

Delegate James G. Wolff, of Massachusetts: Brother Arnold I want to get acquainted with you. Here is what I want to say, no doubt you know it, but others may not, bearing out what was said before the meeting. We are up against a proposition of what to do for a Memorial Day appropriation after the G. A. R. is gone. We had enough influence to have the Legislature make an appropriation to any city or town where a Post meets and I believe that is the first recognition any state has given our order and I pass it on to you so that you can have a Bill in other States. I am sure our brother upon application will give a copy of this.

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: I thank you for calling our attention to this, as it is important. In the Empire State the Military Law covers the Grand Army of the Republic, Spanish War Veterans

and the Veterans of the World War as the custodian of all funds appropriated for Memorial Day use. We are to petition the legislative body of our State to the end that there will be added to this part of the Military Law, the Sons of Union Veterans. This has been brought the Military Law, the Sons of Union Veterans. This has been brought into existence by an Act of Legislature in several of our states.

Past Department Commander Robert T. Alcorn of Connecticut: I call to your attention a little plan we have had in operation for three years. Upon the death of a Civil War Veteran a flag is kept at half mast.

REPORT OF THE PRESS COMMITTEE

Past Department Commander Neil D. Cranmer, of New York: We report that we have visited three or four newspapers and are very well pleased with the space we have been given, on many reports we think they have used the entire copy we have furnished them. In some cases in cutting down they made errors. We have received a creditable amount of publicity, particularly in this vicinity of our country.

BUILDING UP THE ORDER

Alternate Delegate S. A. Drummond, National Soldiers Home, Los Angeles, of the California and Pacific Department: Perhaps I have been in touch with as many of the Grand Army as any man in the United States, having been the attorney in the largest home for soldiers in the United States. I will go back to my work greatly enthused, help to build up this organization to what it ought to be and I hope sometime will be the greatest and most influential organization in the United States of America, that is what it should be.

Past Commander-in-Chief Walter C. Mabie: I think it would be well to see the distant points represented at this Encampment.

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: How many here from the State of Washington—one, and one from Florida.

PHILLIPS PRIZE

Past Department Commander Walter A. Waterman, of New York: I suspect there are many here who will be interested in the Phillips book which was presented here which won the prize for the best legislative body of our State to the end there will be added to this part of Law covers the Grand Army of the Republic. Spanish War Veterans plan whereby camps may create and hold the interest of the younger members of the order. I took an opportunity today to read that book. It is a splendid thing and Past Commander Illinois Department Fred Phillips should be very proud of having a son like F. Lewis Phillips. I believe that is to be the best thing in our order that we work to build up our order with the grandsons and sons of grandsons.

Delegate R. J. Hill, of Colorado & Wyoming: I would like to ask a question, especially of Camp No. 6, Chicago. We have heard a great deal of this book by Brother Phillips and I would like to ask if we can avail ourselves of copies of this. I make request that there be 5000 copies of this book made available so that the Commanders of the Camps can use them.

ORGANIZATIONS SHOULD UNITE ON MEMORIAL DAY

Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief Robert L. Whitcomb of Maine: One of the questions that have been raised is the matter of our rules, especially on Memorial Day, with regard to the Veterans of the Spanish American and World War. I belong to a camp at Portland, Maine, that has had the most complete and sincere recognition that any has had. The G. A. R. recognizes the camp in a wonderful way. When Memorial Day comes around this is taken care of by the members and Committee which consists of members of the Sons of Union Veterans, Spanish War Veterans, and the Veterans of the World War all being represented. There was a little trouble about some features we ought to have injected into the Memorial Day program but we managed to have a Committee arrange so nicely that the Grand Army ideas predominated. The soldiers monument erected to the soldiers and sailors of the Civil War is decorated by the members of the Sons of Union Veterans, G. A. R. and all organizations. It is the policy of the State to remember that we as Sons of Union Veterans first owe our allegiance to the Soldiers of the Civil War, and also all other wars. We won't gain anything by allowing anyone to assume that we don't recognize the World War and the Spanish American Veterans. It is an offense that we should try in every logical way on every occasion to eliminate and combine with all veterans of all wars, but as Sons of Civil War Veterans it is our intention to keep the memories of our fathers fresh and should keep our allegiance to them. In most every case where it happened that the Sons of Union Veterans have appeared in the background and the Legion and Spanish War Veterans have taken charge the G. A. R. have handed it over to the Legion. I don't think it is the fault of the World War Veterans or the Spanish American Veterans, it is the fault of the Sons of Union Veterans, as such a thing would not be done if the Sons of Union Veterans were properly organized in that locality. As members of the order it is our business to do our duty.

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: I thank you, that is mighty fine.

REPORT OF COUNCIL-IN-CHIEF

Council-in-Chief Everett F. Warner of Maryland: The Council-in-Chief of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, for the year 1929-30, met at the Convention Hall in Portland, Maine, the following members being present: A. A. Bronsdon, Fred G. Hansen, Everett F. Warner. The Council organized by the election of Everett F. Warner, Chairman; A. A. Bronsdon, Secretary.

Official bonds of the Commander-in-Chief and the National Secretary-Treasurer were fixed as follows: Commander-in-Chief \$1,000; National Secretary-Treasurer \$10,000.00.

BUDGET

Estimated Receipts—1930-'31

Per capita tax (40,000 @ 36c per annum)	\$14,400.00
Fees for new members (2,000 @ 50c)	1,000.00
Charters (25 @ \$5.00)	125.00
Supplies	2,500.00
Bank Balance	4,281.02
Total	\$22,306.02

Estimated Expense

General Expenses (Encampment)	\$ 1,800.00
Supplies	1,500.00
The Banner (42,000 @ 1½c)	6,300.00
Shipping Supplies	75.00
Printing	500.00
Salary of Secretary-Treasurer	3,300.00
Bonds of National Officers	35.00
Marking Graves Committee	75.00
Office Expense	1,200.00
Commander-in-Chief	1,500.00
Total	\$16,285.00

The balance on hand for this Encampment is deposited in the Reading National Bank as certified by W. G. Mast, cashier, at the close of business on August 22, 1930, and is \$4,281.02.

The Council-in-Chief desire to again bring to the attention of this Encampment a question of serious concern to the Order—"Dropped members"—and we respectfully suggest to the incoming Commander-in-Chief that he take counsel and endeavor to formulate some plan whereby this tremendous loss sustained each year may be greatly reduced, if not entirely eliminated.

We recommend that the proceedings be printed as House document by Congress, with the proceedings of the other organizations, viz: the Grand Army of the Republic, United Spanish War Veterans, American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Daughters of American Revolution, Boy Scouts of America, American War Mothers, American Battle Monument Association, which is now being done. The adoption of this recommendation would mean a saving in round numbers to the organization, in printing and postage of \$700.00 annually.

The attention of the Commandery-in-Chief is called to the fact that the contract for our Official Publication—The Banner—expires December 31, 1931, and it is recommended that the incoming Council-in-Chief investigate this matter and submit a report thereon at the next meeting of the National Encampment.

The Council-in-Chief, to whom has been referred a letter from Mrs. Ida B. Lange, National President, Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, regarding the participation of the Commandery-in-Chief in the expense incident to the presentation of a tablet (Lincoln's Gettysburg Address) in whatever City we meet, beg to recommend concurrence therein, with the understanding that our contribution shall not exceed the sum of \$50.00

Your Council-in-Chief recommend that the per capita tax remain the same as at present, viz: 9c per quarter—36c per year—per member.

We desire to express our sincere appreciation and thanks to Commander-in-Chief Theodore C. Cazeau and the National Secretary-Treasurer Horace H. Hammer, for the excellent work performed by these worthy officials during the year; to Commander-in-Chief Cazeau we wish to extend our hearty congratulations for his success, due to his untiring efforts for the welfare of our beloved Order, and to National Secretary-Treasurer Hammer we extend our sincere thanks for his faithful, courteous, painstaking, economical and efficient

service during the year, and to each and every member of our organization who have in any way contributed to the success of our Order during the past year.

I move the adoption of the report as read.

EVERETT F. WARNER,
Chairman,
ALLEN A. BRONSDON,
Secretary,
FRED G. HANSEN.

Delegate E. M. Lowe of Ohio, seconded. Carried.

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: We recess until 9:00 A. M. tomorrow.

THURSDAY MORNING SESSION

(9:30 A. M., August 28, 1930).

The Encampment opened in ritualistic form with Commander-in-Chief Cazeau presiding.

GREETINGS COMMITTEE FROM THE WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS

The Woman's Relief Corps Greetings Committee was announced.

Past Commander-in-Chief Samuel S. Horn, of Pennsylvania: It is my extreme pleasure to present the Committee from the Woman's Relief Corps, and on behalf of the members of the Sons of Union Veterans, I welcome them to our meeting,—Past National President Edith M. Christy of Ohio, Mrs. Josie C. Bennett, of Nebraska, and Miss Mae Hughes, of New York.

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: It is a real pleasure for me to present Mrs. Christy, of Ohio, as one of the representatives of the Committee on Greetings of the Woman's Relief Corps.

Past National President, Mrs. Edith M. Christy: Commander-in-Chief and members of the Sons of Union Veterans. It is truly a very great honor and privilege for me to come to your organization this morning. Three years ago I remember Dr. Homan's convention. I happened to be in office at that time and I told him some future time I certainly hoped to have the honor of coming here and trying to make this visit good at some future date. Boys, Sons of our Union Veterans, you know that the G. A. R. is our first thought, has been our inspiration and life from the beginning of our work and next in our hearts comes their sons—this organization of the Sons of Union Veterans. We know how kind you have been and what you are doing for our comrades. Three years ago I remember being with Dr. Homan on many of the visits we made throughout the United States and it has been such a happy memory to think of the wonderful experience which we had together and his thought for the boys in blue. I would like the others to express to you their greetings and the affection we have for you. Commander-in-Chief, our National President, whom you know very well. Mrs. Margaret J. Lewis Bennett, wanted me to convey to you her best wishes and to leave a little memory from our national organization.

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: I thank you Mrs. Christy and express to your National President the remembrance of the choicest memories of this year, when our groups have been together.

Mrs. Josie C. Bennett, of Nebraska: Commander-in-Chief I bring not only the greetings of our Woman's Relief Corps organization but my personal greetings. I am a Daughter of a Veteran and I gave to the last war a son, so I can call you sons. My very heartiest wishes for a successful and pleasant convention.

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: Last, but not least, when we have anything from Rochester it is good, and Miss Mae Hughes as a member of the Greetings Committee of the Woman's Relief Corps, is welcome here. She is a frail, delicate, sweet little miss. Her father held us

together with a charm of music as Brother Huston now does, and it is with real pleasure that I introduce to you Miss Mae Hughes.

Miss Mae Hughes, of New York: Commander-in-Chief, I sort of felt at home when I entered the door. I am frank to confess I am here under false pretenses. I might be guilty of forgery, for when the convention records were on the table before the Sons of Union Veterans Auxiliary—I did some political work and I learned the tricks of the trade—so I substituted my name and got in on the Sons meeting. Besides being a frail shell, or whatever it was the Commander-in-Chief called me, I am also a maiden lady and it is thrilling to get up before men instead of women. When the Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army visited us at Jamestown he said he couldn't understand why some man hadn't forcibly taken me in any of those years, and too, my convention felt so sorry they gave me a ring and now all I need is a man, but I haven't got one yet so I will come back.

Commander-in-Chief you and I have fought with each other, against each other and together for all the good causes for which the Grand Army stands and I am happy to be here. All the home folks are very proud of you. I have been called a crepe hanger, but I wasn't going to say I love you for that isn't respectful so I will extend to you our heartiest greetings.

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: Coming from an old home town young lady I appreciate this very much, and I am going to ask Past Department Commander U. S. Grant, III, of Maryland to respond to the Greetings Committee from the Woman's Relief Corps.

Past Department Commander U. S. Grant, III, of Maryland: We are very grateful to you for this call, we are thankful for your greetings, particularly for the spirit which actuated them. The Commander-in-Chief made the first mistake of his term, as Commander-in-Chief, when he asked me to respond to what you have so gracefully said and, of course, I cannot possibly be equal to the occasion. I have had the good fortune to be married for some twenty-two years and I have learned you cannot respond adequately. So I would not attempt it. We are very much touched by your coming. We hope you will take back with you, and hope you will express as you so ably can, all you read in our hearts and eyes, and I am sure there will be some who are not already accounted for who will make every effort to change this sad situation of the representatives from New York. We didn't know Rochester was so behind the times as to leave this fair lady single. Realizing there is neither time nor words to say all we have to say to you and all we want you to take back, I am going to count on your winsome way to take back all we mean.

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: I thank you Col. Grant, splendid indeed.

The Woman's Relief Corps Greetings Committee was escorted out.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON OFFICERS REPORTS

Past Commander-in-Chief John E. Sautter, of Pennsylvania: Your Committee on Officer's Reports examined the reports of all officers, as contained in pamphlet, copy of which has been available to every member of this Encampment. All of them are of interest, contain information of extreme value and ought not to be read only but be given careful study by all. We comment upon the individual reports as follows:

COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF. Supplementing the pamphlet containing the report of all officers there has been given each representative to this Encampment a book containing additions to the official report

of Commander-in-Chief Cazeau, addresses delivered by him upon various occasions, copies of letters addressed to officers and members, as well as other official correspondence of interest, together with much other both valuable and interesting information.

To really appreciate the service rendered our order by our beloved Commander-in-Chief, and know him aright one must both read and study all in his booklet. Many of us have been privileged to know him for many years as an active, interested member of our Order, a real patriot, keenly interested in everything that pertains to the welfare of his Country and our Order. But his year of service reveals him to all as a devoted, conscientious leader.

He has given us his best, and that has been much, and we owe him a debt of gratitude for the manner he has represented us and served us.

His report is unique in that it contains no recommendations.

SENIOR VICE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF. Brother Yengling brought to his year of services a knowledge of our Order gained by many years of continuous interested membership in it. He served us well.

Interested especially in the military branch of our Order—thoroughly impressed that it offers an avenue of development that will prove of value, he offers one recommendation in connection therewith—that a National Chief of Staff be elected at this session of the Commandery-in-Chief.

The constitution and regulations contain needed regulations to govern our military body but there is no provision for the office of Chief-of-Staff. It is the thought of your Committee, therefore, that Brother Yengling should offer such an amendment to the resolutions as in his judgment will meet the conditions he refers to.

JUNIOR VICE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF. Long an active interested member, devoted to our organization, believing in it as a needed one, Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief Whitcomb, in a year as one of the national officers, but continued that which has characterized him—service to the Order he loves.

His report contains no recommendations.

NATIONAL SECRETARY-TREASURER. His report has been offered to you annually for twenty-five consecutive years. Each year it has received your careful, critical and interested attention. Each year it has through the report of a Committee similar to this, been the subject of a laudatory expression. What can be added—Horace Hammer as a National Secretary-Treasurer is all that has been said in praise of him—plus—because mere words cannot adequately do him justice. His sacrifices for this Order, through an official connection with it for a quarter of a century have been many, but given freely and not disirious of official praise.

In a word—This Order is indebted to him in a way that can never be adequately met. We love him for his sterling character—admire him for his efficient service. Would that we all could copy his interest, endeavor to give as he has given, and have our Order in our hearts as it has been in his heart. No sacrifices have been too great. All orders have an office similar to his, but no order has one filling it more capably, efficiently, honorably than he.

His report contains information of extreme interest and value. Every member should read and study and analyze it—then will he better appreciate the real problems of our Order that confront us.

NATIONAL PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR. Brother Kennedy may not be as old a members as some of us, but he has already rendered

a service of extreme value to our Order. He, with other interested and devoted members who surround him have proven, and will continue to prove, that camps can still be instituted, members gained—and that there is no real reason why we should not grow. He and they have demonstrated that it can be done, if the will to do exists.

The office of National Patriotic Instructor is an important one and the statistics offered in his report, regrettably incomplete because of the failure of camp officers, give a slant into our work that is important.

If we fail as an Order and as individual members in the fulfillment of our patriotic principles, then shall we indeed merit condemnation—a strong word perhaps but a just one.

NATIONAL CHAPLAIN. Brother Walker also offers a report of interest and deserves our gratitude for the efforts put forth to make it complete. We realize, however, that as in other years, it is *not*, and subsequently does not reflect the real service rendered by our members in the fulfillment of our designated Principles and Objects. But as incomplete as it is, it does prove that we are doing a real worthwhile, telling work for good.

NATIONAL COUNSELOR. Our National Counselor shows, by his report that he has had an unusually busy year. He has been called upon to render many decisions, some of them of real importance. Each of them have been carefully studied by your Committee, and all receive our approval.

Printed with the Reports of Officers' is one from Brother C. R. Hale, as Chairman of Committee on marking graves, which is of interest and should receive attention and action from the Encampment.

Also that of the National Legislative Committee of their work. It, likewise, should receive your consideration and merits your approbation.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN E. SAUTTER, Chairman,
EDWIN G. IRELAN,
FRANK SHELLHOUSE,
EUGENE C. SOMERBY.

Past Commander-in-Chief John E. Sautter: Commander-in-Chief, I move to adopt the report as read. Delegate Alfred E. Gleason, of Rhode Island seconded the motion. Carried.

GREETINGS COMMITTEE FROM THE DAUGHTERS OF VETERANS

The Greetings Committee from the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War was escorted in by Past Commander-in-Chief Frank Shellhouse, and Past Department Commander W. B. Moynihan, of New York.

Past Commander-in-Chief Frank Shellhouse. Commander-in-Chief Cazeau, it gives me great pleasure to introduce to you Mrs. Tena M. Duncan, Chairman of the Greetings Committee, Daughters of Union Veterans.

Past Department Commander W. B. Moynihan of New York: Commander-in-Chief, Brothers, I introduce to you Mrs. Mary M. Stickney.

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau. Sisters, Mrs. Tena M. Duncan and Mrs. Mary M. Stickney, we greet you.

Mrs. Tena M. Duncan, Fort Worth, Texas: Commander-in-Chief, Sons of Union Veterans, we bring you greetings from the Daughters of the Union Veterans of the Civil War. We also have the same blue blood of heritage as our brothers, as daughters of the Veterans of the Civil War. We bring you greetings from almost 200,000 loyal daughters of Union Veterans, whose fathers were in the war of '61-'65.

We also love to revere Washington and those who fought in 1812, but most of all our dear fathers. When we come from the Daughters of Union Veterans we want you to know we are standing side by side with you and to do what our fathers should want us to do and we will tell of their deeds to the world. They gave a contribution to society, and it is your privilege to tell what your fathers did and you must measure up to the standards of our fathers. It is pretty fine to die for your country but it is better to live for it. It is fine to do what we should on the battlefields of life. We want the Sons of Union Veterans to revere and love the Comrades, and this is the greeting from our National President Grace Hurd to all of you here.

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: I appreciate your sincerity, and personally I wish to extend to your National President my best greetings, and a remembrance that I have of some very delightful memories in my traveling around the country.

Mrs. Mary M. Stickney, of Springfield, Ill: Commander-in-Chief, I am Past President of your Auxiliary as well as a Daughter of a Veteran. I hope you will have a good convention and we extend to you our heartfelt greetings.

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau. Past Commander-in-Chief Ralph M. Grant please respond.

Past Commander-in-Chief Ralph M. Grant, of Connecticut: Commander-in-Chief, Sisters of Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War—my best wishes in response to the Committee. We look forward year by year to our National Encampment and to our State Encampment, and in our Department to the interest of your organization which we count for our own. You have well reminded us that we have the same proud heritage as you have. You prize it as we prize it. We know in our home experience that a parent does not like one child more than another but yet I know that deep down in every heart there is pride, love and affection for every child unsurpassed, and you stand in that estimation with us. We have listened to your words, you will take back our words of thanks, coming deep from all that is true in us and appreciation of your pleasant words, and I wish Godspeed for your Organization in the coming year.

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: I certainly thank you, Brother Grant.

National Secretary Hammer: A supplementary report of the Credential Committee is presented showing 189 members comprise the Encampment.

Past Department Commander J. Kirkwood Craig of Minnesota: I happened to be one-third of the Committee to serve as Judge at the stunts at Masonic Hall last night. Some went home too early to get the latest news. Miss Mame Dwyer and I had a meeting and agreed upon Past Department Commander A. A. Bronsdon, of Massachusetts, and we three served as a Committee to judge the stunts put on. We came to the unanimous decision that the first prize, a silver loving cup, should go to the Bay State Department of Massachusetts, who portrayed the early history of Massachusetts, in which the Indians and Pilgrims had leading parts. They are to hold this cup for one year unless they can secure it for three successive years when it becomes their permanent property.

Honorable mention was given to Maine because of their splendid orchestral music.

We have an observation to make and a recommendation to this Encampment, and Sister Dwyer is to make the same announcement to the Auxiliary—that a Committee of three be appointed by the incoming National Officers to draw up a set of suggestions, rules and regulations, to be printed in The Banner at least a month prior to the meeting at Des Moines in 1931, this committee to serve under Brother Frank Huston, and these members of the Committee to come to Des Moines prepared to report on stunts to be put on at the Encampment, so that we may not have to go to school so many times in the same night. I move that such a Committee be appointed. Seconded by several. Carried.

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: Of the National Conventions of the Rotary Club, Lions, Kiwanis, etc., if you have ever attended any of those, you will say that the Stunt Night put on last evening was the best amateur entertainment you ever attended.

GREETINGS COMMITTEE FROM THE AUXILIARY TO THE SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR

Past Department Commander J. Kirkwood Craig of Minnesota, National Counselor A. G. Courtney, of New York, and Department Commander Fred C. Bernard, of New York, acted as escorts to the Committee from the Auxiliary.

Past Department Commander J. Kirkwood Craig, of Minnesota: Commander-in-Chief, I take pleasure in presenting these three wonderful women, Past National Presidents of the Auxiliary of the Sons of Union Veterans, Miss Mayme Dwyer, New York; Mrs. Margaret Patterson Stephens, Ohio, and Mrs. Emma Finch, of Indiana.

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: We are most cordial in our greetings to you.

Miss Mayme Dwyer: Commander-in-Chief, members of the National Organization, the sisters of your Auxiliary bring you greetings. It was the happy thought of our National President to send three Past National Presidents. We have the right kind of a National President and she sent only the best she had. I am especially happy because I am bringing to you the greetings of our National President who comes from our own State of New York to your Commander-in-Chief who also comes from that State, which is without any contradiction the best State in the Union. There is possibly a personal reason why I am so happy. As you know it was my privilege to serve as National President during the World War and we had as Department Commander of New York, Brother Cazeau at that time, I take this opportunity, in the presence of his brothers, to personally thank him after nearly eleven or twelve years for the many courtesies he extended to me at that time. He was a fine friend of mine in a year of trouble and I tell you, I think he will agree, that I have tried to be a friend to him in his year of trouble. I admit no one of us is throwing bouquets when I say that he knows our organization better than when he started on his job. We know he has possibly made mistakes and we want to tell him we are so happy he made them. When you don't make mistakes it is time to cross your hands and place a lily there, and we ought to try to set a smile on our faces before we lie down. We are glad you have been human. If you have made mistakes they have been mistakes of the head and not of the heart. You have said you were willing to make any corrections,

and that is well. With the Greetings of our National President last but by no means least go my own personal greetings to you.

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: Miss Mayme Dwyer of New York, is a booster at all times. And now I want to present to you Mrs. Margaret Patterson Stephens, Past National President of Ohio, who was a great aid to James Hughes, Jr., Past Department Commander of Ohio. When the Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army turned the front of the battle over to Jimmie Hughes to prepare for this Encampment, I want you to know that he had the aid of this Past National President, and if it hadn't been for Jimmy Hughes and our Margaret, I believe that this Encampment would be a total failure.

Mrs. Margaret Patterson Stephens: Commander-in-Chief, members of the Sons of Union Veterans. Our chairman has explained to you why the National President sent us. I thought she gave me this honor because I was from Ohio. I hope you are all having a good time in Cincinnati. I met your Commander-in-Chief in Rochester when I was Department President of Ohio, and he did all he could for the Department of Ohio, and we in turn have tried to do what we could for the Commandery-in-Chief. Commander-in-Chief, it is the privilege of our Organization to present to each year a clock. This year our National President thought fit to send it to your home for safekeeping. I want to present it to you, and you will find it there when you return. Anyway, I want to bring the love and best wishes of your Auxiliary to all assembled here. We are doing all we can in the service of the G. A. R., and there is no better service for the G. A. R. than a monument in the form of a large organization of Sons of Union Veterans and a splendid Auxiliary back of it. (Applause).

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: I want to briefly say when the clock ticks the chimes of the hour that the minutes of this year will always be brought back most vividly, and as it ticks on and ticks on, a greater vision looms up in our Patriotic Endeavor for the Grand Army.

Mrs. Emma Finch: Commander-in-Chief, my National President has honored me more greatly than she knew when she gave me the opportunity of attending my first meeting of the Sons of Union Veterans. I haven't had the same opportunity of meeting Brother Cazeau, but I told him I knew him, as we had our feet under the same table when he was a visitor to Indiana. We were happy to have Brother Cazeau as guest of our organization. He replied, "Oh yes, I remember eating with you." They say the road to every man's heart is through his stomach. I am glad to come to you. I never saw a more handsome body of men than you have here.

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau. The little woman who has served you so faithfully under trying conditions this year, traveling along her way, is a heroine, who has been dealing with the Grand Army so great a number of years. I know as you know that it is a little woman who is the heroine of the events of life. Mrs. Lange has exemplified that, and personally I want to have you convey that message to her and if I can get away I will try to do so personally. Dr. Sheldon, will you please respond.

Past Commander-in-Chief Ralph Sheldon of New York: Commander-in-Chief, Sisters of the Auxiliary, I trust that your calling upon me to respond will not put this body in the same condition as was reported by a man who attended church—very much to the surprise of one of his neighbors he reported having attended church on Sunday, "I question that" said the man, "and will ask you to prove it by giving me the text of the sermon." He replied "He gaveth his beloved sweet." He said "that was good indeed, I am glad you

remembered it." "Who were at the service" he asked next and the man replied "as far as I could see only the beloved."

In Holy Writ we are told that upon the creation of the world man was created and God on inspection of his work decided He could improve upon the creation and so He made a woman. He did not take part of his head to be his superior, nor of his foot to be his inferior, but of his side that she might be his equal, and equal you are in every way, and yet women have proven in many ways more than equal to men. We talk about the patriotism of our fathers, that they were heroic. Man is heroic and patriotic under shot and shell. Think of the poor women, the wives of those men, the daughters, mothers and the sweethearts, carrying on for the children, supporting and feeding them, by candlelight darning, mending, saving, to support and keep up the family—that was the greatest form of patriotism. Our Encampment would indeed be far from complete if it were not for the visitation of our Auxiliary. We appreciate your coming; we appreciate your value. We appreciate what you have done for Our Order. I trust that the other two members of the Committee will pardon if I refer personally to my good friend Mayme Dwyer. I have known and loved her many years, as she is loved personally by every member of the New York Department. She stated here that without fear of contradiction New York State had the best President of the Auxiliary and Commander-in-Chief, and I quite agree with her and I want other members to take back the notes and the information to your Auxiliary that if at any time you want a National President all you have to do is come to New York State and she will produce same. I would suggest and offer this too, to the Sons of Union Veterans who have not yet taken unto themselves a good wife. God's greatest work is woman and my advice to each and every one of the Sons who has not taken a wife unto himself is to do so at once and then pay honor, reverence and devotion to his position.

At your command, Commander-in-Chief, I have made the attack, whether you or our members will consider it a general attack or only a scrimmage must be decided, but I hope you feel I have conducted my oratory in good order.

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: We thank you, Dr. Sheldon.
Committee from the Auxiliary escorted out.

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

Past Commander-in-Chief Charles F. Sherman of New York: Commander-in-Chief and Brothers, our Committee on Resolutions has one more resolution which has been handed to the Committee. I will read it because I think it is of considerable importance to this Encampment. It is from the Department of Pennsylvania and bears the signature of Department Commander Jacob H. Wentzel of Pennsylvania. It is as follows:

WHEREAS, we believe that the teaching of patriotism is one of the outstanding objects of our organization and must continue to be if we wish to preserve the ideals and institutions fostered by our fathers, and

WHEREAS, we know that in many schools of America, the educational leaders are placing too little emphasis upon the teaching of patriotism, it is therefore,

RESOLVED: By the Sons of Union Veterans of U. S. A., in this the Forty-ninth Annual Encampment of the Commandery-in-Chief, assembled at Cincinnati, August 24th-29th, 1930, that the National

Patriotic Instructor be appointed at this Encampment, and be authorized to formulate a minimum provision of requirement for the teaching of patriotism in the public schools of America.

RESOLVED: That the report of minimum requirements for the teaching of Patriotism, together with recommendations for furthering such a program in every department, be reported to the next Annual Encampment of the Commandery-in-Chief.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the National Patriotic Instructor be requested to secure the cooperation of all other patriotic organizations to the end that the spirit and purport of these Resolutions be consummated.

Past Commander-in-Chief Charles F. Sherman: I move the adoption of the report as read.

R. J. McElroy, Delegate, Maryland seconded. Adopted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTION AND REGULATIONS

Past Commander-in-Chief Wm. M. Coffin: The Committee reports that only one proposal has come before the Committee in proper form. It is a proposal from the Department of Maryland to change Section 5, Article 6 of the Constitution, which now reads as follows: "or which becomes reduced to less than the number of camps and members required for organization." The proposed amendment would change the last quoted clause to read "or which becomes reduced to less than five (5) duly organized camps in good standing."

So that as amended Section 5, Article 6, shall read as follows:

"Section 5. The Commander-in-Chief shall have power to revoke the Charter of any Department which may not conform to the Constitution and Regulations of this order, OR WHICH BECOMES REDUCED TO LESS THAN FIVE (5) DULY ORGANIZED CAMPS IN GOOD STANDING."

The committee reports adversely on the report. The minority is willing to cut out the entire section, or let it remain as it was.

There were several papers handed to the Chairman of the Committee which were not submitted in due form, nor over a signature.

There is a request as to how a member could be taken into the order, as to whether or not one who has been voted into a Camp may be obligated and thus placed on the rolls by merely signing the obligation which is found on the application blank, in the presence of a member of the Camp. I think it worth while to answer this question. There are quite a number of things we do by custom and for quite a number of years they have been taken in by signing the questions on the back of the application form. I simply call this to the attention of the Commander, and he can, if he wishes, advise on the question.

There is a question suggesting that they be permitted to take in members at large in Camps where they could not get enough to start a Camp. Any Department could take in a member at large, they can do anything that is not specifically denied by the constitution. Any power not assumed by higher power could be assumed, a state Camp could have the proper work done where the Department headquarters are.

Another proposal was, to give Past Commander Badge to Secretary or Treasurer who has served his Camp for three or five years consecutively, instead of permitting him to go through the chairs. I think the answer to that is a Past Commander's Badge is a matter of very ancient custom and any Camp who wishes to give a Past

Commander's Badge to a Secretary or Treasurer, the easiest way would be to run him through the chairs, and then let him go back to the office of Secretary, Treasurer.

One request was that old members wear a distinctive ribbon and enable the new members to tell an old member from a new one. If the old timers wish to adopt a ribbon you don't need any mandate.

(Interruption here to permit the appearance of the Greetings Committee from the Citizens Committee to appear).

GREETINGS COMMITTEE FROM THE CINCINNATI CITIZENS COMMITTEE.

The Greetings Committee were escorted in and Past Commander-in-Chief William M. Coffin introduced them.

Past Commander-in-Chief William M. Coffin: It gives me very great pleasure to present to you representatives of the General Committee who made possible this excellent National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, the Sons of Union Veterans, and their affiliated Auxiliaries; Captain Robert C. Bunge, General Chairman, William Licht, President of the Cincinnati Chamber of Commerce, and Past Department Commander Michael G. Heintz of Ohio. (Applause).

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: When the Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army invited his respective groups to come to Cincinnati with reference to the National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, I met Captain Bunge who was Chairman of the Executive Committee. Captain Bunge has carried on for that group of men who have been most efficient and in that he has served faithfully. When the week is completed he will be tired out but he will rejoice in a strenuous work well done.

Captain Robert C. Bunge, General Chairman, Executive Committee, National G. A. R. Encampment: Mr. Commander, members of the Sons of Union Veterans. This is the last official call this Committee makes. We kept you until the last as we felt you were more in our own cycle of age and would understand us better. We took the ladies first because we were afraid of them, not to get rid of them. We have had a most wonderful time. It has been a job which we have all been glad to do. We had many a hurdle to go over to get where we are today. As usual when you want to do something you want men on the Committee who can and will work. This reminds me, I want to call Michael Heintz down. He is a Son of a Vet. That has been a swear word with us at headquarters for months. I was invited to come down to a meeting at the Chamber of Commerce some months ago and a Son of a Vet, Jim Hughes and you, picked me but I knew nothing of it until I heard Jimmie say "You are General Chairman for the Encampment." However, I am glad of this, when I look over the Committee today I can really say that those who did their work are members of your organization, and you know there are so many who usually allow their names to be used and then don't do any work. Lots of times I have been rather rough with this outfit. When you command a man to do anything in a nice way he won't do it. So I had to be rough. When I was introduced to your Auxiliary the speaker said "I have been talking for twenty-six years so I haven't any voice left." You men know what I mean. When you go back to your homes from Cincinnati we hope some kind thought will remain in your mind and you will spread the Gospel of the Queen City of the West. (Applause).

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: The other night I listened to a speech, and it was one of the finest tributes ever paid to the various organizations and the Chamber of Commerce of Cincinnati I can say is equal to anything in Rochester, our most progressive city, and I now introduce to you William Licht, President of the Cincinnati Chamber of Commerce.

William Licht, President Cincinnati Chamber of Commerce: Your Commander certainly impresses me when he makes a statement of that kind as in all my experience I have found that every man says his city has the best and only Chamber of Commerce on the face of the globe and when another Chamber of Commerce is said to be better than your Chamber of Commerce, I think it is just downright flattery and I am not going to believe it.

Captain Bunge told me when I went around that I should say something in the line of welcome. I feel you must feel welcome and if you don't you must be a hopeless case. I think I should say something about Bunge, that is, that he did not only issue orders, he thought them up, made those orders up and he has been on the job for the past eight months, and during the last four days he has been on the job twenty-four hours a day. I would like to add that Captain Bunge is a World War Veteran and that he was in the first volunteers of the Ohio contingent that went to the front. He was given up for dead on the battlefields of France and then spent five or six years of his life in the hospitals with a broken back. I question if a man should give his strength as he has and I want to now pay tribute to him.

And now as to the Cincinnati Chamber of Commerce, they have had no great part in these arrangements, the work of Captain Bunge would have gone on just the same whether I was or was not President of the Chamber of Commerce. It so happens that some of the local members looked me over, and though I have stated I would join the Sons of Union Veterans, they have not asked me to become a member, maybe I'll get an invitation now (application handed to him). On three different occasions I have told friends to give me an application and this is the first one I have been able to get hold of. I want to tell you why I can be a member of your organization. My grandfather was William F. Brock who went to war in '61 and I have his sword over the mantle piece at home. He was a Captain in the 32nd Indiana Volunteers and served throughout the war,—on this sword is inscribed the battles in which he participated, Rowletts Station in '61, the March to the Sea in '64, Wilderness, Shiloh, Stony Creek, Chickamauga, Missionary Ridge, Bald Knob and Corinth. Do those names mean anything to you? I don't deserve any credit for that, men. It means I am not entitled to any credit for what my grandfather did but I feel I would be disloyal to the grandfather and the sword if I did not pledge my all to do what I can, and what I could to make this convention a success. (Applause).

Past Department Commander Michael G. Heinz, of Ohio: I am here this morning not as a Son of a Veteran but as a humble member of the Citizens Committee and in that capacity I think I am not called upon to speak, but I will say that William Licht will be a member of U. S. Grant Camp No. 100 in a very short order. Of Captain Bunge I will say I have had the pleasure with others of serving under him for a year. We back home here thought Captain Bunge was dying through five or more years that he was in the hospitals, yet he has carried on this work for the National Encampment of the G. A. R. Many times I felt sorry for him. I think no man in the war had more serious wounds than Bunge. We have been in sessions when I

would see the muscles of his face twitch and I knew the old pain was there again. I feel I am thankful for the pleasure of following a man like that. Whether this Encampment is a success or not, and we have been pretty busy at general headquarters, I will say this, that when we invited these organizations to meet here the country was on the high tide of prosperity, people were rich and getting richer, money could be raised for any purpose and sixty days after, you were in the worst throes of a financial catastrophe. Locally we had a terrific smashup here in June when two banks closed their doors, in one of which we had deposited the moneys of this committee. I thought I would not report this, at this time, but I just wanted you to know about the local disasters which in a way prevented us from raising the amount we desired. We did the best we could with the limited funds we had. We are glad to have you meet here with us in Ohio State. We always blow a little, we Ohioans do. I felt proud in the line of march. The names in those wreaths were names known in our own lives and how proud we were of the leaders we had from this state, such as Wm. T. Sherman, Sheridan, McPherson, Garfield, Hayes, McKinley, etc. I wrote Cazeau and mentioned that we would like a list of some of our distinguished leaders in a Memorial of Honor, and I had a hazy recollection that New York State furnished one or two gentlemen, who perhaps crossed our boundary bridge at the foot of Vine Street in Cincinnati as Union Leaders. We welcome you to this city, hope you have enjoyed our hospitality and we are urging you to go on the boat trip tomorrow. That is the climax. You will see the little cabin which is so representative of the humble homes in the north from which our soldiers came. Stay over and go with us tomorrow to Point Pleasant, meet U. S. Grant, III, meet thirty or forty of the blood relatives of U. S. Grant. You will come back with a deeper feeling for the organization. We hope to see you all tomorrow at Point Pleasant. Thank you. (Applause).

Past Commander-in-Chief Coffin: The members of this Committee have told on each other about all that can be said and I would like to say to them, just by way of appreciation for the Commandery, that in all my experience, which covers quite a number of years in attending meetings of the Commandery-in-Chief, I do not recall having been called upon by representatives of the General Committee in this way, and, of course, because Cincinnati is my home town I am glad of this unique evidence and that all the hospitality of the Queen City has been thus made in evidence, but this apparently shows the splendid evidence of that hospitality of the General Committee.

I don't know if Captain Bunge is the son of a Veteran, but I have an application blank and I know this, however, that if he is not his son is because I know he is the son-in-law of one of the Veterans, Bert Baldwin. He is a member of the Loyal Legion. As Past Department Commander I want to give Bill Licht an application blank from the Ohio Department and further than that I know that I am going to call him brother. Brother Licht enjoys the love of a good wife and is well acquainted in the city of Cincinnati, and I am willing to vouch for him as a member of the Sons of Veterans, and if he will sign this application (here Brother Coffin was interrupted by cries of "make him a member now").

William Licht was then made a member in form of the Sons of Union Veterans by unanimous vote, and the Committee was given three cheers.

Captain Bunge: Just a minute. This has placed me in a rather embarrassing position, someone said my son is eligible, please don't tell my wife that, as I haven't a son.

Commander-in-Chief: Brother Licht, as Commander-in-Chief I pin this membership badge on your coat. I am going to ask Past Commander-in-Chief Sam Horn to respond to this greeting.

Past Commander-in-Chief Samuel S. Horn: Out of everything comes something good and I say to you brothers, after this Encampment is over, if nothing else is done in Cincinnati, we have done a wonderful work. As Brother Past Commander-in-Chief Coffin has said, I do not recall any Encampment where we have been favored by and visited by a Local Committee until this time. We had, yesterday, a lady from the General Committee to speak to us and I believe she said in a few words as much as has been said in this convention. No one has done more for the organization than has the Citizens Committee and you will recall the names of the three this morning, and we couldn't expect anything else. I am going to elucidate with the names of the Citizens Committee and remind you that when the "bung" was taken from the cask of good fellowship, it has flowed ever since in Cincinnati. I don't mean the kind some of you mean as I know Cincinnati is dry in spots. We pass on to the Chamber of Commerce. It must be the best Chamber of Commerce in the United States because as the head of it Bill Licht (licked) the others into line in many ways in this organization, and they must have had tremendous forces to enable them to have done that. Heintz is an example of the fifty-seven varieties we have had since we are here, and so we show to these men the appreciation for what they have done. I have heard the remarks from the General Chairman of this Committee and of the voluntary work of the Committeemen, and it reminds me that most of our organization was voluntary and that is the spirit of all the organizations this week in Cincinnati. We have never had a warmer welcome, more friendly acts, and I extend to them the thanks and greetings of this organization.

CONTINUATION OF REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON
CONSTITUTION AND REGULATIONS.

Past Commander-in-Chief Edwin C. Ireland: I ask that the stenographer read the minutes regarding the proposal from the Department of Maryland, to change Section 5, Article 6, to see what was voted to change.

Council-in-Chief Everett F. Warner, of Washington, and Past Commander-in-Chief Harley V. Speelman, of Ohio, interrupted to state the issue had not been voted upon.

Past Commander-in-Chief Wm. M. Coffin: To get it before the body I move the adoption of the report as a whole.

Past Commander-in-Chief Edwin C. Ireland: Is it a point of order to remand any part of that, no vote has been polled on it?

Past Commander-in-Chief Wm. M. Coffin: The Committee would like to have some instructions and what to do?

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: National Secretary Hammer, what is the procedure at this time?

National Secretary: We have a motion to accept the report of the Committee as read.

Department Commander J. Z. Collier, of Wisconsin: I wish to second the motion.

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: We haven't had a decision as to whether there is any further discussion. The motion before the house is to accept the adoption of the entire report. Brother Ireland, what is it you want?

Past Commander-in-Chief Edwin C. Irelan: Only the part that pertains to the proposal of the Department of Maryland to change Section 5, Article 6.

Past Commander-in-Chief Wm. M. Coffin: Are there any questions on the motion? Do you want me to restate the motion?

Past Commander-in-Chief Edwin C. Irelan: I think it should be placed before the Committee again. Was this a one man committee?

Past Commander-in-Chief Samuel S. Horn: I submit to the Commander-in-Chief that in view of the fact that this is a constitutional matter we cannot act upon it now.

Past Commander-in-Chief Wm. M. Coffin: Commander-in-Chief, I think it would be better to restate the question. Some may have misunderstood. What Brother Horn has said is true in part. According to the rules for amendments of that kind proposals must be submitted in writing for a number of days and this is not effective until ratified by ten Departments. If the Commandery adopts it, it would not be effective until twenty-three have voted and ratified. The proposal was to change the phraseology of Section 5, Article 6, on Page 6 of the Constitution in this way. That section reads: "or which becomes reduced to less than the number of Camps and members required for organization."

The proposed amendment would change the last quoted clause to read "or which becomes reduced to less than five (5) duly organized Camps in good standing."

So that as amended Section 5, Article 6, shall read as follows:

"Section 5. The Commander-in-Chief shall have the power to revoke the Charter of any Department which may not conform to the Constitution and Regulations of this Order, OR WHICH BECOMES REDUCED TO LESS THAN FIVE (5) DULY ORGANIZED CAMPS IN GOOD STANDNG."

The Committee reports adversely on the report. The minority is willing to cut out the entire section, or let it remain as it was. The matter was discussed by the Committee. It wasn't worth while to go into details, the majority felt it best to move as it was. The minority voted disapproval on this memoranda. The attitude was just and favorable. We felt we need not make any change as any Commander-in-Chief would not abuse that power, or if you are going to change it at all, wipe out the entire section, and you might take Section 5 out, but the majority report was any Commander would handle to best advantage, and therefore the Committee reported adversely.

I move the adoption of this report.

Department Commander J. Z. Collier, of Wisconsin, seconded.

Past Commander-in-Chief Harley V. Speelman: Point of order on minority report.

Past Commander-in-Chief Edwin C. Irelan: I don't want to inflict upon the records a "lot of sap and expanse of hot air." We need elastic legislation to apply thereto. It is a fact that this emanates from my Department. I am not in position to say whether they are proper Camps or what not, but I just want to state to this Commandery-in-Chief in this generation we try and offset for loss in interest and membership. I am perfectly willing if this Commandery-in-Chief votes it is not opportune that it is in the dictates of this order that an amendment submitted as the Constitutional requirement requires the approval of ten Departments, and what the approval of those ten Departments may be cannot be prophesied. We cannot figure nor do I believe any of us are sufficiently versed in psychology. I simply

present to this Encampment the wish of the Maryland Department. That is all, it is in your hands to do what will be for the best interests of the Sons of Union Veterans.

Department Commander Frank P. Corrick, of Nebraska: The minority of this Committee has not accepted the opportunity of presenting a Committee report.

Past Commander-in-Chief Edwin C. Ireland: We haven't received any report other than that of the Committee, why crowd the record with a lot of surplus, with a lot of matters not of interest to the brothers or to the Encampment.

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: Any other questions before the Encampment on this matter?

Voted on the motion, and adoption of the report carried.

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO C. & R.

DEPARTMENT OF MARYLAND

Washington, D. C., May 8, 1930.

The following amendment to the Constitution was adopted by the Maryland Department, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, in Annual Encampment, May 8, 1930:

"Be it resolved by the Department of Maryland, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, that this Encampment approves, as an amendment to the Constitution, the following:

Amend Section 5, Article 6, by striking out the words—"or which becomes reduced to less than the number of Camps and members required for organization"—and substitute for same the following: "or which becomes reduced to less than five (5) duly organized Camps in good standing."

So that as amended Section 5, Article 6, shall read as follows:

Section 5. The Commander-in-Chief shall have the power to revoke the Charter of any Department which may not conform to the Constitution and Regulations of this Order, OR WHICH BECOMES REDUCED TO LESS THAN FIVE (5) DULY ORGANIZED CAMPS IN GOOD STANDING."

Respectfully submitted,

Attest:

EVERETT F. WARNER,
Secretary-Treasurer.

AELBERT A. TAYLOR,
Department Commander.

HEADQUARTERS WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT

Madison, Wis., July 16, 1930.

Mr. J. Z. Collier, Department Commander,
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War,
Union Grove, Wis.

My Dear Commander:

The Camp, Henry Harnden Camp No. 2, delegated me last Monday evening to submit to the Department Counselor (this passes through your hands) the question as to whether or not one who has been voted into a Camp may be obligated and thus placed on the rolls by merely signing the obligation which is found on application blank, in the presence of a member of the Camp.

Personally I am persuaded this can be done. In fact I remember distinctly of a resolution covering this very thing passed at some National Encampment. It is not in the C. R. & R., but has been passed since same were issued. An appeal to the Counselor-in-Chief will enable our Department Counselor to determine this question. I brought it up, as we took in a member that way some time since and discussion waxed warm. I was the one who took in the member and he now happens to be a Circuit Court Judge. In some cases such a provision seems to be a most desirable one. Of course, if obligation is signed at time application is signed and applicant is later on voted in result might be the same, that is, reception into the Camp.

Suggesting that the decision be sent me and that same be forthcoming within two weeks, I am, with best wishes and with thanks in advance.

Yours in F., C. & L.,

H. S. SIGGELKO.

N. B.—Of course in accordance with the above method the member is not in attendance at a meeting of the Camp, does not take obligation at Altar in due form.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF WASHINGTON MEMBERS AT LARGE

Any Son or Grandson of a Union Veteran of the Civil War, who lives in a community where no Camp exists, may, if qualified and vouched for by three regular members in good standing, become a M. A. L. by signing the obligation and paying the required fee and annual dues to the Department in which he resides.

Any former member of a disbanded or dropped Camp can be reinstated as a M. A. L. by paying the Department \$10.00 and Annual Dues of \$6.00. Dues computed from January 1st. The applicant for such re-instatement will pay at the rate of 50c a month from the date of the application to January 1st, and thereafter \$6.00 annually in advance.

Any member of a Camp in good standing, may, on vote of his Camp, be granted a transfer to any Department as a M. A. L. upon payment of \$1.00 to said Camp and the annual dues to the Department.

A Membership Card will be issued by the Department Secretary which will entitle him to recognition in any Camp as a visitor, as long as the card shows him to be in good standing. Department Secretaries shall keep a record in the Descriptive Book of all M. A. L. and collect the Annual Dues. One-half of the annual dues (\$3.00) shall be paid to the Commandery-in-Chief with the first quarter report. No other tax or fee shall be levied.

A Member at Large shall be entitled to all the rights and privileges of a Camp Member, can attend the Annual Department Encampment and vote on matters except such as effect Camp Legislation. A M. A. L. may be elected as a Delegate to the National Encampment from the Department but cannot hold an elective or appointive office.

Any M. A. L. who becomes one year in arrears for Annual Dues may be dropped from membership.

A Member at Large may secure a Life Membership upon payment of \$25.00 to the Commandery-in-Chief.

All M. A. L. shall be subject to discipline and shall conform to the Constitution and Regulations the same as any Camp Member.
Respectfully submitted for approval.

Resolution endorsed by Department of Washington, 41st Annual Encampment.

L. W. HAMMOND, Secretary.

Cincinnati, Ohio, Aug. 26, 1930.

WHEREAS, A large number of our membership have and are serving their Camps as Secretary or Treasurer and thereby are prevented from going through the chairs, and becoming Past Commanders. Therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the laws of the Order be so changed that when a Brother serves his Camp faithfully for three (3) or five (5) years consecutively, he be given a Past Commander's Badge, with all honors that a Past Commander has.

Respectfully submitted,

By EUGENE S. TRADO,
Camp 32, Department of New Jersey.

To the Officers and Members of the Forty-ninth Annual Encampment, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War:

The following Resolution is offered in reference to a special badge for members of twenty-five years standing or more:

RESOLVED, That any member of this Organization who has served twenty-five years or more shall be entitled to wear the regular badge of this organization except that the ribbon shall be three equal horizontal stripes only of Red, White and Blue.

JAMES D. HISLOP,
Camp No. 1, Connecticut.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FRATERNAL RELATIONS.

Past Commander-in-Chief Ralph Sheldon: I report that your Fraternal Relations Committee visited the different organizations, and have had a pleasant greeting. I move the Committee be dismissed.

Past Commander-in-Chief Samuel S. Horn: I want to bring back to you the message that Mrs. Bennett, the National President of the Relief Corps, sent to every one of you personally and to this Encampment, that this Encampment be thanked for the publicity that has been given her organization in our publication, The Banner.

On motion of Dr. Sheldon, Committee were discharged.

Encampment recessed until 1:30 p. m.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

(1:30 P. M., August 28, 1930)

The Encampment opened in regular form, Commander-in-Chief Cazeau presiding.

PRINTING PHILLIPS' PLAN TO HOLD INTEREST OF YOUNGER MEMBERS.

Past Commander-in-Chief Walter C. Mabie: Many have asked just what arrangements are being made as to printing the book that was awarded the \$100 prize for member suggesting best plan whereby Camps can hold the interest of the younger members. I was waiting until I got into the new business to order the printing of those books. However, so as to get it before the Encampment I move that the incoming Commander-in-Chief be authorized to have printed 1000 copies of the booklet I submitted or with any changes he sees fit, or to cut down and one be sent to each Camp so they will be in the hands of the new Commanders, which will serve the need.

Delegate Alfred E. Gleason, of Rhode Island, seconded the motion.

Past Department Commander Fred C. Phillips: Do I understand that Brother Mabie has requested more or less than necessary for the Commandery-in-Chief. May the incoming Commander-in-Chief have additional copies printed and distributed, if he so desires?

Past Commander-in-Chief Walter C. Mabie: So as to cover your point, at least 1000 copies, if 2000 are just a little more that the Commander-in-Chief order as many as he sees fit.

Motion carried.

Past Department Commander Frank C. Huston: I would like to thank the brothers who had a part in making our stunt night such a success. I think we had the best of order; the building was very much larger than any we have previously had, and I want to make an apology to the Department of Iowa. Last night we called Iowa two or three times, there was no response. I was rather surprised when later on in the evening they said they were there and had a stunt, and in the rush, after running one hour and twenty minutes over time and in endeavoring to close, I overlooked calling on Iowa as I intended. We did not want to overlook Iowa although we gave her an opportunity in regular order.

Department Commander L. C. Neff, of Iowa: The Department of Iowa accepts the explanation of Brother Huston. The party to put on the stunts didn't arrive in time, the hour was late and the explanation of Brother Huston last night was sufficient as I knew we were at fault. So, I accept his explanation and official apology, as given, was unnecessary.

FINAL REPORT OF CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE.

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: We will now have the final report of the Credential Committee.

National Secretary: Final report of the Credential Committee is presented as follows:

Alabama & Tennessee	1
California & Pacific	4
Colorado & Wyoming	5
Connecticut	9
Illinois	10
Indiana	10
Iowa	5
Kansas	3
Maine	5
Maryland	9
Massachusetts	24
Michigan	5
Minnesota	3
Missouri	5
Nebraska	3
New Hampshire	5
New Jersey	7
New York	19
Ohio	19
Oregon	0
Pennsylvania	28
Rhode Island	3
Vermont	1
Washington	1
Wisconsin	5
 Total	 189

National Secretary: I move the report of the Committee be adopted.

Past Commander-in-Chief Charles F. Sherman seconded. Carried.

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: The Greeting Committee from the Ladies of the Grand Army not being here, we will proceed with the next order of business.

NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

Past Commander-in-Chief Charles F. Sherman: I move that we go into the Nomination of Officers.

Seconded by Past Department Commander E. F. Buck of Illinois, and carried.

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: I appoint Past Department Commander A. D. Rhinesmith of Illinois and Past Department Commander Chester E. White of Massachusetts, as tellers. The National Secretary will call the roll of Departments for nominations for Commander-in-Chief to be elected for the ensuing term, 1930-1931.

National Secretary called the Department of Alabama & Tennessee, it gave way to Illinois.

Past Department Commander E. F. Buck, of Illinois: Commander-in-Chief and Brothers; I believe each and every one of us realizes that this is the most important moment of our deliberation. This is the moment when we select for the coming year the leaders who are going to carry the burden of our organization and who are going to carry it on successfully for the next year. If we make a mistake it sets us back. If we select wisely, we go forward to success unto a better and greater organization. The Department of Illinois feels that they have a man and a brother who is one who can lead us suc-

cessfully, who is one who can follow in the footsteps of the previous successful officers of the Commandery-in-Chief and who can successfully follow their footsteps in the continued advancement of our organization. Many of you heard Past Commander-in-Chief Sherman last year in his nominating address of our present splendid Commander-in-Chief Cazeau, and he told you then the need of care and selection in picking a leader. He told you then all of the things which go to make up a successful Commander-in-Chief, and I feel it would be imposing upon your intelligence and your time to undertake to add to the splendid description he gave of such a man, and I am not going to attempt it. The Department of Illinois has a son, born in Vermont,—twenty-five years ago he came to Illinois, thank the Lord, and adopted us as his home. It has been my pleasure and my good fortune not only to know him in the Sons of Union Veterans but to know him personally. His efforts, his zeal, his work for the Sons of Union Veterans, in season and out of season, have been as earnest, just as sincere as anyone could wish. I am not going to say more in this matter for he is as well or better known to the general membership of the Sons of Union Veterans as any other man in the Encampment.

Illinois has given to this great organization many men as its leaders of whom the Department and the Sons of Union Veterans have been justly proud. We gave to you George Abbott, then Frank Shepard, William Dustin, Will Church, and last but not least we gave to you our own Peoria man, Clifford Ireland. Each and every one of these men has served you faithfully and served you well and in presenting to you the name of our present brother I want to say to you brothers that we come to you with the honest, the positive assurance, and the actual knowledge that, if you see fit to elect him for your leader, when his term of office is up you will say he has served you as well, as splendidly, and as earnestly as those trusting Sons who have served you in the past.

It is with great pleasure that I nominate our brother from the Department of Illinois, Allan S. Holbrook, for Commander-in-Chief.

Roll call continued and Department Commander Eugene C. Somersby, California & Pacific, seconded the nomination of Brother Holbrook.

Roll call continued until Missouri was reached.

Department Commander F. G. Beardsley, of Missouri: Missouri has a candidate to present at this time. Missouri has never had a Commander-in-Chief of this organization. Missouri is a loyal state, has always been a loyal state. During the days of the Civil War Missouri was a border state and was true to the Union, just as Missouri is loyal today. We are asking your support because we have a man who is worthwhile and well qualified, a man of ability, a man of quality, of high ideals and fine principles, a leading business man and an outstanding citizen of the city of St. Louis. A man who for many years has been active in affairs of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. He served the Department of Missouri two terms as its Commander, for twenty-six years he has attended sessions of the National Encampment. He has served on the Council-in-Chief and is known to many of you. Many men after they have enjoyed the honor of an organization cease to take an interest in that organization, drop out of its ranks. You have known of Past Department Commanders who have ceased attending except on rare occasions. Our candidate is not a man of that type. For thirty-five years on every occasion he has served and on those rare occasions when he has been absent from the State of Missouri he has sent a written excuse. Our candidate has all the qualifications that distinguish him

and make him an honor to our organization. By devoted service he has merited this honor and I estimate it a privilege as well as an honor to name at this time our candidate, Past Department Commander William Schneider, of St. Louis, Mo.

Roll call continued, Pennsylvania and Wisconsin further seconding the nomination of Brother Holbrook, of Illinois.

National Secretary: Commander-in-Chief, the Roll has been called.

The Roll of Departments for election of Commander-in-Chief was then ordered called, and the result the tellers announced as follows: Holbrook, 125; Schneider, 13.

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: Past Department Commander Allan S. Holbrook, of Illinois, is declared elected Commander-in-Chief.

Past Department Commander William Schneider, of Missouri: I move that Brother Holbrook's election be made unanimous. (Applause).

National Secretary then cast a unanimous vote for Past Department Commander Allan S. Holbrook as Commander-in-Chief.

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: Brother Holbrook, do you accept this office of Commander-in-Chief.

Past Department Commander Allan S. Holbrook, of Illinois: I do. (Applause).

(Interruption here to permit the appearance of the Official Greetings Committee of the Grand Army of the Republic).

OFFICIAL GREETINGS COMMITTEE FROM THE G. A. R.

Department Commander W. C. Thobaben, of Ohio, and Department Commander Jacob H. Wentzel, of Pennsylvania, acted as escorts to this Committee.

Department Commander W. C. Thobaben, of Ohio: I have the pleasure and the honor to present to this Encampment the official Greetings Committee of the Grand Army of the Republic, Past Commander-in-Chief John R. King, of Baltimore, Md.; Past Department Commander Alfred E. Stacey, of Elbridge, New York, and Past Department Commander Ira R. Wildman, of Connecticut.

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: We welcome you.

Past Commander-in-Chief of the G. A. R. John R. King, of Maryland: Here are my boys. A pretty extensive family. It is a great pleasure to represent the G. A. R. We extend our greetings to you. We love you boys and you have a parentage which I am sure you will keep alive and honor. You are about to wind up your work, I presume. I say to you, boys be true to the traditions of your fathers, true to the flag and true to the Constitution of the United States.

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: Comrade King, we thank you.

Col. Alfred E. Stacey, Past Department Commander of New York: Of course the Empire State feels very proud that it gave you such an efficient Commander the past year. I thought some of breaking into Comrade King's talk. I looked around to take hold of the General and all I could see was heels going up and down. It is just the same as at Cedar Rapids, the Sixth Maryland and the Ninth New York held the whole army while our boys were forming behind us. He has that same spirit today.

We are in the shape as the old Doctor who had been very busy for several days, and he told his wife "I must have some rest." He

went to bed and just when he got to sleep the telephone rang. It was a wealthy widow's home. "We must have the Doctor immediately, she has some trouble with her heart," said the voice, and the wife went in and woke him up and said "You cannot afford to turn down so and so." He got up and when he reached the widow's he was still feeling sleepy and he thought he would test her heart, so he put his head down to listen to her heart and it was a soft place and he told her to keep on talking and to count, and the widow did and the next thing he knew he awoke and the sun was shining and she was still counting, 5000, 5001, etc., and his head was still down listening to her heart. We feel very much as the old Doctor did, that we have done our duty and will soon depart for home. You boys are just coming on to the stage of action. You have plenty of things that must be done and we trust and hope that when the responsibility is left on your shoulders you will do it as the Sons of Union Veterans, and will work accordingly.

Just another instance that I might say in connection with this, that the Grand Army is now represented by about 20,000. Just think, we sent 2,700,000 to the war and there is now only 21,080 left. In the State of New York we have about 1500 members out of 45000 we had there and out of an enlistment of 485,000, so that we naturally expect to be extinct as an organization in ten to fifteen years. Some feel I am stretching it but I believe in that time some of us will still be coming to meetings.

Let me tell you a story of an old daddy who was away from home all day and when he came home he learned that Fanny had been raising h——, so he said "I hear you have been naughty all day long, and that you have thrown mud on your sister's dress. If you ever do that again you can go to bed without your supper. What do you say to that?" Little Fanny replied, "Well, I guess I won't throw any mud until after supper."

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: Col. Stacey, my first trip and visit as Commander-in-Chief was at that wonderful home of Wm. H. Seward, III, Secretary of State under Lincoln, meeting you and our inspiring group of soldiers, and now you are here, and I will soon be a "has-been."

Past Department Commander Alfred E. Stacey, of New York: I want to ask you to again visit the Ninth Ohio Artillery Reunion at the Seward home.

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: I present Past Department Commander Wildman, of Connecticut.

Past Department Commander Ira A. Wildman, of Connecticut: It is a strange coincidence that three of the cavalymen should be picked out to represent the Grand Army Greetings Committee. King and I have been members of the same company, the old Michigan cavalry but his actions in that regiment lead the powers that be to take him away and commission him to the old Maryland and they were at Winchester. I was with Custer carrying Old Glory over the top on the morning of April 9, '65, so you see I didn't have a great deal of action, but since the time I have been a member of the Grand Army of the Republic, I have tried to do those things which would commemorate and keep alive those things for which my comrades fought. I have been for many years active in my Department, as Brother Charles Sherman here will tell you, and I have done various things, and when General Grant came into our neighborhood he picked out his Chief-of-Staff, John A. Rawlins from the Nutmeg State. We dedicated some trees to commemorate your father, Col. Grant. I conducted services last April 9th at an industrial plant to set out a tree

and dedicate it to the memory of my comrades in the Civil War, so that in future generations those men who set under the tree could see that tablet and realize the cost of the sacrifices we made for our country, one and inseparable. To you, our sons and daughters, we dedicate a task of keeping our memory green.

Commander-in-Chief: Past Commander-in-Chief Charles F. Sherman will respond.

Past Commander-in-Chief Charles F. Sherman, of New York: Commander-in-Chief, my honored father's comrades. We have been looking forward ever since we came into session in the city of Cincinnati to the time when we should receive officially a delegation from the Grand Army at our annual meeting. It was referred to that all these distinguished comrades of the Grand Army were in the same branch of the service and I was wondering as they came up whereby they had found the secret of youth, what fountain they had drunk from that had given them this buoyancy and when it was stated that each of them had been in the particular branch of the service where they didn't have to do much but ride a horse, I understood. If they had had to tramp a pack gun like the artillery men they could probably not have come here upon their legs as efficiently as they did.

It has been my pleasure for many years to come in close contact with the work of the Grand Army as represented by Comrade Wildman here. Why, in the state where he lives his name has been the very synonym and prototype for all of a public nature. The schools, state, government, all take their cue from that set by Comrade Wildman.

Comrade Stacey representing New York has been in the very foreground with his ideas of patriotism and it is to men such as these who have upheld the ideals of the Grand Army that we look for leadership.

The number of surviving members of the Grand Army has been referred to, and we cannot speak of that without emotion. I have reached a point where I cannot stand complacently on the sidewalk and see a procession of our soldiers passing on, my heart is too full, it brings up too many sacred memories of the past. Just now my heart is full and yet I thank Our Father that there still remains such a noble band to be a guide to our young generation. In the natural course of events, passing from view is inevitable, of course, just as human life comes, and just as we must use the time as it passes, but my brothers, what a heritage you shall give to your sons and your successors—no organized group of men in this nation have had the opportunity of transmitting to their children a heritage such as you have bestowed on us, your sons. It is a privilege to work, live and serve to make this country such as our fathers intended, a country united with but one flag, the Stars and Stripes. (Applause).

Brothers, I live in the eastern part of our country and am, therefore, more or less familiar with the merchant ships and I can recall when a boy with what interest I saw a beautiful ship under sail, under control of its captain, obey every command of its commander as it moved to its intended destination. The clipper ship of fifty years ago has practically ceased to be. There are none sailing the seven seas of the world as there used to be. Following the creation of the nation and the creation of the navy there was one ship of note which stood out above other ships, played its part in the affairs of the nation as the prototype of the American Navy and most properly named the Constitution. In the progress of time physical decay set in and she was laid up, but the American people were not willing for the Constitution, the man of war, the one ship of all ships, to pass

from their eye so it was rebuilt and served to stimulate interest in the Navy. When the country grew and progressed the Constitution became simply a memory, but the American people again restored it in order that the American people might have it as a model. Can you not see a suggestion? From necessity in the presence of time it must diminish but its influence cannot and will not die and long after the last faded coat of blue has ceased to be a memory, the Boys in Blue will be an actuating motive in our lives. We will tell to our sons and their sons that our country will be saved because of the wonderful spirit of sacrifice and devotion of the Grand Army of the Republic.

We wish for you, honored sires, everything you could desire for yourself. May your remaining days be crowned with blessings such as never in your wildest dreams surround you and may peace surround you. Return to your organization with the assurance that the Sons of Union Veterans will ever be true to their country, to their God, and to the traditions as given to them by the Grand Army.

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: Thank you, Brother Sherman. To you distinguished representatives of the Grand Army of the Republic, you see before you your Boys, representatives of the Sons of Union Veterans. Relative to your future National Encampments there is material in this Convention which will enable you to request of them as a Department to supervise with the assistance of the allied units to the Grand Army. This I am sure would take it away from a commercial and monetary consideration and place it where it rightfully belongs in the hearbeat of those who are carrying on, and who are pledged to hold up the torch forever and forever for the men and women of the sixties.

Past Department Commander Ira R. Wildman, of Connecticut: Commander-in-Chief and comrades, there is a preacher posing as a replica of Abe Lincoln. I was introduced to him and I said "You pose as looking like Abe Lincoln. I don't wish to meet you," so in our Encampment today we passed a resolution condemning him. We want no counterfeit Lincoln.

(Greetings Committee from the Grand Army escorted out).

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: We will proceed with the election of officers. Roll will be called for the nomination of Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief.

NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS (Continued)

National Secretary Hammer called the roll until Colorado & Wyoming was reached.

Past Department Commander John W. Kennedy, of Colorado & Wyoming: Forty-two years ago in a little town of Colorado a man of eighteen years of age joined the Sons of Veterans, that man is a member of the Department of Colorado & Wyoming. When we organized our Department in Colorado & Wyoming, this brother became one of the first to sign the roll and it gives me great pleasure, knowing of his service in Colorado, and what a valued strength he has been to us there to place his name for the nomination as Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief. Today Colorado has been honored by the election of Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army, James E. Jewell, of Fort Morgan, Colorado, so if you want to send us back to Denver really happy, we ask that you endorse our candidate, Robert J. Hill, of Colorado & Wyoming.

Past Department Commander William Schneider, of Missouri, seconded Brother Robert Hill's nomination.

Council-in-Chief Fred G. Hansen: If there is only one nominee I move we make the election unanimous. (Seconded and agreed to).

National Secretary: I cast 188 votes for Robert J. Hill, of Colorado & Wyoming, for Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief.

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: Col. Robert J. Hill, of Colorado & Wyoming, is declared elected Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief for the ensuing year.

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: Election of the Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief.

Roll call by the National Secretary, until Indiana was reached.

Past Commander-in-Chief Newton J. McGuire, of Indiana: Indiana presents for the position of Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief one whom you all know, who has done well in the matter of entertainment, which seems to be becoming a feature of the Encampments, and more so than we ever dreamed of. The actions of the Masons, Odd Fellows, American Legion, etc., all have convinced us that the time has come when someone must take up the feature of a playground or a fund proposition for an entertainment, and that many of our most distinguished citizens will join an organization in order to belong to that feature of the organization, so it may be that this will count,—let us hope it will and with the success he has made in this organization in the past which culminated last night in an audience of 1000 in one of the nicest halls we have ever had, this would strike me as a feature to be considered. I nominate Past Department Commander Frank C. Huston for Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief.

Past Department Commander H. M. Pratt, of Iowa, seconded the nomination of Brother Huston for Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief.

Roll call continued until Illinois was reached.

Past Department Commander Will F. Jenkins, of Illinois: I move that the nominations close and the Secretary cast one ballot for the Encampment for the election of Brother Huston, of Indiana, as Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief.

National Secretary: I cast 188 votes for Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief Frank C. Huston.

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: I declare Brother Frank C. Huston elected unanimously as Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief.

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: We will proceed with the nomination and election of the Council-in-Chief.

Roll call by National Secretary until Colorado & Wyoming was reached.

Department Commander Frederic W. Geist: We give place to New Jersey.

Department Commander Harrison M. Williams, of New Jersey: I place before this Encampment the name of one whom you all know. I take pleasure in presenting the name of Fred G. Hansen.

Roll call continued to Maryland.

Council-in-Chief Everett F. Warner, of Maryland: It gives me extreme pleasure to second this nomination. I know that you have one worthy member.

Roll call continued until Massachusetts was reached.

Past Commander-in-Chief Ernest W. Homan, of Massachusetts: Massachusetts is again proud to place before this Encampment the name of one of her loyal sons who has served in various offices, such as National Chaplain, National Patriotic Instructor, etc., and his lov-

ing disposition has endeared him to us all. I present to you Rev. A. A. Bronsdon for a place on the Council-in-Chief.

Council-in-Chief Everett F. Warner, of Maryland: My recent remarks apply to Rev. Bronsdon as well as to Brother Hansen.

Roll call continued until Pennsylvania was reached.

Past Commander-in-Chief Samuel S. Horn: It may seem queer for a man out of his own territory who peculiarly wants to place in nomination a brother from another Department. Pennsylvania is actuated by the best interests of the Sons of Union Veterans to give to the Department a man who will work for the best interests of the Sons. We need a man to replace the man that we lost in the person of Everett Warner. It may seem strange for Pennsylvania to make this presentation but when we consider the representation in the parade yesterday of the Sons of Veterans, I believe it shows a spirit that makes us feel that we wish to draft a man for our Council-in-Chief, a man who is active in his Encampment and whose untiring efforts made this National Encampment a success. The man whose name I want to present for the office of Council-in-Chief is Past Department Commander James M. Hughes, Jr., of the Department of Ohio.

Roll call continued, and completed.

Council-in-Chief Everett F. Warner: There being but three nominees, I move that the National Secretary be instructed to cast one ballot for the three nominees.

Delegate Alfred E. Gleason, of Rhode Island, seconded the nomination of all three nominees. Department Commander L. C. Neff, of Iowa, also seconded the nominations.

National Secretary: I cast 188 votes for the Encampment, for the three nominees, Fred G. Hansen, A. A. Bronsdon and James M. Hughes, Jr., for Council-in-Chief.

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: We will now have roll call for the office of National Secretary-Treasurer.

Roll call for this nomination by Past Commander-in-Chief Charles F. Sherman, substituting for National Secretary Hammer. Illinois gave way to Pennsylvania.

Past Commander-in-Chief John E. Sautter: We thank you but will respond in the regular order.

Roll call continued until Ohio was reached.

Past Commander-in-Chief William M. Coffin, of Ohio: Commander-in-Chief and Brothers of this Encampment. I come before you with a mandate from the Department of Ohio. Added to that is an element of personal interest. Thirty-two years ago the Grand Army of the Republic held its Encampment in this city. At that time the parade was a magnificent spectacle. Rank on rank of divisions passed for several hours. Down at the corner of Fourth and Walnut Streets in the vast throngs that watched that parade was a little chap, lacking a few years of being old enough to be in the Spanish-American War, but interested in that parade as there were in it two great uncles of his, one without a right arm. He scanned every banner watching for the banner of Indiana to pass, for both of these uncles were from Indiana, and then as that banner passed he looked keener and closer until he could see those uncles. He then broke through the ropes and ran out between them and marched the rest of the way in that parade. In that parade were a live group of men who were not veterans and he was informed "They are sons of veterans and you, my

son, are eligible to be one." From that day on he cherished the desire to be a Son of Union Veteran.

A few years passed by, and before he came of age he learned that a Camp of Sons of Union Veterans was being formed in his town and one day he made known his desire to affiliate with them. A man came to him with a charter and said, "There is still room for another man" and that chap signed his name to the charter of U. S. Grant Camp No. 100. The man who took that application and he became fast friends. That man aided that chap and pushed him forward through all the vicissitudes of the year. Yesterday that chap marched in another parade in the city of Cincinnati and took his place in the reviewing stand, and watched the thinned ranks as they went through in hopes one of those uncles of whom he spoke would be in that line, but the grim reaper had come just three years ago. It is needless to recite further the sentiment which welled up under those circumstances. That chap who then sat in the reviewing stand had received all the Sons of Union Veterans had to offer. Throughout it all he could feel that first meeting with the man who took his application. That chap was the speaker who is addressing you, and that Son of a Union Veteran who took his application is the one he now rises to submit for your consideration.

That man has been active in the Sons of Union Veterans for as many years as he has been a Son, forty-five years he has labored in the interests of the Sons of Union Veterans, lacking four years as long as the age of the order. He has never affiliated with any other organization. The Sons of Union Veterans has been his first, last and only love. In his forty-five years he has passed through all the difficulties and is familiar with all the work that could possibly arise in the work of the Sons of Union Veterans. There seems to rise from the world through the magazines today the idea that men have passed their usefulness after they have passed thirty-five or forty, but I cannot subscribe to any such doctrine. We need men of experience in the business of the world and in the Sons of Union Veterans.

This man has also been, for a number of years, a resident of Washington, D. C. Because of that fact he has been called upon to serve yeoman service and he has served the Sons of Union Veterans well. He has been Chairman of your Legislative Committee, and on the Pension Committee, watching the interests of the Sons of Union Veterans. He has at all times and in all ways been ever ready to go out of his way to serve the brothers of the Sons of Veterans who call for it. Many a time he has gone to the Pension Department for some widow or brother, on something which has been called to his attention. Always he was ready to secure the service record for any brother. I cite these few instances of the work he has been doing for a number of years, because he lives in Washington, and a second reason for his consideration of this office is that living in Washington he is in a position to render service which could not be rendered from any other location and because of the fact that there is a growing thought in the minds of many there should be a national headquarters in the city of Washington. In the city of Washington there are many national organization headquarters and particularly the Daughters of the Confederacy building. They have their national headquarters there. It seems that the Sons of Union Veterans should have a national representation at the seat of the National Government.

Now friends, it came before the Ohio Department that our dear Brother Hammer was not to be a candidate for re-election to this office, which he has served for many years. I love him as everyone does who has served with him as Commander-in-Chief on one hand

and he as Secretary on the other hand. With this thought in mind our nominee became a candidate and for that reason the Ohio Department heartily endorse his candidacy, and so we came to this Encampment. I refuse to believe, gentlemen, that any one here shares any less than I do in my estimate and affection for the man I recommend, but many have expressed to me the feeling that this dear brother was not able to do the work of the Secretary. That it would be unkind to him and unkind to the order to consider his name as Secretary because of that. I know that during the past two or three years he has suffered, but I also know that that suffering is not physical suffering so much as it is the mental anguish which comes from a feeling, whether justified or not of the perfidy of those who he thought were his friends. He has done this work in Washington the past several years for anyone of you who thought to ask. If he could be Chairman of the Legislative Committee, in the Pension Department, and serve anyone of you under those circumstances, I simply ask the question why he may not be able to serve as Secretary and enable us to get our headquarters in Washington where it seems most desirable we should have them. It has been discussed with him. He feels he can do the work and all I can add is this,—I have been impressed with this slogan "The will to serve will find a way." I am convinced that this brother has the will to serve and I have the fervent hope and belief that the way will be found. Last night during the stunts there were many of them quite diversified. In one a poem was recited that touched me. I don't attempt to quote it but the thought lingered in mind, it went something like this: Pin your flowers in my button hole, don't wait until I am dead and gone to heaven.

Thus, gentlemen, brothers, feeling not only the mandate of my Department but having analyzed the matter to the best of my ability I talk very frankly with you,—it seems to me that it is my fate that I would be less than a man, far less than a Son of a Veteran who has been trained from the early time in loyalty, if I should not present this brother who has helped me all these years, and so, because of the mandate and my personal feelings, I offer to you, ask your support, for Brother Harley V. Speelman for National Secretary-Treasurer.

Roll call continued until Pennsylvania was reached.

Past Commander-in-Chief John E. Sautter, of Pennsylvania: Commander-in-Chief, and my good Brothers of this Encampment. It is my purpose at this time to give you what might be termed a statement of facts, rather than a nominating address. And I do this, brothers, not because I deem it necessary or even advisable but simply because I do desire to deal with you openly, frankly, and may I not trust that you will believe it to be truthful. Only yesterday those of you who were present at the second session of this Encampment were witnesses of a ceremony in which I was privileged to play a more or less important part. Not merely in the actual, but as many of the brothers who are in this room know, in the leading preliminaries which led up to the most happy and enjoyable occasion.

That required a vast amount of correspondence, far more than I in the beginning had anticipated, but it was made that way because of the spreading of the facts among the membership of what was in mind, and I immediately began receiving letters, not merely from those whom I had addressed but from other good brothers who most heartily endorsed the project that I was being privileged to handle. I was struck with the rather pertinent similarity of the expression in practically every one of those letters. First an expression of re-

gard that the brother was to be the recipient of the gift, and then an expression of regret that this brother thought it necessary after all those years of service to relinquish the office that he had held so long, and secondly there came to me an appeal—could not something be done to get that brother to continue to hold the office, to change the then expressed desire of his heart to leave it.

I came to Cincinnati on Monday morning with the thought in my mind that I would leave Cincinnati after having been privileged to support some other brother for the office of National Secretary and Treasurer, but brothers, I was hardly within the walls of this building until there came to me members of this organization, not merely among those who had been privileged to serve, not merely among those who were serving you today, but upon the part of many who have served you in the past, that something be done to change the situation. The demands became insistent and after taking quite a number of these into consultation they convinced me, as they convinced some of your other good brothers from the Department of Pennsylvania, that after all we owed allegiance to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War more than we owed allegiance to an individual member of this organization, and I agreed, as did these other brothers, to try to have this good brother change his desires. He did so, believe me my good brothers when I make this statement, most reluctantly, and I was still not satisfied or convinced because every man owes something, not only to the brothers of an organization but he owes something to those who are even closer to him than brothers can possibly be, no matter how close they may be, so I went to the good wife of this brother and discussed it with her and she reluctantly agreed to make the sacrifice that a good wife was being called upon to make, to continue to forego some of the joys that she had been denied by these many years of constant, honest and faithful service, and then my good brothers I was convinced and I said that insofar as I was concerned and with all the power given unto me I would try to have Horace H. Hammer continue in office as Secretary-Treasurer of this organization.

I, too, have the personal touch that my beloved friend Past Commander-in-Chief Coffin has so gracefully and graciously referred to. Thirty-nine years ago as a member of this organization, not then quite of the eligible age, I attended the first Encampment that I was privileged to attend, of the Department of Pennsylvania. There I met this man and there I became acquainted with him, and though that was thirty-nine years ago, he was an old man in the Sons of Union Veterans and had already served the Department of Pennsylvania as its Commander. The love and affection by membership in an organization such as this naturally developed and his home is now my second home and the dear little mother in her eighty-eighth year, I am privileged now to refer to as my other Mother, because mine has been called to the other side many, many years ago.

I have no better knowledge of his service to you than you have. I don't pretend to have. You know what he has done. You know how faithfully he has served you. You know how efficiently he has served and may I now paraphrase an expression,—it is not that I love Harley Speelman less but that I love Horace Hammer more. It is not that I do not appreciate fully the service that has been rendered this organization by Harley Speelman, but I believe Horace Hammer has, likewise, rendered unto you equal service, not that I believe less in Harley Speelman as National Secretary, and Treasurer, if he be elected, but that I know because of twenty-five years of continuous service that Horace Hammer has served you efficiently and well and that the best guarantee that you can possibly demand of any brother is that he

will continue to serve you equally faithfully and well should he again be called upon to take that office. Now, my brothers, with these words I leave the matter in your hands. You are the official jury to adjust this question. I do it with a consciousness of a duty placed upon me by my brothers. I too, do it because I believe down in my heart, as one who has served you, as one who has been signally honored and appreciates that honor given him by you, that what I am doing and asking you to do is for the best interests of this organization, so that I do not directly nominate this brother, because in his place it is something more than a mere nomination, but I say I propose to have you draft Horace H. Hammer for another term as the National Secretary-Treasurer. That is the word.

Roll call continued.

Past Department Commander U. S. Grant, III, of Maryland: I ask the privilege, Commander-in-Chief, because of the high regard in which I hold him, because since I have been a member of our organization living in the east he has been a guide, philosopher and friend to me, and by reason of the personal friendship I hold for him, and my high regard for him as an exemplary son of the Union Veterans of the Civil War, I ask the privilege of seconding the nomination of Harley Speelman. I don't want it to be misunderstood, I have the highest regard for Brother Hammer, but when I heard he was retiring from office and I understood he would not be a candidate again, I volunteered, because of my personal feeling, to second the nomination of Harley V. Speelman as National Secretary-Treasurer.

Roll call continued, until Wisconsin was reached.

Delegate C. W. Dodson, of Wisconsin: Commander-in-Chief; I have the commission here from Wisconsin to present a man for Secretary-Treasurer of the Commandery-in-Chief. I do not care to take up your time, you all know this beloved brother. He has held many offices in the Department of Wisconsin. He has been a member in the organization for forty-five years, and he has been at practically every National Encampment. This brother from Milwaukee has faithfully served the Camp in a number of efficient ways. He has had charge of the listing, card indexing, etc., of war graves, and Camps of Chicago, Philadelphia and New York know what a job that is, and it certainly makes a man an efficient one. This man has never fallen down on the job. He built up our organization, is still attending practically every Encampment and Camp Meeting. In civil life he has always been aggressive. He has held membership in the Wisconsin State Fair, elected by the State and has served his community in general. They don't have to draft Horace Hammer again. We do not say that in disrespect to him, we feel all the credit is due that he gets from this Encampment, but he has served this organization for twenty-five years. It isn't right to Horace Hammer personally or to the Encampment, whether willingly or unwillingly that he serve again. We feel also that this field should rotate around, it should not stay in one place. I present for the office of National Secretary-Treasurer, Past Department Commander Henry A. Goldsmith, of Milwaukee, and I request, if you can see your way clear that you support our nominee.

Past Commander-in-Chief Ralph Sheldon: Is the candidate whom you have nominated present at this meeting.

Delegate C. W. Dodson: He is not present.

Past Commander-in-Chief Ralph Sheldon: It is a rule of our Order that a member must be present in order to be considered a

nominee for National office. What is the ruling of the Commander-in-Chief?

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: I rule the Brother must be present,—the nomination of Brother Goldsmith is not in order as he is not present.

Delegate Alfred E. Gleason, of Rhode Island: With reference to the nomination of Brother Goldsmith, there is nothing in the Constitution to do this.

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: That is my ruling and exceptions can be taken.

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: Call the roll of Departments for the election of National Secretary-Treasurer.

Past Commander-in-Chief Charles F. Sherman, of New York, called the roll of Departments and the tellers announced the following result:

Department:	For Hammer	For Speelman	For Goldsmith
Alabama & Tennessee....	1		
California & Pacific.....	2		
Colorado & Wyoming....	5		
Connecticut	6		
Illinois	8		
Indiana	10		
Iowa		3	
Kansas	1	1	
Maine	2	2	
Maryland	6	2	
Massachusetts	20		
Michigan	4		
Minnesota	1		
Missouri	2	2	
Nebraska		1	
New Hampshire		1	
New Jersey	7		
New York	18		
Ohio		16	
Oregon			
Pennsylvania	21		
Rhode Island	2		
Vermont			
Washington			5
Wisconsin			5
Total	116	28	5

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: Horace H. Hammer is declared elected National Secretary-Treasurer for another term.

Past Commander-in-Chief Harley V. Speelman: I move that the election of Brother Hammer as National Secretary-Treasurer be made unanimous.

Department Commander J. Z. Collier, of Wisconsin, seconded the motion.

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: I take pleasure in announcing the unanimous election of Horace H. Hammer as National Secretary-Treasurer.

Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: Brother Holbrook, whom do you wish to install you in office?

Past Department Commander Allan S. Holbrook, of Illinois: I would like to have Past Commander-in-Chief Horn.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS.

The following officers were duly installed by Past Commander-in-Chief Samuel S. Horn, as Installing Officer:

Commander-in-Chief—Allan S. Holbrook, Dwight, Illinois.

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief—Robert J. Hill, Denver, Colorado.

Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief—Frank C. Huston, Knightstown, Indiana.

Council-in-Chief—Allan A. Bronsdon, Baldwinsville, Massachusetts.
Fred G. Hansen, Weehawken, New Jersey.
James M. Hughes, Jr., Cincinnati, Ohio.

National Secretary-Treasurer—Horace H. Hammer, Reading, Pa.

Commander-in-Chief Allan S. Holbrook: Gentlemen; I appreciate very much what has taken place at this meeting. I asked Sam Horn to install me in this office because in 1924 he performed a similar act and I appreciate this service as I did that. I am going to say very little of what I intend or what I hope to do. I would prefer to let my record for the coming year stand without any qualifications. I do want to say, however, that during the next 365 days I am going to think, act and work for the Sons of Union Veterans.

PRESENTATION TO PAST COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF CAZEAU.

Past Commander-in-Chief Charles F. Sherman: Commander-in-Chief Holbrook, may I have the privilege of addressing a few words to our Past Commander-in-Chief?

Brother Cazeau, for the past year it has been your privilege to always be on the other side of this or a similar table, addressing or being addressed by your brothers. You have now come to the point where you are shown out. Did I say shown out, well I suspect that a Past Commander-in-Chief when he leaves the office while it might in the minds of some be considered a demotion to go from the office of Commander-in-Chief, yet after fifteen years' experience as such it is my thought that now you have been called by your brothers to a position of even higher and greater responsibility than you have ever occupied in the Sons of Veterans. Your brothers in the New York Department have watched your career for many years, and they have been pleased with the zeal and enthusiasm in the Commandery positions and parts offered to you to perform work of a patriotic nature for the city of Rochester, County of Monroe, State of New York.

You were made Commander-in-Chief primarily because your brothers in the State of New York had confidence in the belief that you would spend the last ounce of strength in the good of this order. In words we cannot express what you have given to the order but we do want to give you a small token of love, of appreciation, and of affection, because Theodore Cazeau, having been given to the Commandery-in-Chief has now been lent to the Commanders-in-Chief again and the Department of New York, and your brothers wish to give to you something that shall have a value even beyond the words I addressed to you. This is a little purse of gold, brothers, and what is there more fitting and sacred than the pure and best metal that we know of. We do not present it to you merely because of its intrinsic value, were it a thousand dollars it would not be thought more of. It is not as large a sum as that but it is bound up with love and the affection of the brothers who have contributed and

we want you to have it to do with what you will. Don't just lay it in a safe place. Don't just bring back what was given to you. Use this for anything you wish, buy a gift if you want to, but spend it with the assurance that the boys of New York are glad to place in your hands this two hundred dollars in gold as an expression of love and happiness for you. So much for that.

Every man who has ever attended a meeting of the Commandery-in-Chief or comes in contact with those who have been in touch with the Commanders-in-Chief have looked upon this decoration as a fitting token of service rendered. I cannot say this has been a motive act in your life, this is the gift of a Past Commander-in-Chief, but you are going to receive this from the hands of the order for which you have worked so diligently for the past year. As you look at that, there is going to pass before you the forty odd years of service you have given to this order, of the time you received the Standard of our Order from your predecessor and handed it on to your successor. It will tell you of the loyal work you have devoted to the old soldiers graves and to the old soldiers living, so that their days might be eased and their hearts lightened. As Department Commander you worked in New York State, and you have been devoted to this work. It will be pinned over a noble and true heart that ever beats in unison for the old soldier. I need not admonish you to be faithful because you would sacrifice your life rather than be untrue to the principles of the Sons of Union Veterans.

As a representative of the Past Commanders-in-Chief I give you the most cordial welcome into that small and inner group, a circle which has no beginning and has no end, the Past Commanders-in-Chief of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War and may the good God of us all preserve you for many years to enable you to continue serving as you have so well in the past the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

(Past Commander-in-Chief's badge presented to Past Commander-in-Chief Cazeau).

Past Commander-in-Chief Cazeau: Past Commander-in-Chief Sherman and all of you good brothers, briefly I will say this is just the beginning of a more determined effort on my part not only to do what I can in my own city where I hope I will carry on as I always have, but throughout the nation. Just command me any time Brother Holbrook and I am at your beck and call.

National Secretary Hammer presented to Past Commander-in-Chief Cazeau a gold lapel button.

Past Commander-in-Chief Samuel S. Horn: I move that the minutes of this Encampment as transcribed by the stenographer, edited and approved, be adopted as the official record of this Encampment, and be printed and promulgated.

Delegate William B. Wells, of Maryland, seconded the motion. Carried.

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES.

Commander-in-Chief Holbrook: I appoint on the Legislative Committee the same brothers who served so faithfully last year: Chairman, Past Commander-in-Chief Harley V. Speelman, (Ohio), Washington, D. C., Past Department Commander J. Clinton Hiatt, Washington, D. C., (Maryland); and Past Department Commander James W. Lyons, Washington, D. C., (Maryland); with the addition of the following: Past Department Commander U. S. Grant, 3rd, Washing-

ton, D. C., (Maryland); Honorable P. M. Brown, Washington, D. C., (Maryland); Wm. B. Wells, Washington, D. C., (Maryland).

I also appoint the Committee for marking graves the same as last year, Charles R. Hale of Hartford, Connecticut as chairman.

Is there anything further to come before this Encampment, or have the other officers anything to state?

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief Robert J. Hill: Commander-in-Chief, Brothers, I view myself sitting in this chair, this signal honor which you have bestowed upon me this afternoon and upon the Department of Colorado and Wyoming comes as a surprise. I am a worker and I want to tell all our new officers of the Commandery-in-Chief of my desire to work personally, to do all in my power for the coming year, and I trust that at the end of the year our Commandery-in-Chief will not be ashamed of their National officers, nor the National Encampment be ashamed of the choice they have made. Brothers, I thank you again personally and also in the name of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming.

Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief Frank C. Huston: I express my appreciation for the honor conferred upon me as the Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief. It shall be my purpose to be true to that flag. I have in me the blood of one who served faithfully. My father and six brothers were in the Union Army and as I did during the World War, I shall carry out the prayers I offered at that altar to keep this flag from being trampled in the dust and while I may not be called upon to give my life I will do what I can and I appreciate this fine fellowship and being associated with the National Officers of the Commandery-in-Chief.

Council-in-Chief A. A. Bronsdon: I thank the brothers for the privilege of election. The air has been full of happy expressions. We shall miss Brother Everett Warner, but we have a splendid brother in James M. Hughes, Jr., as Council-in-Chief. I pledge to you my best service.

Council-in-Chief Fred G. Hansen: I reiterate the words of Brother Bronsdon. I have worked for a good many years and I need not assure you of my pledge to do anything I can and I am at your service.

Council-in-Chief James M. Hughes, Jr., Cincinnati: I repeat the words my good brother said here with the exception of the ones said about me. You have known their service, you may judge them. To you I pledge my undivided devotion and service to the cause of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

Commander-in-Chief Holbrook: Anything further to come before this session?

National Secretary Hammer: I move that the Encampment Committees be discharged and the Encampment adjourn.

Past Commander-in-Chief Samuel S. Horn seconded this motion. Carried.

The Encampment was then closed in due Ritualistic form.

The foregoing is a correct transcript of the action and proceedings of the Forty-ninth Annual Encampment of the Commandery-in-Chief, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Attest:

H. H. HAMMER,
National Secretary.

THEODORE C. CAZEAU,
Commander-in-Chief.

MEETING OF FEDERATED PATRIOTIC SOCIETIES

Cincinnati, Ohio, August 24th, 1930.

The Eleventh Annual Conference of the Federated Patriotic Societies, Allied with the Grand Army of the Republic, was held in the main ball room of Hotel Gibson, Cincinnati, August 24th, 1930.

In the absence of President, the meeting was called to order by the Vice President, Mrs. Lillian Clark-Carey, at 4.45 P. M., Chaplain-in-Chief Rev. J. King Gibson, offering prayer.

Our President having arrived, Mrs. Beverstock took the chair, and all joined in singing "America," Mrs. Clara H. Kurtz, of Ohio, at the piano, followed by the pledge of allegiance.

Mrs. Beverstock welcomed the members and guests and explained that she had been detained by a traffic jam.

Roll call of voting members showed there were present from the Grand Army of Republic.....	7
Woman's Relief Corps	14
Ladies of the G. A. R.	6
Daughters of Union Veterans	9
Sons of Union Veterans	6
Aux. to Sons of Union Veterans	13
Past Officers	3

Total58

The room was well filled with non-voting members, showing the growing interest in the Federated Patriotic Societies.

Minutes of the Tenth Annual Conference were read and approved. The Annual report of the President showed great interest in the work, and that concerted efforts had been put forth to further it; the report of the Vice President gave an account of much letter writing and many speeches made in behalf of the work.

Report of Secretary-Treasurer was read and the financial report showed,

Receipts:

Balance on hand last report	\$109.83
From Dues (5 Organizations \$25.00 each)	125.00
Interest on deposit	6.05

Total Receipts\$240.88

Disbursements:

Typing reports and printing	\$ 9.10
Stationery	7.25
Printing By-Laws	21.00
Multigraphing Letters	2.00
Postage	7.56
Printing notices and postals (Annual Meeting).....	4.00
Total Disbursements	60.91

Balance on hand, August 24\$189.97

Reports of Officers accepted.

Reports of State and Local Units followed. Mrs. Pauley reported that Indiana was doing all in its power to further the cause. Mrs. Basham and Mrs. Carey reported for Iowa, saying they were but two years old, but were patterning after the National Organization, and thriving. Comrade Merrell, of Kansas, voiced his belief in the Federation, and Mrs. Baker reported that they had increased their officers to six, with six trustees, all elected. Mary Rogan said that Missouri was gaining much benefit from the organization. Brother Park Yengling, delegate from Ohio, told of their splendid Federation, and that it was his belief that much good would be accomplished. For Oklahoma, Mrs. Baker said they had failed to function this year, but that she would assist them next year. Mary May gave a splendid report for Rhode Island, saying they had held five meetings, with much enthusiasm. Report from Vermont was that they had failed to function. Mrs. Campbell reported that Minnesota was well started and working. Brother Pratt said that the Quad Cities Federation was well organized, and prospering.

Mrs. Emma W. Campbell, Chairman of Patriotic Societies Publicity Investigation Committee, read a most comprehensive report, showing that a most thorough investigation had been made, and that on the whole the matter was not approved.

Moved by Mrs. Bender that report of Committee be accepted, and the matter be laid on the table. Brother Pratt seconded the motion and thanked the Committee for its work. Motion carried.

Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army, Edwin J. Foster was called upon for remarks and spoke briefly. Past Commander-in-Chief Willett said that in his opinion the greatest need of the Federation was "PEP", harmony and solidity of purpose.

Past Commander-in-Chief Ahrensburg expressed his belief in the Federation and Past Commander-in-Chief Reese said he was thoroughly in sympathy with the project, and bespoke a great future for the good of the country through its efforts. "Sleep not nor slumber in effort to uphold the principles for which the Civil War Veterans fought," was the message of Past Commander-in-Chief King.

The heads of allied organizations were introduced as follows: Mrs. Bennett, of the Woman's Relief Corps; Mrs. Rowling, Ladies of the G. A. R.; Miss Hurd, Daughters of Union Veterans; Mrs. Lange, Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War; and Commander-in-Chief of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Theo. C. Cazeau, all spoke briefly. Captain Robert Bunge, Chairman of Local Committee, expressed his pleasure in serving the various organizations.

Election of officers being next in order, Mrs. Lillian Clark-Cary, Ladies of the G. A. R., was nominated for President; nomination numerously seconded. There being no further nominations, the secretary was instructed to cast the ballot and Mrs. Cary was declared elected.

Miss Hazel Riley, Daughters of Union Veterans, was nominated for Vice President. Miss Riley declined. Miss Grace Hurd, Daughters of Union Veterans was nominated for Vice President; nomination duly seconded. The secretary cast the ballot and Miss Hurd was declared elected.

Greetings from Federation were ordered sent to President of United States on motion regularly seconded. Singing of "God Be With You 'Till We Meet Again" closed the business session, and all adjourned to the foyer of the ball room where 181 were seated at beautifully flag and flower decorated tables.

Chaplain-in-Chief Gibson offered grace, after which all joined in the pledge of allegiance and in singing the Ohio State Song. A most delightful banquet was enjoyed and the following toasts responded to, Brother Pratt acting as toastmaster:

"Grand Army of the Republic," Commander-in-Chief Edwin J. Foster. "The Trust," Mrs. Margaret Lewis Bennett, President National Woman's Relief Corps. "The Last Measure," Mrs. Cora J. Rowling, National President, Ladies of the G. A. R.; "Charity," Mrs. Ida B. Lange, National President Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War; "Memories," Miss Grace Hurd, National President, Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War; "The Unfinished Work," Theo. C. Cazeau, Commander-in-Chief of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War; and "Changing the Guard," Mrs. Blanche Beverstock, Past National Pres. Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans.

A most interesting and instructive address on "National Defense" was given by Mrs. Flo Jamison Miller, Past National President, Woman's Relief Corps.

Our newly elected President, Mrs. Lillian Clark Cary, was introduced and spoke most feelingly. All comrades of the Grand Army were asked to speak, as were Capt. Bunge and Mrs. Dickerson, Chairman of the woman's division of the encampment committee. The entire program was interspersed with music.

Rev. Gibson pronounced the benediction, and we left for the activities of our several conventions, feeling that this meeting of the Federation had given us background, whereby we could legislate more wisely and the history of the deeds of the Grand Army of the Republic be safer, because of our having been together.

Supplemental Report of Treasurer:

Balance on hand, August 24th, 1930	\$189.97
Banquet expenses, guests, tips, decorations, etc.....	\$64.00
H. M. Pratt, printing programs	7.78
Total Expense	\$ 71.78

Balance on hand\$118.19

The forgoing minutes of the Eleventh Annual Conference of the Federated Patriotic Societies, allied with the Grand Army of the Republic, are approved as the official record of said Conference.

GRACE L. JOHNSON,
Secretary.

BLANCHE BEVESTOCK,
President.

COMMANDERY-IN-CHIEF ENCAMPMENTS

No.	Year.	Date.	Place.	State.
1st	1882	Oct. 18	Pittsburgh	Pennsylvania
2nd	1883	Aug. 6-7	Columbus	Ohio
3rd	1884	Aug. 27-30	Philadelphia	Pennsylvania
4th	1885	Sept. 17-18	Grand Rapids	Michigan
5th	1886	Sept. 1-2	Buffalo	New York
6th	1887	Aug. 17-19	Des Moines	Iowa
7th	1888	Aug. 15-17	Wheeling	West Virginia
8th	1889	Sept. 10-13	Paterson	New Jersey
9th	1890	Aug. 26-29	St. Joseph	Missouri
10th	1891	Aug. 24-29	Minneapolis	Minnesota
11th	1892	Aug. 8-12	Helena	Montana
12th	1893	Aug. 15-18	Cincinnati	Ohio
13th	1894	Aug. 20-23	Davenport	Iowa
14th	1895	Sept. 16-18	Knoxville	Tennessee
15th	1896	Sept. 8-10	Louisville	Kentucky
16th	1897	Sept. 9-11	Indianapolis	Indiana
17th	1898	Sept. 12-14	Omaha	Nebraska
18th	1899	Sept. 7-9	Detroit	Michigan
19th	1900	Sept. 11-13	Syracuse	New York
20th	1901	Sept. 17-18	Providence	Rhode Island
21st	1902	Oct. 7-9	Washington	D. C.
22nd	1903	Sept. 15-17	Atlantic City	New Jersey
23rd	1904	Aug. 17-19	Boston	Massachusetts
24th	1905	Sept. 18-20	Gettysburg	Pennsylvania
25th	1906	Aug. 21-23	Peoria	Illinois
26th	1907	Aug. 20-21	Dayton	Ohio
27th	1908	Aug. 25-27	Niagara Falls	New York
28th	1909	Aug. 24-26	Washington	D. C.
29th	1910	Sept. 20-22	Atlantic City	New Jersey
30th	1911	Aug. 22-25	Rochester	New York
31st	1912	Aug. 27-29	St. Louis	Missouri
32nd	1913	Sept. 16-18	Chattanooga	Tennessee
33rd	1914	Sept. 1-3	Detroit	Michigan
34th	1915	Sept. 28-30	Washington	D. C.
35th	1916	Aug. 30-31	Kansas City	Missouri
36th	1917	Aug. 22-23	Boston	Massachusetts
37th	1918	Aug. 20-21	Niagara Falls	New York
38th	1919	Sept. 9-11	Columbus	Ohio
39th	1920	Sept. 22-24	Indianapolis	Indiana
40th	1921	Sept. 27-29	Indianapolis	Indiana
41st	1922	Sept. 26-28	Des Moines	Iowa
42nd	1923	Sept. 4-5-6	Milwaukee	Wisconsin
43rd	1924	Aug. 12-14	Boston	Massachusetts
44th	1925	Sept. 1-3	Grand Rapids	Michigan
45th	1926	Sept. 21-23	Des Moines	Iowa
46th	1927	Sept. 13-15	Grand Rapids	Michigan
47th	1928	Sept. 18-20	Denver	Colorado
48th	1929	Sept. 10-12	Portland	Maine
49th	1930	Aug. 26-28	Cincinnati	Ohio

PAST COMMANDERS-IN-CHIEF

Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

Elected.	Name.	Department.	Address.
1881	*Harry T. Rowley	Pennsylvania	
1882	*Harry T. Rowley	Pennsylvania	
1883	*Frank P. Merrill	Maine	
1884	*Harry W. Arnold	Pennsylvania	
1885	*Walter S. Payne	Ohio	
1886	*Walter S. Payne	Ohio	
1887	*George B. Abbott	Illinois	
1888	*George B. Abbott	Illinois	
1889	*Charles 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	220 S. Kentucky Ave., Lake-land, Fla.
1902	*Frank Martin	Indiana	
1903	*Arthur B. Spink	Rhode Island	
1904	*William G. Dustin	Illinois	
1905	Harley V. Speelman	Ohio	1652 Hobart Street, N.W., Washington, D. C.
1906	*Edwin M. Amies	Pennsylvania	
1907	Ralph Sheldon	New York	Lyons, N. Y.
1908	Edgar Allan, Jr.	Maryland	108 S. 7th St., Richmond, Va.
1909	*George W. Pollitt	New Jersey	
1910	Fred. E. Bolton	Massachusetts	City Hall, Boston, Mass.
1911	Newton J. McGuire	Indiana	1001 People's Bank Building, Indianapolis Ind.
1912	Ralph M. Grant	Connecticut	730 Main St., Hartford, Conn.
1913	John E. Sautter	Pennsylvania	405 Hampton Ave., Wilkinsburg, Pa.
1914	Charles F. Sherman	New York	46 South Fourth Ave., Mount Vernon, N. Y.
1915	*A. E. B. Stephens	Ohio	
1916	William T. Church	Illinois	231 S. LaSalle St., Chicago, Ill.
1917	*Fred T. F. Johnson	Maryland	
1918	*Francis Callahan	Pennsylvania	
1919	Harry D. Sisson	Massachusetts	Pittsfield, Mass.
1920	Pelham A. Barrows	Nebraska	1540 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, Calif.
1921	*Clifford Ireland	Illinois	
1922	Frank Shellhouse	Indiana	3060 N. Meridian St., Indian-apolis, Ind.
1923	Samuel S. Horn	Pennsylvania	P. O. Box 51, Easton, Pa.
1924	Wm. M. Coffin	Ohio	3755 Hyde Park Ave., Cincin-nati, Ohio.
1925	Edwin C. Ireland	Maryland	321 St. Dunstan's Rd., Home-land, Baltimore, Md.

Elected.	Name.	Department.	Address.
1926	Ernest W. Homan	Massachusetts	191 North Common Street, West Lynn, Mass.
1927	Walter C. Mable	Pennsylvania	2227 South Ninth Street, Phila- delphia, Pa.
1928	Delevan Bates Bowley	Calif. & Pac.	2550 Pine Street, San Fran- cisco, Calif.
1929	Theodore C. Cazeau	New York	1101 Mercantile Bldg., Roch- ester, N. Y.

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	422 Walnut St., Philadelphia, Pa.
1885	†Louis M. Wagner		
1886	†Louis M. Wagner		

The Post System

1889-90	†George W. Marks	New York	Brooklyn, New York
1890	†*George T. Brown	New York	
Honor Conferred by Commandery-in-Chief			
1883	*A. P. Davis	Pennsylvania	
1899	*R. M. J. Reed	Pennsylvania	

PAST GRAND DIVISION COMMANDERS

*Frank H. Challis	New Hampshire
E. Howard Gilkey	Columbus, Ohio

CONSTITUTIONAL LIFE MEMBERS

O. B. Brown	Dayton, Ohio
*Charles A. Bookwalter	Indianapolis, Ind.

†Conferred by Commandery-in-Chief.

*Deceased.

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