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PRE-ENCAMPMENT ACTIVITIES

JOINT MEMORIAL SERVICES

The Joint Memorial Services of the Sons and Auxiliary was held Sunday, August, 10, at 8:00 p. m. in the Grand Ball Room of the Hotel Hollenden. National Chaplain, Rev. Luther D. Childs of the Sons, and National Chaplain Anna B. Meyers of the Auxiliary were in charge.

The program:

Piano PreludeMrs. Mary Gordon
Processional Hymns Assembly
InvocationMrs. Anna B. Meyers
Chaplain of Auxiliary

Responsive Reading.....Rev. Luther D. Childs
Chaplain of Sons

Vocal Selection—"Beautiful Isle of Somewhere".....Mr. John Junge

Tributes—

1. To Past Commander-in-Chief Delevan B. Bowley
By Past Commander-in-Chief Dr. Ralph R. Barrett.
2. To Past National President Katie E. H. Carr
By Past National President Gertrude M. Sautter.
3. To Past National President Bessie B. Bowser
By Past National President Emma S. Finch.

Vocal Selection—"There is No Death".....Mrs. Martha Wilson
Mrs. Dorothy Korn
Mr. Alvin Kern

4. To all deceased members of the Grand Army of the Republic
By Past Commander-in-Chief John E. Sautter.
5. To all deceased members of the Sons
By Past Commander-in-Chief Rev. J. K. Craig, D. D.
6. To all deceased members of the Auxiliary
By Past National President Mrs. Maude B. Warren.

Floral Tributes

Hymn—"Lead Kindly Light" Assembly
Benediction.....Rev. Luther D. Childs
Chaplain of Sons

Taps

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COMMANDERY-IN-CHIEF
SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR
THE HOLLENDEN HOTEL — CLEVELAND, OHIO
AUGUST 10-14, 1947

MONDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

August 11, 1947

Commander-in-Chief Neil D. Cranmer: The officers and members of the Sixty-sixth Annual Encampment of the Commandery-in-Chief, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, will please come to order.

I appoint as Guide, Past Department Commander Fred E. Colwell, New York; Color Bearer, Department Commander, Charles T. Dexter, Michigan; Guard, Delegate William H. Warner, Connecticut; and Musician, Delegate L. G. Hulin, Oregon.

The Encampment was opened in ritualistic form.

Roll call of officers showed all present except Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief Roy R. Lewis, and Council-in-Chief George A. Laduke. Past Department Commander Roy J. Bennett, Iowa, was appointed Acting Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief.

COMMITTEES

Commander-in-Chief:

Credentials

H. H. Hammer, National Secretary, Chairman.
Julius Isaacs, Department Secretary, New York.
Clinton J. Smith, Past Department Commander, Vermont.
George E. Waller, Department Commander, Ohio.
C. M. Barksdale, Department Commander, Indiana.

Resolutions

C. Leroy Stoudt, Past Commander-in-Chief, Pennsylvania, Chairman.

Harold W. Drown, Department Commander, Massachusetts.
James M. Blackman, Department Commander, Illinois.
W. F. Hathaway, Department Commander, Iowa.
Allen F. Spink, Past Department Commander, Connecticut.

Officers' Reports

Albert C. Lambert, Past Commander-in-Chief, New Jersey, Chairman.

Henry Towle, Past Commander-in-Chief, Maine.
Frank H. Heacock, Past Department Commander, Pennsylvania.
Dewey B. Mead, Department Commander, Minnesota.
Wm. E. Kelly, Department Commander, New York.

Constitution and Regulations

Ralph M. Grant, Past Commander-in-Chief, Connecticut, Chairman.
 Richard F. Locke, Past Commander-in-Chief, Illinois.
 Frank S. Hubbard, Department Commander, Wisconsin.
 Clarence P. Renell, Department Commander, Maine.
 John C. Yocum, Department Commander, Pennsylvania.
 Walter A. Smith, Department Commander, California & Pacific.

Ritual and Ceremonies

Park F. Yengling, Past Commander-in-Chief, Ohio, Chairman.
 Wm. M. Coffin, Past Commander-in-Chief, Ohio.
 Lewis E. Abbott, Department Commander, Vermont.
 George H. Moore, Past Department Commander, Pennsylvania.
 James M. Blackman, Department Commander, Illinois.

Press

Allan S. Holbrook, Past Commander-in-Chief, Illinois, Chairman.
 W. C. Thobaben, Past Department Commander, Ohio.
 Edgar C. Clymer, Delegate, Pennsylvania.

GREETINGS COMMITTEES

Grand Army of the Republic

H. Harding Hale, Past Commander-in-Chief, and all Past Commanders-in-Chief; also Paul E. Grate, Past Department Commander, Ohio.

Woman's Relief Corps

Urien W. Mackey, Past Commander-in-Chief, Michigan, Chairman.
 W. E. Buchanan, Past Department Commander, Oregon.
 Ferdinand W. Reissman, Department Commander, Connecticut.
 George E. Bailey, Past Department Commander, Minnesota.
 Fred E. Colwell, Past Department Commander, New York.

Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic

Dr. Ralph R. Barrett, Past Commander-in-Chief, California & Pacific, Chairman.
 Walter C. Mabie, Past Commander-in-Chief, Pennsylvania.
 W. R. Coffey, Delegate, Colorado.
 John W. Snider, Department Commander, Maryland.
 Hugh I. Snider, Past Department Commander, Indiana.

Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War

Wm. M. Coffin, Past Commander-in-Chief, Ohio, Chairman.
 Fred C. Barnard, Past Department Commander, New York.
 Darold E. Whitney, Department Commander, New Hampshire.
 John A. Ruggles, Past Department Commander, Pennsylvania.
 Clarence E. Esten, Department Commander, Rhode Island.

Sons of Union Veterans Auxiliary

Albert C. Lambert, Past Commander-in-Chief, New Jersey, Chairman.
 Vincent Hayden, Department Commander, New Jersey, and all Brothers from the Department of New Jersey.

Responses to incoming Greetings Committees:

Grand Army of the Republic—John E. Sautter, Past Commander-in-Chief, Pennsylvania.

Woman's Relief Corps—J. Kirkwood Craig, D.D., Past Commander-in-Chief, New Hampshire.
 Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic—National Chaplain Rev. Luther D. Childs, Iowa.
 Daughters of Union Veterans—National Counselor Robert W. Doughty, New York.
 Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans—Ralph Sheldon, Past Commander-in-Chief, New York.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: Acting Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, will you please assume this station while I read my report. (Read, as printed to end of paragraph "War Between the States")

REPORT OF COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF

Elmira, N. Y., July 17, 1947.

To the Officers and Brothers of the 66th National Encampment, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War:

Almost one year ago, in the City of Indianapolis, I stood before you and was installed as your Commander-in-Chief. Little did I dream that in just a few weeks I should be called upon to pass through the waters of tribulation. There came that serious foot infection when it looked for days that I would have to submit to amputation. That was a real test of my faith. Thanks to devoted and skillful nurses of St. Joseph's Hospital, Elmira, two splendid and outstanding physicians, the use of modern drugs of penicillin, insulin and sulfa, several hundred messages of encouragement from you brothers, our sisters in the Auxiliary, and members of the allied bodies, and most of all prayers of many, I recovered sufficiently to again take up the work of leadership and be able to stand upon my own two feet and preside over this body.

In my inaugural address I stressed the vital need of rekindling our faith in the Sons of Union Veterans, and I come before you today to tell you there has been a revival of faith in many quarters including at least one Past Commander-in-Chief. True there have been difficulties, disappointments, losses but when they are all weighed in the scales with indomitable faith the latter by far tips down and excels.

The National Officers

If ever a Commander-in-Chief was blessed with a group of splendid devoted officers it is this one. Each has done much to put the Sons of Union Veterans on the map. Especially do I want to mention our National Secretary, our "Little Giant," our battle scarred veteran of these many years, Horace H. Hammer. I have heard other Commanders-in-Chief praise him to the skies and I have nodded my head in acquiescence. The proof of the pudding, however, is the eating, and I have found all the acclaim given him exceedingly well deserved, and then some. His vast and long knowledge of the inner-workings of the Order, his wholesome advice and his willingness to help in any way are only a few of the ways he has assisted your Commander-in-Chief. May you be blessed, Horace, with sufficient health and strength to carry on for a goodly number of years. In National Patriotic Instructor Ernest E. Barnum we have a brother of marked ability, as shown by the raising of our Grand Army of the Republic Fund, and his writings in The Banner of patriotic themes.

Speaking of The Banner I want to give this paragraph over to P. C.-in-C. and Editor Allan Holbrook. If ever anyone has been thor-

oughly co-operative he certainly has, and with the mere pittance he receives for publishing our periodical I think he puts out A-1 issues. Several times when it was hard going for your Commander-in-Chief, he took time out to write him words of encouragement and inspiration.

Grand Army of the Republic Highway

The Grand Army of the Republic Highway Committee was certainly put in most capable hands when it had as its head Captain J. Clark Mansfield. Indefatigable is the way I classify his work. A splendid victory came in this field when the legislature of Iowa passed and the Governor signed the law designating Highway Number Six as the Grand Army of the Republic Highway. In my own state through the efforts of Governor Dewey, new markers have been placed and the delapidated ones were removed. In both Illinois and Colorado there have been marked Dedication observances. In Nebraska the legislature appropriated sufficient funds for the placing of the markers. In Utah one house of the legislature passed our bill. The Ladies of the Grand Army and the Woman's Relief Corps, have given valued assistance in Nevada and Utah, where we have no Camps. In Iowa Captain W. F. Hathaway, Miss Amy Noll, Secretary of the G. A. R., Judge Havener and Past Department Commander John G. Spielman of California did a lot for our cause. Progress is being made over great odds in my native state of Pennsylvania. We must not forget it was little Rhode Island where favorable action was first secured.

The National Legislative Committee

This committee was blessed in the astute, able, learned and devoted chairmanship of P. D. C. Michael G. Heintz. Even though our bill for a permanent Dedication Day Law was not favorably reported in the Judiciary Committee of the House of Representatives, that was not the fault of our chairman. The Abraham Lincoln Association of Rochester, N. Y., deserves our hearty thanks for getting out letters furthering the project. There were scores of splendid accounts of the fine way Dedication Day was observed in 1946, sent to your Commander-in-Chief. He has yet to find one equalling that of Parsons, Kansas, where every one of over 200 schools of the city and county had a program. Hats off to Past Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief Martin. Even though the law failed this year is no reason why Camps should not sponsor patriotic programs. No better way can be found to achieve much needed publicity for the Sons of Union Veterans, or to keep green and sacred the memory of our fathers in this observance, originally named Veterans' Night, by Past Commander-in-Chief Charles F. Sherman.

The Graves Marking Registration Committee

This Committee for so many years ably handled by the late Charles R. Hale has fallen into good hands in the person of P. D. C. Bertrand O. DeForest, now carrying on so ably as chairman..

Finances

Our finances are running nip and tuck, between the black and the red. In January it was necessary to hold up a printing bill to The Banner until sufficient per capita tax was received. If we had added 1,000 new members this would have added to our revenue \$500 and consequent per capita tax of \$400. Either we must add many more new members or raise our per capita tax. I do not see how any more economies can be found. Your Commander-in-Chief has tried to be as economical as possible in his traveling expenses, ever bearing in mind not to lower the dignity of the high office he held.

Our Intensive Membership Drive

I gave several cogent reasons for the need of increasing our membership: (1) To replace our heavy losses especially from Grim Death; (2) To strengthen our financial resources; (3) To make ourselves felt more strongly politically in the enactment of favorable legislation, both at Washington and in State Capitols; (4) To Build our organizations as a mighty bulwark against all the isms, especially Communism, which seeks to overthrow the American form of government and the American Way of Life; (5) To overcome pessimism still besetting our ranks in some quarters.

The Department of Maine was first to wheel into action in the Drive adding 57 members, 45 of whom were new and 12 reinstatements. Two fine new Camps were organized at Glendale, California, and Brooklyn, N. Y., P. D. C. Woerner, and Dept. Sec. Julius Isaacs, having much to do with their inception. The climax of the Drive was reached at Bangor, Pa., June 21, when your Commander-in-Chief was thrilled to witness 27 new members initiated into Joel Zearfoss Camp, with three more to be added. Here the credit must largely go to P. C. Herman Snyder. Altogether 210 new members have been reported to me as secured. How many more not reported I do not know. Some were received in the March Quarter, some the June Quarter, and some will not be received until the September Quarter. Our losses are bad enough without these new members, but had they not been secured they would have been that much worse. Anyway its an old but true saying, "It's better to try and fail to reach your goal, than not to try at all." Eight brothers were appointed National Aides on my staff having secured five or more new members. Let us not overlook that most potent field for recruits in World War II veterans.

Our Auxiliary

There just aren't words enough in the dictionary to tell all the fine things our Auxiliary has done for us this year, their lovely National President, Mrs. Edna Lambert, as well as her husband, Past Commander-in-Chief Albert Lambert, who have been with me on many of my travels.

Our Parent Body

It has been such a delight to work with Commander-in-Chief John H. Grate of the Grand Army of the Republic. I have come both to respect and to love our Comrade. He is a true friend of the Sons of Union Veterans. The ranks of the Grand Army are now reduced to 55. The sun has set for them but its beautiful golden rays still linger in the Western sky, as will their blessed memory always.

Our Allied Bodies

Twenty-four years after Miss Cora Gillis was Department President of the Daughters of Union Veterans, and your Commander-in-Chief was Department Commander of the Sons, they became National heads of these organizations. Quite a coincidence, you say, or was it Divine Providence. Our relations, just as twenty-four years ago, have been most co-operative and harmonious. She has made a fine, efficient and devoted Secretary to the Grand Army of the Republic.

National President Mrs. Mable Coffey of the Ladies of the G. A. R., and National President Larson, of the Woman's Relief Corps, have been most helpful and it has been an inspiration to be associated with these splendid women.

There is a growing movement in our ranks to break away with

our Auxiliary, from the other bodies and hold separate Encampments. I wish to be recorded as decidedly opposed to this. In Union there is strength. Some of our Department Encampments would be too small to make any impression whatsoever without the aid of the other bodies. I am glad that the Departments of Iowa and Maine have voted to stay with our allied orders.

Sons of Veterans Reserve

I have always been a warm friend of the Reserve. It was the Reserve in their blue uniforms commemorating the Boys in Blue of '61, that first attracted my attention to the Sons of Union Veterans. They are a fine lot of men and afford a recruiting ground for our Order. Colonel and P. C.-in-C. Leroy Stoudt is especially to be commended in the Pennsylvania Reserve. Anything we can do to promote the interest of the Reserve we ought to do it.

"War Between the States"

We must strike this nefarious terminology hip and thigh. I approve the action of our National Legislative Committee in sending out the leaflet written by P. D. C. Michael Heintz to the Congressional Press Gallery. When I heard the pastor of the Reformed Church of Easton use this misnomer in a patriotic service Sunday evening, in connection with the Pennsylvania Department Encampment, after the service was over, in company with Department Commander George H. Moore, we interviewed him, handed him a copy of the pamphlet and explained to him in a courteous manner his mistake. He responded very graciously and thanked us for putting him right.

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Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: Brother Manoly handed me this article which appeared in the Washington Herald of August 6, 1947; and also in the New York Daily News of August 7, 1947. This is in response to the 1200 letters sent to the Congressional Press Gallery, written by Past Department Commander Michael G. Heintz and explaining the error about "War Between the States." (Reads the news clipping, which was addressed to Mr. Neil D. Cranmer, etc.):

From the outgoing Capitol Stuff mailbag—carbon copy of a letter discovered on the desk of one of our colleagues.

Washington, D. C., August 6, 1947.

Mr. Neil D. Cranmer, Commander-in-Chief,
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War,
Elmira, New York.

Dear Mr. Cranmer:

In my mail box this morning, because I am on the easily available sucker list of accredited newspapermen in the Congressional Directory, was a letter from you, an expensively printed job with an equally well-printed enclosure. You want me, as a Washington reporter, to quit calling our unpleasantness of 1861-1865 the War Between the States and start referring to this clambake as the Civil War.

You picked the wrong man, Commander Cranmer of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

In the first place I don't know anybody outside yourself and a few old fuds in the backwoods of the Carolinas or Mississippi who cares what it is called. In second place my grandpa wouldn't like it if I called this trouble anything except the War Between the States. Grandpa put in four years as a private of infantry with Beauregard, got

his leg shot off by a Yankee at Berryville, Va., was captured, whittled out a wooden leg and hobbled back to his South Carolina farm some months later only to find out that Sherman had been there.

In the third place, we seem to be numbering our wars now; it's more convenient. And in six months on Kwajalein during our latest unpleasantness, where I had boys from Alabama, New Jersey, Mississippi, Illinois, Kentucky, New York and even Texas in my section I do not recall a single time when any one of them worried much about the war of the rebellion.

They were a lot more concerned about ice water and beer and when do we go home.

I've been in the newspaper business a good many years and despite my grandpa's wishes, I don't think I have ever written "War Between the States"—not because I'm spending my time trying to keep a lot of silly prejudices alive—but because I am sure that any copy desk north of Atlanta would cut it to "Civil War" to save two long words.

What I can't understand is why a lot of grown men, with the world in a hell of a mess and this country worried with some rather serious problems, can be spending the time, effort and money trying to convince somebody to change the name of an old, tired war. Why don't you think up a good name for the next one?

Yours very truly,

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Field Work

Altogether your Commander-in-Chief has spent 81 days in the field attending special occasions and Department Encampments. In all, he attended 16 of the latter as follows: New Hampshire at Concord, Massachusetts at Springfield, Rhode Island at Providence, Maryland at Hagerstown, Connecticut at Hartford, Wisconsin at Madison, Minnesota at St. Paul, Illinois at Rockford, Ohio at Columbus, Maine at Rockland, Iowa at Des Moines, New Jersey at Asbury Park, Pennsylvania at Easton, Vermont at Burlington, and New York at Lake Placid, as well as the Mid-Winter Conference of Indiana. If I had accepted all the invitations and answered every communication as soon as expected, I would have had to have given all my time, but I still had my living to earn, so could not spend it all. Practically every place I have gone I have been given a royal welcome, not because I was Neil Cranmer, but because of the high and exalted position I held. I am deeply grateful for the many courtesies, and much hospitality received.

Recommendations

When in Columbus I had the privilege of hearing a preview of the Emancipation Proclamation Scene of Lincoln's Cabinet, a pageant written by Past Department Patriotic Instructor Campbell Voorhees and Past Department Commander Randall of Ohio. I recommend it to Camps everywhere for a fine patriotic program, also that it be printed serially in The Banner.

National G. A. R. Encampment

As the State of Ohio failed to appropriate any funds for the expenses of the Grand Army National Encampment and that of the affiliated bodies, and the City of Cleveland has no funds available it becomes necessary for the Sons of Union Veterans to pay their share of the same. As the balance in our national treasury will not stand this

amount, I recommend it be taken from the G. A. R. Fund. The estimate is from \$400 to \$500.

Department of Washington

The Department of Washington being reduced to two Camps and 30 members, I issued an order directing that these Camps be attached to the Department of Oregon, and that this Department be known as the Department of Oregon-Washington. National Secretary Hammer has pointed the expense involved in changing the charter of Oregon, so I am now recommending that the name be Department of Oregon, with the two Washington Camps attached.

Gettysburg Battlefield

Having received notice of resolutions adopted by Gettysburg Camp 112 urging the return of the battlefield from the Interior Department to the War Department, though not personally familiar with conditions involved, I am glad to recommend that the National Encampment approve the same, as I understood the Department of Pennsylvania has taken similar action, and both these bodies should be thoroughly cognizant of existing conditions.

Conclusion

The Duke of Wellington once chided a soldier for not saluting. When the soldier replied that he was not on duty, the Iron Duke said, "Don't you know a British soldier is always on duty?" Sons of Union Veterans, do not think your work ended when you took that solemn oath at our altar. Too many of you have taken refuge in a sort of inactive status, but remember a Son of a Union Veteran is always on duty.

In relinquishing the high post I have held, this is my last command, "Forward March."

Fraternally yours,

NEIL D. CRANMER,
Commander-in-Chief.

Delegate J. Clark Mansfield, Pennsylvania: I move that a rising vote of thanks be given the Commander-in-Chief for this splendid report, and that it be accepted and the recommendations contained therein considered.

Past Commander-in-Chief J. Kirkwood Craig: I should like to amend Brother Mansfield's motion that the report of the Commander-in-Chief be referred to the Committee on Officers' Reports, and that a rising vote be given; and that all other reports, as printed, be accepted without being read, and referred to the Committee on Officers' Reports. (Seconded by Past Commander-in-Chief Mabie, Pennsylvania, and carried. Rising vote of thanks given the Commander-in-Chief for his report).

REPORT OF SENIOR VICE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF

Milwaukee, Wis., June 11, 1947.

Mr. Neil D. Cranmer, Commander-in-Chief,
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

My Dear Commander:

I am herewith submitting a report of the activities and work of your Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief for the year about to close and in doing so, I hope I have not faltered.

Actions sometimes speak louder than words and I have tried to be active in all our work here in the Middle West. In October you asked me to represent you at our Mid-Year and Upper Mississippi Valley meeting, which I did to the best of my ability. The subject on which I spoke at these meetings was to hold our old members and to gain new ones, and the way to do it. This meeting was represented by sixty-five delegates from Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Iowa and Wisconsin. From this meeting I learned great things can be accomplished by closer relationship and fraternalizing with one another; you get the views of several, not only one or two. I found also that we must appeal to the great-grandsons in order to perpetuate the memories of our fathers, who are fast fading into the Great Camp Beyond.

We must urge our new members to take an active part in our work, and to emphasize the necessity of Memorial Day and what it means to our fathers. Conditions have changed in the last few years so we must find a condition to suit our aims. Young men have amusements to go to so we must furnish amusements for them. This can be done with the help of our Auxiliary by promoting parties, dances, smokers, etc. In traveling about the Middle West, I have urged our organization on such plans so as to increase our membership.

In November I visited the Department of Minnesota for Dedication Day. There was a fine gathering of brothers and sisters present to hear the Chief Justice of Minnesota speak on the wonderful things the Grand Army of the Republic has done for our country, and what a heritage it is to be a son or grandson of one of them.

During this year, I have visited almost all the Camps in this Department, but cannot go into detail about each, but I believe I have told the outstanding facts.

In closing, I have only regrets that I could not have done more to promote our organization, and hope your year was a successful one. I want to thank the organization for having the privilege of serving as Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, and if I have done anything to help, I am fully repaid.

Fraternally yours in F. C. & L.,

ROY R. LEWIS,
Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief.

REPORT OF JUNIOR VICE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF

Terre Haute, Ind., June 30, 1947.

To Neil D. Cranmer, Commander-in-Chief,
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

Dear Sir and Brother:

Another year has passed since we last met in annual session in Indianapolis, Indiana, and it is time for me to make my report as your Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief for the year I have been privileged to serve you, ending in August.

It was an honor to my Department and to me personally to be elevated to the office I now hold, but must soon relinquish with both regret and gladness; regret that I have been able to accomplish so little, and gladness that the honor, which is now mine, may be passed on to some other worthy brother.

While I have no particular activities to report I have been alert to any and all opportunities to advance and improve our Order when or wherever possible, especially in my home Department I have been

ready, at all times, to respond to any request that might have been made of me by any other Department, or the Commander-in-Chief. So far as I have been able to ascertain there are no particular duties or assignment of work for the Junior Vice Commander, except those which the Commander-in-Chief may assign to him. During the past year our very fine Commander-in-Chief has evidently been able to give his personal attention to all matters concerning the welfare of our organization, and no details of consequence have been apportioned to me. I had one request from the Commander-in-Chief, in which my opinion of his plan to secure one thousand new members was requested in a letter which was to be published in The Banner. I answered the letter promptly and the answer appeared in The Banner.

The Department of Indiana had the very great pleasure of entertaining the Commander-in-Chief, together with Auxiliary President Lambert and her good husband, Past Commander-in-Chief Lambert, at our Mid-Winter Meeting, which was held at Frankfort in January. We greatly enjoyed their visit with us and we were inspired by their coming.

In looking through my files of previous reports, I find that as far back as 1933 the then Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief, James W. Lyons, recommended that specific duties, in addition to those required by the Commander-in-Chief, be allotted to all future Senior and Junior Vice Commanders-in-Chief of our organization. Nothing seems to have been done about the matter since then. I respectfully suggest that it be considered at this time.

Again thanking you for the privilege of serving you for the past year—a year that will be a happy memory, which will live with me the rest of my life and pledging my continued loyalty and support in building and supporting the principles and precepts of our beloved Order, I am

Faithfully yours in F., C. and L.,

FRANK L. RICHART,
Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief.

REPORT OF NATIONAL SECRETARY-TREASURER

Reading, Pa., August 1, 1947.

Mr. Neil D. Cranmer, Commander-in-Chief,
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

My Dear Commander-in-Chief:

I have the honor to present the following report. The unusual early date of this Encampment prevents the customary statistical items and includes only the three quarters of the term as to membership. Returns for the last (June) quarter are not due from Departments until July 31. Necessarily they could not be included in this Report in time for printing for this Encampment. For the printed Journal of the Official Record of this Encampment the June Quarter's returns will be inserted and appear for the entire term in the official record of proceedings.

New Camps

Two new Camps were instituted—one at Glendale, Department of California & Pacific, with 27 members; one in Brooklyn, Department of New York, with 32 members (two Camps consolidating with loss thereof).

Losses

One Department—Washington (consolidated with Department of Oregon) April 1, 1947, with two (2) Camps and forty (40) members.

(The General Orders merging these two Departments designated that they should officially be the "Department of Oregon and Washington." Since, one of the Camps in Oregon has been suspended, no returns received, and as only two (2) exist in Washington, it is:

RECOMMENDED: That the designation "Department of Oregon and Washington" be rescinded by striking out "Washington" from "Oregon & Washington," and the original roster "Department of Oregon" be the official designation and Roster Title; the two Camps, and others which may be organized if any, until such time as a sufficient number of Camps exist in Washington. This to avoid expense of issuing New Charters to the Department (as Oregon and Washington) and to all other Camps in Oregon and in Washington. There is no indication of new, or additional Camps being organized in Washington).

No. in Good Standing:	Camps	Members
June 30, 1946	593	15,246
September 30, 1946	534	14,957
December 31, 1946	572	14,592
March 31, 1947	566	14,268

No. in Good Standing:	Camps	Members	Loss	
			Camps	Members
June 30, 1946	593	15,246		
September 30, 1946	584	14,957	9	289
December 31, 1946	572	14,592	12	415
March 31, 1947	566	12,268	6	274
Total Loss			27	978

Gains—Initiations, Etc.

1946-'47

	Initiations	Transfer	Reinstatement
September Quarter, 1946.....	53	11	24
December Quarter, 1946.....	80	1	21
March Quarter, 1947.....	177	4	42
Total	310	16	87—413

1945-'46

	Initiations	Transfer	Reinstatement
September Quarter, 1945.....	91	9	51
December Quarter, 1945.....	100	29	37
March Quarter, 1946.....	117	7	43
Total	308	45	131—484

Five of our twenty-three Departments have less than two hundred (200) members, respectively, and in their twenty-eight (28) Camps, 583 members in the aggregate. It will be apparent to what extent, how and conditions for them to successfully and efficiently function. Total cash balance reported March, 1947, Quarter, in these Departments was \$366.38 (all reporting). Two (of the five) Camps reported for the same period cash balance of \$307.77.

Since 1940 one of these Departments organized one New Camp.

ready, at all times, to respond to any request that might have been made of me by any other Department, or the Commander-in-Chief. So far as I have been able to ascertain there are no particular duties or assignment of work for the Junior Vice Commander, except those which the Commander-in-Chief may assign to him. During the past year our very fine Commander-in-Chief has evidently been able to give his personal attention to all matters concerning the welfare of our organization, and no details of consequence have been apportioned to me. I had one request from the Commander-in-Chief, in which my opinion of his plan to secure one thousand new members was requested in a letter which was to be published in The Banner. I answered the letter promptly and the answer appeared in The Banner.

The Department of Indiana had the very great pleasure of entertaining the Commander-in-Chief, together with Auxiliary President Lambert and her good husband, Past Commander-in-Chief Lambert, at our Mid-Winter Meeting, which was held at Frankfort in January. We greatly enjoyed their visit with us and we were inspired by their coming.

In looking through my files of previous reports, I find that as far back as 1933 the then Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief, James W. Lyons, recommended that specific duties, in addition to those required by the Commander-in-Chief, be allotted to all future Senior and Junior Vice Commanders-in-Chief of our organization. Nothing seems to have been done about the matter since then. I respectfully suggest that it be considered at this time.

Again thanking you for the privilege of serving you for the past year—a year that will be a happy memory, which will live with me the rest of my life and pledging my continued loyalty and support in building and supporting the principles and precepts of our beloved Order, I am

Faithfully yours in F., C. and L.,

FRANK L. RICHART,
Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief.

REPORT OF NATIONAL SECRETARY-TREASURER

Reading, Pa., August 1, 1947.

Mr. Neil D. Cranmer, Commander-in-Chief,
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

My Dear Commander-in-Chief:

I have the honor to present the following report. The unusual early date of this Encampment prevents the customary statistical items and includes only the three quarters of the term as to membership. Returns for the last (June) quarter are not due from Departments until July 31. Necessarily they could not be included in this Report in time for printing for this Encampment. For the printed Journal of the Official Record of this Encampment the June Quarter's returns will be inserted and appear for the entire term in the official record of proceedings.

New Camps

Two new Camps were instituted—one at Glendale, Department of California & Pacific, with 27 members; one in Brooklyn, Department of New York, with 32 members (two Camps consolidating with loss thereof).

Losses

One Department—Washington (consolidated with Department of Oregon) April 1, 1947, with two (2) Camps and forty (40) members.

(The General Orders merging these two Departments designated that they should officially be the "Department of Oregon and Washington." Since, one of the Camps in Oregon has been suspended, no returns received, and as only two (2) exist in Washington, it is:

RECOMMENDED: That the designation "Department of Oregon and Washington" be rescinded by striking out "Washington" from "Oregon & Washington," and the original roster "Department of Oregon" be the official designation and Roster Title; the two Camps, and others which may be organized if any, until such time as a sufficient number of Camps exist in Washington. This to avoid expense of issuing New Charters to the Department (as Oregon and Washington) and to all other Camps in Oregon and in Washington. There is no indication of new, or additional Camps being organized in Washington).

No. in Good Standing:	Camps	Members
June 30, 1946	593	15,246
September 30, 1946	584	14,957
December 31, 1946	572	14,592
March 31, 1947	566	14,268

No. in Good Standing:	Camps	Members	Loss	
			Camps	Members
June 30, 1946	593	15,246		
September 30, 1946	584	14,957	9	289
December 31, 1946	572	14,592	12	415
March 31, 1947	566	12,268	6	274
Total Loss			27	978

Gains—Initiations, Etc.

1946-'47

	Initiations	Transfer	Reinstatement
September Quarter, 1946.....	53	11	24
December Quarter, 1946.....	80	1	21
March Quarter, 1947.....	177	4	42
Total	310	16	87 — 413

1945-'46

	Initiations	Transfer	Reinstatement
September Quarter, 1945.....	91	9	51
December Quarter, 1945.....	100	29	37
March Quarter, 1946.....	117	7	43
Total	308	45	131 — 484

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In the last ten (10) years one, another of these same Departments, organized a Camp, a total of two Camps in the five Departments.

In this term five initiations were reported in three of the Departments. Per capita tax was \$182.90 and supplies amounting to \$37.55 were requisitioned for in all of the five Departments.

Most of these Department Encampments are so slimly attended as to be wrong in title and name. The numerical composition is so reduced, so few that they are anything but representative; in many instances some Officers absent and it is a serious matter to fill the offices. Invariably this condition is due to those responsible for the conduct of affairs not taking the interest and not creating an atmosphere of desire or importance of attending Encampments.

If properly publicized and objectives promulgated and Camps and Members awakened to the purpose of an Encampment, program and features impressed upon the members, a reasonable attendance could be secured for an Encampment and real business and interesting Encampment would result.

To carry out the principles and purposes of our Order, and for each Department to have its rightly responsible part therein, have its proper influence and status, every Department should have at least 200 Members and ten (10) Camps. With less no Department can meet conditions required. Referring to this matter it may have consideration and effect for a better situation next term, active and successful results, increased membership, new Camps. If not it can be in mind that possibly merging or consolidation of some of these Departments will be a beneficial remedy.

A Record Loss of Camps

Incident to annual Report of our Income Tax Exemption a return of Camps instituted, Disbanded and Dropped must be made. It is required beginning with the calendar year of 1941, by the Federal Internal Revenue Division, Treasury Department. The record:

	Instituted	Dropped
1941	5	23
1942	2	20
1943	3	31
1944	—	13
1945	1	24
1946	1	18
1947	2 (To March 31)	7
	14	136

The loss in Camps is deplorable. It emphasizes too greatly the fact that Memorial Day observance passes out by the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, and frequently no recognition of the day and no tribute to the Boys in Blue of 1861-'65.

Supplies

Market conditions, cost of material, production, continue complicated, unsettled and necessitate increase in prices of supplies. Every item of our supplies is far more costly than when our prices were revised in 1939. Contracts cannot be secured, prices will only be quoted on or for current orders.

For two years we endeavored to obtain Badges without success. When finally we could obtain them the cost thereof was materially

increased. Membership Badges (in quantities of 1,000) were advanced eleven (11) cents each; Past Camp Commander's Badges fifteen (15) cents; War Medals thirty (30) cents; Fifty Years Membership Badges twenty-five (25) cents.

Recent quotations on Past Camp Commander's Badges is seventy-one and one-half (71½) cents, increase forty-one and one-half (41½) cents, since last Requisitions were changed and thirty (30) cents each since October, 1946.

Up to 1900 the Membership Badge cost us \$1.12 cents each. At that time cost was reduced.

Increase in cost of supplies applies to all our items, printed forms, blank reports, books, etc., far exceeding the cost we were accustomed to pay. In a number of items the Commandery-in-Chief has a return negligible and in a number handling, preparation for shipping, material required, has no profit.

RECOMMENDATION: That Requisition Forms 1 (for Camps) and 1½ (for Departments) be revised with increased prices, a Committee composed of Department Secretaries, if available, be appointed at this Encampment and report thereto.

We are obliged to carry the listed supplies involving considerable investment of funds. It is not unusual that quite numerous items are not frequently requisitioned for, so that some of the stock does not move and we receive no return on our investment. Many of the Departments do not carry any stock or supplies and cannot fill Camps' Requisitions until they receive same from Commandery-in-Chief Headquarters. This is a detriment as a Department should always have supplies on hand to supply Camps' requisitions. If they observed this our invested funds would not be idle and to the extent they are. All Departments are expected to have a reasonable quantity of supplies on hand always.

Cost of supplies on hand August 10, 1946.....	\$1,787.92	
Cost of supplies purchased	1,604.88	
		<u>\$3,392.80</u>
Cost of supplies on hand June 30, 1947.....	\$2,324.59	
Amount received from Departments	\$1,271.72	
Cost of supplies sold	936.07	
Cost of shipping	29.76	
Cost of express on supplies received	4.00	<u>2,241.55</u>
Profit		<u>\$ 83.04</u>

Fifty Years Membership

In recognition of membership continuously fifty years or more, Badges were issued in Departments as follows:

California & Pacific, 1; Connecticut, 12; Maryland, 2; Massachusetts, 6; Minnesota, 4; Pennsylvania, 6; New York, 4. Total, 35.

Dedication Day—Veterans' Night

Dedication Day, November 19, was generally observed by our Camps, many units of our Affiliated Orders, other Veteran, patriotic, civic bodies, schools, etc., influenced by Act of Congress, proclamations designating the occasion for observance by the President, many Governors, Municipal Officers, etc. Our program was an instructive, historical, patriotic inspiration. The Legislative Committee, Chairman

M. G. Heintz, Past Department Commander of Ohio, deserves our commendation for their untiring service for the success of the occasion.

In connection with the designation "Dedication Day" our "Veterans' Night" has official designation for observance in our C. & R. as Ritual. It was established, instituted as "Veterans' Night" November 19, 1914, by Commander-in-Chief Charles F. Sherman, and annually observed since. Veterans' Night and Dedication Day should be brought into harmony, accord, since both have the same purpose. Veterans' Night, after all the years having had recognition and observance, should not be lost or disregarded.

Veteran Members—War Medals

Members who were in the armed forces, two hundred and nineteen, were honored by their Camps with presentation of the War Medal at interesting and patriotic ceremonies in most all cases. These were issued by:

Connecticut	12
Illinois	1
Iowa	6
Maine	26
Maryland	6
Massachusetts	32
Minnesota	10
New Jersey	36
New York	25
Ohio	7
Pennsylvania	58

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Financial

Receipts and disbursements cover the entire term—September 1946-June 30, 1947, the four quarters. Membership figures are for three quarters, September, 1946, to March, 1947, inclusive. This term's negligible balance is due to not including per capita tax for the June quarter, approximately \$1,300. All obligations are paid.

This condition impresses the necessity for increased revenue and members from which our income is derived, and as heretofore stressed efforts and action by Department officers to organize new Camps.

	General (Checking) Acc't.	Organi- zation Fund	G.A.R. Fund	G.A.R. Highway Com. Fund	U. S. Govt. Com. Marking "G" Graves Bonds
Aug. 29, 1946,					
To Balance	\$1841.52	\$669.59	\$1008.24	\$100.00	\$25.00
Receipts:					
From Depts.	5836.04		164.83		
Interest	167.50				
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	\$7845.06				
Disbursements	7840.06				25.00
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June 30, '47					
To Balance	\$ 5.00	\$669.59	\$1173.07	\$100.00	\$6700.00

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Departments	IN GOOD STANDING JUNE 30, 1946		GAIN										LOSS						
			By Organization		By Initiation in Camp		By Transfer		By Reinstatement in Camps		Total Gain		By Disbanded		By Death	By Hon. Discharge		By Transfer	By Suspended
			Camps	Members	Camps	Members	Camps	Members	Camps	Members	Camps	Members	Camps	Members	Members	Members	Members	Camps	Members
			Camps	Members	Camps	Members	Camps	Members	Camps	Members	Camps	Members	Camps	Members	Members	Members	Members	Camps	Members
At Large	1	27																	
California & Pacific.....	16	487	1	29	12	6	39	1	86					30	1	4			
Colorado & Wyoming	4	92			1		3		4					4	1				
Connecticut	27	894			12		6		18					28	13	3			
Illinois	21	418			7	11	13		31					7	2	3			
Indiana	16	375			9		3		12					5					
Iowa	14	231			6		3		9					4					
Kansas	15	230			3				3					3					
Maine	29	735			41		14		55	1	15			21	5				
Maryland	12	355			7		2		9					6	1				
Massachusetts	104	2651			42	2	10		54	2	15			81	8	1			
Michigan	13	399			7		1		8					8					
Minnesota	8	143			6		1		7					3	2				
Missouri	7	154			1		2		3					9	1				
Nebraska	5	132												2			1		
New Hampshire	17	374			4		3		7					11	1				
New Jersey	20	627			7		1		8					16	1				
New York	63	1450	1	34	47		10	1	91	3	42			60	4	3			
Ohio	57	1326			13	3	7		23	1	7			37	1		9		
Oregon	7	188			3	1	17		1	20	2	15		1	1				
Pennsylvania	87	2920			65		34		99	3	31			94	2	1			
Rhode Island	15	239			5	1	1		7					3	1				
Vermont	19	419			16	4	3		23					10	1				
Washington	4	64													30	2	3		
Wisconsin	12	316			20		4		24					10	1				
Total	593	15246	2	63	334	1	44	160	3	613	12	125	453	45	47	12	1		

NATIONAL SECRETARY'S ANNUAL CONSOLIDATED REPORT 1946-1947—GAINS, LOSSES—DEPARTMENTS

Departments	IN GOOD STANDING JUNE 30, 1946		GAIN							LOSS							IN GOOD STANDING JUNE 30, 1947		Net Gain.	Net Loss.	Balance in Department Treasuries	Balance in Camp Treasuries	Amount Expended for Relief	Veterans No. Relieved or Their Families.													
			By Organization	By Initiation in Camps	By Transfer.	By Reinstatement in Camps	Total Gain.	By Disbanded.	By Death.	By Hon. Discharge.	By Transfer.	By Suspended.	By Dropped Camps with Members	Dropped by Camps	By Dishon. Disch.	Total Loss.								Camps	Members	Camps	Members	Camps	Members	Veterans	Families						
	Camps	Members	Camps	Members	Camps	Members	Camps	Members	Camps	Members	Camps	Members	Camps	Members	Camps	Members	Camps	Members	Camps	Members	Camps	Members	Camps									Members					
	Camps	Members	Camps	Members	Camps	Members	Camps	Members	Camps	Members	Camps	Members	Camps	Members	Camps	Members	Camps	Members	Camps	Members	Camps	Members	Camps	Members	Camps	Members											
At Large	1	27															1	27																			
California & Pacific	16	487	1	29	12	6	39	1	86									111	17	462	1		25	\$ 580.04	\$ 1079.67	\$ 66.02	12	3									
Colorado & Wyoming	4	92			1		3		4										13	4	83		9	83.98	29.50												
Connecticut	27	894			12		6		18										100	27	812		82	123.58	2731.70												
Illinois	21	418			7	11	13		31										50	21	399		19														
Indiana	16	375			9		3		12										2	39	22	2	54	176.44	283.88							1					
Iowa	14	231			6		3		9										15	14	225		6	179.69	252.46												
Kansas	15	230			3				3										1	10	7	1	17	31.91													
Maine	29	735			41		14		55	1	15								10	1	51	28	4	709.08	1708.72	5.00							1				
Maryland	12	355			7		2		9										49	12	308		47	200.15	918.12												
Massachusetts	104	2651			42	2	10		54	2	15								84	2	189	102	2	189	186.03	8484.82	183.18										
Michigan	13	399			7		1		8										10	18	13	389		10	238.09	685.79	12.61						1				
Minnesota	8	143			6		1		7										15	8	130		13	31.42	67.05												
Missouri	7	154			1		2		3										9	1	12		19	239.45	187.38												
Nebraska	5	132																	1	10	52	1	68	38.22													
New Hampshire	17	374			4		3		7										1	1	13	19	6	50.15	206.88	5.00							1				
New Jersey	20	627			7		1		8										16	1	42		51	802.32	3447.75	2184.60											
New York	63	1450	1	34	47		10	1	91	3	42								2	11	813	5	112	1008.08	764.48												
Ohio	57	1326			13	3	7		23	1	7								9	108	36	9	167	394.10	911.11												
Oregon	7	188			3	1	17		20	2	15								2	2	22	2	19	22.80													
Pennsylvania	87	2920			65		34		99	3	31								168	2	296	84	3	197	400.00	24704.58	7732.90							199			
Rhode Island	15	239			5		1		7										1	6	4	1	7	162.27	1011.07												
Vermont	19	419			16		4		23										20	1	14	14	8	395.07	566.20												
Washington	4	64																	30	2	32		4														
Wisconsin	12	316			20		4		24										10	3	10	3	64	57.60													
Total	593	15246	2	63	334	1	44	160	3	613	12	125	453	45	47	12	152	6	166	836	3	26	1633	569	14	119	1	4	20	1189	\$6612.97	\$24761.12	\$10876.43	214	4		

Receipts from September 29, 1946 - June 30, 1947, Inc.

Department:	Membership Fees	Per Capita Tax	Charter Fee	Supplies	Bonds	Misc.	Total
Camp at Large..\$		\$ 12.15	\$	\$			\$ 12.15
Cal. & Pac.	6.00	136.65	5.00	86.18		.79	234.62
Colo. & Wyo.....		26.20		16.48			42.68
Connecticut	4.50	253.80		51.03			309.33
Illinois	3.50	121.20		49.52		.16	174.38
Indiana	3.50	109.60		12.81	2.50		128.41
Iowa	3.00	70.80		25.45		1.17	100.37
Kansas	1.50	65.00		11.50	2.50		80.50
Maine	16.50	220.20		92.47			329.17
Maryland	3.00	101.10		24.09	2.50		130.69
Massachusetts ..	14.00	779.30		219.25		2.26	1014.81
Michigan	3.00	118.20		26.77			147.97
Minnesota	1.00	39.70		15.92			56.62
Missouri50	43.80		11.30			55.60
Nebraska		24.50				1.03	25.53
New Hampshire.	2.00	111.60		17.80		6.31	137.71
New Jersey	3.50	182.10		81.05	2.50		269.15
New York	16.00	415.30	5.00	146.10		5.25	587.65
Ohio	2.00	369.60		42.31			413.91
Oregon	1.00	48.70		6.80		.70	57.20
Pennsylvania ...	24.00	837.50		252.25		8.99	1122.74
Rhode Island ..	1.50	69.60		27.91		1.28	100.29
Vermont	6.50	125.50		23.25	2.50		157.75
Washington		11.00		.08		2.01	13.09
Wisconsin	8.00	93.90		31.40		.42	133.72
Total	\$124.50	\$4387.00	\$10.00	\$1271.72	\$12.50	\$30.32	\$5836.04
Interest on Bonds						167.50	167.50
Total Received						\$197.82	\$6003.54

Itemized Expenditures

General Expenses:

For Supplies, Badges, Forms	\$1,604.88
Social Security Tax	44.00
Withheld Federal Tax on Salary.....	279.48
Penna. Unemployment Compensation Fund.....	22.00
The Banner Subscription	1,706.71
Encampment	442.27
Printing	82.56
Shipping Supplies	29.76
Salary	1,920.52
Bonds Dept. Commanders (annual premium)....	12.50
Committee Marking Graves	25.00
Miscellaneous (Contributions Lincoln Memorial University, Arden Hall, Badge (Past) Commander-in-Chief Cranmer, Affidavits, Corporation Fee, Illinois)	313.00
	<u>\$6,452.68</u>

Office Expenses:	
Postage	\$ 54.75
Express	4.00
Telegrams	2.16
Stationery	135.35
Rent	462.00
Miscellaneous	8.20
	<hr/> \$ 666.46
Commander-in-Chief's Expenses:	
Traveling	720.92
Total	<hr/> \$7,840.06

ACCOUNT OF FUNDS
Organization Fund

August 29, 1946, To Balance	\$669.59
June 30, 1947, To Balance	\$669.59

RECOMMENDED: That this fund be closed as no use of it has been made for the purposes established; that \$300 be applied to the purchase of Form "G" U. S. War Bonds to increase our bonds to \$7,000 and the remainder of the fund transferred to the General Account.

Grand Army of the Republic Fund

August 29, 1946, To Balance	\$1,008.24
Interest	164.83
June 30, 1947, Amount in Fund	<hr/> \$1,173.07

Grand Army of the Republic Highway Committee Fund

August 29, 1946, To Balance	\$100.00
June 30, 1947, To Balance	\$100.00

Committee Marking Graves

August 29, 1946, To Balance	\$25.00
June 30, By Voucher to Chairman	25.00
	<hr/> 00.00

U. S. Government "G" Bonds

August 29, 1946, To Amount	\$6,700.00
Interest in General Account	\$167.50
June 30, 1947, Value of Bonds	<hr/> \$6,700.00

Vouchers

No.	To Whom:	Account	Amount
1.	U. S. Collector Int. Revenue, Philadelphia, Pa., Social Security Tax, July-Sept., 1946		\$ 11.00
2.	U. S. Collector, Int. Revenue, Philadelphia, Pa., Withheld Federal Tax, Salary Nat. Sec.-Treas., July-Sept., 1946.		69.87
3.	Pa. Unemployment Compensation Fund, Harrisburg, Pa., Tax, Salary Nat.-Sec.-Treas., July-Sept., 1946.....		5.50
4.	The Banner, Dwight, Ill., Subscription, Sept. 1946, 14,912 copies		347.94
5.	H. H. Hammer, Nat. Sec.-Treas., Reading, Pa., Salary, July-Sept., 1946		480.13

No.	To Whom:	Account	Amount
6.	Colonial-Berks Real Estate Co., Reading, Pa., Rent, Oct-Dec. inc., 1946		115.50
7.	Neil D. Cranmer, Com-in-Chief, Elmira, N. Y., Traveling		30.70
8.	The Robbins Co., Attleboro, Mass., P. C. Coms. Badges		119.31
9.	Neil D. Cranmer, Com-in-Chief, Elmira, N. Y., Traveling		22.49
10.	The Robbins Co., Attleboro, Mass., Membership Badges		377.91
11.	W. C. Mabie, Philadelphia, Pa., Stationery Nat. Officers, etc.		117.85
12.	W. C. Mabie, Philadelphia, Pa., Printing Form OOOO		2.50
13.	The Robbins Co., Attleboro, Mass., Fifty Years Membership Badges		82.10
14.	Lincoln Memorial University, Harrogate, Tenn., Annual Scholarship		100.00
15.	Arlington Hall, Des Moines, Iowa, Annual Donation		50.00
16.	The Banner, Dwight, Ill., Subscription, November, 1946, 14,769 copies, \$344.94; Rosters		378.00
17.	U. S. Collector Internal Revenue, Philadelphia, Pa., Social Security Tax, Oct-Nov., 1946		11.00
18.	U. S. Collector Internal Revenue, Philadelphia Pa., Withheld Federal Tax, October-December, 1946		69.87
19.	Pa. Unemployment Compensation Fund, Harrisburg Pa., Unemployment Tax, Oct-Dec., 1946		5.50
20.	H. H. Hammer, Nat. Sec.-Treas., Reading, Pa., Salary, Oct-Dec., 1946		480.13
21.	Colonial-Berks Real Est. Co., Reading, Pa., Rent, January-March, 1947		115.50
22.	Neil D. Cranmer, Com-in-Chief, Elmira, N. Y., Traveling		55.95
23.	The Robbins Co., Attleboro, Mass., War Medals		229.12
24.	W. C. Mabie, Philadelphia, Pa., Printed Supplies		206.00
25.	The Robbins Co., Attleboro, Mass., War Medals		119.50
26.	The Banner, Dwight, Ill., Subscription, Jan., 1947, 14,685 copies, \$342.65; Supplies, \$24.50; Printing, promulgating Journal 65th Indianapolis Encampment, \$441.04; Printing, \$35.00		843.49
27.	Edward J. Barrett, Sec.-of-State, Springfield, Ill., Annual Incorporation Fee		1.00
28.	The Robbins Co., Attleboro, Mass., Fifty Years' Membership Badges		38.68
29.	The Robbins Co., Attleboro, Mass., War Medals		41.20
30.	U. S. Collector Internal Revenue, Philadelphia, Pa., Social Security Tax, January-March, 1947		11.00
31.	U. S. Collector Internal Revenue, Philadelphia, Pa., Withheld Federal Tax, January-March, 1947		69.87
32.	Pa. Unemployment Compensation Fund, Harrisburg Pa., Unemployment Tax, January-March, 1947		5.50
33.	The Banner, Dwight, Ill., Subscription, March, 1947, 14,376 copies		335.44
34.	H. H. Hammer, Nat. Sec.-Treas., Reading, Pa., Salary January-March, 1947		480.13
35.	Colonial-Berks Real Est. Co., Reading, Pa., Rent, April-June, 1947		115.50
36.	Neil D. Cranmer, Com-in-Chief, Elmira, N. Y., Traveling		144.00
37.	W. C. Mabie, Philadelphia, Pa., Supplies, Printing, Stationery		189.00
38.	The Metal Marker Mfg. Co., Cleveland, Ohio, Seal Press		8.30
39.	Tongue, Brooks & Zimmerman, Maryland Casualty Co., Baltimore, Md., Premium Dept. Commander's Bond		2.50

Office Expenses:

Postage	\$ 54.75
Express	4.00
Telegrams	2.16
Stationery	135.35
Rent	462.00
Miscellaneous	8.20
	\$ 666.46

Commander-in-Chief's Expenses:

Traveling	720.92
Total	\$7,840.06

ACCOUNT OF FUNDS
Organization Fund

August 29, 1946, To Balance	\$669.59
June 30, 1947, To Balance	\$669.59

RECOMMENDED: That this fund be closed as no use of it has been made for the purposes established; that \$300 be applied to the purchase of Form "G" U. S. War Bonds to increase our bonds to \$7,000 and the remainder of the fund transferred to the General Account.

Grand Army of the Republic Fund

August 29, 1946, To Balance	\$1,008.24
Interest	164.83
June 30, 1947, Amount in Fund	\$1,173.07

Grand Army of the Republic Highway Committee Fund

August 29, 1946, To Balance	\$100.00
June 30, 1947, To Balance	\$100.00

Committee Marking Graves

August 29, 1946, To Balance	\$25.00
June 30, By Voucher to Chairman	25.00
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U. S. Government "G" Bonds

August 29, 1946, To Amount	\$6,700.00
Interest in General Account	\$167.50
June 30, 1947, Value of Bonds	\$6,700.00

Vouchers

No.	To Whom:	Account	Amount
1.	U. S. Collector Int. Revenue, Philadelphia, Pa.,	Social Security Tax, July-Sept., 1946	\$ 11.00
2.	U. S. Collector, Int. Revenue, Philadelphia, Pa.,	Withheld Federal Tax, Salary Nat. Sec.-Treas., July-Sept., 1946.	69.87
3.	Pa. Unemployment Compensation Fund, Harrisburg, Pa.,	Tax, Salary Nat. Sec.-Treas., July-Sept., 1946.	5.50
4.	The Banner, Dwight, Ill.,	Subscription, Sept. 1946, 14,912 copies	347.94
5.	H. H. Hammer, Nat. Sec.-Treas., Reading, Pa.,	Salary, July-Sept., 1946	480.13

No.	To Whom:	Account	Amount
6.	Colonial-Berks Real Estate Co., Reading, Pa., Rent, Oct-Dec. inc., 1946		115.50
7.	Neil D. Cranmer, Com-in-Chief, Elmira, N. Y., Traveling..		30.70
8.	The Robbins Co., Attleboro, Mass., P. C. Coms. Badges ..		119.31
9.	Neil D. Cranmer, Com-in-Chief, Elmira, N. Y., Traveling..		22.49
10.	The Robbins Co., Attleboro, Mass., Membership Badges ..		377.91
11.	W. C. Mabie, Philadelphia, Pa., Stationery Nat. Officers, etc.		117.85
12.	W. C. Mabie, Philadelphia, Pa., Printing Form OOOO.....		2.50
13.	The Robbins Co., Attleboro, Mass., Fifty Years Member- ship Badges		82.10
14.	Lincoln Memorial University, Harrogate, Tenn., Annual Scholarship		100.00
15.	Arlington Hall, Des Moines, Iowa, Annual Donation.....		50.00
16.	The Banner, Dwight, Ill., Subscription, November, 1946, 14,769 copies, \$344.94; Rosters		378.00
17.	U. S. Collector Internal Revenue, Philadelphia, Pa., Social Security Tax, Oct.-Nov., 1946		11.00
18.	U. S. Collector Internal Revenue, Philadelphia Pa., With- held Federal Tax, October-December, 1946.....		69.87
19.	Pa. Unemployment Compensation Fund, Harrisburg, Pa., Unemployment Tax, Oct.-Dec., 1946		5.50
20.	H. H. Hammer, Nat. Sec.-Treas., Reading, Pa., Salary, Oct- Dec., 1946		480.13
21.	Colonial-Berks Real Est. Co., Reading, Pa., Rent, January- March, 1947		115.50
22.	Neil D. Cranmer, Com-in-Chief, Elmira, N. Y., Traveling..		55.95
23.	The Robbins Co., Attleboro, Mass., War Medals.....		229.12
24.	W. C. Mabie, Philadelphia, Pa., Printed Supplies.....		206.00
25.	The Robbins Co., Attleboro, Mass., War Medals.....		119.50
26.	The Banner, Dwight, Ill., Subscription, Jan., 1947, 14,685 copies, \$342.65; Supplies, \$24.50; Printing, promulgat- ing Journal 65th Indianapolis Encampment, \$441.04; Printing, \$35.00		843.49
27.	Edward J. Barrett, Sec.-of-State, Springfield, Ill., Annual Incorporation Fee		1.00
28.	The Robbins Co., Attleboro, Mass., Fifty Years' Member- ship Badges		38.68
29.	The Robbins Co., Attleboro, Mass., War Medals		41.20
30.	U. S. Collector Internal Revenue, Philadelphia, Pa., Social Security Tax, January-March, 1947.....		11.00
31.	U. S. Collector Internal Revenue, Philadelphia, Pa., With- held Federal Tax, January-March, 1947.....		69.87
32.	Pa. Unemployment Compensation Fund, Harrisburg Pa., Unemployment Tax, January-March, 1947		5.50
33.	The Banner, Dwight, Ill., Subscription, March, 1947, 14,376 copies		335.44
34.	H. H. Hammer, Nat. Sec.-Treas., Reading, Pa., Salary January-March, 1947		480.13
35.	Colonial-Berks Real Est. Co., Reading, Pa., Rent, April- June, 1947		115.50
36.	Neil D. Cranmer, Com-in-Chief, Elmira, N. Y., Traveling..		144.00
37.	W. C. Mabie, Philadelphia, Pa., Supplies, Printing, Sta- tionery		189.00
38.	The Metal Marker Mfg. Co., Cleveland, Ohio, Seal Press..		8.30
39.	Tongue, Brooks & Zimmerman, Maryland Casualty Co., Baltimore, Md., Premium Dept. Commander's Bond....		2.50

No.	To Whom:	Account	Amount
40.	The Banner, Dwight, Ill., Sub. May, 1947, 14,389 copies...		335.74
41.	The Robbins Co., Attleboro, Mass., Membership Ribbons...		160.46
42.	Tongue, Brooks & Zimmerman, Baltimore, Md., Premium on Bonds Department Commanders		10.00
43.	B. O. DeForest, Chairman Com. Graves, Derby, Conn., Expenses Committee Marking Graves		25.00
44.	U. S. Collector Internal Revenue, Philadelphia, Pa., Social Security Tax, April-June, 1947, inc.....		11.00
45.	U. S. Collector Int. Revenue, Philadelphia, Pa., Withheld Federal Tax, April-June, 1947, inc.		69.37
46.	Pa. Unemployment Comp. Fund, Harrisburg, Pa., Unemployment Tax, April-June, 1947, inc.....		5.50
47.	Colonial-Berks Real Est. Co., Reading, Pa., Rent, July-September, 1947, inc.....		115.50
48.	Neil D. Cranmer, Com-in-Chief, Elmira, N. Y., Traveling Expenses, April-June, inc.		467.78
49.	H. H. Hammer, Nat. Sec.-Treas., Reading, Pa., Salary, Encampment Printing, Shipping Supplies, Postage, Telegrams, Stationery, Miscellaneous, September, 1946-June, 1947, inc.		588.23
50.	C. Raymond Schlechter, Reading Pa., Badge (Past) Commander-in-Chief Cranmer		162.00
51.	Tongue, Brooks & Zimmerman, Baltimore, Md., Premium Dept. Com., N. J., Bond		2.50
52.	Pa. Unemployment Comp. Fund, Harrisburg, Pa., April-June, 1947		2.75
53.	Tongue, Brooks & Zimmerman, Baltimore, Md., Premium Bond Nat. Sec.-Treas. 1947-1948.....		25.00
54.	W. C. Mabie, Philadelphia, Pa., Printing		2.00
55.	The Banner, Dwight, Ill., Sub. July, 1947, 14,218 copies...		331.75
56.	Neil D. Cranmer, Com-in-Chief, Elmira, N. Y., Trav. Exp.		67.94
57.	F. A. Woerner, Reading, Pa., Printing		28.80
58.	Neil D. Cranmer, Com-in-Chief, Elmira, N. Y., Office Exp. Encampment Exp.		18.64
59.	Neil D. Cranmer, Commander-in-Chief.....	\$	25.59
60.	Frank L. Richart, S. V. C.-in-C., Terre Haute, Ind..		34.55
61.	Charles C. Webster, Council-in-Chf., Springvale, Me.		66.93
62.	John H. Liesee, Council-in-Chf., Philadelphia, Pa...		58.33
63.	Ernest E. Barnum, Nat. Pat. Inst., Bridgeport, Conn.		55.09
64.	Luther D. Childs, Nat. Chaplain, Centerville, Iowa.		48.20
65.	Robt. W. Doughty, Nat. Counselor, Beacon, N. Y....		46.25
66.	The Banner, Dwight, Ill., Roll, Reports.....		162.07
67.	M. G. Heintz, Cincinnati, Ohio, Wreath on Garfield Tomb		13.40
68.	Mary E. Liddick, Nat. Treas. Auxiliary, Harrisburg, Pa., Flowers Memorial Service.....		5.15
69.	Albert C. Lambert, Trenton, N. J., Flowers Memorial Service		12.50
70.	M. G. Heintz, Cincinnati, Ohio, Postage, etc., to Congressional Press Correspondents, etc.....		20.68
71.	C. LeRoy Stoudt, Chief-of-Staff, Reading, Pa.....		19.52
72.	H. H. Hammer, Nat. Sec.-Treas., Reading Pa.....		55.60
73.	Dolly Berhalter, Reading, Pa., Stenographic Report		200.00
			803.18
	Total		\$8,370.03
	*Office Expense.....		

Tribute

To sever official relations, the order and natural experience is always regrettable. It is another requirement for us to end our efforts for the upbuilding of the Order in official and responsible duties. Your interest and desire for active co-operation on the part of the responsible officers in the various Departments and general membership, was constant and emphasized in the strenuous devotion to that end, and in the visitations to numerous Departments to personally contact those whom you reach and inspire thereby. Your activities will be increased by the service you have rendered in the term closing. You will have the good wishes, commendation and appreciation of the general membership for your earnest and conscientious efforts to serve the Order.

Our Auxiliary

Under the leadership of Mrs. Edna S. Lambert, National President, a strenuous campaign was waged and success resulted. She is to be congratulated upon her efforts for the achievements in her term for its increase in membership now numerically leads us. She left nothing undone to publicize and contact the members of that organization, visiting Departments, Auxiliaries, members, most extensively and ably supported, advocated eligibles to join our Camps, organize new Camps and always impressed upon all the duty of uniting with our Order. We are indebted to her for her constant service to us.

Commendation—Acknowledgment

Miss Cora E. Gillis, National Secretary of the Grand Army of the Republic, has given us valuable assistance. Her services to us have been of great benefit. The details of this National Encampment arrangements, always with her, had our interests and affairs always in mind and all possible for us during the year were her consideration, and to favor us for aiding in upbuilding and urging eligibles to associate with our Camps. She has rendered us valuable service and as National President of the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War has accomplished much for our benefit. In many ways we are indebted to her. She worthily and commendably fills her position, with her official duties for and in behalf of the Grand Army of the Republic.

The Banner

If brief, it is emphasized to commend THE BANNER for its services and helpful interest to us. Editor A. S. Holbrook and his experienced staff, render important and beneficial assistance in many details, and are always attentive to the interests of our Order.

To the National Officers, the respective Department Officers and members, I express my appreciation for their courtesies, favors and co-operation.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. & L.,

H. H. HAMMER,
National Secretary-Treasurer.

**FINANCIAL
SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT**

DR.:
June 30, 1947, To Balance\$ 5.00

RECEIPTS:
July—To Per Capita Tax, Supplies.....\$1,229.13
August—Per Capita Tax 280.80
Donation from National Auxiliary, S. U. V. C. W.. 500.00
Organization Fund, Transferred 669.59
Cr. Voucher No. 46..... 5.50

\$2,685.02

\$2,690.02

CR.—DISBURSEMENTS:
By Vouchers Nos. 51-73, inc.\$1,333.15

August 14, 1947, To Balance\$1,356.87

**ACCOUNT OF FUNDS
Grand Army of the Republic**

DR.:
August 29, 1946, To Balance\$1,008.24

Interest\$ 164.83

National Patriotic Instructor E. E. Barnum, Donations, from Members, Camps, Departments... 1,071.40

Neil D. Cranmer, Commander-in-Chief 1.94

1,238.17

\$2,246.21

CR.:
By Annual Donation to Grand Army of the Republic..\$ 500.00

G. A. R. Encampment Expenses 95.83

Transfer to G. A. R. Highway Committee 152.02

Appropriation 200.00

947.85

August 14, 1947\$1,298.36

Grand Army of the Republic Highway Committee

August 29, 1946—To Balance\$ 100.00

Transfer from G. A. R. Fund 152.02

\$ 252.02

By J. Clark Mansfield, Chairman, Expenses.....\$ 189.70

W. F. Hathaway, Des Moines, Iowa 50.00

John G. Spielman, Long Beach, Calif..... 12.32

252.02

August 14, 1947, To Appropriation (Balance)\$ 200.00

Organization Fund

August 29, 1946, To Balance\$ 669.59

August 14, 1947, By Transfer to General Account..... 669.59

Committee on Marking Graves

August 29, 1946—To Balance\$ 25.00

By Expense, Voucher No. 43..... 25.00

August 14, 1947, Appropriation (Balance)\$ 25.00

REPORT OF NATIONAL CHAPLAIN

Centerville, Iowa, June 10, 1947.

Neil D. Cranmer, Commander-in-Chief,
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War,
Elmira, N Y.

My Dear Brother:

Being duly appointed by you at the conclusion of the National Encampment at Indianapolis last August, 1946, and properly installed at Des Moines last September, 1946, by P. D. C. Charles E. Ross, I have endeavored to fill this office creditably.

My first activity was to install the Camp Officers at Des Moines last fall, which was made quite an occasion, as it was a joint installation of the Sons and Auxiliary. On Lincoln's birthday anniversary the Daughters of Union Veterans of Centerville invited me to give a short address. Then on the Sunday preceding Memorial Day my own church duly observed the day by having a special service, of which I was the speaker. No Civil War Veterans remain in this county, Appanoose, but for the past several years we properly display the American Flag and give a message accordingly. This Flag, that I speak of, was the last one used by the Grand Army Post of this city and county. It is being well kept and will doubtless continue to be used in the annual Memorial Day service and parade, also as previously stated.

Our Department Encampment, Iowa, meet in Des Moines this coming Sunday and on through Tuesday, June 15-17. God permitting I fully plan to be present at this Encampment and fulfill my duties there as Department Chaplain. I am also looking forward to the National Encampment, August 10-14, 1947, at Cleveland, where I hope to meet many that we have been privileged to meet in the past. Now we are completing plans with Mrs. Anna Myers of Bethlehem, Pa., for a Joint Memorial Service Sunday evening, August 10, in the ballroom of Hotel Hollenden, at 9:00 o'clock.

It has been a great pleasure to serve you as my Commander-in-Chief in my humble way in this capacity, and my sincere desire is to finish my task faithfully.

Fraternally in F. C. & L.,

LUTHER W. CHILDS,

National Chaplain.

REPORT OF NATIONAL PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR

Bridgeport, Conn., June 20, 1947.

To Neil D. Cranmer, Esq.,
Commander-in-Chief,
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

Dear Commander:

I have the honor of submitting to you a report of my activities as your National Patriotic Instructor to date, and through you, to the Officers and Members of the Sixty-sixth Annual Encampment of the Commandery-in-Chief.

My appointment by you, although not a complete surprise, nevertheless filled my heart with pride, and I assure you I deeply appreciate the honor of serving our beloved order for the second consecutive year in said capacity.

Although my efforts have been largely centered on securing contributions for the National G. A. R. Fund, and in trying to support your drive for 1000 new members, by personal contact with the mem-

bers of many Camps, and at many of their District Meetings, and also through appeals for an enlarged membership in my column in The Banner I have not neglected the other duties of my office.

Besides sending out a large number of personal letters of appeal for the proper observance of Patriotic Days on our calendar to our Camps, I have placed in every issue of The Banner material which I felt would be of interest and of value to the Patriotic Instructors and Camps.

I stressed the need for special programs for Dedication Day, Lincoln's and Washington's birthdays, Appomattox Day, Grant's birthday, Memorial Day and Constitution Day.

At your own request and the request of the members of the Sixty-fifth Encampment, I arranged a complete program for the proper observance of Dedication Day, November 19, 1946. As I made a partial report of same in the January issue of The Banner, I do not feel that a full and detailed report is desired at this time. I would like to say, however, from the great number of programs and newspaper clippings received by me from all parts of the nation, that I can safely state that from 75 to 80 per cent of the Camps and many of the Auxiliaries arranged and held special affairs for the occasion, using my program in full or in part. Many Governors, the Mayors of many of our Cities issued special Proclamations for the occasion, and the schools throughout the Nation held patriotic programs.

I sent out by mail 266 copies of said program, with a letter of appeal in each one, pleading for the proper observance of Dedication Day in our Camps and among the Allied Orders.

It is with a deep feeling of regret that I must report that we, as Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, have failed, for the present, to have November 19th, the anniversary of Lincoln's Gettysburg address, named permanently as Dedication Day—not by any lack of interest or co-operation on the part of the members of our Order or of our Allied Orders, nor by opposition to the Resolution presented by the Hon. Mr. Keating, but mainly due to the great number of other such Resolutions presented to the Committee on Judiciary.

As I feel that Brother Michael G. Heintz will make a full report on Resolution No. 82, I will not dwell further on the subject, except to make the following recommendation:

That we, as Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, and our Auxiliaries, as patriotic Americans, and in memory of Lincoln and his inspiring words given in his address at Gettysburg, continue to use the term Dedication Day on November 19th for all coming time; and that the Sixty-sixth Annual Encampment of the Commandery-in-Chief go on record as favoring said recommendation; and that all Camps throughout the various Departments arrange appropriate programs for the occasion each year.

I wish to take this opportunity to thank you, Commander-in-Chief Cranmer, for the confidence you placed in me, and for the many courtesies shown me during the past year. I also wish to convey my appreciation and thanks to P. C.-in-C. Allan S. Holbrook, Editor of The Banner, and to Horace H. Hammer, National Secretary and Treasurer, for their many kind words, co-operation and courtesies.

The heart of your National Patriotic Instructor is not quite as happy and light as it was last year at this time, for although I have really worked harder and sent out many extra letters of appeal to

the Department Patriotic Instructors, seeking their aid in raising contributions for the National G. A. R. Fund, I am more than sorry to have to say, to date there seems to be a reluctant feeling among the Camps and members to contribute towards this Fund this year, due, I understand, to the fact that we already have a reserve G. A. R. Fund of over one thousand dollars. They do not see why we should need more funds at this time. I have tried to explain in letters and through The Banner that when we give our love gift of \$500.00 to our beloved Comrades of the G. A. R. at Cleveland, and the Commandery-in-Chief reimburses members who have laid out their own money in an effort to have Route No. 6 named the Grand Army of the Republic Highway in their respective Departments, this reserve fund will diminish and dwindle down to almost nothing, and if we are to carry on the task of bringing to a speedy completion the G. A. R. Highway, a task which was placed squarely on our shoulders by the G. A. R., and insure our love gift of \$500.00 to our Comrades next year, we must build up this reserve fund at this time.

My Brothers, let us as their Sons, not fail to carry out their wishes, but let us put this fund over the one thousand dollar mark.

I wish to thank and commend the Camps and Brothers of the various Departments, who to date have given of their time and money in an endeavor to aid me reach my goal of \$1,000.00. I feel with the aid of all, this goal can be reached.

I again wish to thank the Camps and members of my own Department of Connecticut for their splendid response to my appeals for contributions. The total of this date is \$459.00, far below the total of last year at this time.

DETAILED REPORT OF NATIONAL G. A. R. FUND

Department of California & Pacific:

Gen. W. S. Rosecrans Camp No. 2.....	\$ 5.00
Wallace Reynolds Camp No. 5.....	5.00
Mrs. Nellie M. Parker, in memory of her husband, E. J. Parker	5.00
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	\$ 15.00

Department of Connecticut:

Nathan Hale Camp No. 1, New Haven:

W. R. Bassett, Dept. Sr. Vice Com.....	1.00
Charles Clark, Sr.	1.00
Charles Clark, Jr.	1.00
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	\$ 3.00

Abraham Lincoln Camp No. 2, Stamford:

Samuel W. Morrell, P. C.....	1.00
District No. 3—By collection	19.00
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	\$ 20.00

Griffin A. Stedman Camp No. 6, Hartford.....	25.00
H. L. Holtz, C. C.....	1.00
G. L. Champlin, P. D. C.....	1.00
F. W. Reimann, D. C.....	2.00
N. R. Barrett, P. C.....	1.00
R. E. Daniels, P. C.	1.00
Bob Mack	1.00
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	\$ 32.00

Chas. L. Upham Camp No. 7, Meriden	15.00
Frank H. McGarr, P. D. C.	1.00
Allen F. Spink, P. D. C.	1.00
Wilbur L. Couch, P. D. C.	1.00
Christian F. Heckler, P. C.	1.00
Edwin B. Comstock	1.00
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	\$ 20.00
Trumbull Camp No. 9, Southington:	
Earle B. Atwater, P. D. C.	1.00
Howard P. Sanborn, P. D. C.	1.00
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	\$ 2.00
Franklin Bartlett Camp No. 11, Bridgeport	30.00
Ernest E. Barnum, P. D. C. - N. P. I.	10.00
Arthur R. Barnum	5.00
Mrs. Elsie Barnum	3.00
Mrs. A. Barnum Bursey	2.00
Mrs. L. Barnum Cappiello	2.00
Morris K. Blackwell, C. C.	1.00
Peter J. Ring, Jr.	1.00
Orrin Curtiss, C. Sr. V. C.	1.00
Philip A. Scripture, P. C.	1.00
N. B. Bayliss, P. C.	1.00
Harry Seeley, in memory of Col. Henry Seeley	3.00
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	\$60.00
Lorin D. Penfield Camp No. 16, New Britain:	
Morton H. Gibney, P. D. C.	1.00
George C. Clark	1.00
Wm. Winans	1.00
Fred Yarroll	1.00
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Admiral Foote Camp No. 17, New Haven:	
James Y. Ledwith	1.00
Jared R. Avery Camp No. 20, New London:	
Benjamin H. Rose, P. C.	1.00
Col. Chas. L. Russell Camp No. 26, Derby:	
Lewis S. Chapman, P. D. C.	1.00
Bertrand O. DeForest, P. D. C.	1.00
Robert W. DeForest, P. D. P. I.	2.00
Bertrand O. DeForest, Jr., C. C.	1.00
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	\$ 5.00
D. C. Rodman Camp No. 27, East Hartford:	
George W. Tabor, P. C.	1.00
J. C. Bragg, P. C.	1.00
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	\$ 2.00
Capt. T. B. Robinson Camp No. 31, Bristol	2.00
Harold L. Scott, D. C. B.	1.00
Charles Wedge	1.00
Wm. E. Hotchkiss	1.00
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	\$ 5.00

L. W. Steele Camp No. 34, Torrington:	
Fred U. Wadhams, C. C.....	5.00
George Van Horn Camp No. 39, Milford: William Brown..	1.00
Wadhams Camp No. 49, Waterbury: Wm. H. Warner, P. C.	1.00
Morgan G. Bulkeley Camp No. 54, Forrestville:	
Daniel E. Emery, P. D. C.....	1.00
Connecticut total	\$163.00
Department of Illinois:	
Dr. J. E. Gallagher, Camp No. 1, Chicago.....	\$ 2.00
Department of Iowa:	
Fort Dodge Camp	13.00
Waterloo Camp	10.00
Ward R. Evans, M. at L., D. P. I., Sioux City.....	2.00
	\$25.00
Department of Maine:	
Henry Towle, P. C.-in-C.	\$ 5.00
Department of Massachusetts:	
Camp No. 1, Lynn	\$ 1.00
Camp No. 4, Plymouth	5.00
Camp No. 9, Roxbury:	
Carder A. Perkins	1.00
George E. Day	1.00
Everard Cheney	1.00
Leon Searles	1.00
Albert G. Dunnell	1.00
George E. Perkins	1.00
James L. DeCastro	1.00
H. C. Bogue of Camp No. 15, Springfield.....	1.00
George S. Wentworth of Camp No. 16.....	2.00
Camp No. 17, Brockton	5.00
W. H. Robinett of Camp No. 22.....	2.00
Camp No. 26, Taunton	2.00
Camp No. 34, Wakefield	5.00
R. P. Bickmore, P. D. P. I. of Camp No. 34.....	5.00
Camp No. 36, Gardner	2.00
Camp No. 44, Westfield	3.00
Camp No. 62, Everett	5.00
Charles Bradlee of Camp No. 74.....	1.00
Camp No. 81, Chelsea	2.00
F. C. Curtis of Camp No. 94.....	2.00
	\$ 50.00
Department of Michigan:	
Camp No. 14, Grand Rapids	5.00
Urion W. Mackey, P. C.-in-C., Grand Rapids	5.00
	\$ 10.00
Department of Missouri:	
A. W. Mueller of Camp No. 3.....	1.00
Wm. Vogelpohl of Camp No. 3.....	1.00
Frank Maher of Camp No. 4	1.00
Fred Geldmacher of Camp No. 4.....	1.00
Ed. G. Schauenberg of Camp No. 4.....	2.00
Chas. H. Wagner of Camp No. 4.....	1.00
Wm. B. Scharr of Camp No. 4.....	1.00
F. G. Volland of Camp No. 4.....	1.00

L. A. Weeks of Camp No. 30.....	1.00
F. W. Marx of Camp No. 35.....	1.00
A. W. Marx of Camp No. 35.....	1.00
Wm. P. D. Ebmeyer of Camp No. 35.....	2.00
Theo. H. Mohr, Sr., of Camp No. 35.....	2.00
Hadley Mohr of Camp No. 35.....	1.00
Theo. H. Mohr, Jr., of Camp No. 35.....	1.00
H. C. Balsiger of Camp No. 36.....	2.00
F. Stuhlman of Camp No. 36.....	1.00
C. A. Dorsey of Camp No. 36.....	1.00
Mrs. J. J. Schneider, a friend	1.00

\$ 23.00

Department of New Jersey:

Woerner Camp No. 1, Hoboken	2.00
Garfield Camp No. 4, Trenton	11.00
Dayton Camp No. 5, Trenton	2.00
Irish Camp No. 8, Paterson	2.00
Arnett Camp No. 10, Lambertville	2.00
Love Camp No. 12, Bloomfield	2.00
Reed Camp No. 43, Somerville	15.00
Albert C. Lambert, P. C.-in-C.	5.00
Edna S. Lambert, National President of Auxiliary.....	5.00

\$ 46.00

Department of New York:

James H. Hassall of Lafayette Camp No. 140, New York...	25.00
Northern New York Club, Schenectady	2.00
Thos. Merriam Camp No. 52, Syracuse	2.00

\$ 29.00

Department of Oregon:

Eugene Camp No. 17, Eugene	\$ 5.00
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Department of Pennsylvania:

William J. Hamilton, Jr., Philadelphia	5.00
Edw. McBride, Camp No. 236, Frankford, Philadelphia....	1.00

\$ 6.00

Department of Washington:

F. L. Denton, Sec.-Treas., Yakima	\$ 5.00
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Department of Wisconsin:

Wisconsin Department	\$ 25.00
Roy R. Lewis, Sr. V. C.-in-C. of Camp No. 1.....	5.00
Hy. Goldsmith of Camp No. 1	1.00
Chas. Rossell of Camp No. 1	1.00
William Nichols of Camp No. 2.....	1.00
F. Scott of Camp No. 2	1.00
H. S. Siggelko of Camp No. 2	1.00
L. S. Wheeler of Camp No. 2	1.00
H. S. Crawford of Camp No. 2.....	1.00
Henry Hardin of Camp No. 2.....	1.00
Auxiliary No. 2, Madison	1.00
Mrs. Susan Novak of Aux. No. 3.....	1.00
Climine Curtis of Aux. No. 4.....	1.00
Nellie Premo of Aux. No. 5.....	1.00
A. S. Hamilton of Camp No. 5.....	1.00
E. Helmer of Aux. No. 7.....	1.00
Mrs. Art Krauss of Aux. No. 7.....	1.00

Philip, Camp No. 18	
Gordon Cline, Camp No. 18	2.00
Oscar Doppler of Camp No. 18.....	1.00
Mrs. Anita Schmidt, Ladies of the G. A. R.....	1.00
Mrs. Irene Mangel, Ladies of the G. A. R.....	1.00
Mrs. Hazel Britton, in memory of John Strasser	1.00
Mrs. R. O. Boggs of Aux. No. 19.....	1.00
Kenosha, Camp No. 34	1.00
Frank Hubbard, Com. Camp No. 34	2.00
Chester Hubbard, Camp No. 34.....	1.00
Arnold Delhant of Camp No. 37	1.00
Ed. Biering of Camp No. 47.....	1.00
Michael Griffin Camp No. 55	4.00
Benjamin Haag, Camp No. 55	5.00
Thorp, Camp No. 79	1.00
Keshena Indian Camp	2.00
	5.00

\$ 75.00

As stated above, Grand Total to date, \$459.00.

Connecticut leads with \$163.00 to date, with Wisconsin showing spectacular gains over last year. No funds received to date from the Departments of Colorado & Wyoming, Indiana, Kansas, Maryland, Minnesota, Nebraska, New Hampshire, Ohio, Rhode Island and Vermont.

I will make a supplementary report at Cleveland, of all funds received from the above Departments, and all other Departments, many of whom I feel have further contributions to send me.

To date, I have received no Department Patriotic Instructors' reports. Same will be printed in my supplementary report.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. & L.,

ERNEST E. BARNUM,

National Patriotic Instructor.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON AMERICANIZATION

Trenton, N. J., June 15, 1947.

To Neil D. Cranmer, Commander-in-Chief,
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

Dear Commander-in-Chief:

The following report of your National Americanization Committee is made with the full realization of the all-embracing scope of this field of endeavor, and with regret that more has not been accomplished.

We feel that your National Americanization Committee should have a similar Committee in each Department all working on a unified program.

We have used the columns of The Banner to request Camps to develop Patriotic Programs that they might be outstanding examples of the spirit and practice of good citizenship.

The chairman of our committee called upon Judge Philip Forman, U. S. District Court Judge to inquire what part we might take in the instruction of new citizenship classes throughout the country. We were informed that present classes are at a minimum because of Immigration restrictions, and that in the opinion of the Judge these new citizens were often better schooled in American History than many of our native born citizens.

We feel that Camps and Departments should schedule speakers

from the F. B. I. and from the U. S. Army to familiarize themselves with the problem of Communism and National Defense. No group should be more interested in these matters than ours. If we truly want to represent the Grand Army of the Republic, we must interest ourselves in matters that they would—and these are two subjects that have always received their close consideration. We feel that our National Organization as well as our Departments should take a clear and decisive position relative to both of these matters.

We will supplement our report at the National Encampment at Cleveland, at which time a decision will be reached relative to the awarding of the Grant Trophy.

We wish for you a successful Encampment, and express our appreciation of your confidence in appointment to this Committee.

Yours in F. C. & L.,

NATIONAL AMERICANIZATION COMMITTEE,
ALBERT C. LAMBERT, (N.J.), Chairman,
URION W. MACKEY, (Mich.)
ERNEST E. BARNUM, (Conn.)

REPORT OF ACTING CHIEF-OF-STAFF

Reading, Pa., June 11, 1947.

To Neil D. Cranmer, Commander-in-Chief.

Honored Sir:

There is little to report concerning the activities of the Acting Chief-of-Staff for the past year.

Numerous letters have been answered relative to information concerning the Sons of Veterans Reserve, and especially referring to the procurement, by the Camps, of rifles from the government. For the information of all our members I would respectfully suggest that the enclosed copy of a letter received from the Office of Chief of Ordnance, be made a part of this report and printed in the proceedings as such.

Pursuant to action of the Commandery-in-Chief last year, relative to additional entertainment at the National Encampments, the writer requested and received permission from the Commander-in-Chief to have the S. V. R. sponsor a Military Ball on Monday night of the Encampment week. In this connection the Reserve will be responsible for the planning of that program as well as for the expenses incident thereto.

Respectfully submitted with sincere appreciation for the honor of the appointment.

Fraternally yours,

C. LEROY STOUTD,
Acting Chief-of-Staff.

WAR DEPARTMENT
Office of the Chief of Ordnance

Washington, D. C. October 23, 1946.

Colonel C. L. Stoutd, The Chief-of-Staff,
Sons of Veterans Reserve, Pennsylvania Brigade,
1410 Mulberry Street, Reading, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter addressed to Adjutant General's Office and referred to this office for supply of forms necessary to apply for rifles being donated to recognized veterans' organizations.

Stocks of the Caliber .30, M1917 Rifle, the only type available for

donation, are exhausted. However, limited quantities will be available from time to time and as they become available will be donated in accordance with existing regulations.

Each donee shall be required to file a certificate with this office. The War Department now requires that posts or chapters of veterans' organizations making application for rifles have such applications bear the APPROVAL of the DEPARTMENT OR STATE ADJUTANT prior to their transmittal to the War Department.

Certificates will be placed on file in the order of receipt and as soon as rifles become available, you will be notified as to the amount of remittance that should be submitted. It is requested that NO REMITTANCE be forwarded with your completed certificate.

FOR THE CHIEF OF ORDNANCE:

Very truly yours,

C. C. CROSSWHITE,
Captain, Ord. Dept.
Assistant.

REPORT OF NATIONAL COUNSELOR

Beacon, N. Y., June 2, 1947.

Neil D. Cranmer, Commander-in-Chief,
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

My Dear Commander-in-Chief:

I submit to you herewith my report as National Counselor.

There have been three requests for advice which you have submitted to me for my opinion.

The first of those came from Department Commander of Maine Harry Warner as of October 20, 1946. You were confined to a hospital at the time and you requested me to answer Brother Warner direct, which I did as of November 2, 1946, as follows:

"Your problem in regard to the station of the Color Bearer is a little difficult. I do not find any special instructions in our Constitution and Regulations nor in our Ritual. Article III of the Constitution provides that every Camp shall have a Flag and the duties of the Color Bearer are set forth in the Constitution in Article VI, Section 6. Article III of the Regulations, Section 4, provides that the use of the ritualistic ceremonies in the conduct of meetings and initiation of candidates is optional, so that apparently it is not of great importance as to the movements of the Color Bearer except that, as you state in your letter "the Color Bearer shall stand facing the Camp." The plans of Camp room as set forth in the Ritual and Ceremonies indicates the position of the Color Bearer and the Flag and he will be facing the Camp if he were facing the same way as does the Commander and the other front-of-the-room officers.

"Apparently that is the proper station for the Color Bearer. I know of no other rule, regulation or provision of the Constitution which has anything to do with the position to be occupied by the Color Bearer and I imagine outside of the drawing in the Ritual and Ceremonials book that every Department or Camp can make its own rule in regard to that feature of our work."

The second was a request from Department Commander H. S. Sigelko of Wisconsin as to whether or not a candidate for membership to a Camp must appear in person to be initiated. My opinion as of March 3, 1947, is as follows:

"The question is asked, as to whether or not it is necessary for a

candidate for membership in our Order to appear in person to be initiated.

"I can find no direct provision in our Constitution and Regulations which seems to require that the prospective member be 'initiated.'

"Under Regulations, Chapter I, Article III, Section 4, it is stated that 'initiation of Candidates' is optional, which must mean that Camps may have their own rules as to that, and Article VIII, provides that Camps shall adopt By-Laws, subject to the approval of the Department Commander."

"Chapter V, of General Regulations, Article IX, provides that the Ritual is made a part of the Regulations if not inconsistent with the Constitution and Regulations. The Ritual, while it does not specify that an initiation ceremony is required, does carry the suggestion that such a ceremony is the usual order and usually should be carried out.

"It is to be noted that the official printed Application for Membership (Form 3) includes the 'Obligation' to be signed by the person making the application and no reference is thereon made for an Initiation Ceremony. Form 3 was adopted at a former National Encampment to accommodate applicants in Government Service or away from home at school or otherwise, who wish to join our Order.

"In the absence of Regulations for the Admission of Members which may be or may have been prescribed by the Commander-in-Chief, as set forth in Section 1, of Article VII, of the Constitution I believe that there is no general law of our Order which requires a Camp to initiate a member and I have been advised by National Secretary Hammer that probably no Commander-in-Chief ever prescribed any such regulation.

"Therefore, in my opinion, any Camp may in its By-Laws require initiation of candidates by the Camp."

The third was an opinion requested by you in reference to your authority as Commander-in-Chief to consolidate the Departments of Oregon and Washington. I rendered an Opinion to you as of March 15, 1947, which is as follows:

"In regard to your plan to consolidate the Department of Oregon and the Department of Washington I find that there was no special provision made in our Constitution and Regulations for such a purpose unless it is found in Article VI, Section 3 of the Constitution which provides that the Commander-in-Chief may form a Department of five or more Camps with a minimum of 150 members, on the theory that he has the right to revoke, consolidate and declare what he deems to be best and which will best serve a purpose of which he has knowledge and wants to accomplish as Commander-in-Chief. Such action would, of course be subject to review and ratification by the Commandery-in-Chief at the coming National Encampment which may order that a new charter be issued to the consolidated Department of Oregon and Washington.

"Accordingly I suggest that you may issue an order to the Department of Oregon and the Department of Washington consolidating those Departments and directing the Department of Washington to deliver to the Department of Oregon the books and records of the Department of Washington and covering any other matters in connection therewith as might seem to the Commander-in-Chief to be necessary and proper."

In submitting to you this report of my activities, I take the opportunity to congratulate you for having so conscientiously and successfully, under such great handicaps, conducted the affairs of our

organization during the year and also to express my appreciation for having made it possible for me to serve as your Counselor.

Respectfully submitted, in F. C. & L.

ROBERT W. DOUGHTY,
National Counselor.

OPINION NO. 1, 1916-1917

November 2, 1946.

Answering a request from the Department Commander of Maine, Harry Warner, to Commander-in-Chief as to the station of the Color Bearer at Camp meetings, your problem in regard to the station of the Color Bearer is a little difficult. I do not find any special instructions in our Constitution and Regulations nor in our Ritual Article III of the Constitution provides that every Camp shall have a Flag and the duties of the Color Bearer are set forth in the Constitution in Article VI, Section 6. Article III of the Regulations, Section 4, provides that the use of ritualistic ceremonies in the conduct of meetings and initiation of candidates is optional, so that apparently it is not of great importance as to the movements of the Color Bearer except that, as you state in your letter "the Color Bearer shall stand facing the Camp." The plan of Camp room as set forth in the Ritual and Ceremonials indicates the position of the Color Bearer and the Flag and he will be facing the Camp if he were facing the same way as does the Commander and the other front-of-the-room officers.

Apparently that is the proper station for the Color Bearer. I know of no other rule, regulation or provision of the Constitution which has anything to do with the position to be occupied by the Color Bearer and I imagine outside of the drawing in the Ritual and Ceremonials book that every Department or Camp can make its own rule in regard to that feature of our work.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT W. DOUGHTY,
National Counselor.

DECISION NO. 1

Approved—NEIL D. CRANMER,
Commander-in-Chief.

OPINION NO. 2, 1916-1917

The question is asked, as to whether or not it is necessary for a candidate for membership in our Order to appear in person to be initiated.

I can find no direct provision in our Constitution and Regulations which seems to require that the prospective member be "initiated."

Under Regulations, Chapter I, Article III, Section 4, it is stated that "initiation of Candidates" is optional, which must mean that Camps may have their own rules as to that, and Article VIII, provides that "Camps shall adopt By-Laws, subject to the approval of the Department Commander."

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Initiation Ceremony. Form 3 was adopted at a former National Encampment to accommodate applicants in Government Service or away from home at school or otherwise, who wish to join our Order.

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Therefore, in my opinion, any Camp may in its By-Laws require initiation of candidates by the Camp.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT W. DOUGHTY,
National Counselor.

DECISION No. 2

Approved—NEIL D. CRANMER,
Commander-in-Chief.

OPINION NO. 3, 1946-1947

March 15, 1947.

Mr. Neil D. Cranmer, Commander-in-Chief,
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War,
518 Robinson Building, Elmira, N. Y.

Dear Commander-in-Chief:

In regard to your plan to consolidate the Department of Oregon and the Department of Washington I find that there was no special provision made in our Constitution and Regulations for such a purpose unless it is found in Article VI, Section 3, of the Constitution which provides that the Commander-in-Chief may form a Department of five or more Camps with a minimum of 150 members, on the theory that he has the right to revoke, consolidate and declare what he deems to be best and which will best serve a purpose of which he has knowledge and wants to accomplish as Commander-in-Chief. Such action would, of course, be subject to review and ratification by the Commandery-in-Chief at the coming National Encampment which may order that a new Charter be issued to the consolidated Department of Oregon and Washington.

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Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT W. DOUGHTY,
National Counselor.

DECISION NO. 3

Approved—NEIL D. CRANMER,
Commander-in-Chief.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC HIGHWAY

Pittsburgh, Pa., July 11, 1947.

Neil D. Cranmer, Commander-in-Chief,
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War,
Elmira, New York.

Dear Commander-in-Chief,

The National Committee, Grand Army of the Republic Highway, has the honor to submit the following report. The principal events are first shown in condensed form, in chronological order.

March 10, 1947, UTAH: The State Senate unanimously passed a G. A. R. Highway Bill, but too late to obtain action in the House of Representatives.

March 20, 1947, NEBRASKA: The unicameral Legislature adopted unanimously a Resolution which provides for the erection of G. A. R. Highway markers by the State. The Highway Department is proceeding with the manufacture of the markers.

April 20, 1947, ILLINOIS: Dedication of the G. A. R. Highway markers at LaSalle. Principal speaker, Brother R. J. Branson, of Centralia, a member of Camp 100 at Chicago, and a Representative in the State Legislature.

April 23, 1947, NEW YORK: Announcement by Governor Thomas E. Dewey, that the G. A. R. Highway markers in that State had been reconditioned and missing signs replaced—nineteen in all.

April 29, 1947, IOWA: G. A. R. Highway Bill signed by Governor Robert D. Blue, a Legionnaire—The Highway Department is proceeding with the erection of markers.

May 18, 1947, COLORADO: Dedication at Denver to signalize the erection of G. A. R. markers in that State. Principal speaker, former Governor John C. Vivian, under whose regime the markers in Colorado were first ordered. Mrs. W. R. Coffey, National President, Ladies of the G. A. R., also gave a lively address.

June 6, 1947, OHIO: Announcement by Governor Thomas J. Herbert, that the markers in Ohio would be completely reconditioned and missing signs replaced, in time for the National Encampment in Cleveland.

All but two of the fourteen states through which U. S. Route 6 passes have enacted legislation designating the facility the Grand Army of the Republic Highway except two, viz., Nevada and Utah. All of the other twelve states have erected markers, or are proceeding to do so, Pennsylvania excepted. Good progress is under way in the latter.

CONNECTICUT: Under the terms of the legislation, the state authorities have placed G. A. R. Highway markers at the Rhode Island and New York state boundary lines only. All other markers have been erected by the Daughters of Union Veterans, but those signs are not standard and are of different sizes and form. Legislation should be sought to have the state of Connecticut provide and erect markers of standard design.

NEW YORK: When the deteriorated condition of the highway markers was called to the personal attention of Governor Thomas E. Dewey, instructions were issued for the "immediate refurbishing" of the same. Markers put out of commission by snow plows, or other causes, have all been replaced.

PENNSYLVANIA: In the year 1937, the Legislature passed a

Joint Resolution recommending to the Highway Department that U. S. Route 6 be designated and marked as the Grand Army of the Republic Highway. Owing to a change in the administration, no action was taken by the highway people. And no effort has been made except lately, to secure compliance with the wishes of the Legislature. Satisfactory progress is now being made, and it should not be long before the Commonwealth in which the decisive battle of Gettysburg was fought will fall in line.

OHIO: The G. A. R. markers in this state have been rather shabby for some time. When brought to the personal attention of Governor Thomas J. Herbert, assurances were given that the markers would be reconditioned in ample time for the National Encampment at Cleveland. The Grand Army of the Republic Highway passes through the City of Cleveland, but not a single marker appears within the confines of the municipality. This omission has been called to the attention of the Department Commander of Ohio, and requires co-operation between the city and state authorities.

ILLINOIS: The erection of G. A. R. Highway markers was authorized ten years ago by Joint Resolution of the Legislature, and now has been accomplished through the untiring efforts of Brother R. J. Branson, a Representative in the Illinois Legislature. The favorable result was finally obtained by a striking appeal, in a personal letter to Governor Dwight H. Green, from Past Commander-in-Chief Allan S. Holbrook, together with considerable assistance from members of the Department Woman's Relief Corps.

IOWA: The state of Iowa has been the most difficult of all. More work has been done in Iowa than in any of the other states, and success has finally been achieved. A large committee was organized on which members of the five Allied Orders were represented, under the able and active leadership of Captain Wilbur F. Hathaway, the General Chairman. The committee had the valuable assistance of Amy Noll, Department Secretary of the Grand Army of the Republic, with an office in the State House. Miss Noll attended all essential sessions of the Legislature and kept the Committee advised. When difficult situations arose, Brother Horace M. Havner, formerly Attorney General of Iowa, was called into action. Without the help of Judge Havner, success would have been impossible.

NEBRASKA: Department Commander James W. Cattern, recommended the appointment of Miss J. Estella Allen, Daughters of Union Veterans, as chairman of the state committee, remarking that the "Sons" preferred to work under her leadership as she had been instrumental in the passage of legislation in 1945. A state committee was therefore organized on which all of the Allied Orders were represented except the Woman's Relief Corps. Miss Allen, as General Chairman, skillfully guided the G. A. R. Highway Resolution through the one house Legislature and obtained success in the face of almost insurmountable difficulties. In a letter dated May 17, 1947, State Engineer Wardner G. Scott stated he was making arrangements for the manufacture of the markers and the erection of the same.

UTAH: Apparently without knowledge of the existence of the Grand Army of the Republic Highway, the American Legion in Utah, obtained the unanimous passage of a Resolution in the House of Representatives recommending to the Congress of the United States that U. S. Route 6 be proclaimed the U. S. Veterans Memorial Highway. A Director of the Roosevelt Highway Association had made the proposal to the Legion to that effect. When the Department Commander was advised by your National Chairman of the true facts in

the premises, the Legion desisted and a G. A. R. Highway Bill passed the Utah Senate without opposition, but too late to obtain action in the House. The activities in Utah were supervised by Mrs. Isa O. McLeese, Past Department President, Ladies of the G. A. R. John G. Spielman of Long Beach, California, Past Department Commander of the Sons of Union Veterans, rendered invaluable assistance.

NEVADA: There are no Camps of the Sons of Union Veterans in Nevada. The Woman's Relief Corps has three Corps in that State, so favorable developments were brought to the attention of National President, Alice F. Larson, on September 30, 1946, with the opportunity of taking over. Mrs. Larson responded enthusiastically, but made the mistake of placing the National Legislative Committee in charge, instead of arranging for the appointment of a separate state committee. Little was attempted and nothing accomplished.

RECOMMENDATION

Recommending that each Department along the right of way of U. S. Route 6, appoint a Grand Army of the Republic Highway Committee, to be continued as a permanent and important feature; that the Allied Orders be invited to participate by delegation of members; that each committee be assigned the task of supervising the markers in connection with the State Highway Department, with the object that the markers are kept in good condition; that missing signs are replaced, and additional markers erected where needed; to see that suitable floral tributes are placed on principal markers on Memorial Day, and other occasions. Each committee should endeavor to promote traffic over the highway and to obtain the greatest possible publicity in the newspapers. If the Grand Army of the Republic Highway is properly publicized, it should be reflected in the upbuilding of the Sons of Union Veterans and Allied Orders.

Respectfully submitted,

J. CLARK MANSFIELD, Chairman.

REPORT OF LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

Cleveland, Ohio, August 8, 1947.

To the Commandery-in-Chief of the Sons of Union Veterans
of the Civil War:

Brothers:

An ad interim report of our committee was printed in the July Banner, and we will not repeat much of what is found there.

When the Ludlow resolution was passed by the last Congress designating November 19, 1946, as Dedication Day and became effective with the approval of the President, our organization showed its appreciation by a general observance of the day. The several reports of National Patriotic Instructor Ernest Barnum show a gratifying response to the purpose of the resolution.

The Ludlow resolution was amended at the last moment, making it applicable to the year 1946 only. We felt that there would be little difficulty in securing an amendment making the law permanent.

To that end Joint House Resolution 82 was introduced in the present session of Congress by Hon. Kenneth Keating, of Rochester, N. Y., a member of Congress from the 40th District of New York. The resolution was referred to the Committee on Judiciary, of which Mr. Keating is a member. It failed to secure a favorable recommendation by that committee. The resolution was tabled and cannot again be taken up at this session of Congress.

Mr. Keating did all that was possible to secure favorable action on the resolution. The first vote in the sub-committee, to which the resolution was referred, was 11 to 10 against it. Mr. Keating secured a reconsideration of the resolution and it was finally defeated by a vote of 14 to 11.

We recommend that a vote of thanks be given Congressman Keating for his sincere and untiring efforts in the cause, and that the Legislative Committee be appointed by the incoming Commander-in-Chief give due consideration to a renewal of effort to make permanent the observance of November 19th as Dedication Day.

Your committee took favorable action on House Resolution 3961 to increase by twenty per cent, the pensions of Civil War veterans and widows, and we are pleased to report that the resolution was passed.

We are happy to report that the State of Maryland has enacted a law to make February 12, Lincoln's birthday, a legal holiday. Your committee claims no credit for that. All honor must be given to Department Secretary-Treasurer Thomas L. Bufter, and to the Department of Maryland, for this happy result. There are still a number of states in which February 12th is not observed as a legal holiday. We call upon the brothers in those states to follow the example of the Department of Maryland.

We are also pleased to report that the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania has adopted a resolution designating November 19th as Dedication Day in that state. The resolution was introduced by Senator Weldon B. Heyburn on June 5, 1947, and was passed unanimously on the same day. On June 10th it was introduced in the House of Representatives by member Wilson Yeakel, and again immediately passed by a unanimous vote. The Department of Pennsylvania is commended for originating this resolution and pushing it to a successful conclusion. Perhaps this movement will spread throughout the states. If so, it is fitting that it originated in Pennsylvania where the immortal Gettysburg address was delivered.

U. S. Senator Maybank of South Carolina has introduced a bill to make Fort Sumter a national monument. At the time of drafting this report we are not advised as to the merits of the measure, and consequently make no recommendation.

We are living in an age of much legislation. Your committee has taken action on but a few matters. No doubt there are many others deserving of attention. Things which have been left undone by us may be called to the attention of the Commandery-in-Chief, and can be considered by our successors.

Yours Fraternally,

THE LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE.

MICHAEL G. HEINTZ, Ohio, Chairman.

SAMUEL W. LIVINGSTON, Illinois.

FRANK M. HEACOCK, Pennsylvania.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MARKING GRAVES

Derby, Conn., June 2, 1947.

Neil D. Cranmer, Commander-in-Chief.

Dear Commander-in-Chief:

It is a privilege and an honor to submit to you a report of my stewardship as chairman of this important committee for the term now drawing to a close. Realizing full well the vastness of the work in which this committee is engaged and the unlimited possibilities

offered for real service to our Camps across the Nation, I feel that we can point to actual accomplishments in many quarters by way of assistance, counsel and advice which has kept this office busy throughout the term.

Many requests for such assistance have come from Departments and Camps from Maine to California and these have been followed up and promptly complied with. Your chairman has made use of the columns of The Banner to promulgate instruction in this phase of our work to such Departments, Camps, and individual members as may desire it and we believe it has worked to good advantage.

A mimeographed questionnaire was designed and sent to the Commanders of each of our several Departments and the splendid spirit of co-operation in the replies received is worthy of becoming subject matter of this report. A copy of this questionnaire is herewith attached and becomes a part of this report.

This method of obtaining a cross-section of the progress of this work throughout the Commandery-in-Chief I fully believe incited new interest in the activity of our Departments along these lines, and great benefit has been derived therefrom.

Nineteen (19) of the 24 Departments reported. Among other things we learned that of these 19 Departments, 11 have a Department Committee on marking graves; 7 have no committee, and 1 Department substitutes very well with an officer known as the Department Graves Registrar. Asked whether there are many unmarked Civil War veterans graves throughout their state 8 Departments answered "Yes"; 6 answered "No"; 4 reported a "few" and 1 did not know.

In reply to the question as to whether their state provided headstones, 6 answered "Yes"; 11 "No"; and 2 did not know.

Particularly interesting to your committee were the replies to the query as to whether the National Committee on Marking Graves might be helpful to the Department, 10 Departments answered "Yes"; 5 said "No"; 2 made no comment and 2 did not know.

Following is a brief summary of the progress of the work of marking graves in the several Departments reporting:

CALIFORNIA & PACIFIC—Has an officer known as Department Registrar of Graves, Brother James A. Hughes, who works with Camp registrars of graves. An attempt is being made to complete the records of veterans' graves of the entire state.

COLORADO & WYOMING—Pueblo has carried out most extensive program on marking graves. No Department Committee but expected to take the matter up in their Department Encampment with view to having one appointed. Bro. Wilson L. Savage, P. D. C., is doing outstanding work along these lines.

CONNECTICUT—P. D. C. Bertrand O. DeForest, National Chairman is the Chairman of the Department Committee. All Camps in the state are in possession of complete records of veterans graves in their respective jurisdictions. The State library has a complete card index file record of every war veteran buried within the confines of the state from the French-Indian War to the World Wars. Also complete maps of cemeteries showing location of war veterans' graves. Bro. Samuel W. Morrell has also done splendid work in this field.

ILLINOIS—No report received.

INDIANA—Their Department Committee has been discontinued and according to their report practically all graves have been properly marked. Bro. Parker E. Thornburg of Muncie has done exceptional work in grave marking.

IOWA—Captain W. F. Hathaway of Des Moines outstanding in work of marking graves in this state. All graves have been marked as far as is known.

KANSAS—Bro. C. B. Martin of Parsons has been doing splendid work obtaining many hundreds of government headstones for veterans' graves and receiving the co-operation of Camp and city officials throughout the state.

MAINE—A newly appointed Department Committee on Marking Graves included the several District Supervisors as members and P. D. C. Charles Webster as chairman. The committee plans an extensive work as many unmarked graves are being located and checked upon.

MARYLAND—No report received.

MASSACHUSETTS—Bro. Fred Butler, Sr., of Saugus, has done an outstanding job in this work but the Department has no official committee. They seek to complete their records which number many thousands of veterans graves.

MINNESOTA—No report received.

MISSOURI—No chairman here to head this work in the Department and they claim that most all graves are marked and recorded.

NEBRASKA—No report received.

NEW HAMPSHIRE—Bro. Jackson C. Carr, of Hillsboro, has done an outstanding work in marking and recording veterans' graves so that but very few remain without headstones.

NEW JERSEY—This Department has comparatively recently added a Department Committee on Marking Graves to its roster, but each Camp throughout the state has provided itself with complete and accurate records of the veterans' graves in their respective territories. Bro. John Brommel, of Newark, heads the new Department Committee. The work is well attended to.

NEW YORK—Bro. Julius Isaacs is doing a herculean task for the Department taking care of some 3,500 veterans' graves in Greater New York. The rest of the state is covered wherever there are Camps located, but no Department Committee exists.

OHIO—No report received.

OREGON—Many unmarked veterans' graves exist in this state and the Department Committee finds difficulty in correcting the situation. Bro. F. E. Melvin of Portland is attempting to get the work completed as chairman of the Department Committee but there is still a gigantic task ahead.

PENNSYLVANIA—No unmarked veterans' graves are reported and since this state was a battleground of the great Civil War, it has been given particular attention by the government itself along these lines: There is no Department Committee on Marking Graves.

RHODE ISLAND—Many unmarked veterans' graves in the state but no Department Committee exists. They report that names and records necessary to provide stones for these unmarked graves would be impossible to obtain. Camps have checked well and all known veterans' graves are flagged.

VERMONT—Brothers G. Arthur LaDuke, John Howe and George A. DeWitt have done an excellent job in this Department with the result that very few unmarked graves exist in the state. Brother LaDuke heads the Department Committee.

WASHINGTON—The work is well in hand there with Bro. Ross Weber in charge.

WISCONSIN—All Camps have been requested to report unmarked graves to the Department Commander, who has advised method of procedure in each case. Bro. Roy R. Lewis has been outstanding in this work in the Department.

From the survey thus nearly completed, I feel that there is much yet to be done along the lines for which this committee was named and that there is every justification for the continuance of this important committee upon the roster of the committees of the Commandery-in-Chief. We congratulate those loyal brothers who have devoted themselves so unselfishly to the work of marking and recording the graves of our veterans, and hereby recommend them for official citation. However, we must not relinquish our efforts until every last grave of a veteran of the great Civil War has a headstone, the least that a grateful Nation can provide in return for the services and sacrifices they rendered to keep this great republic free and undivided. "Lest we Forget!"

In conclusion allow me to thank you most sincerely for the honor you have bestowed upon me and the confidence you have placed in me in appointing me to head this committee in a work which has long been my hobby.

Office expense incurred amounting to \$25.00 was for mimeographing, typing and postage.

Respectfully in F. C. & L.,

BERTRAND O. DEFOREST,
Chairman, Marking Graves Committee.

Headquarters Commandery-in-Chief
SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR

Bertrand O. DeForest, Chairman,
Committee on Marking Graves
27 Homestead Avenue
Derby, Conn.

PLEASE WRITE IN THE ANSWERS TO THE
FEW QUESTIONS BELOW GIVING AS
MUCH DETAIL AS POSSIBLE

(Return at earliest possible date, Please!)

1. Does your Department have a Committee on Marking Graves?.....
2. Name and address of the Department Chairman:
3. If not; do you have authority to appoint one?.....
4. What member in your Department is outstanding in the work of Marking Veterans' Graves for his own Camp?
Name..... Rank.....
Address: St. City
5. Would you say that there are many un-marked Civil War veterans' graves throughout your State?.....
(By un-marked is meant without headstone or monument).
6. Does your State provide headstones for Soldiers' graves?
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7. Can the National Committee on Marking Graves be helpful to your Department?..... If so, How?.....
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If not, WHY?
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(Use reverse side of this sheet for additional space)

8. What suggestions do you have, or does your Department have, for the furtherance of the work of Marking Graves of Civil War veterans, or for assisting in the work for your Department particularly?
 Signed.....
 (Use reverse side of this sheet for your remarks)

PRELIMINARY REPORT OF THE CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE

Commander-in-Chief: Is there a preliminary report ready from the Credential Committee at this time?

Delegate Julius Isaacs, New York: The Credential Committee submits the following report: 9 Past Commanders-in-Chief, 20 Department Commanders, 42 Past Department Commanders, 64 Delegates or a total of 135.

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: I think that is excellent for our first session.

COMMUNICATIONS—GREETINGS

- Communications, telegrams of greetings and congratulations from:
 - Past Commander-in-Chief Charles F. Sherman, New York.
 - Past Commander-in-Chief William T. Church, Illinois.
 - Past Commander-in-Chief Frank C. Huston, Indiana.
 - Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief Roy R. Lewis, Wisconsin.
 - Council-in-Chief George A. Laduke, Vermont.
 - Past Department Commander D. T. Howe, Iowa.
 - Past Department Commander Martin E. Tilley, Maine.
 - Department Secretary-Treasurer Clinton J. Smith, Vermont.
 - Veteran Camp No. 22, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War of Elgin, Ill.

RESOLUTIONS

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

From the Department of Maine—"Relative to omission of words or hymn 'America' from the ritual." (Referred to Committee on Ritual).

From the Department of Massachusetts—"Relative to eligibility of descendants of officers and members of the Revenue Cutter Service." (Referred to Committee on Constitution & Regulations).

From the Department of Massachusetts—"Relative to provision for collateral representation by those other than lineal descendants of Civil War veterans." Referred to Committee on Constitution & Regulations).

From the Department of New Jersey—"Relative to appointment of National, Department and Camp Committees on membership." (Referred to Committee on Constitution & Regulations).

From the Department of New Jersey—"Relative to holding Encampments when the Grand Army of the Republic can no longer take the initiative." (Referred to Committee on Constitution & Regulations).

From the Department of Oregon—"Relative to 'War Between the States.'" (Referred to Committee on Resolutions).

From the Department of Ohio—"Relative to the Federation." (Referred to Committee on Resolutions).

From the Department of Pennsylvania—"Relative to Sub-division of Departments." (Referred to Committee on Resolutions).

From the Department of Pennsylvania—"Relative to Carl Sandburg articles about papers of Abraham Lincoln." (Referred to the Committee on Resolutions).

From the Department of Pennsylvania—"Relative to Grand Army of the Republic Highway." (Referred to Committee on Resolutions).

From the Department of Wisconsin—"Relative to 'carrying on' when the Grand Army of the Republic ceases to exist." (Referred to Committee on Resolutions).

From the New England Regional Association—"Relative to twenty-five year membership badge." (Referred to Committee on Constitution & Regulations).

SHERMAN MEMORIAL

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: I have before me a communication from the Mayor of Lancaster, Ohio, as follows:

"To Whom It May Concern:

This will introduce to you, Mr. D. A. Cush, the appointed delegate of the Sons of Union Veterans, of the city of Lancaster, Ohio.

Mr. Cush is Chairman of the Sherman Memorial Committee of Lancaster and is well qualified to give full information concerning same.

Mr. Cush is a highly respected and patriotic citizen of our city and any courtesies extended him will be greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

FRED VON STEIN, Mayor,
City of Lancaster, Ohio."

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: I don't quite understand what this is all about; perhaps someone can enlighten me.

Department Commander George Weller, Ohio: Brother Cush is in the audience, and I am sure he can explain the matter and answer any questions you may have.

Delegate D. A. Cush, Ohio: As far as the Sherman home is concerned, that home was purchased because it was just about to get away from our cause. Inasmuch as that was the case, the city of Lancaster purchased it and are attempting to make of it a memorial to General Sherman. We are doing the best we can with the funds we have. You will remember Sherman said, "War is Hell—let's give them plenty of it," and you will admit that he did so.

If you are interested, and have any intention of helping the cause in any way, I would be glad to talk with you and give you further information.

Past Department Commander Frederic G. Bauer, Mass.: I would like to ask one question. General Sherman's father died when he was a very young child, and Sherman was brought up by Judge Huey. Is this the home of the father or that of Judge Huey?

Delegate Cush, Ohio: The home we refer to is the one in which General Sherman was born.

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: Do you desire any action on this matter?

Past Commander-in-Chief Mabie: I move that this communication be received and placed on file. (Seconded by Department Commander John Yocum, Pennsylvania, and motion carried).

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DUAL MEMBERSHIP

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: At the last National Encampment, it was voted that a Committee be appointed to examine dual membership. Brother Bauer was Chairman of that Committee, and he is now ready to report.

Past Department Commander Bauer, Massachusetts: Commander-in-Chief and Brothers; the Committee appointed consisted of National Patriotic Instructor Ernest E. Barnum, Julius Isaacs, N. Y., Past Department Commander Wm. C. Kronmeyer, N. J., and myself. When the Commander-in-Chief told me I was to be Chairman, I said that if the Committee was within reasonable distance, we could get together and discuss this matter of dual membership and, for that reason, they were all elected in the eastern section of the country.

The Committee met at the Harvard Club in New York in December to consider this proposition. All members of the Committee were present at this meeting, consulting on this matter and exchanging ideas. We spent considerable time going over the matter, and the result is a recommendation for a change to the Constitution and Regulations which I submit to you as the unanimous recommendation of the Committee, with the exception of one minor change.

Proposed Amendments Concerning Dual Membership

Amend Article VII of the Constitution by adding at the end thereof the following new section:

"Section 3. A member in good standing in a Camp may, under such regulations as the Commandery-in-Chief may prescribe, become a member of another Camp, still retaining his membership in his original Camp."

Amend Article II of Chapter I of the Regulations by adding thereto the following new sections:

"Section 7. A member wishing to join a second Camp, still retaining his membership in his original Camp, may obtain a certificate of good standing in his original Camp, and upon presenting it to the second Camp may be admitted a member thereof in the same manner as a member presenting a transfer.

"Section 8. A member holding membership in two Camps shall elect in which Camp he desires to hold primary and in which secondary membership, and notify the Secretary of each Camp of his selection. If a member holding membership in two Camps obtains an honorable discharge from the Camp of his primary membership, he shall automatically become a primary member of the other Camp.

"Section 9. Each Camp in its quarterly Secretary's report shall report under a separate heading the names of those holding secondary membership therein, together with the number of the Camp in which each holds primary membership.

"Section 10. Secondary members so reported shall not be counted in the strength of the Camp for representation in the Department Encampment, and the Camp shall not pay per capita tax on them."

Add the following new paragraph to Section 3, Article II, of the Regulations, to be inserted between the present two paragraphs of said section:

"If a member holding membership in two Camps is dropped by either, the Department Secretary shall immediately notify him that unless within thirty days he reinstates himself in the Camp by which he was dropped, or obtains an honorable discharge therefrom, his

membership in the order will at the expiration of said thirty days be automatically terminated."

Chairman Bauer: We think the Department Secretaries aren't 100% efficient; and if a member transfers and is dropped by either Camp, we feel there should be a little leeway to the member—a thirty day period in which to reinstate himself. On that particular section, only four of the Committee responded.

We all know there are many cases where a Brother moves far away from his original Camp and, perhaps for sentimental reasons, he wishes to retain membership in his own Camp. He can visit other Camps, but can't serve on any committees, hold office or anything else and this should not be the case. There should be some way to retain his interest, and this can be accomplished through dual membership because he can retain his old membership in his original Camp and be active in the Camp where they live. This is done in practically all organizations such as ours; The Sons of the American Revolution, the Masonic Lodges and many others and I can see no reason why it cannot be done here—in fact, it already is in several of the Departments.

On the other hand, there is no reason why a member should have to come into the Order twice. Therefore, in the secondary Camps, the member is not counted in the strength of the Camp for representation in the Department Encampment—he is only counted in the first one. We felt that he can be a member in good standing in either Camp, but for principles of representation he is only counted once.

Then too, he shouldn't be able to thumb his nose at one Camp who suspends him, and still be a loyal member of the Order in another Camp. Therefore, if he is suspended from either Camp, he is given thirty days to reinstate himself.

We feel that these proposed amendments are not too drastic and many members will retain interest in their original Camps. In several Departments, dual membership already exists. I think all the Past Commanders-in-Chief and Past Department Commanders in Massachusetts are members in Bay State Camp and are active there, although many of them are members of other Camps also. This also exists, in considerable measure, in New York and New Jersey; and no doubt in other states. It doesn't interfere in any way with the Camps they originally joined, but it does make it possible for them to be active in other Camps.

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: You have heard this report. What is your pleasure?

National Counselor Robert Doughty: I move its adoption.

Past Commander-in-Chief Lambert: This matter deals with the Constitution and Regulations and, to my knowledge, has not been published in advance. It should, therefore, be referred to the Committee on Constitution and Regulations and I move that it be so referred. (Seconded by several, and referred to Committee on Constitution and Regulations).

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER'S BADGE DESIGN

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: I believe another Committee was appointed last year to look into the proposition of designing a satisfactory Department Commander's badge. The Chairman, Past Commander-in-Chief Mabie is here and ready to report for this Committee.

Past Commander-in-Chief Mabie: I present the following report:

Cleveland, Ohio, August 10, 1947.

To the Officers and Members of the Sixty-Sixth Annual Encampment
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War:

Your Committee on design for Department Commander's Badge recommend that badge as shown by enclosed sketch be adopted as the official Department Commander's Badge.

We would recommend that one of these badges be supplied by the Commandery-in-Chief to each Department, and would be handed down to each incoming Department Commander.

In case of a badge becoming lost, the National Secretary-Treasurer would have a small supply on hand, for which he would supply a new badge at price to be set by Council-in-Chief.

Fraternally,

WALTER C. MABIE, Chairman,
CHARLES H. WRIGHT, Mich.
C. M. BARKSDALE, Ind.

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: You have heard this report of the Committee on Design of Department Commander's Badge which recommends that a bar be placed across the top of the badge, designating "Department Commander." What is your pleasure?

Past Commander-in-Chief Sautter: I hesitate, because I am not sure that I am entirely right; but I believe that according to this report the bar is to be supplied by the Commandery-in-Chief. This body, two years ago, on the recommendation of a Committee of which Past Commander-in-Chief Stoudt was Chairman, provided for the regulation pendant of the Order, in gold instead of bronze, at the top of which shall be attached a gold bar with the inscription "Commander-in-Chief" engraved on it.

I can't see why the Department should not themselves secure the bar for the Department Commander; it should not be at the expense of the Commandery-in-Chief.

Past Department Commander Frederic Bauer, Mass.: It was a mark of decadence in the Roman Empire when members of the council sat on different colored chairs, and each color had a definite meaning or station in life. It may be a mark of decadence in any organization when we start saying that we must invest a great sum of money in order that a designation be made as to who we are.

As to our uniform, the badge has always been worn on the left breast and that is according to custom. However, since then conditions have changed very much. In the first place, there are many other orders who have copied the insignia from the European decorations, and Congress has authorized them. It is well recognized and this still exists, that those who have been heads of State organizations wear insignia to mark that distinction, and national heads the same; and it is the custom to do so in this country.

Now, it seems to me that, instead of going to expense to have bars, that we do it along the lines of these other organizations. What is simpler than to wear a neck ribbon, which would cost approximately \$1.00—the Commander-in-Chief could wear the gold emblem or badge from his ribbon, the Department Commander wear the silver cross around the neck and the Camp Commander could wear the bronze badge of the Order on a neck ribbon—this procedure is authorized by the United States Army. We are simply following other organizations, and I would like to suspend this matter for five minutes and I will

be glad to get you a sample and show you how the thing works. It will save a lot of expense and will provide all that you want.

Past Department Commander Heacock, Pa.: I move the report of the Committee be adopted and concurred in, providing that the part be stricken therefrom, "that the Commandery-in-Chief furnish the bar," and that the bar be furnished by the Department. (Motion seconded by Past Commanders-in-Chief Sautter and Lambert.

Department Commander Frank S. Hubbard, Wis.: I rise to a point of information. There already is a bar on the badge. Is this to be an additional bar, or a double bar? Is the one now on the badge to be removed? Can we eliminate the wording that this is a badge of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War?

Past Commander-in-Chief Mabie: We merely carried out the idea of what is on the badge of the Commander-in-Chief. This one is just like his, only says "Department Commander," instead of "Commander-in-Chief."

First of all, let me make this clear. I am not in favor of any such bar on the Commander-in-Chief or Department Commander's badge. I think we cheapen it by putting these things on the top of it.

Your Committee was given a job to do, and we tried to make it as simple as we could, but now I think we are jumbling it up.

Who is going to get these dies made if not the Commandery-in-Chief? Will the different Departments each have to get a die made for this bar? These different Departments are paying per capita tax to National, and the Camps to Department; and it seems to me that once in a while we can be a little generous to them. Then too, perhaps not every Department wants this. If the Commandery-in-Chief wants this done, it should be given to the Departments.

Past Department Commander Heacock, Pa.: Having made that motion, I would like to call your attention to the fact that all supplies shall be purchased from the Commandery-in-Chief. Therefore, there should be no question as to who does it. The Commandery-in-Chief purchases the dies, and the Departments order them from the Commandery-in-Chief.

Past Commander-in-Chief Richard F. Locke: The rules and regulations of the order describe the badges and decorations of the order, and the manner in which they should be procured. I, therefore, rise to a point of order because until this matter is submitted through the Committee on Constitution and Regulations and their report referred to this Encampment, there should not be any discussion on this matter.

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: I will sustain your point of order.

Past Commander-in-Chief Locke: I think it is the duty of the Commander-in-Chief to refer it to the Committee on Constitution and Regulations.

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: It will be referred to that committee.

Past Commander-in-Chief Lambert: I am not positive, but I think I am correct that our Encampment last year took action to approve this badge; and this Committee appointed to design it—so that Brother Locke's objection is nullified.

Past Commander-in-Chief Sautter: I disagree on that point. Last year the Department of Minnesota came in with a recommendation, but the Indianapolis Encampment did not approve of anything other than to refer it to a Committee for design.

Past Commander-in-Chief Lambert: May I suggest that we defer this matter until a later session.

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: It will be delayed until later. I want to take this opportunity of telling you about the class initiation which will take place tonight. This class initiation will be by the Monroe County Area, New York, Degree Team; and I hope that if you have any candidates, you will bring them around at 7:30 tonight. If you have not seen this degree team, I am sure you will want to attend. Everybody is invited, but you must have the password.

Past Commander-in-Chief Mabie: Do you want to go back to this other thing now? (Reads resolution from last year's proceedings). All that was done was that the Commander-in-Chief was directed to appoint a Committee to design the badge and report on it.

Past Commander-in-Chief Sautter: I do not know whether I am wrong or right. It seems to me that this action simply appointed a Committee to design a badge and present the report to this body. We have not approved the bar until we adopt the report of this Committee.

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: Then we will leave it in the hands of the Committee on Constitution and Regulations.

PRELIMINARY REPORT OF THE CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE ROLL CALL

Delegate Julius Isaacs, New York: The Credential Committee has an addition of ten to the roll—total 145. (The roll was called). I move this be the first roll call of this Encampment. (Seconded by Past Commander-in-Chief Sautter, and carried).

REPORT ON COMRADE DOUGLASS

Delegate Charles E. Clark, Sr., Connecticut: Comrade Charles Douglass, the Department Commander of the Grand Army of the Republic of Connecticut, and who is also a Son is confined to bed in New Haven. He wanted us to report to you that he was one hundred years old on May 23. He said he didn't expect to live to make this report; and he wishes you the best of success in this Encampment.

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: Thank you for this inspiring report and good wishes from our Comrade and Brother.

Acting Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief Richart: I suggest that he leave the address of this gentleman, and that we all send him a card.

Delegate Clark: It is Charles Douglass, Department Commander of Connecticut Grand Army of the Republic, 290 Newhall St., New Haven, Connecticut.

FLORAL TRIBUTE AT SOLDIERS & SAILORS MONUMENT

Department Commander John H. Yocum, Pennsylvania: The Department of Pennsylvania will place a floral tribute at the Soldiers and Sailors Monument at 5 o'clock this evening; and we would like everyone to come along with us.

Past Commander-in-Chief Craig: Since we are talking about placing floral tributes, I move that a Committee of three or five be appointed to place a floral tribute on the grave of the late President James A. Garfield. (Seconded by Past Department Commander W. E. Buchanan, Oregon). If you drove west on Route 20, perhaps you saw the home of James Garfield, located at Mentor. We arrived there very early, before it was open but when we said we had come from New Hampshire, we were very graciously conducted through the beautiful home. It is really worthwhile—be sure to visit it, if you can.

Past Commander-in-Chief Anderson: Just two thoughts—first, if the brothers go back east on Route 20, I hope they will transfer to Grand Army of the Republic Highway and go that way. Second, up there in Massachusetts when we place floral tributes or have a special program, we attempt to get a little publicity. I am wondering whether the photographers of the local press will be there when you place those flowers this afternoon, because we deserve publicity for our organization. Let us see if the Press Committee can request the press to take those pictures.

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: Thank you for the suggestion. I will refer it to Brother Holbrook.

Past Department Commander Yocum, Pa.: Not only the press, but the Mayor too will be there.

Past Department Commander Louis E. Winchell, Mass.: In reference to the presentation of this wreath, how many of you know that there are floral reproductions of the insignia of each of our allied patriotic organizations at that monument on the square. To my mind, it is a very beautiful tribute to our Orders, and would it not be fitting for our organization to show some appreciation to the city of Cleveland for reproducing these insignia. I know of no other city where they recognize us in that respect.

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: A question has been raised as to who will pay for that wreath.

Department Commander Yocum, Pa.: One of the Brothers from Pennsylvania and myself will pay for it. I meant the invitation only for your participation by your attendance.

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: I assume from your motion, Brother Craig, that the Commandery-in-Chief is to pay for the floral tribute to be taken to the grave of President Garfield. (Answer, yes). Any further remarks on the motion? (Motion carried that floral tribute be placed on grave of President Garfield).

Past Department Commander Fred E. Colwell, New York: The suggestion of Past Commander-in-Chief Craig that we visit the home of the late President Garfield is well taken.

I want to tell you about who lives at 31 Portsmouth Terrace, Rochester, N. Y. If you are in Rochester and stop at that address you will be greeted by Comrade James Hard, who was 106 years old on July 15, and it will be well worth your time to visit him. The Sons in Rochester have started to observe his birthday, and we are already making plans for his next one.

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: I will name as a Committee to take this floral tribute to the grave of President Garfield: Past Commander-in-Chief Craig, Past Commander-in-Chief Anderson, Past Commander-in-Chief Irelan, Past Department Commander Michael G. Heintz, Ohio, and National Chaplain Childs. Are there any other reports of committees to come before us?

Past Department Commander Hugh I. Snider, Indiana: Last winter I noticed something which gave me an idea—that of trying to keep the Grand Army of the Republic in front of the public. At points along our highways, where the road makes a bend, there is very often a small area of land which is not being used. I am attempting to get the permission of the State Highway Commission to use those areas on which to place a memorial. I then found out it was the thing to write and get permission to use the Grand Army of the Republic name. We wrote to the Secretary of the Grand Army of the Republic and it

was taken up at their Encampment; and I now want to put it up to this Encampment for approval.

I had thought we could use a bronze marker, and make a little park in those particular spots. Many places along our highways could be utilized in that manner, and I am working on it.

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: Thank you for this good word from Indiana.

Past Department Commander John H. Runkle, Pa.: In the absence of the Acting Chief-of-Staff, Past Commander-in-Chief Stoudt, I remind the Brothers that there will be a social time at 9 o'clock tonight, and at 10 p. m. a military ball—you are all invited to attend.

COMMITTEE FROM CITY OF CLEVELAND

(Judge Arthur Day, General Chairman of the Encampment Committee was escorted in and introduced to the Encampment).

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: We are glad to have you come into our Encampment. We are genuinely sorry that you had to wait—we did not know you were here, or that would not have happened.

Judge Arthur Day: Commander-in-Chief, distinguished leaders of this great organization of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, I know something about this organization because I am a member of it. (Applause).

However, I appear in the capacity as General Chairman of the Encampment Committee. As I was waiting in the rear of the room, I couldn't help but hear part of your discussion. Regardless of what your solution to this matter was, let me say that I have the power of habeus corpus, so if any of you are detained let me know.

I am happy to have the privilege of greeting you this afternoon, and I have recognized this privilege over the years. I have heard the expression of great man's idealism is in the store of democracy. When idealism disappears from America, then there will no longer be an America as we know it. We also know that America renders leadership, but the thing that has made America great has been the unsung Fathers and Mothers of America and their expression of idealism.

Back in 1918 when in France, I ran into a French captain who asked me, "What is it that makes it possible for the American troops to come over here from America and take Chateau-Thierry, when we have been unable to do it? At that time I said this, and I know it was the correct answer, "I do not need to make odious comparisons to the French, but America was founded by reason of the fact that men and women came to America to give new expression to new things."

We are all now a part of America; we have a government founded upon these things. One only has to look into the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution of the United States to realize that America is founded on idealism.

You and I represent those great soldiers of the 60's who made it possible for this nation to go forward, until today it is the beacon light of the entire world; and you and I have seen our sons and daughters, from the steaming jungles to the frozen lands of the north win wars in order that the idealism of democracy may continue to govern our American freedom.

We are the descendants and heirs; the sons and daughters of the men who fought in the Civil War. Now, only fifty-six of them remain. I was over at their Encampment, and only five of them are here in Cleveland; but still they are here "carrying on" in the name of the

Grand Army of the Republic—so you and I, indeed, have a great heritage.

My ambition for the future is this—let us make this a great, and still greater organization. As individuals we can do little, but banded together we can forever keep alive this great organization.

Mr. Commander-in-Chief, I am happy that it was possible for me to address you this afternoon. The proudest distinction that has been mine has been heading this Committee, and I would not leave your presence without a word about the man you gave me to head your work on the Committee here in Cleveland, W. C. Thobaben—it has been a pleasure to work with him, and he has been a valuable man on that committee.

We are proud indeed to have this Encampment, and this splendid group of Sons here in Cleveland; and thank you very much for being with us.

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: Thank you, Brother Day, for this message of inspiration. Past Commander-in-Chief Mabie will respond.

Past Commander-in-Chief Mabie: Judge and Brothers; you know we come to these affairs sometimes and shake hands, say "hello," look into the faces of those we have been expecting—and discover something missing. Then too, we get to the age that we feel it would be just as well if we had not made this trip; that we should let the other fellow carry on. Sometimes we wonder whether it is worthwhile, especially when we meet with people who tell us it is useless, that our work is done when the Grand Army of the Republic is dead. And then, we have a man such as you come to us and tell us you are a member of the Order; and in giving us eloquent remarks such as yours, you put new life and new courage into us.

As Chairman of the General Committee, as is often the case, you might feel you have done your duty when you speak at a convention and extend a welcome to your city. I have responded, in many cases, and let it go at that—it was a duty; but never have I felt the thrill in responding that I do today, and never have I been so conscious of the knowledge that I do not have the words to do so properly.

Your presence here today is going to mean more to us than I can tell you. It will be an inspiration to start on new fields of endeavor, to begin to more than "touch the surface" in going out and telling the history of this organization, the glorious heritage that is ours, and the future work before us. Unfortunately, we never got it across to the Grand Army of the Republic. They thought we were trying to steal their honors, rather than keep alive their memory.

We are always talking about the "Civil War" and the misuse of its name by the use of "War Between the States." Abraham Lincoln called it a Civil War. When I was a child it was the "War of the Rebellion." Others didn't know about it, at least very little, and they put "Civil War" on the war monuments, even those in the south. As to that, I have been down through the south, and I never heard anybody down there refer to it as "War Between the States." If it wasn't the Civil War, then we should change our name from Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War to what? If for no other reason, we must fight the misuse of this name.

We have speakers who come into our different Conventions and Encampments and, during the course of their remarks, say "War Between the States." I want to say to you that it has been an inspiration to hear you speak of the "Civil War," and I am thankful and

grateful for your coming in, and I know the Brothers here assembled
join me in that sentiment.

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: Thank you for this response.

Past Commander-in-Chief Sautter: I move we recess until 9:30
a. m. tomorrow. (Seconded by Delegate Julius Isaacs, New York, and
carried).

TUESDAY MORNING SESSION

August 12, 1947—9:30 A. M.

The session opened in regular form, with prayer by Past Commander-in-Chief Craig.

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: I believe that at this time Brother Mansfield is ready with a supplementary report on the Grand Army of the Republic Highway.

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT—GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC HIGHWAY COMMITTEE

Chairman Mansfield: Commander-in-Chief, Officers and Members of this Encampment, this supplementary report concerns Pennsylvania. The membership of the Commandery-in-Chief are wondering why nothing was done by the Keystone State, the state which contributed so much to the Civil War.

Ten years ago, the Legislature passed a Joint Resolution recommending to the Highway Department that U. S. Route 6 be designated as the Grand Army of the Republic Highway, but no action was taken by the highway authorities; and the National Grand Army of the Republic Highway Committee assumed that everything had been taken care of, but nothing has been done until the last couple years on this matter in Pennsylvania.

We have some encouraging things to report. The United Spanish War Veterans passed a resolution at their recent Department Encampment in Reading, Pa., asking the Governor to designate U. S. Highway No. 6 as the Grand Army of the Republic Highway. The American Legion in their state Encampment in Pittsburgh last week passed a resolution calling upon the Governor of Pennsylvania to change the name of Highway No. 6 from Roosevelt Highway to Grand Army of the Republic Highway.

With the support of these two organizations, I am sure that we will get somewhere in Pennsylvania on this matter.

Thank you, Commander-in-Chief, for your encouragement during the past year. We live on encouragement, and little would have been accomplished without it.

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: Thank you, Brother Mansfield. Any words of encouragement that I gave you were well deserved; and we are happy to hear that both the American Legion and United Spanish War Veterans have taken this action endorsing this highway.

At this time, we will receive the supplementary report of the National Legislative Committee.

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT—NATIONAL LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

Chairman Heintz: Commander-in-Chief and Brothers, the history of the Dedication Day resolution is rather a long one, but I want to say that, over two years ago, we learned that Congressman Louis Lud-

low had introduced a resolution designating November 19th as Dedication Day and requesting the President to issue a proclamation to that effect and directing the Gettysburg Address to be given on that day.

We got behind it, and it was passed in 1946 but unfortunately, perhaps because of Mr. Ludlow's illness, it was amended with "1946" being inserted and the bill passed that way. This was a great disappointment to us. We didn't do anything more about it at that time, as we felt the only alternative was to support it as it was passed. However, there was a very satisfactory response by this and other organizations, and the public at large in 1946.

Early in the present session of Congress a resolution was introduced by Congressman Kenneth Keating of New York. Those of you who read our report realize and we gathered from the letters of the various Congressmen that they had many requests for resolutions on observance of special days, and we believe it was the "swamp" of those requests which probably defeated us. The first vote in the sub-committee on this resolution was 11 to 10. On reconsideration and a second vote it was defeated 14 to 11.

That is where the matter stands now, but Congressman Keating was very enthusiastically in favor of this resolution; so we hope it will be introduced again, and adopted. There will be another session of Congress next year, and we will have to go through this same procedure again.

However, we are well pleased by the response of not only this organization, and our allied organizations, but by the public in general. In Ohio, the American Education Press, a very large publishing house in Columbus came to the front on the observance of this day with a twenty-nine page pamphlet which included the Gettysburg Address, the history of the address, information about Lincoln and illustrations of Lincoln at Gettysburg, etc. Thousands of copies of this were sent out all over the country. This publishing house acted immediately after this resolution was passed, and they did a great deal for this project—and we didn't even know about it. I cite this to show that not only were we interested but that public interest and participation was shown. Next year we hope to have great success with this project.

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: Thank you, Brother Heintz. To my way of thinking, the Grand Army of the Republic Highway and this Dedication Day are two of the most important pieces of work in which we are engaged.

Delegate Julius Isaacs: The Credential Committee reports a total of 155 members on the roll at this time.

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: Thank you, Brother Isaacs. Are there any other reports at this time?

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT—NATIONAL PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR

National Patriotic Instructor Barnum: Commander-in-Chief, I wish to present a supplementary report of the National Patriotic Instructor on the G. A. R. Fund.

Cleveland, Ohio, August 12, 1947.

Commander-in-Chief and Brothers:

Again I wish to say I have deemed it a privilege and an honor to have had the opportunity of serving our Order, and to give of my time and efforts in behalf of the National G. A. R. Fund.

Much credit is due to the Department Patriotic Instructors and all other Department and Camp Officers and Members, who aided in collecting contributions for said Fund; for without their splendid co-operation, I would have failed in my efforts.

I feel I have been more than fortunate to have had such a splendid group of Brothers to work with during my two terms in said capacity and I wish to again thank and commend each one of you for your excellent co-operation.

I set no quotas for the Departments, but set a National goal of \$1,000.00 as a sum worthy of, and in appreciation of what our beloved Sires left to us—their sons.

I would like to say that the one remaining Comrade of the Grand Army of the Republic, Department Commander Charles Douglas of Connecticut, reached his one hundredth birthday on May 23, 1947, and that he was showered with cards, telegrams, and gifts from every corner of the Department.

Although we, as Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, failed for the present in our efforts to have November 19th named permanently as "Dedication Day," I assure you it was not through lack of interest or efforts on the part of the members of the various Departments or your National Patriotic Instructor. From all reports received by me, I feel that everything that was humanly possible was done by all in an endeavor to have H. J. Resolutions 82 approved by the Committee on Judiciary. I personally sent letters in regard to said bill to members of the Committee, enclosing programs, newspaper clippings, etc., from various parts of the Nation, showing how the occasion was held on November 19, 1946, in our Camps, parks and schools. All U. S. Senators and Congressmen from Connecticut were contacted by the Camps and members, seeking their support of the Resolution should it come before them for a vote, and from the replies received from all sources, I am more than surprised by the unfavorable action taken by the Committee.

I sent four letters of protest, with copies of pamphlets enclosed, against the use of the term "The War Between the States." I received in reply three letters of regret, with the assurance that the term would not be used in the future.

It is with pleasure that I announce the grand total of the G. A. R. Fund collected to date \$1,079.00.

Departments showing gains over their last year's totals are: Michigan, Kansas, New York, Washington, Wisconsin, New Hampshire and Rhode Island.

First place honors for raising the largest contribution goes to

the Department of Connecticut	\$167.00
Second Place—Department of New York.....	\$106.20
Third Place—Department of Illinois	102.00
Fourth Place—Department of Pennsylvania.....	94.00

I now turn over to the National Secretary-Treasurer, Horace H. Hammer, checks and cash to the amount stated above.

In closing, I sincerely hope my efforts meet with your approval, and I recommend that this Fund be used for the welfare of our Comrades of the G. A. R., and wherever needed to bring to a speedy completion the Grand Army Highway.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. & L.,
 (Signed) ERNEST E. BARNUM,
 National Patriotic Instructor.

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PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR'S REPORTS

CALIFORNIA & PACIFIC—J. Sidney Bachtel. Days observed: Lincoln's, Washington's and Grant's birthdays; Appomattox Day, Memorial Day, Flag Day, Independence Day, Armistice and Dedication Day. Speakers: P. C. in-C. Ralph R. Barrett, Judge Harry R. Collins, Los Angeles; D. C. Walter A. Smith, Charles F. Craig, San Francisco; P. D. C. Raymond S. Dumser, Vernon E. Cheney, Oakland; George A. Ruple, San Francisco; P. D. C. Frank Woerner, Inglewood. Remarks: Some of the Camps sponsor Boy Scout Troops who participate in our programs, and many public picnics are held by Camps. A quiz radio program was sponsored by the Department of California & Pacific between Los Angeles and San Francisco, of patriotic nature. Insist upon the press of the County in giving more prominence to General Logan's Order No. 11 as a day which the people should honor those who gave their lives that we may enjoy freedom in our nation, and not a day given over to sports and indifference. Try and arrange to have a committee visit the schools throughout the nation, and give special talks on the Civil War and what it meant to our country.

CONNECTICUT—George H. Schmidt. Days observed: Lincoln's, Washington's and Grant's birthdays; Appomattox Day, Dedication Day, Memorial Day, Flag Day, Independence Day, Columbus Day, Armistice Day and Constitution Day. Speakers: Robert C. C. Smith, Charles Clark Sr., Wallace R. Bassett and C. Morris, New Haven, Camp No. 1; Col. A. C. Bennett, Maj. C. H. Sprague, Maj. D. S. Sammis, E. E. Barnum, P. D. C., N. P. L., C. C. M. K. Blackwell, C. Harry Curtiss, Judge P. L. Miller, Judge F. L. Wilder, Judge Carl Foster and Peter J. Ring Jr., of Bridgeport, Camp No. 11; James Y. Ledwith, New Haven, Camp No. 17; Bertrand O. DeForest, Jr., C. C., Derby Camp No. 26; P. D. C. Fred L. Chapman, Shelton, Camp No. 26; Harold L. Scott, Bristol, Camp No. 31; Wm. H. Warner, Waterbury, Camp No. 49; C. C. Andrew J. George, Middletown, Camp No. 53. Remarks: Camp No. 26 of Derby awarded cash prizes to students most outstanding in the subject of American history in the Derby and Shelton High Schools at their graduation exercises; Camp No. 26 also arranged for all schools to observe Dedication Day, November 19, with the recitation of Lincoln's Gettysburg Address in all grades also in the parochial schools. Camp 26 urges a magazine be made of The Banner, soliciting ads from business men among our membership, and other nationally known products, put it on a subscription list and charge our members who desire it. It would save tons of paper now being wasted by issues being discarded when received and being sent to dropped members and deceased persons. Make Camp news events to come and not affairs long since passed, and issue the magazine every month. Have it contain pictures and stories of the Civil War.

ILLINOIS—Hope W. McClauley. Days observed: Lincoln's and Washington's birthdays; Memorial Day, Armistice Day and Dedication Day. Speakers: W. T. Skinner, S. W. Livingston, Camp No. 9; Will Breedloer, Camp No. 22; Maj. Harry Elison, V. Dallman, Joseph L. Moore, Camp No. 4; Rev. U. G. Lacey, Camp 243; Rev. Geo. A. McCauley, Camp 48; Rev. A. Marcel LaVoy, George M. Foster and D. M. McLane of Camp 61-65.

INDIANA—Parker E. Thornburg. Days observed: Lincoln's and Washington's birthday, Memorial Day, Flag Day, Appomattox Day, Constitution Day and Dedication Day.

IOWA—W. T. Alstrand. Days observed: Lincoln's, Washington's and Grant's birthdays; Memorial Day, Flag Day, Appomattox Day,

Armistice and Dedication Days. Speakers: W. F. Hathaway and W. T. Alstrand.

KANSAS—O. C. Allebach. Days observed: Lincoln's and Washington's birthdays, Memorial Day and Dedication Day. Speakers: Robert L. Barton, Jr., Charles Lowder, Walter H. Fairchild of Camp No. 13, Kansas City.

MAINE—Albert B. DeHaven. Days observed: Lincoln's, Washington's and Grant's birthdays; Memorial Day, Armistice and Dedication Days. Ten members reported as having given addresses, no names forwarded: Remarks: Department holds Patriotic Rallies in Districts. Members do not limit the decoration of graves to Civil War Veterans but decorate graves of Revolutionary and other soldier graves. A few Camps take the lead in Memorial Day exercises assisted by young veterans; other work jointly with veterans.

MARYLAND—Judson N. C. Knappan. Days observed: Lincoln's, Washington's and Grant's birthdays; Memorial Day, Appomattox Day, Armistice Day, Dedication Day, Thanksgiving Day, V. E. and V. J. Days.

MASSACHUSETTS—Emerson Whitmon. Days observed: Lincoln's and Washington's birthdays; Memorial Day, Flag Day, Appomattox Day, Dedication Day and Armistice Day.

MICHIGAN—Fred D. Mowrey. Days observed: Lincoln's and Washington's birthdays; Memorial Day and Dedication Day.

MINNESOTA—Wm. J. Hiland. Days observed: Lincoln's and Washington's birthdays; Memorial Day, Flag Day, Appomattox Day; 1st Minn. at Gettysburg, and Dedication Day. Speakers: Chester L. Charter, Earl W. Boyes, Andrew I. Weston, B. H. Bowler, Dewey B. Mead, Wm. J. Hiland and Ervin Best. Remarks: The best method to increase respect for Memorial Day and its observance in the opinion of the Minneapolis Patriotic Instructor is to permit the civilian (non-veterans) population to have a bigger part in the observance. There is a tendency upon the part of veteran organizations to wish to exclude others than just veterans. The more the general public can have to do with Memorial Day, the more respect it will demand. When the Army Ground Forces Band from Washington, D. C., played a concert at the Minneapolis Municipal Auditorium, it failed to include in its program the National Anthem, the Star Spangled Banner. The Minneapolis Camp Patriotic Instructor wrote the authorities in Washington in protest, in the hope that it will not be omitted from future concerts. In the matter of observing Dedication Day, the Minneapolis Camp Patriotic Instructor wrote to the Superintendent of the Minneapolis Schools urging some attention be given to Abraham Lincoln's Gettysburg Address on its anniversary date, which was readily agreed to.

MISSOURI—Fred Philo. Days observed: Lincoln's and Washington's birthdays; Memorial Day, Armistice Day, and Dedication Day. Speakers: Rev. Frank G. Beardsley and Theo. H. Mohr. Remarks: in St. Louis, wreaths are placed at gates of all cemeteries by Camps and Allied organizations.

NEW HAMPSHIRE—Hiram Atkins, Jr. Days observed: Lincoln's and Washington's birthdays; Memorial Day, Flag Day, Armistice Day and Dedication Day.

NEW JERSEY—Fred H. Combs, Jr. Days observed: Lincoln's and Washington's birthdays; Memorial Day, Flag Day, Armistice Day, and Dedication Day. Speakers: P. C.-in-C. Albert C. Lambert, Robert L. Gerke, Ezra T. Beers, Vincent Hayden, Norman L. Combs and Har-

rison M. Williams, of Trenton; George Fohs, John H. Broemel, of Newark; Lewis A. Varick, of Roseland; James G. Hogan, of Bayonne; Fred Hansen, of Weehawken; Herman Schraeder, of Union City; Henry Lowe, of Jersey City; William T. Bryan and Willard S. Bryan, of Belleville. Remarks: Impress Memorial Day on the minds and thoughts of the younger veterans. Impress upon them how wonderful it is to remember those of their comrades who have passed on. More radio and newspaper publicity should be given prior to Memorial Day to forcibly impress the public with its importance and significance. The Banner is very well done and needs no improvement. Recitation of Lincoln's Gettysburg Address in Public and Parochial Schools of Hoboken, N. J.

NEW YORK—John H. Waste. Days observed: Lincoln's, Washington's and Grant's birthdays; Appomattox Day, Memorial Day, Armistice Day and Dedication Day. Speakers: Neil D. Cranmer, C-in-C, Elmira; Rev. W. A. Hallock, Walter Beilby, Rochester; Robert W. Doughty, Col. Johnathon Houston, Harry Hughs, Beacon; Julius Isaacs, New York City. Remarks:

Rochester, N. Y., Jan. 28, 1947.

"Brothers of Monroe County Council,
Rochester, New York.

There was quite an interesting discussion at the last Veterans Memorial and Executive Council regarding attendance at the Council meetings. A member from the V. F. W. said that one complaint that he heard was that there were members of the Council who were not veterans. 'The reference was to the Sons of Union Veterans,' he said. 'Personally,' he said, 'I think that's one of the most unfair attitudes to take that I have ever heard. The G. A. R. started this organization and carried it on for years. As they grew older, and the duties became too heavy for them, in decorating the graves for Memorial Day, and other matters, they invited the Sons of Union Veterans in to help them. So valuable did they consider this help and realizing that soon some younger shoulders must bear all the burden, they had an act of Congress passed making the Sons their legal heirs to the rights and privileges of the Council and placing them on an equal basis with themselves, and any other veteran organization that might join the Council. I can tell you that had it not been for the Sons of Union Veterans, this organization would have died long ago. They are now the most loyal and active organization in the Council, working quietly, giving full honor to all veterans, asking nothing for themselves, but always the first to go forward in the hard work. I think that the complaint is dumb and largely an alibi for the shirker. If we must choose between the Sons of Union Veterans, as we have them in Rochester, and the few who find fault because they are in the Council, give me the S. U. V.'

There was very hearty applause by all veterans present and under New Business they elected P. D. C. Walter S. Beilby as their Commander for 1947. Discourtesies to our Flag—(one). Taking part in prosecution and conviction of eight Communists who, in a parade, carried a large American Flag, which was used to collect money for their cause. The judge was Maurice Simmons, a Past Commander-in-Chief of the United Spanish War Veterans, who every year takes part in our Grant Birthday services.

JULIUS ISAACS, Camp No. 26, New York."

OHIO—George E. Waller. Days observed: Lincoln's and Washington's birthdays; Memorial Day, Armistice Day, Independence Day;

Sherman, Union Defenders Day and Dedication Day. Remarks: One report claims that the Public Schools are not allowed to participate in Memorial Day and programs. This we feel is a very bad practice. Dedication Day was widely held throughout the Department. I have no suggestions or recommendations to make in regard to The Banner, but do think that the reading, etc., for the last two years has been improved in many ways.

OREGON & WASHINGTON—Dr. L. L. Baker. Days observed: Lincoln's and Washington's birthdays; Memorial Day, Mother's, Flag Day, Appomattox Day, Dedication Day and Armistice Day.

PENNSYLVANIA—Francis A. Hall. Days observed: Lincoln's and Washington's birthdays; Memorial Day, Flag Day, Union Defenders, Citizen's 6-30, "I Am an American Day" May 17, Appomattox Day, Dedication Day and Armistice Day. Speakers: Camp 2, Schuyler—Fred Edelman, Lewis G. Rethel, Jr. Camp 6, Allen—Past Commander Arthur W. Noll. Gen. George G. Meade Camp No. 16—Col. C. L. Stouidt. Col. John L. Moore Camp No. 27—Commander Wm. S. Adkins, Francis E. Larkin, Very Rev. Frank Boneynge, Philadelphia. Garfield Camp 34—Past Commander Carl Ruths, Past Dept. Commanders James W. Smith, Howard Smith. Capt. J. P. Brindle Camp No. 50—Mervill F. Hummel, Esq., Clarence W. MacGregor, William C. Griffith, Clarence M. Hummel, John A. Ruggles. Gen. Kilpatrick Camp No. 233—Jack A. Rant, Richard Brifo, Rev. Geo. A. Creitz, Rev. Hugh Kemper, Col. John H. Brubaker, Easton. Col. F. H. Collier Camp No. 139—John A. Senter, E. A. Shoop, G. L. Love, J. H. Robbins, K. C. Kline. Theo. F. Cocker Camp No. 236—E. C. Clymer, G. W. Johnson, Albert Vogel, Philadelphia. Gen. John H. Hartranft Camp No. 15—Charles H. Honich, John P. Hillman, Chas. Crossley, Coleman Mark, F. S. Copenhaver, Harrisburg. Davis Star Camp, Pittsburgh—Carl Ruhe, Wm. E. Elliott, Jr., Chas. A. Locke, Esq., Harry W. McClue, A. R. DeLancey, Hon. A. L. Wolk, Wm. J. Blakeley, Oscar Taylor, J. Clarke Mansfield, Hon. W. Herbert Ulrich, Pittsburgh. Anna M. Ross Camp No. 1—Francis A. McWilliams, J. P. M. Steiger, Herman Rochler, Wm. M. Sayers, Herman Rochler, Wm. M. Romick, Philadelphia. Camp 208 held an Oratorical Contest in High School and prize given. Booster Publication sponsored by Camp 236 (300 copies monthly). Plans for Fire and Drum Camps. Remarks: 1—Our Government, National, State and Local, should stress each year the real purpose of the day 5-30. 2—The Schools should have at least one period a week to study and discuss real American History. 3—The School Directors should investigate Communistic trend of some of the members of the Faculty, and correct them. 4—The enthusiastic efforts of all the members to make our Camps a live organization. 5—Stress all Camp Press Correspondents to forward all social functions to The Banner.

RHODE ISLAND—Fred J. Arnold. Days observed: Lincoln's and Washington's birthdays; Memorial Day, Flag Day, Dedication Day. Speakers: Rev. Dorance B. Lathrup and Rev. Irving F. Havens of Providence.

VERMONT—Elmer E. Monroe. Days observed: Lincoln's and Washington's birthdays; Memorial Day, Dedication Day. Speakers: James H. Smith, Camp Commander at "I Am An American Day" program at Battery Park, Burlington, Vt., Sunday, May 18, 1947; General Wm. Wells Camp, No. 19.

WISCONSIN—Roy R. Lewis. Days observed: Lincoln's and Washington's birthdays; Memorial Day, Flag Day and Dedication Day. Speakers: Senator Gustave Buchan, Eugene Hickey, Roy R. Lewis, Frank S. Hubbard and Ed. L. Cody.

National Patriotic Instructor Barnum: I move this report be adopted as a record. (Seconded by Past Commander-in-Chief Mabie, and adopted).

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: Thank you, Brother Barnum. You have certainly been a fine Patriotic Instructor.

I have received a communication from Charles P. Welden, which reads as follows:

"Commander-in-Chief:

I have a communication from the South (unofficial) which may amuse the Encampment, but still the invitation might be considered. It is an invitation to hold our next Encampment in Raleigh, North Carolina, and see what southern hospitality is now.

CHARLES P. WELDEN,
Department of Maryland."

Delegate Charles P. Welden, Maryland: Commander-in-Chief, I can give you an explanation on that. I have some friends down there near Raleigh and I have been recently visiting them; in fact, just came up from there about three weeks ago. During the time I was there and in the course of the conversation I mentioned our Encampment and some of them said, "Invite them to Raleigh next year," First it amused me; and then I began to think it might be a good idea—why shouldn't it work out? I would like to have you take it under consideration anyway and, if favorable, I could get in touch with the Rotary Club there and they probably would take it up.

Delegate Lester K. Sweeney, Massachusetts: I am also interested in what was just said. In Worcester, we do things in a big way; and we would also like to present that same matter for consideration.

Department Commander Charles T. Dexter, Michigan: Grand Rapids would like to have it also.

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: This will be referred to a Committee from all the organizations, who will select a place for the next Encampment.

Past Commander-in-Chief Stoudt: Aren't you wrong on that statement? The recommendation that the Committee comprised of representatives from each organization shall select the place for the National Encampment only takes effect after the G. A. R. ceases to function.

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: I stand corrected; and these invitations will be referred to the Grand Army of the Republic.

Brother Craig has just handed me a letter from The Euclid Avenue Baptist Church of Cleveland addressed to him which I should like to read, and then have incorporated into the record of this Encampment:

"The Euclid Avenue Baptist Church
East 18th St. at Euclid Avenue,
Cleveland 15, Ohio

August 11, 1947.

Dr. J. Kirkwood Craig,
Room 629, Hollenden Hotel,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Dr. Craig:

I was impressed with the fine attendance of the members of the allied organizations of the Grand Army of the Republic at the Church Service Sunday morning. You did a splendid job in organizing it. I

feel that our service was much more significant because these people were here.

I appreciate also the willingness of Mr. Cranmer and Mr. Childs to participate. Your pleasant manner and friendly spirit meant a great deal to me. I hope our paths cross again in the days ahead. With appreciation, I am

Yours Sincerely,

Irr/tm

(Signed) LEON R. ROBINSON, Jr.,
Minister."

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: Those of you who were not present missed a wonderful occasion. I feel this service, and our participation in it, put forth the true psirit of our organization and I think it was very helpful to us as an organization. Thank you, Dr. Craig for arranging this special service.

Also, sincere thanks to National Chaplain Childs who, in conjunction with the Auxiliary, put on that beautiful Memorial service Sunday evening.

I also want to extend to Brother Stoudt my appreciation for the wonderful evening of entertainment last night. It was fine, clean entertainment—nothing that could be criticized, and we are grateful for it.

GREETINGS COMMITTEE FROM THE WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS

The Greetings Committee from the Woman's Relief Corps was escorted in and introduced: Mrs. Ethel S. Kimmerle, Department President, Kansas; Mrs. Clara Lewis, Past Department President, Pennsylvania, and Mrs. Clara Berry, Past Department Treasurer, of Vermont.

Greetings were extended from their National President and their Organization, and the Commander-in-Chief was presented with a gift. Past Commander-in-Chief J. Kirkwood Craig responded.

COMMITTEE FROM TERRE HAUTE AUXILIARY NO. 24

The following Committee from the Terre Haute Auxiliary No. 24 of Terre Haute, Indiana, were escorted in: Ida Shannon, Secretary, and Margaret Caldwell, Guide. They presented a gift to Acting Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief Richart; and extended their greetings to the Encampment.

Past Commander-in-Chief Allan S. Holbrook responded.

GREETINGS COMMITTEE FROM AUXILIARY

The Greetings Committee from the Auxiliary was presented consisting of: Mayme Dwyer, Past National President, New York; Lulu Richart, Past National Vice President, Indiana; Myrtle Phillips, Department President of New York and the New York delegation.

They extended the greetings of their National President, and the National Organization and presented a gift to the Commander-in-Chief; also a personal gift from Sister Lambert to Brother Cranmer.

Past Commander-in-Chief Ralph Sheldon responded.

GREETINGS COMMITTEE FROM THE DAUGHTERS OF UNION VETERANS

The Committee from the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War were escorted in and introduced: Adele Coman Murphy, Past National President, New York; Cora Wade, Past Department President, Kansas, and Catherine Thelaner, Department President, Wisconsin.

Greetings were extended and the Commander-in-Chief was presented with a gift from the National President.
National Counselor Robert W. Doughty responded.

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT OF CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE

National Secretary Hammer: Commander-in-Chief, the Credential Committee submits a supplementary report: Fifteen additional names have been added to the roll.

GREETINGS COMMITTEE FROM THE LADIES OF THE G. A. R.

The Greetings Committee from the Ladies of the G. A. R. was presented: Edna M. Ray, Editor, Bugle Call, Missouri-California; Eva Ford, Past Department President, Oklahoma; Mary E. Johnson, Colorado, and Mary Field, Department Junior Vice President, Washington, D. C.

They extended greetings of the National President and the National Organization, and presented a gift to the Commander-in-Chief.
National Chaplain Rev. Luther D. Childs responded.

REPORT OF GREETINGS COMMITTEE TO DAUGHTERS OF UNION VETERANS

Past Commander-in-Chief Anderson: I report for the Greetings Committee to the Daughters of Union Veterans. We were very cordially received, and they send their best wishes to you for a successful Encampment. While there, we expressed the thought that none of the organizations are alone now—we are all together, meeting with the Grand Army of the Republic; and that after the Grand Army of the Republic ceases to exist we as Sons and Daughters must stick together, work together, and meet together if we wish to perpetuate the memory of the Grand Army of the Republic—and they have agreed to do that. (Committee discharged with thanks).

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: If there is no further business at this time, we will recess until 2 o'clock this afternoon.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

August 12, 1947 — 2:15 P. M.

The session opened in regular form.

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: Brother Laduke, a member of the Council-in-Chief, is seriously ill in the hospital. Brother D. T. Howe, Past Department Commander of Iowa, is also ill, and confined to the hospital. I think it might be nice to send a telegram to both of them.

Past Commander-in-Chief Hale: I move that the National Secretary-Treasurer send a letter to these two brothers. (Seconded by Past Department Commander Louis E. Winchell, Massachusetts, and carried).

PRESENTATION OF MRS. CRANMER AND DAUGHTER JOYCE

Past Commander-in-Chief Craig: I have the privilege and honor of presenting to you, and through you to the Encampment, the real, honest Commander-in-Chief of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War; and the Lieutenant Commander, your daughter, Joyce.

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: This is indeed a pleasant surprise, and I am very happy to present my co-worker and staunch supporter, my wife; and my charming daughter, Joyce.

Mrs. Cranmer: Thank you. I am very happy and very proud to be here today. This is a big surprise to me, because I did not know I was coming in here. I do hope that you are all enjoying the Encampment in spite of the weather, and I hope it will be most successful.

With our love Neil, Joyce and I would like to give you this little remembrance.

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: This is indeed a happy surprise. Thank you so much; and I am sure that your love and that of Joyce goes into this gift.

(Daughter Joyce was also presented to the Encampment and then amid applause, they were escorted out).

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: Truly, I am so flustered that I don't know where I am at. I wonder if Past Commander-in-Chief Stoudt has anything additional to say about the parade.

Past Commander-in-Chief Stoudt: I have nothing additional to offer, but I would like to repeat the orders for the parade (reads orders and line of march). I do not know about the civilian body participating in the parade, but perhaps Brother Towle can enlighten you on that.

Past Commander-in-Chief Towle: The Grand Army of the Republic has given permission for the civilian body to participate in that parade; and I move that the entire Encampment turn out for the parade tomorrow morning. (Seconded by several, and carried).

Commander-in-Chief: I issue an order that everyone be in line in the parade.

DISPLAY OF FLAGS

Past Department Commander Hugh I. Snider, Indiana: I have attended these meetings for quite a while, and this is the first time that I haven't seen flags displayed along the street. I think there should be some displayed.

Delegate St. Clair E. Faust, Pa.: Yesterday afternoon, we noticed there were no flags displayed. We made inquiry, and were referred to the Department of Supply of the city of Cleveland. Later, we went down to the Department of Supply, and the city promised to get them out; so that matter is, therefore, taken care of.

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: Past Commander-in-Chief Park F. Yengling has asked to be relieved of the Chairmanship of the Committee on Ritual and Ceremonies because of his physical condition. I, therefore, appoint Past Commander-in-Chief Wm. M. Coffin to be Chairman of that Committee.

NATIONAL AIDES

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: It has been my good fortune to appoint eleven Brothers as National Aides on my staff because they have secured five or more new members during my term of office; and this time I would like to have them recognized:

Past Department Commander George A. DeWitt, Vermont.
 Past Department Commander Geo. Wm. Kimball, Massachusetts.
 Senior Vice Department Commander Messner, New York.
 Brother Nunnold, New York.
 Past Commander Phaon H. Snyder, Bangor, Pennsylvania.
 Brother W. Wetzel, Dayton, Ohio.
 Past Department Commander H. S. Siggelko, Wisconsin.
 Department Commander Frank S. Hubbard, Wisconsin.
 Department Commander John W. Snider, Maryland.
 Past Commander T. Vincent, Elmira, New York.
 Brother H. Tracey, Utica, New York.

I hope my successor will have several times that number.
 Are there any other Committees to report at this time?

REPORT OF GREETINGS COMMITTEE TO LADIES OF THE G. A. R.

Past Commander-in-Chief Barrett: I report for the Greetings Committee sent to the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic. They have a fine attendance, and a fine spirit; and they send back their best wishes to you.

REPORT OF GREETINGS COMMITTEE TO WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS

Past Commander-in-Chief Mackey: The Committee to the Woman's Relief Corps was received and welcomed graciously. They have a very large attendance, and everyone is sweating just as we are over here. The National President was sorry that you weren't able to travel with them this year, but they are happy to send to you their best wishes.

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: Thank you for these splendid reports, and both Committees are now discharged with thanks. Acting Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, will you assume this station for a few moments; someone is asking for me in the lobby.

Acting Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief Richart: Do we have an additional report of the Credential Committee at this time?

National Secretary Hammer: We now have a total of 180 members on the roll.

Acting Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief Richart: That is certainly encouraging.

I should like to state at this time, that I had lunch with the Chairman of arrangements, and the V. F. W. Chairman here for arrangement of their Convention which will be held in about two weeks. Through a misunderstanding, the decorations were not placed in time for this Encampment; and when I go home I will take it up with the Evans Decorating Company.

It is a shame that we do not have more decorations. I noticed that the U. S. Post Office has four Flag poles, but only one Flag. I do not know whose fault it is; but it certainly isn't the proper respect to show the veterans who have contributed so much and who, by their efforts, preserved that Flag. In my opinion, this is a very serious state of affairs. We hope they do make up for it by getting them out, even belatedly.

Past Commander-in-Chief Stoudt: Commander-in-Chief, while I was up at the Grand Army headquarters checking about the parade, the photographers from "Life" magazine were there taking photographs; and those pictures will be in an early issue of "Life." I thought that many of the Brothers might be interested in knowing that.

(Commander-in-Chief returns, and Acting Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief assumes his station).

REPORT OF GREETINGS COMMITTEE TO THE AUXILIARY

Past Commander-in-Chief Lambert: Commander-in-Chief, I would like to report that the Greetings Committee to the Auxiliary were graciously received; and we were requested to bring back the love and best wishes of the entire organization. (Committee discharged with thanks).

"WAR BETWEEN THE STATES"

Past Commander-in-Chief Hale: On the record there have been put a number of communications about the misuse of the war our Fathers fought being the "War Between the States."

In that connection, I want to speak of an article which appeared in a magazine coming out of Boston, in which former Governor Arnall of Georgia used that term. I don't hold back on re-acting to any such misuse, and I certainly didn't in that case; and so I wrote a letter that landed in an unexpected place. I wrote a letter addressed to the Governor, in care of the publication which originated in Boston.

Several weeks later in that publication my letter appeared in which I quoted to the Governor an editorial from his home state in which they disown, on good authority, the term "War Between the States."

The surprising part of it all was that due to the unexpected outcome, it went into the Atlantic edition; so that my letter reached not one, but thousands of people who read the Christian Science Monitor.

I am not sure if we north of the Mason and Dixon line can keep after this misuse until it no longer occurs, but we are trying; trying to let them know that it was the "Civil War." Your descendants, and mine who fought in that war know what it was, but I am not sure that we will ever convince public speakers, especially those in radio, that the term is correct. However, I think that a rose by any other name would smell just as sweet, and our victory explains itself.

I just want to tell you of an incident. Martinsville is a town which is full of veterans; and at one time had one hundred fifty members active in the Camp, but now there are none. On Memorial Day, they had exercises in Martinsville and two preachers spoke on that occasion. The one, pastor of a church, gave a glowing tribute to our veterans; but neither of these mentioned the Grand Army of the Republic or the Civil War—they talked about everything else under the sun. After his speech, I went up to the last fellow and asked if he knew there was a Civil War; and he replied, "Well, my Father was a Confederate soldier." I told him that I was going to tell the Sons of Veterans that he was the son of a rebel soldier.

Fellows, I do not know whether we are too timid or what; but I don't think we respect these principles as we should.

Past Commander-in-Chief Craig: I wrote Lowell Thomas about using the term "War Between the States," and received reply that he would not use it any more.

Delegate William F. Nemitz, Connecticut: I think that much time has been lost discussing this issue, but we are not getting at the source of the trouble. The National Park Service issues a guide book and pamphlet relative to geographical situation of our National Parks. You can't blame anyone for mis-use of the term if it is published in books like this accessible to so many people and in which the Civil War is referred to as the "War Between the States." It seems to me that, to get to the bottom of this, we should take action to petition our Congress and Senators to get after the U. S. Department of the Interior-National Park Service, because they are the instigator of this whole business, and get them to change the phrase "War Between the States" used in those pamphlets.

Past Commander-in-Chief Locke: I am not going to prolong the discussion about this subject, but I think there is a point or two which should be called to your attention.

We are prone to criticize all southerners because some people referred to the Civil War as "War Between the States." It is my opinion that only the uneducated, and the riff-raff use that term. I begin to see red every time I hear it. No state ever declared war on any other state until the Daughters of the Confederacy coined the phrase. Vicksburg, where they originated, is full of those who participated in that war. I talked and visited with the Governor, the Secretary of State, the head of the National Parks and many leading citizens; and not once did they use the term. I have no fault to find with the southerner who thinks American, but I object to and condemn those who would warp, destroy and belie our history by using such a term. I am one of those old conformist individuals who profess that we should keep clean the memories of the Civil War era.

My next few words are going to be addressed to my minister friends. Dr. I. Q. is studying to become a minister. He was conducting one of his radio programs down at Atlanta, Georgia. He asked, "In what war was the battle of Gettysburg fought?" and a southerner answered, "That was the Civil War." Dr. I. Q. replied, "I think you should say "War Between the States." When a minister of the gospel will distort history, he will distort the word of God. And, just to show you what kind of fellow he is, he has referred to it in that way three times since. I don't think we should condemn all southerners. I think the thing for us to do is to follow Michael Heintz—he is sound.

Delegate Julius Isaacs: Might I just follow up with a few words.

and end the discussion for today. As to Dr. I. Q., I wrote him a letter when he used that term on two occasions. One was in connection with the book, "Gone with the Wind." When the "Civil War" was given as a reply, he corrected it. I wrote him again after the second occasion, and got this answer, "In view of the fact that I am at present a guest of the South, I am compelled to be as courteous to them as possible; and that is partly the reason I refer to it that way." I hope this will close the discussion.

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: At this time, I will give the floor to Department Commander Yocum of Pennsylvania.

Department Commander John Yocum, Pa.: Thank you, Commander-in-Chief. Officers and Brothers, as I stated yesterday, the Pennsylvania Department will place a wreath at the Soldiers and Sailors Monument at 5 o'clock tonight. We will have with us Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, a member of the Mayor's Council and the Salvation Army Band. If Brothers Craig and Childs could find a way to be with us, I would like them to take part in the program.

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: That's a fine spirit, Brother Yocum; and I hope that many of the brothers will meet in the lobby at 4:45 and go down there this afternoon for these exercises.

Acting Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief Richart: The Senior Vice Commander of Maryland has an interesting item of information for this Encampment.

Delegate Ludwig E. Manoly, Maryland: Through the efforts of Brother Thomas L. Bufter, of Baltimore, to make Abraham Lincoln's birthday a legal holiday in the state of Maryland; the Governor has signed the bill and, therefore, it will be a legal holiday.

Past Department Commander Michael G. Heintz, Ohio: What has just been said anticipates what we expected to say a little later. This matter is covered by the Report of the Committee on Legislation. When the Legislative Committee made a supplementary report, it dealt only with legislation for Dedication Day.

Two attempts have been made in State Legislatures relatives to the matter of Lincoln's birthday. However, there are still a number of states where it is not a legal holiday; and since it is pretty difficult for the Legislative Committee to do a great deal on that score in the different States, we expect the brothers will do what has been done in this case, and others. The news from the Brother in Maryland telling us of the bill creating a legal holiday of February 12th in Maryland pleased our committee very much.

I had a request to call on Past Department Commander Frank Heacock of Pennsylvania who will report on a measure taken up in that State.

Past Department Commander Frank Heacock, Pa.: Commander-in-Chief, when it was discovered that House Joint Res. No. 82 had been "pickled" in Committee, a State Senator from Pennsylvania was contacted on the fourth of June, realizing that the State Legislature adjourned on June 12, requesting that November 19 be designated as Dedication Day in Pennsylvania. On June 5 Senator ~~Hayburn~~ introduced the resolution and it was passed on the same day. Later, the resolution was presented in the House and passed unanimously and on July 5 Governor Duff affixed his signature whereby November 19 is designated as Dedication Day, and the Governor is thereby requested to proclaim that day every year.

We are pleased also to announce that the Department of Pennsylvania has a copy of that resolution, with the Secretary of the State Senate's signature, hanging in the G. A. R. Hall in Philadelphia.

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: Good for Pennsylvania; that is fine. Are there any Committees to report at this time?

Past Commander-in-Chief Craig: Some of you remember Brother Yocum, the Department Commander of Pennsylvania making his announcement about their presentation of a wreath at the Soldiers and Sailors Monument.

We also suggested, and made the announcement that a wreath would be placed on the grave of the late President Garfield. There has been some misunderstanding about that; the Department Commander of Pennsylvania and I have had a conference and everything is all right.

When I arrived in Cleveland, after visiting the home of President Garfield, I thought of the floral tribute; and when I suggested it, I certainly didn't mean to antagonize anyone in the least, nor were we trying to get into the spotlight by so doing. I felt that since there was some misunderstanding that I should say that we have talked this over, and there is no room or reason for anyone to have any feeling of animosity against anyone else.

We have arranged the time for the presentation of our wreath, and that of the one to be presented at the Soldiers and Sailors Monument, so that those of you who want to go can attend both and we would be happy to have you do so.

Delegate S. W. Livingston, Illinois: I don't know when I have been in a meeting productive of so much constructive thought as there has been here. You know you catch more flies with sugar than with vinegar, and we must not get in the habit of condemning everyone. I have heard and read some of the best editors in the United States who use that term "War Between the States." I contend the thing to do is maintain a conciliatory attitude.

Another thought—the best method of defense is attack. I think that Route 30 should be marked as the Abraham Lincoln Highway just as we have done with Route 6—the Grand Army of the Republic Highway; and I make a plea to use every effort to do that.

Past Department Commander Charles Martin, Kansas: Commander-in-Chief, I received a letter in Pittsburgh on my way to this Encampment saying that Brother Laduke is a little improved.

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: Thank you, Brother Martin. Is there any other business?

Acting Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief Bennett: I have a communication, and a report which will be of interest to the Brothers. This was the project started by Past Commander-in-Chief Dyer—Arlington Hall; together with National President Margaret Brady at Des Moines, Iowa, in 1938.

"To Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War:

I wish to submit a report of Christmas stocking fund of Arlington Hall, September 1, 1946, to August 1, 1947:

RECEIPTS

Balance brought forward last report	\$ 486.81
Sept. 10—Gift from National Auxiliary at Convention..	\$162.00
Dec. 2—Gift from Northwest Regional	25.00
Dec. 3—Gift from National Sons	50.00
Dec. 4—Goodfellows Club at Davenport, Iowa	100.00
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Jan. 21—Bess Hansen Auxiliary, California	50.00
Feb. 25—Calif. Past Presidents in memory of Alice Fitch	5.00
Feb. 25—Calif. Midwinter collection	9.48
April 29—Christmas stockings	822.93
May 7—New England Regional	10.00
May 26—Gift from Edna Lambert, National President..	10.00
June 19—Gift from Iowa Department Convention	10.00
July 23—Gift from Department Picnic Association....	10.00
July 31—Gift, Washington Department	5.00
Interest accumulated	2.39
	1,271.80
Total Received	\$1,758.61

DISBURSED

Sept. 3—Repairs at the Home.....	\$ 25.69
October—Box rent at P. O.....	4.00
November—Postage and expense Christmas letters and thank you cards	27.58
January—Sweeper and Clothing for Boys (Bess Han- sen Fund)	50.00
July—Operating expenses of the Home.....	1,400.00
	1,507.25
Balance on hand	\$ 251.36

We have fourteen (14) boys in the Home; all healthy, happy, well fed and clothed, made possible by your kind and loving generosity. The members of Arlington Hall Board and the Boys do appreciate all this help and are indeed grateful to you Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

Sincerely,

BLANCHE RENNER,
Christmas Chairman."

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: I am sure we are very glad to have this report.

PUBLICITY

Past Commander-in-Chief Hale: This is an announcement. Publicity has been mentioned once or twice but we all know that it hasn't been over worked in any part of the Commandery-in-Chief.

Now, in coming here, it struck me that it was well to send out something that comes from the voice of a Civil War Veteran; so that beyond the limits of the city of Cleveland, beyond the reach of Cleveland newspapers there may be heard an eye witness account of services under the Flag for the Union by one of its veterans—so an arrangement has been made with Station WGAR of the Columbia chain to do

this for the sake of that extension of interest. They have chopped a half hour program in two in order to let us in, to broadcast the story of John R. Bennett, Past Department Commander of the Ohio Grand Army of the Republic, in which he tells the history of his service with General Schofield. That will be heard tonight at 10:30 o'clock.

There is a program in which our Commander-in-Chief may participate, if possible, over the NBC chain.

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: You are entitled to our warmest congratulations for all the splendid work you have been doing over the radio, and especially in connection with this Encampment.

Are there any other matters of business to come before us, or do I hear a motion to recess until 1:30 tomorrow afternoon?

Delegate D. A. Cush, Ohio: I have been wondering if, when we get the report of the Credential Committee, we could have a record of those attending—by that, I mean all those attending. I think it would be well to have a record of all those; not only the Past Commanders-in-Chief, Past Department Commanders and Delegates, etc. Has the Credential Committee any way of making that record?

National Secretary Hammer: There is no occasion to make it.

Department Commander Charles T. Dexter, Michigan: I think that would be a good idea to recognize all in attendance; it would encourage interest.

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: Is your delegation filled without it?

National Secretary Hammer: I can't see why the National Encampment would want the names of members who are not eligible. We have enough records now without keeping any more.

Past Commander-in-Chief Stoudt: I believe the times are rare, with the exception of the Department in which the National Encampment is held, that the delegation of the Department is filled; so that if any of the Brothers come in, they can be filled in to make a complete delegation. (Requests Departments who have full delegation at this Encampment). Four Departments have them filled in this Encampment, so that the times are rare when the brothers couldn't fill in to complete their delegation.

Past Commander-in-Chief Mabie: I move we recess until 1:30 tomorrow afternoon. (Seconded by several, and carried).

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

August 13, 1947 — 1:45 P. M.

The Encampment opened in regular form, with prayer by Rev. William A. Hallock, P. D. C., New York Department.

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: At this time we will have the report of the Committee appointed to look into the project of a National Museum for Civil War relics.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CIVIL WAR RELICS

Past Department Commander John H. Runkle, Pennsylvania: In the absence of Past Sr. Vice Commander-in-Chief Arthur M. Soule, appointed Chairman of the Committee appointed to carry out the action of the 65th Annual Encampment to investigate the possibility of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War making a collection of Civil War Relics and establishing a permanent display or exhibition in some large city we, Past Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief C. B. Martin of Kansas and Past Department Commander John H. Runkle of Pennsylvania, members of the Committee, hereby submit our report.

Brother Soule in his correspondence referred to quite a collection of Civil War Relics stored in the attic of the Capitol of Maine which had cost quite a sum of money to collect. The storage now is free. Brother Soule had written to the cities of New York and Philadelphia, and to the Smithsonian Institute, Washington, D. C. The Smithsonian Institute advised that they already have a fine collection of Civil War Relics and their exhibition space is extremely crowded; therefore, they would not be interested in adding to it at this time. They also bring out that all specimens must be in good condition and thoroughly authenticated. Historical objects, those not authenticated are of minor value. They do state that recently the President appointed a Committee to study the possibility of a National Museum where relics of all wars could be displayed. However, such a collection would have to have military history. No reply was received from Philadelphia; and New York referred the matter to the Metropolitan Museum, which has not replied.

As the majority of the Committee present, we hereby present our opinions and recommendations:

1. Practically all states have a State Museum to take care of Relics for their respective States and, in our opinion, would not under any circumstances allow any portion to be sent out of the state.
2. The only relics specifically mentioned in any correspondence are those stored in Augusta, Maine; and in all probability are relics pertaining to Maine Veterans. Other States having their own collection would not be interested in the property of another State.
3. The cost of placing relics in first class condition and authenticating these relics would be almost prohibitive; and as the funds of the Commandery-in-Chief are not too flush, it would require raising a special fund which it is doubtful could be done.

We, therefore, feel that the matter of relics in the certain States be a matter left up to the local Camp or Department and is not a matter for the Commandery-in-Chief. Therefore, we recommend that the matter be dropped—at least for the present; and should the United States Government build a National Museum, those States where relics are not to be displayed can be asked to turn over to the Government their relics for display in the National Museum.

Respectfully submitted,

C. B. MARTIN, Past Sr. Vice C.-in-C.
JOHN H. RUNKLE, Past Dept. Com., Pa.
Committee on Civil War Relics.

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: You have heard the report of this Committee. What do you wish to do with this report?

Past Department Commander James O. Smith, Wisconsin: I move that it be accepted and placed on file; and that the Committee be discharged. (Seconded by Department Commander Charles T. Dexter, Michigan, and carried).

G. A. R. PARADE ESCORT

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: At this time, I would like to have a report on the parade.

Past Commander-in-Chief Stoudt: I am happy to announce there were one hundred men in line of march this morning, twenty-five in our escort, eight in the Reserve uniform with the Drum Corps of Alliance, Ohio, and the rest civilians. My sincere thanks to you all for participating in that parade.

I feel that, under the circumstances, it looked well; but I question whether it did justice to the National Encampment and if, in the future, we are justified to take part in the parade. Honestly, I wonder about it.

In several weeks the National Encampment in Cleveland of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, in their parade, will turn out thousands instead of one hundred. I don't think it does justice to our organization, and I believe we would do far better not to participate. However, that is only my personal opinion.

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: Thank you, Brother Stoudt. I have been asked to have all those who marched in the parade to rise; also all those who were excused. Now, the question is—what shall we do with those who did not parade or were not excused? I think something like a court martial—have them tried and fix the penalty "to be shot at sunrise."

Is there a report from the Credential Committee at this time?

Delegate Julius Isaacs, New York: Seven more have been added to the roll since the last report, making a total of 187.

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: That is certainly fine. Are there any Committees ready to report at this time?

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON OFFICERS' REPORTS

Past Commander-in-Chief Lambert: The Committee on Officers' Reports is ready to report at this time.

Past Commander-in-Chief Sautter: Where there is no objection, I move this report be adopted section by section. (Seconded by Department Commander John Yocum, Pennsylvania, and carried).

Cleveland, Ohio, August 13, 1947.

To the Officers and Members of the 66th Annual Encampment of the
Commandery-in-Chief, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War:

Your Committee on Officers' Reports have reviewed the Reports of the various Officers eagerly, feeling that the experiences of these Officers during the year of service would result in instructive information for the membership at large and also would result in their recommendations for ways and means of improving our procedure and thus benefit the Order. We commend the National Officers for their devotion to their duties, particularly calling your attention to the reports of the Commander-in-Chief and the National Secretary-Treasurer. The report of the National Secretary-Treasurer should be read thoroughly by each and every member. At the present decline in membership, it becomes increasingly difficult to operate the finances of the National Organization. We commend the National Patriotic Instructor for his devotion and for the splendid results which he accomplished.

The following recommendations were made:

Commander-in-Chief's Report

(A) Page 6—That the Emancipation Proclamation Scene of Lincoln's Cabinet, as written by members of the Ohio Department be used by Camps and it be printed serially in The Banner. Your Committee unanimously approves of this recommendation with the understanding that The Banner use this material only as space is available.

Past Department Commander Cecil Randall, Ohio: As you know, Commander-in-Chief from your visit to our Department Encampment, this was supposed to be a dialogue between the members of the Cabinet relative to the Emancipation Proclamation. It was prepared by a member of our Department, and is the property of Ohio; and it is the author's wish, and the Department's desire that it be made available to all Camps. However, the copy which is now in your hands should be corrected before it is printed.

Past Commander-in-Chief Sautter: I am just wondering if the editor of The Banner has seen it, and will advise how many columns it will occupy in The Banner.

Past Commander-in-Chief Holbrook: How much is there to it?

Past Department Commander Randall, Ohio: It is about six legal size, single spaced typewritten pages.

Past Commander-in-Chief Holbrook. Without seeing the copy, I will make a guess. For the whole thing in one issue, it will occupy two or three pages.

Past Commander-in-Chief Sautter: I am just trying to get an idea as to how much space it would take.

Past Department Commander Frederic G. Bauer, Massachusetts: While Past Commander-in-Chief Holbrook is looking over the copy, I would like to point out something in this connection. At the present time, the literary right depends on law and will last forever. The moment it is published, the literary rights are gone. I, therefore, suggest an amendment that, when printed in The Banner, the literary property be protected by copyright, either in the name of the Department of Ohio or of the Commandery-in-Chief. I don't think we should allow a publisher to take this and make a profit on it. We should protect our interest by copyright.

Past Commander-in-Chief Sautter: I have no objections, I just wanted to find out how much space will be required to print it.

Past Department Commander Randall, Ohio: It has been compiled with extensive care and research, and Brother Vorhees has taken great pains in working it up, and bringing out this actual historical event formulated at this table on two occasions. However, we do consider it the property of the Department of Ohio.

Past Commander-in-Chief Sautter: Do you have any objection to having it copyrighted? If so, then I have no objection to the proposed amendment.

Past Department Commander Bauer, Massachusetts: I move that this recommendation be adopted with the provision that when published, the literary property shall be protected under the United States Copyright law. (Seconded by National Chaplain Rev. Luther D. Childs and carried).

Past Department Commander Randall, Ohio: We would express the desire that no one use or print any of the existing copies until proof read and corrected by the Department of Ohio.

Past Department Commander Hugh I. Snider, Indiana: There is very little room now in The Banner for printing of Camp news. If you take two or three pages of an issue, we won't get any Camp news at all in that issue.

Past Commander-in-Chief Lambert: We tried to make it clear in our recommendation that it would not be issued at one time; it is to be printed serially. However, I am not sure in my mind who is to copyright this.

Past Department Commander Bauer, Massachusetts: I understand the Department of Ohio is the author. They have the literary rights and, therefore, it should be copyrighted in their name. It is a very simple, legal process and it definitely should be done. My motion was simply with the idea that we should not lose our rights in it, but that we should protect them.

If it is not feasible to print it in The Banner, it could be sent out in sections direct to Departments requesting them; and in this way would not affect the literary rights. It is only when published that the common law rights are destroyed. If we are going to publish it, I believe we should protect it. However, copies can be made for distribution and they will retain forever the common law literary property if they are not published to the public.

Past Department Commander Louis G. Blair, Ohio: I was in Brother Vorhees office last Saturday, and we read this whole script. He is chiefly the author; and he made it specifically clear that, while it can be used by any Camp in the Commandery-in-Chief, the Ohio Department is the owner of it. Therefore, the Department of Ohio should have it copyrighted before we give it to The Banner.

Past Commander-in-Chief Sautter: Just as a matter of information, mimeographed copies will be made by one of the good Brothers from Pennsylvania without any charge if you are interested.

Chairman Lambert: (B) Page 6—Relative to taking from the G. A. R. Fund an amount of from \$400.00 to \$500.00 to pay our share of the General Encampment expenses.

Your Committee gave much thought to this matter as to the most equitable and fair manner in which this expense should be borne by the various Allied Organizations. Our feeling is that a per capita assessment might have been made on the basis of proportionate membership in each of the Allied Organizations. However, we have been informed that the amount of expense involved by us assuming a one-ninth share of these expenses will be less than one-half that estimated

by our Commander-in-Chief. Therefore, your Committee unanimously approves that we assume one-fifth of these General Encampment expenses and that said amount be charged to the G. A. R. Fund.

Past Department Commander John W. Emery, Massachusetts: How much is in the G. A. R. Fund now?

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: It is in the Report of the National Secretary-Treasurer, \$1173.07.

Past Department Commander Emery, Massachusetts: Can we assume that in future Encampments we will continue to tap this fund? If so, we should give consideration to a registration fee of perhaps \$1.00 each, or a collection of some kind. I don't think this situation of asking the Allied Organizations to assume part of the Convention expense is a credit to the State of Ohio.

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: You offer that as a suggestion, do you? (Reply, "Yes").

The Brother is out of order, as we are not considering registration fees, but officers' reports.

Past Commander-in-Chief Coffin: I move that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted. (Seconded by Past Commander-in-Chief Mabie, and carried).

Chairman Lambert: (C) Page 7—Relative to consolidating the Departments of Oregon and Washington into the Department of Oregon—our Committee unanimously approves of this recommendation. (Adopted).

(D) Page 7—Relative to returning the care of Gettysburg Battlefield to the War Department.

Your Committee unanimously approves and requests the incoming administration to do everything possible to accomplish this. (No objections—adopted).

There were no recommendations in the reports of the Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief or the Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief. Your Committee wishes to express regret at the inability of Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief Lewis to be present.

Report of National Secretary

In the report of the National Secretary-Treasurer on page 10, the recommendation relative to consolidating the Departments of Oregon and Washington was disposed of by action taken on a similar recommendation of the Commander-in-Chief.

(E) Page 12—The National Secretary-Treasurer recommends increased prices of supplies with a Committee of Department Secretaries to be appointed to report to the Encampment. Your Committee feels that everyone realizes the necessity of adjusting the price of supplies in view of increased costs. However, we feel that the National Secretary-Treasurer is the only one with sufficient knowledge of current prices to make the revised prices for Forms 1 and 1½. Therefore, we approve this recommendation with the provision that the National Secretary-Treasurer make the necessary price changes. (No objection; adopted).

(F) Page 15—Report of National Secretary-Treasurer who recommends closing the Organization Fund in the amount of \$669.59 and transferring \$300.00 to the purchase of Bonds and \$369.59 to the General Fund.

- Your Committee feels that in view of the depleted condition of our

General Fund that, rather than invest in Bonds, the entire \$669.59 in the Organization Fund be transferred to the General Fund. (Adopted).

(G) Page 21—Report of National Patriotic Instructor recommending using the term "Dedication Day" on November 19.

Your Committee unanimously approves and would like to further recommend that the incoming administration do everything possible to prevail upon the Congress of the United States to proclaim November 19th as Dedication Day (Approved).

Respectfully submitted,

ALBERT C. LAMBERT, Chairman, N. J.
FRANK M. HEACOCK, Penna.
WILLIAM E. KELLY, N. Y.
HENRY TOWLE, Maine.

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: Thank you, Past Commander-in-Chief Lambert.

Past Commander-in-Chief Coffin: I move that the report of the Committee on Officers' Reports be accepted, and adopted as a whole. (Seconded by Past Commander-in-Chief Locke, and carried).

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: Is the Committee on Constitution and Regulations ready to report now?

Past Commander-in-Chief Locke: Yes, we are ready to report. Commander-in-Chief, and members of this Encampment, it is probable that some of the recommendations in this report will be controversial. Will you, therefore, take it up section by section, or as a whole?

Past Department Commander John Emery, Massachusetts: I move that we consider this report section by section. (Seconded by Past Department Commander John H. Runkle, Pennsylvania, and carried).

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTION AND REGULATIONS

Cleveland, Ohio, August 13, 1947.

To the Sixty-sixth Annual Encampment of the Commandery-in-Chief, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War:

Your Committee on Constitution and Regulations begs leave to submit the following report:

(A) The Department of New Jersey presents a resolution with reference to the holding of Encampments when the Grand Army of the Republic can no longer take the initiative. Inasmuch as the societies affiliated with the Grand Army of the Republic have already taken action in connection with this matter, it is the opinion of your Committee that no action by the Commandery-in-Chief is called for at this time.

Past Commander-in-Chief Lambert: I object. In order to give substantial information, may I ask that the resolution from the Department of New Jersey be read.

Chairman Locke reads the resolution, as follows:

"NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that when such time arrives that the Grand Army of the Republic holds no National Encampment the Commander-in-Chief of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War along with the immediate Past Commander-in-Chief is hereby authorized to call a meeting of two representatives of each of the Allied Organizations for the purpose of arranging for each yearly National Encampment, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if such a joint meeting of representatives of all Allied Organizations cannot agree on a time and place for the National Encampment, then the Commander-in-Chief of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War is hereby authorized to arrange for the separate National Encampment of this Organization and its Auxiliary."

Past Commander-in-Chief Lambert: We simply feel this is in direct accordance with the request of the Grand Army of the Republic; because last year they sent a resolution to the various Encampments asking them to take action on that resolution. (Reads resolution presented by Grand Army of the Republic last year). The action taken by the Grand Army of the Republic last year has very specifically requested that two representatives of each Allied Organization shall meet together to arrange for future Encampments. No proviso was made, however, as to who should call them together.

I think that we, as hereditary descendants, should heartily approve this action of the Grand Army of the Republic; but we feel that our Commander-in-Chief should call the meeting, and then arrangements for the Encampments should be made. I do not think this is in conflict with the Grand Army of the Republic, but we want to call that meeting.

One reason I am so firmly convinced that this is the proper plan is this: In New Jersey we call a meeting of the heads of the Allied Organizations and we get together and arrange for the Encampments, but the Sons are the recognized leaders; and I would like to see that carried out here.

Past Department Commander Louis E. Winchell, Massachusetts: I move that the report of the Committee be not adopted. (Seconded by Past Commander-in-Chief Lambert, and carried).

Past Commander-in-Chief Lambert: I move that the resolution of the Department of New Jersey be adopted. (Seconded by Past Department Commander Winchell, Massachusetts, and several).

Department Commander Clarence P. Renell, Maine: Does the Grand Army of the Republic approve it?

Past Commander-in-Chief Stoudt: I am wondering whether this is worth our time and effort. I don't think it will work because ten People, scattered all over the country, will not work together and find some place to meet.

You must sell your organization to a Convention city, and you can't do that with those ten people. If you write them and expect to get replies, it will take six months to get them together. I don't hold any hope that it will work out. I feel personally that the only thing is for the Sons of Union Veterans to select a convention city, and invite the allied organizations to meet and plan the convention there.

Past Commander-in-Chief Craig: I am a good deal more optimistic than Brother Stoudt because if you will consider the matter a bit, you will see that we and our Auxiliary are two of the five. Yesterday the Greetings Committee from the Ladies of the G. A. R. said, "Of course, we shall look to you Sons as the leaders in our joint associations for making plans for our conventions." There are three out of the five, and I feel quite sure that the Woman's Relief Corps will also look to their Sons.

Past Commander-in-Chief Stoudt: That was only one woman making that statement yesterday; not the forty or fifty thousand of her organization.

Past Commander-in-Chief-in-Chief Craig: I don't think we will find any trouble on that score.

Delegate S. W. Livingston, Illinois: What is the status of the Sons in relation to the others, and the Grand Army of the Republic? Do they recognize us as their heirs?

Past Commander-in-Chief Stoudt: No, and they never will.

Past Department Commander Frederic Bauer, Massachusetts: I agree with what Past Commanders-in-Chief Lambert and Stoudt have said. I think they have hit the nail on the head.

There has been a great deal of talk about the family, so let us get down to it and look into it. The Grand Army of the Republic was the Father of the family but, as in all families, there comes a time when the Father cannot any longer discharge his duties. The Woman's Relief Corps is referred to as our Mothers but, as is often the case, the Mother of the family got a divorce from the Father and she has gone out from us—and Father has married again. With due respect, we act with friendship toward the Mother; but we have the Sons, the Daughters and the Sons wife, in addition to the second wife. In any family, when the Father ceases to function, the Sons should take over. We must step up and claim our rightful place.

I am sure the others will come in. The second wife, the Ladies of the G. A. R. has come in because yesterday they expressed their friendship and willingness to co-operate, and I feel sure the others will fall into line. I believe the resolution from the Department of New Jersey is just what we need. I think there are great doubts as to whether someone will not kick over the traces; but the resolution covers that because it directs the Sons to call the meeting; so that if the others do not come in and get on the band wagon, then we can do what we want to. I hope the resolution of the Department of New Jersey will be carried, because we must assert ourselves and this is the time to do it.

Delegate S. W. Livingston, Illinois: What the Brother has said is true; but I disagree on one point. I have, for many years, watched the Woman's Relief Corps. They are considered our Mothers; and I have heard the Grand Army of the Republic say, collectively and individually, that they could not have done without them. There is a love between those two organizations and time has proved that they are the Mother organization. We must not neglect to recognize that they are the Mother organization.

Past Department Commander Frederic G. Bauer, Massachusetts: I did not wish to be misunderstood. I didn't desire to reflect on the Woman's Relief Corps. The fact that they divorced themselves as the Mother of the family doesn't say that we do not have the greatest respect for them. Napoleon had the greatest respect for Josephine whom he divorced before he abdicated, in spite of the fact that he had married Maria Louisa of Austria. The Woman's Relief Corps cannot maintain its position, because it is gone when the Grand Army of the Republic goes, and we feel that the Sons should take that place. However, I did not mean to criticize the Woman's Relief Corps, or any of our Allied Organizations when I referred to them as part of the family.

(Resolution of Department of New Jersey carried unanimously).

Chairman Locke: (B) The Department of New Jersey also presents a resolution adopted at its annual Encampment in 1947, providing for the appointment of National, Department and Camp Committees on membership.

It is the opinion of this Committee that we have similar legislation now in full force and effect; and that a membership campaign mentioned in the New Jersey resolution can be made fully effective under regulations now existing—such as by using Senior and Junior Vice Commanders, whose duties are such that they could readily take on this additional burden, and it would better qualify them for future service, to the order. (Adopted).

(C) The New England Regional Association presents a resolution asking that the Commandery-in-Chief provide for a twenty-five year membership badge.

Inasmuch as we now have provisions for membership, fifty year membership and past officers badges, your Committee recommends non-concurrence in the resolution.

Past Commander-in-Chief Craig: We already have a twenty-five year bar, do we not?

Chairman Locke: It is unofficial. (Recommendation of Committee adopted).

(D) The Department of Massachusetts presented a resolution for an amendment to the Constitution, changing the eligibility clause; by amending Article III of the Constitution, adding the following: "provided further that descendants of officers and members of the Revenue Cutter service who rendered service in the naval operation for the suppression of the Rebellion of 1861-1865, may be elected to membership under the same conditions as descendants of soldiers, sailors or marines."

The proper notice of the proposed amendment to the Constitution has been published in the May issue of *The Banner*, but there being some question as to whether or not the Revenue Cutter service was used as, and part of the armed forces for the suppression of the Rebellion—your Committee recommend that action upon this proposed amendment to the Constitution be deferred until the next annual Encampment of the Commandery-in-Chief and that the incoming Commander-in-Chief be requested to ascertain from the Navy Department whether the Revenue Cutter service was used as specified in the proposed amendment.

Past Department Commander Frederic G. Bauer, Massachusetts: Brother Commander-in-Chief, by the unanimous vote of the Department of Massachusetts, I was asked to speak on this matter.

Past Commander-in-Chief Craig: I rise to a point of order; a motion to refer is not debatable.

Past Department Commander Bauer: This is postponing action, it is not being referred to a Committee.

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: I rule Brother Bauer is in order.

Past Department Commander Bauer: This matter came up two years ago in Massachusetts and it was suggested that we look into it and see if members of the Revenue Cutter Service could be taken into our order. We, therefore, got a copy of the regulations of the Grand Army of the Republic. In 1890, the G. A. R. amended their regulations so as to take in members of the Revenue Cutter Service, and this is exactly as that of the G. A. R.—it is copied from their regulations. The Revenue Cutter Service is part of the Navy Department during war. They were used in enforcing the blockade during the war; and as the G. A. R. says they are eligible to their organization, we can very properly admit their descendants to this organization. Massachusetts, therefore, adopted it and we are now presenting it for

adoption here. I might say that it will result in getting in many new members.

Chairman Locke: The question involved here is whether it would be in conflict with the Constitution. The report of this Committee is that they want to play safe and determine whether or not the Navy Department considers those who served in the Revenue Cutter Service as a part of the armed services of the United States.

Past Department Commander Bauer: You will notice that was limited to those who served in the Revenue Cutter Service; it did not include those engaged in smuggling in Alaska during that period. (Reads proposed change). The Navy Department recognized them as part of the Navy during the war and this limits them to the Cutter Service only—someone who stopped smuggling up in Canada can't get in. If we limit it to that, I believe we could be pretty sure.

I move as a substitute motion for the report of the Committee, the adoption of this amendment. (Seconded by Past Department Commander Louis E. Winchell, Massachusetts).

Past Commander-in-Chief Coffin: We now have a substitute motion to adopt this amendment. I am opposed to constitutional amendments, unless they are well called for. I think it very much better that we consider proper interpretation of "descendants of those who served in the Army and Navy." If we have a given case in which it is shown that the Cutter Service was part of the Navy Department, it then comes within the scope of the present constitution and an amendment is not necessary. For that reason, I am against it.

Department Commander Clarence P. Renell, Maine: I am a Navy man myself. The Revenue Cutter Service is part of the Coast Guard.

Past Department Commander Bauer: The brother is in error. It was not the Coast Guard because the Revenue Cutter Service, after the Civil War, became the Coast Guard. The Coast Guard comes under the Navy, but is not a part of it; and the Revenue Cutter Service is part of the Navy during time of war.

Past Commander-in-Chief Sautter: After listening to what has been said, I am convinced that we should look into it further. I am in favor of the adoption of the recommendation of the Committee.

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: The substitute motion is before us.

National Counselor Robert W. Doughty: It seems to me that if it was good enough for the G. A. R., it should be good enough for us. The Constitution specifically says, "all male descendants of Soldiers, Sailors or Marines, who were regularly mustered and served honorably in, or who were honorably discharged from, the Army or Navy of the United States of America, during the War of the Rebellion of 1861-1865." However, the Coast Guard and Revenue Service were probably not members of the Navy.

Past Commander-in-Chief Sautter: That's one of the very things I am interested in. I am not entirely sure that the G. A. R. has taken action, and I am not satisfied that it is part of the Navy.

Past Department Commander Bauer: I copied it from the regulations of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Chairman Locke: I think it must be perfectly apparent that the Committee is not necessarily antagonistic to the proposition; but we are trying, for your protection, to determine for certain whether or not this change is desirable; and in conformity with the traditions of our order and in accordance with the ideas of our Fathers. Ours is

simply a deferring action, until the proper information can be secured. Therefore, the Committee should be sustained.

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: The vote is on the substitute motion that the proposed amendment of the Department of Massachusetts be adopted. (Rising vote called for—motion lost).

Past Commander-in-Chief Coffin: I move the adoption of the report of the Committee. (Seconded by National Chaplain Luther Childs, and carried).

Chairman Locke: (E) The Department of Massachusetts also submitted a proposed amendment to the Constitution changing the eligibility clause and providing for collateral representation by those other than lineal descendants of soldiers, sailors and marines who served in the Civil War.

Your Committee unanimously recommends non-concurrence.

Department Commander Frank S. Hubbard, Wisconsin: Brothers, never in my entire life have I been so aware of my lack of ability as a speaker, but my concern over this matter is so great that I shall endeavor to say words to convey to you the depth of my concern.

Our organization of Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War is destined to greater things, as Judge Day told you the other day. We, as descendants, have that direct line of blood of those Fathers who fought to preserve the Union. By this resolution, we are asking to change that—we are asking you to go out on a tangent, away from that line of descendance. In heaven's name, what are we to call this organization if this resolution goes through—Sons of the War between the States, or what? It will certainly no longer be the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

There is no need to take on collateral descendants for our membership. I, too, have been approached by nephews of Civil War Veterans who would like to join our organization. We know that we have something they want, and cannot buy. Today, men are tumbling over each other, going to great expense to establish their right and eligibility to wear that little button in their lapel which indicates they belong to the Sons of the American Revolution.

I predict that, fifty years from now, the same condition will exist in our organization if we maintain our present system; and men will be tumbling over themselves to wear the button of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

Brothers, I plead with you. I stand before you as a noble son of a private in the Union Army who enlisted from his birthplace at Mercer, Pennsylvania. He was in the Army of the Potomac, with the famous Sixth Corps—famous because it was the Corps brought up when things were tough. He was in the command of Major General John Sedgwick; and he served in the Shenandoah Valley with General Phillip Sheridan and, at Cedar Creek, received wounds. I beg of you, gentlemen, don't do this to our organization.

Delegate Lester K. Sweeney, Massachusetts: I would like to point out to you that this matter originated year before last at Boston. In our Massachusetts Encampment in Springfield last year, the entire account of it—everything on the record from the Boston Encampment was ordered expurged from the records.

Past Department Commander Bauer, Massachusetts: I wish to state the position of Massachusetts on this. The first time it came up, it was upheld by a small majority. Last year, it was defeated unanimously; and this year it came up and was defeated by a small

margin. Massachusetts feels there are arguments on both sides, and suggested that it be brought in here.

Past Commander-in-Chief Coffin: I rise on a question of parliamentary procedure. The motion on which we are about to vote is the motion of the Chairman of the Committee for non-concurrence. To carry out the true spirit of this organization we should vote for that motion of the Chairman of the Committee recommending non-concurrence, and I move its adoption. (Seconded by Department Commander John Yocum, Pennsylvania, and carried).

Chairman Locke: (F) The Department of Massachusetts also submits a proposed amendment to the Constitution providing for dual membership. It is proposed in the Massachusetts resolution to amend one section of the Constitution, as well as sections of the regulations.

Inasmuch as no notice of the amendment to the Constitution has been published, as required by the Constitution at least forty days before the convening of this Encampment, your Committee finds itself, and this Encampment, without jurisdiction to act upon the proposed amendment.

Past Department Commander Charles H. E. Moran, Massachusetts: I move that it be referred to the next Encampment.

Chairman Locke: This motion is out of order for this reason—our Constitution provides the manner in which this must be done. You cannot defer action on this provision without complying with the regulation in the Constitution.

Past Department Commander Moran, Massachusetts: I believe that it can be referred to a Committee and then presented to the next National Encampment. I believe it can be published by that time; and can be complied with.

Past Commander-in-Chief Sautter: Might I suggest that the Brothers from Massachusetts take action at your next Encampment, and then submit it forty days before our National Encampment, and then we can act upon it.

Past Department Commander Bauer, Massachusetts: So far as the regulations are concerned, this was complied with. This did not come from the Department of Massachusetts, but from a Committee created by this Encampment a year ago; and the Committee prepared these amendments. The Constitution says that amendments must be recommended by a Department, and filed forty days before the National Encampment.

When our Committee adopted this, I gave a copy to each member of the Committee. At the Department Encampment of Massachusetts it was unanimously passed, and I handed a copy of the amendment to the Commander-in-Chief who was present at that Encampment. A Committee recommended it, a Department passed it, and it was filed four months before this Encampment. Therefore, all requirements were complied with.

It was the fault of the Encampment for not promulgating it last fall in The Banner. I have the right, therefore, to ask a ruling of the National Counselor, as to whether all the requirements have not been complied with. If so, we can consider it now; if not, it must be promulgated and then action can be taken at the next Encampment.

National Counselor Robert Doughty: I believe that this is in sufficient compliance with the Constitution; it certainly is substantial compliance. It seems to me that it is quite in order, but simply a question of mechanics in bringing such a matter before us. I hold

that you have sufficiently and substantially complied with our Constitution.

Past Commander-in-Chief Coffin: We now have before us a ruling of our National Counselor which throws out the report of the Committee. I, therefore, move that this be referred back to the Committee for consideration as to its Constitutional merits. (Rising vote called for, and motion lost).

Chairman Locke: I have been a law student for a number of years, and I see several others who have been students of law. When it comes to a question of constitutional law, the Courts are more particular on that than on any other point. Let me read Article VIII, "and such proposed amendment shall be published in general orders preceding such meeting (not later than forty days preceding the meeting)." Thus far, I haven't found one bit of proof that this amendment was published in the orders of the Commandery-in-Chief; and we have no jurisdiction to vote on it when that requirement has not been followed strictly.

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: I think that a statement of apology and explanation is due from your Commander-in-Chief. Past Department Commander Bauer did hand to me, in March or April, a copy of this proposed amendment; that is true. I considered it a personal copy, so I read it and tucked it away in my desk. Therefore, I assumed that the Department of Massachusetts did comply with the provision that it be filed with the Commandery-in-Chief prior to National Encampment.

Past Commander-in-Chief Lambert: I rise to inquire if the copy was signed by an Officer of the Department of Massachusetts, and if the seal was attached.

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: To the best of my knowledge, this was my personal copy. I cannot definitely recall, but I do not believe it was signed and sealed.

Past Department Commander Bauer: Commander-in-Chief, I want to save you from any embarrassment. He has told you the truth. I knew that the Committee report would have to be adopted by a Department, and I saw to it that Massachusetts adopted and recommended it; and I assumed that the Department Secretary had sent it on to National. The National Secretary says he never received it. The copy I gave the Commander-in-Chief was his personal copy; but there is no requirement which says it must be signed in any particular way, with the seal attached thereto. When I found it hadn't been published in *The Banner*, then I discovered a difference in opinion as to the copy which was to have been sent by the Department Secretary. However, the technical requirements have been complied with.

Chairman Locke: May I correct you on one point. It is not disputed that you handed the copy to the Commander-in-Chief, but the law provides that it must be published in General Orders and, therefore, we have no authority to act on it at this Encampment.

Past Department Commander Bauer: I am afraid I will have to agree with you.

National Counselor Robert Doughty: I was under the impression that it had been published in General Orders, or I would not have made that ruling.

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: I will declare the motion by the Past Department Commander of Massachusetts out of order; and the original recommendation of the Chairman of the Committee is before us. (Committee sustained).

Chairman Locke: (G) Your Committee has considered the report of the Committee on Design of Department Commander's badge, and recommends that the Department Commander's badge be substantially the design submitted herewith; and that the general regulations of the Order be amended by adding after the first paragraph of Section 8, Article I of the general regulations, a new paragraph as follows: "The Department Commander's Badge shall be as shown in the following photographic reproduction."

RICHARD F. LOCKE, Chairman, Illinois.
FRANK S. HUBBARD, Wisconsin.
JOHN C. YOCUM, Pennsylvania.
CLARENCE P. RENELL, Maine.
WALTER A. SMITH, California.

Chairman Locke: I hold in my hand a badge which is recommended by your Committee on Constitution and Regulations. It is the ordinary membership badge with the red Department ribbon, the upper bar containing these words, "Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War." This bar is moved down to the center of the ribbon, and a bar of the same material as that composing the pendant appears at the top with "Department Commander." This is something which can be secured at little expense. I recommend the adoption of that section. (Seconded by several).

Past Commander-in-Chief Mabie: Brother Locke, did you make any provision as to how we are to get them?

Chairman Locke: It is unnecessary for us to go into those details; Brother Hammer can take care of that.

Past Commander-in-Chief Mabie: The Committee changed this badge after we had it originally drawn. We copied the badge of the Commander-in-Chief—he has no more on his than we have on ours and we felt Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War not necessary on this badge. Now you have corrected this, and I am wondering how we are to get these badges.

Chairman Locke: Under the regular usage and customs with reference to badges of the Order.

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: Are you ready for the question? (Section adopted).

Chairman Locke: I move the adoption of the report of the Committee on Constitution and Regulations as presented; subject to modifications made by the Encampment. (Seconded by Past Commander-in-Chief Lambert, and carried).

Past Department Commander Frederic G. Bauer, Massachusetts: On behalf of the Department of Massachusetts, I move that the incoming Commander-in-Chief promulgate the amendments regarding dual membership which have been presented by the Committee, adopted by the Department of Massachusetts and filed with the Commander-in-Chief. (Seconded by Past Department Commander William A. Hallock, New York, and carried).

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RITUAL AND CEREMONIES

Past Commander-in-Chief Coffin: I have the pleasure of presenting the report of the Committee on Ritual & Ceremonies: The Department of Maine submits the following Resolution:

"That in the charge of the Camp Patriotic Instructor to new members, (see page 19) which reads, 'rise to your feet and stand erect, uncovered, when our National Anthem, the 'Star Spangled Banner,' or

the hymn "America" is either played or sung.' We feel that according to the present customs, standing uncovered when the hymn 'America' is being played or sung, is superfluous and out of place, particularly in public gatherings. Therefore, be it resolved: That the words 'or the hymn America' mentioned in the Camp Patriotic Instructor's charge be omitted from our Ritual."

The Committee recommends the adoption of this resolution and the change in the Ritual, and I move its adoption. (Seconded by Delegate Lester K. Sweeney, Massachusetts, and adopted).

WM. M. COFFIN, Chairman, Ohio.

JAMES M. BLACKMAN, Illinois.

GEORGE H. MOORE, Pennsylvania.

LEWIS E. ABBOTT, Vermont.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

Past Commander-in-Chief Stoudt: Commander-in-Chief, I present the report of the Committee on Resolutions; and I recommend that where no objections are raised, it stands approved.

(A) A Resolution submitted by Past Department Commander Frank M. Hearcock, Sr., Department Commander John C. Yocum, and Past Department Commander John H. Runkle of Pennsylvania, that the National Encampment of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, assembled in the City of Cleveland show our grateful appreciation by means of a telegram to the Pennsylvania Department of the American Legion, complimenting them on their action at their recent Encampment held in Pittsburgh in requesting the Governor of Pennsylvania to change the name of Highway No. 6 from the Roosevelt Highway to "Grand Army of the Republic Highway;" also that a telegram be sent to the Pennsylvania Department, United Spanish War Veterans, for similar action at their Encampment held in Reading, Pa.

Your Committee concurs in this Resolution. (Adopted).

(B) A Resolution presented by Past Department Commander Frank M. Heacock, Sr., Department Commander John C. Yocum, and Past Department Commander John H. Runkle of Pennsylvania, that the newspaper articles in their entirety, as written by Carl Sandburg, relative to the revelation of the long secret papers of Abraham Lincoln be incorporated as a part of the journal of proceedings of this Encampment.

Your Committee is unanimously in favor of this, but doubtful about the cost of printing. Possibly Brother Holbrook can give us an idea. However, we recommend approval providing Council-in-Chief can find money to pay for printing.

Delegate Judson C. Knappen, Maryland: I saw those articles in Washington and I believe since it is copyrighted material, we would have to get permission to print it. However, if we get in touch with the proper authorities, we can probably get reprints.

Delegate Lester K. Sweeny, Massachusetts: I raise an objection. I think there is a question of constitutionality on action of incorporating newspaper articles in our proceedings.

Past Commander-in-Chief Coffin: Commander-in-Chief, in reply to the last speaker, there is no Constitutional question involved. Congress prints speeches delivered and undelivered; and these articles certainly could be printed.

Past Commander-in-Chief Holbrook: This is only an estimate of what it might cost to put these articles into our proceedings for a per-

manent record: I would judge it will occupy approximately fifteen to twenty pages, at a cost of about \$60.00. I question whether it is practical to do so. When I looked over these articles, I noticed on the first one that it was copyrighted, so I question whether we have any right to publish it.

Delegate Lester K. Sweeney, Massachusetts: I say we definitely do not. If the articles are printed with the permission of the copyright owner, it is all right.

(Not approved, due to cost).

(C) A Resolution from the Department of Wisconsin about "carry on" after the Grand Army Army has ceased to exist.

Committee submits no report on this Resolution, as it has been considered prior to this report.

(D) Resolution presented by the Committee appointed by the Department Commander of Pennsylvania in accordance with action taken at their recent Encampment, to divide Departments into Districts.

Your Committee recommends no action on this Resolution. (Committee sustained).

(E) We express our sincere thanks to Judge Arthur Day, General Chairman of the Encampment Committee and his Committee; to the City and County Officials; the United States Marine Band; to the Selfridge Studios of Alliance, Ohio; to the Hollenden Hotel for all the courtesies extended to us and our Commander-in-Chief; to the newspapers of the city of Cleveland; and all others who have done so much to make our stay in Cleveland successful and enjoyable.

(No recommendation for concurrence necessary; adopted).

Respectfully submitted,

C. LEROY STOUTD, Chairman, Penna.

HAROLD W. DROWN, Massachusetts.

JAMES M. BLACKMAN, Illinois.

W. F. HATHAWAY, Iowa.

ALLAN F. SPINK, Connecticut.

Past Commander-in-Chief Sautter: I move that we recess until 9:30 tomorrow morning; and then remain in session until all work of this Encampment is completed. (Seconded by Past Commander-in-Chief Craig, and carried).

THURSDAY MORNING SESSION

August 14, 1947 — 9:30 A. M.

The Encampment was opened in regular form, with National Chaplain Childs leading the assembly in the Lord's Prayer.

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: I am in possession of the following communication from the Auxiliary:

Cleveland, Ohio, August 13, 1947.

Neil D. Cranmer, Commander-in-Chief,
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

Dear Brother Cranmer:

The members of the Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War feel the time has come when we need more space in The Banner. We, therefore, respectfully petition you to release one page to us, beginning with the next issue.

We will appreciate result of your decision as early as possible.

Respectfully yours in F. C. & L.,

EDNA S. LAMBERT, National President,
Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

Past Commander-in-Chief Sautter: I move that the request of the Auxiliary for additional space be granted, subject to proper contract between this organization and the Auxiliary. (Seconded by several).

Past Commander-in-Chief Holbrook: If I understood that correctly when you read it, it asked that space be released beginning with the next issue. I am afraid that request will have to be modified—to the extent that it shall begin with the first issue in 1948, because under present terms of contract the Sons of Union Veterans have a right to fourteen pages as usual.

Past Commander-in-Chief Sautter: Does our contract run on the fiscal or calendar year? I can readily understand the impossibility of giving space in the September issue because it will be used largely for the Encampment; but I am sure that we can't object to giving additional space to the Auxiliary after that issue.

Past Commander-in-Chief Stoudt: Many times, I have heard complaints of the boys that they do not get enough publicity in The Banner. I am wondering whether the Auxiliary would stand the expense of increasing The Banner four pages.

Past Commander-in-Chief Holbrook: I believe the proper way would be to increase the size of the page.

Past Commander-in-Chief Sautter: I do not have in mind reducing the space used by Departments. There is now sufficient space in The Banner that we can very well give them this additional space. I am of the opinion that if we would increase it four more pages, it wouldn't help at all. The thing to do would be for the Correspondents to get into The Banner the matters which are of interest to all of us.

Past Commander-in-Chief Holbrook: I might explain that, under the terms of the contract the Commandery-in-Chief is entitled to the use of fourteen pages; six of which shall be filled with General Orders and communications and miscellaneous matter, and eight pages for Camp news. I take it that if the Sons relinquish one page, it will be one of those for miscellaneous matter, and the Camp news will remain the same.

Past Commander-in-Chief Sautter: I believe that in the present year in the May issue, we granted additional space to the Auxiliary.

Past Commander-in-Chief Holbrook: I think it was the May issue. The amount of copy received from the Auxiliary exceeded two pages, and we allowed them to use an extra page in that issue.

Department Commander James M. Blackman, Illinois: I think we would be showing a very fine spirit of co-operation in granting the Auxiliary that additional space, and I don't think it would hurt us.

(Motion of Past Commander-in-Chief Sautter carried).

INTRODUCTION OF NATIONAL PRESIDENT EDNA LAMBERT OF THE AUXILIARY

The National President of the Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War was then escorted in to the Encampment.

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: I have said on many occasions that no Commander-in-Chief had any finer, more lovely National President with whom to work than I, and I repeat that statement. Many of you thought you had the best possible one to work with you, and I would not say anything to contradict that; but I feel sure that no Commander-in-Chief had anyone more wonderful to work with than I have had this year; and it is a great honor to present to you Mrs. Edna Lambert, National President of the Auxiliary.

National President Edna Lambert: My Commander-in-Chief Brother Cranmer, National Officers and members of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War; during my year as National President I have traveled in every Department in which our organization is represented in these United States. It has been my pleasure and privilege to meet many members of the Sons of Union Veterans. They have been most gracious and kind, have been courteous to me at all times; and for that I extend sincere and grateful thanks.

I have been associated with the Auxiliary for a great many years and it has been a pleasure—but one of the nicest and dearest things to my heart is this organization of the Sons of Union Veterans; and I have always tried to address our Auxiliary members with your interest in mind. We are your Auxiliary organized to assist you, not only in perpetuating the memory of the Grand Army of the Republic, but to carry out all your principles and ideals, to assist you in realizing your ambitions and fondest dreams. I have urged the Sisters to be ever mindful of their obligation, to remember always that their first duty is to assist the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. I have endeavored to do this throughout our membership, and throughout our organization at all times. However, this year I was fortunate to address a great number of our members, and I admonished them that they have a duty to the Sons. It has been most gratifying to see the Auxiliary is vitally interested in our Sons; not only in words, but in moral support.

I have a pleasant duty to perform this morning; one that gives me pleasure and one which I will consider as a high-light of my year as National President. I come to you this morning with an expression

of love and good wishes from your National Organization of the Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. I bring to you, with all our fondest thoughts, a check for \$500.00, which I ask you to accept as a love token; and to remember always that we are with you in everything you do, and that we stand ready to assist you.

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer, I present this check to you, and through you to your National Organization. May your organization prosper and grow larger; and remember always that as the ranks of the Grand Army of the Republic grow thinner and we no longer have their inspiration, yours is the organization that will lead us. Thank you. (Applause).

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: Thank you, Sister Lambert. Brothers, you have demonstrated by your enthusiastic applause what you think of this happy surprise, and I am now going to ask Past Commander-in-Chief Sautter to respond.

Past Commander-in-Chief Sautter: Commander-in-Chief, Sister Edna Lambert, National President of the Auxiliary, and Brothers of this Encampment, you know it is not very often that John Sautter is flustered—at a loss to find words. If you had given me two to four minutes in advance, I might have been able to say something satisfactory to this girl who is sitting at my right.

Next to a visit from the Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, to me there is nothing that ought to so enthruse our membership as a visit from the National President of the Auxiliary.

I don't believe that I ought to take your time, at the moment, in saying much concerning the Auxiliary because if what I have said during the past thirty to fifty years were collected, I think it would be quite a sizable volume; and yet I have not said all that is possible for one with quite a knowledge of what the Auxiliary has been to our organization.

It does seem to me that I might be able to say something a little different, especially in view of the fact that the National President of the Auxiliary is the wife of one of our Past Commanders-in-Chief, Albert C. Lambert. Few of you men, only one other in the room at the present time, can have much knowledge of the task that confronts the National President of the Auxiliary—knowledge gained by being in the position Albert Lambert is this year, and in which John Sautter was thirteen years ago. I think there have been four wives of Past Commanders-in-Chief who have had the distinction of being National President; but if some of you fellows are fortunate enough to have that happen to you, then you will have a little better knowledge of the tasks that confront a National President, and experience the ties that bind you closer to that organization than you had been at any previous time.

I think the Auxiliary was extremely fortunate this year, as they have been in other years, in their selection of a National President. I always watch the work of the National President of the Auxiliary, largely because of the fact that my wife had that position thirteen years ago. To meet the duties of National President requires more than most of you perhaps have any knowledge of.

I am sure that we feel very grateful to Sister Edna for this visit and the gift, and I am sure we are appreciative of the great work that she has been doing for her organization; and I feel that anything that is done by any member of the Auxiliary is something in a direct, tangible way for our organization.

I do not know whether I am supposed to say anything with reference to this surprise or not, but I think I can say that this organization appreciates this tangible evidence of the interest of the Auxiliary in our organization, and I am sure that this organization will be spurred on to meet the tasks that lie ahead because of the evidence of love and esteem shown to us by the Auxiliary.

We appreciate your coming, and I am sure that all of us will leave this Encampment with a feeling of even greater gratitude, if that is possible, to that splendid body of American women, the best in the world, that compose the Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: I would like to say to Edna, before she departs, that just prior to your coming in we voted to give you the additional space of a page in *The Banner*, starting with the November issue because the September issue will be filled with Encampment proceedings. We are glad to accede to your wishes, and that will take effect in the November issue.

National President Edna Lamber: Just a word before leaving. In behalf of the National Organization, may I express our sincere thanks for permitting us to use an additional page in *The Banner*. Many of our members read *The Banner*, many subscribe to it and I was able to get messages to my members through *The Banner* that I could not have otherwise. We thank you for this additional page, and I can assure you that we will use it wisely. Thank you.

Past Department Commander Custer Snyder, Ohio: Last night, when Brother Heintz left for home he turned over to me a package containing these leaflets on "War Between the States," about which you have heard a great deal during this Encampment. I have distributed one of these circulars on every seat, and it occurred to me that you might like to take some of them home with you and, when you hear this expression over the radio or elsewhere, send a copy of this pamphlet. These circulars were prepared by the Commandery-in-Chief, and I think it is no more than right that we should use them wisely.

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: Thank you. I would like to mention that the hotel management have donated to the Commandery-in-Chief his room and parlor for his use during this Encampment. It would seem to me that our Resolutions Committee should bring in a resolution for that.

Past Commander-in-Chief Stoudt: That has been taken care of in our report.

Past Commander-in-Chief Holbrook: In order that there may be no misapprehension relative to the additional page for the Auxiliary in *The Banner*, I want it understood that the Commandery-in-Chief is relinquishing one of their pages, not giving it. The contract with the Commandery-in-Chief will be adjusted accordingly, and the Auxiliary will be charged for the extra space they are to use. I was afraid there might be some misunderstanding that we were giving them a page—therefore, this explanation.

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: Thank you, Brother Holbrook for clearing up that point.

Delegate Samuel W. Morrell, Connecticut: Commander-in-Chief, I move that a letter of thanks be sent to the U. S. Marine Band for the splendid music furnished by that unit during this Encampment, and in the parade on Wednesday.

Past Commander-in-Chief Coffin: I rise to a point of inquiry. Has that already been taken care of by the Resolutions Committee? If not,

I present a substitute motion that it be included in the resolution of thanks by that Committee. (Seconded by several, and carried).

CLASS INITIATION—N. Y. DEGREE TEAM

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: Brother John Waste of New York, at this time I want to thank you for the very fine class initiation put on Monday night by the Monroe County Area, N. Y., Degree Team. I was not privileged to be present, but I heard any number of complimentary remarks about the excellent work and I wanted you to know that we do appreciate it very much.

Brother Yocum, will you give us a report about the floral tribute on Monday afternoon.

FLORAL TRIBUTE—SOLDIERS & SAILORS MONUMENT

Department Commander John C. Yocum, Pennsylvania: Brother Commander-in-Chief, National Officers and Delegates to this Encampment, as previously announced the Department of Pennsylvania, and a great number of you, assembled downstairs on Monday afternoon and we went to the Soldiers and Sailors Monument where this floral tribute was placed in memory of the Ohio Department of the Grand Army of the Republic.

I am happy to state that quite a number of women were there too and, all told, there were approximately one hundred fifty people present, including several National Officers of other allied orders. Mr. Sweeny, representing the Mayor, was present as well as Mr. Price of the Soldiers and Sailors Monument Committee who accepted the tribute. Later on, it was my privilege to be presented with a booklet containing the history of this monument which is quite interesting. We had planned to march back but, due to the intense heat, did not. All in all, Commander-in-Chief I can report to you that it was a very fitting ceremony, and we are well pleased with the result.

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: Thank you, Brother Yocum. It was a very fine thing to make that presentation.

FLORAL TRIBUTE TO GRAVE OF PRESIDENT JAMES A. GARFIELD

Past Commander-in-Chief Craig: They say if you can't make the front page, make the back page. On the back page of yesterday morning's "Plain Dealer" you will find that the Committee, with one exception—Brother Ireland, plus a couple of city representatives, went out in two taxis to the grave of the late President Garfield.

We were very graciously received by the custodian, we appreciated the privilege of doing it and we are happy to have had the opportunity to make this floral tribute to President Garfield.

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: Thank you, Brother Craig, for the report about this floral tribute.

Past Commander-in-Chief Stoudt: Brother Commander-in-Chief, in justice to the Auxiliary, I think we should record in our proceedings that we enjoyed a wonderful banquet and a pleasant evening last night. At the banquet, I believe they were set up for 300, and I think there were more than that present. I believe that in all justice to Sister Ella Ruggles, the National Chief-of-Staff of the Auxiliary, we should give credit to her for this fine banquet and enjoyable evening.

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: Thank you, Brother Stoudt, and I think it is a fine idea.

Past Department Commander Frank M. Heacock, Sr., Pennsylv-

nia: During the course of the dinner last night, we were privileged to have some very fine entertainment by the Selfridge Studios of Alliance, Ohio, which was gotten through the effort of Edith Nile. I move that the National Secretary be directed to write a letter of appreciation for that entertainment. (Seconded by Past Commander-in-Chief Craig).

Past Commander-in-Chief Coffin: Why not include that in the Resolution of thanks?

Past Commander-in-Chief Stoudt: If it is agreeable, I will see that it is included, and also that a letter of thanks is sent. (Motion carried).

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: At this time, I would like my Personal Aide to come forward.

At this time, I want to present to this Encampment my National Personal Aide who has done so very much to help me this year. A personal aide is expected to be a sort of errand boy and he has been that, and much more than that, and I want him to know in the presence of you all how much I appreciate all he has done.

Personal Aide Fred C. Barnard, N. Y.: If I have done anything worthwhile, I am sure I have been repaid many times.

Department Commander James M. Blackman, Illinois: I move that we give a vote of thanks to the Harrisburg, Pa., Fife and Drum Corps for the splendid music and wonderful publicity they have given us during this Encampment. (Seconded by Past Department Commander James O. Smith, Wisconsin, and carried).

Past Commander-in-Chief Locke: Sometimes we take too much for granted. We all know that this organization has the best Auxiliary that any National body ever had. We have thanked the National President personally for the gift to us of \$500.00; and it seems to me that it would be fitting that we say "thank you" and "God Bless You" to the National Organization of the Auxiliary of Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. I move that the National Secretary communicate that resolution to the Convention of the Auxiliary. (Seconded by Department Commander Charles F. Dexter, Michigan, and carried).

PRESENTATION OF NEW YORK DELEGATION

At this time the delegation of the New York Department, both of the Sons and Auxiliary were presented.

Department Commander Wm. E. Kelly: Commander-in-Chief, the New York Department, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War mindful of the great esteem in which you are held by the New York Department, wish to present to you a slight token of their respect for you.

During the past year, you have had many financial obligations and, while standing here I noticed the inscription on the wall, "let us live while we live" which fits in perfectly, at the moment. You had to live during the past year, and we hope this little token can be well used and that it will bring pleasant memories of your year as Commander-in-Chief and, further, we hope that it will bring you a little closer to the New York Department. (Presents check to Commander-in-Chief).

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: Department Commander Kelly, and brothers of my own Department, I feel deeply touched by those eloquent words which you have spoken to me.

During my year as Commander-in-Chief, as I have already said I traveled far and wide, met many of the brothers and became better acquainted with them; and I sincerely feel that we have in the Sons

of Union Veterans the greatest fraternal organization found anywhere in the United States. I belong to several others but none have meant so much to me as my first love, the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. When I first joined this organization thirty-three years ago, I was so bashful that I didn't dare get up and second a motion in my Camp meeting—and yet here I am today.

However, I must say that none of the brothers have meant quite as much to me as my own brothers in New York, and I look forward to the day that I can come back again to my own Department and be active there once more. To my brothers of the New York Department, I want to thank you from the bottom of my heart for this gift and say to each one of you, "God Bless You."

Is there any further business to come before the Encampment at this time?

Delegate Lester K. Sweeny, Massachusetts: In the Encampment in Boston, I originated an idea which I feel is quite appropriate. We find tributes being paid here, there and everywhere, and I think this one merits your consideration. I move that we rise and observe a moment of silence in memory of our dearly beloved President, Abraham Lincoln, who means so much to each and everyone of us. (Carried by common consent, and moment of silence observed).

Acting Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief Richart: Commander-in-Chief, I wonder if I might be excused at this time. I should like to get on the way, so that I might be home tomorrow to take care of matters pertaining to business.

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: Of course, Brother Richart. Thank you so much for filling this office during this Encampment, and we wish you Godspeed and a safe journey home.

Brother Bennett, will you advance to the Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief station, and I will appoint Past Department Commander James O. Smith of Wisconsin as Acting Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief for the remainder of the Encampment.

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON AMERICANIZATION — GRANT TROPHY

Chairman Lambert: With your permission, the Committee on Americanization would like to submit a supplementary report at this time.

We have held off until the last moment in the award of the Grant trophy with the desire, and sincere hope, that more Departments might have shown interest in participating and submitting entries. I regret exceedingly, to state that the Committee received very few entries. We have examined very carefully the entries submitted, have made our decision and, at this time, with your permission, Commander-in-Chief, I would like to ask the Department Commander of New York to come to this station.

Commander-in-Chief, Department Commander Kelly and members of the New York Department, the Committee on Americanization have unanimously decided that the entries by the Department of New York shall be the winner this year; and I take great pleasure in presenting this trophy to you.

I believe I am right in this—this is the third time the New York Department has won it. When the trophy was presented to us by U. S. Grant III, in memory of his illustrious ancestor, it was with the understanding that any Department winning it three times should have permanent possession of it. I believe this is correct; so in

awarding this trophy you not only receive it for this year's work, but you receive permanent possession of the Grant Trophy.

Department Commander Wm. E. Kelly, New York: Brother Commander-in-Chief, Past Commander-in-Chief Lambert and brothers; in behalf of my own delegation, I thank you sincerely for this trophy. I am sure it will grace many occasions of the various meetings of the New York Department. I wish to take this opportunity to publicly thank Brother John Waste for his contribution to this endeavor during this year. I assure you that we thank you sincerely, and we will cherish it for many years to come.

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: I am truly proud of the old Department of New York.

REPORT OF COUNCIL-IN-CHIEF

Council-in-Chief Liesee: We, your Council-in-Chief, submit the following bank report which has been checked with the National Secretary-Treasurer, and which we find correct.

THE READING TRUST COMPANY READING, PA.

August 7, 1947.

The Council-in-Chief,
Commandery-in-Chief,
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.
Gentlemen:

This is to certify that at the close of business August 7, 1947, the following balances appeared on our books:

Savings Fund	\$1,173.07
Organization Fund	669.59
General (Checking Account) Fund	1,241.19
Total	<u>\$3,083.85</u>

Very truly yours,

E. P. SCHAEFFER,

Treasurer.

JOHN H. LIESEE,
CHARLES C. WEBSTER.

Council-in-Chief.

(No objections—adopted as read).

Council-in-Chief Liesee: Your Council-in-Chief submits the proposed Budget, and our recommendations:

PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 1947-1948 TERM

RECEIPTS:

Balance on hand, August 7, 1947.....	\$ 802.19
Membership Fees, 500 Members at 50 cents.....	250.00
Per Capita Tax—14,000 Members at 40 cents.....	5,600.00
Charter Fees—5 New Camps at \$5.00.....	25.00
Premium on Bonds	15.00
Supplies	1,500.00
Miscellaneous	35.00
Total Receipts	<u>\$8,227.19</u>

DISBURSEMENTS:

General Expenses:

Supplies	\$1,500.00
The Banner	2,100.00
Encampment Expenses	1,000.00
Printing	100.00
Shipping Supplies	30.00
Salaries	2,200.00
Premium on Bonds	15.00
Federal Tax	44.00
Penna. Unemployment Compensation Fund.....	11.00
Committee on Marking Graves	25.00
Miscellaneous, including P. C.-in-C. Badge.....	200.00
Scholarship (Lincoln University)	100.00
Arlington Hall	50.00

\$7,375.00

Office Expenses:

Rent	\$462.00
Stationery, Postage, etc.	200.00

662.00

Harrisburg Fife & Drum Corps..... 50.00

Commander-in-Chief's Expenses

1,000.00

Total Expenditures

\$9,087.00

DEFICIT

\$ 859.81

Received from Organization Fund, as per recommendation of this Encampment

\$ 669.59

Love Token from National Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

500.00

Total

1,169.59

BALANCE

\$ 309.78

Recommendations:

- (1) That the Per Capita Tax be continued at 40 cents per annum.
- (2) That The Banner be renewed at new price of 15 cents per member per year—six issues.
- (3) That \$100.00 scholarship to Lincoln University be renewed.
- (4) That \$50.00 to Arlington Hall be renewed.
- (5) That the compensation of the stenographer be \$200.00 for her services at this Encampment.
- (6) That \$50.00 be donated to Harrisburg Drum Corps to help defray their expenses to this Encampment.

We take this opportunity to compliment the National Secretary on the efficient manner in which his books are kept, and thank him for his co-operation.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN H. LIESEE,
CHARLES C. WEBSTER,
Council-in-Chief.

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: You have heard the report of the Council-in-Chief. Do I hear a motion for its adoption?

Past Commander-in-Chief Stoudt: I move that the report be accepted, and the budget adopted together with the recommendations. (Seconded by Past Department Commander Fred E. Colwell, N. Y.).

Past Commander-in-Chief Craig: Has the one-fifth share of Encampment expenses been taken care of?

Council-in-Chief Liesee: We haven't considered that at all in our report because if it hadn't been for the contribution from the Auxiliary, we would be in the red—there would be a deficit.

Past Commander-in-Chief Lambert: That matter of Encampment expenses was to come out of the G. A. R. Fund, and has nothing to do with the Council-in-Chief.

Past Commander-in-Chief Sautter: Is the Council-in-Chief quoting receipts and disbursements only as it pertains to the general fund?

Council-in-Chief Liesee: That is correct. The G. A. R. fund has no right to be placed in our budget.

Past Commander-in-Chief Sautter: The G. A. R. fund is not a part of the General Fund, but it seems to me the G. A. R. fund should be reported as a supplementary report of the Council-in-Chief. I want to ask this question now. At the last National Encampment, an appropriation, not to exceed \$500.00 was sent up for use by the Grand Army of the Republic Highway. How much was spent this year, chargeable to the G. A. R. Fund on the highway project?

National Secretary Hammer: Approximately \$190.00 was spent for the Grand Army of the Republic Highway.

Past Commander-in-Chief Sautter: I hold in my hand a copy of the Officers' Reports, which shows a balance in the G. A. R. Fund of \$1,173.07. \$1,000.00 has been added to this total as a result of the National Patriotic Instructor's project, so that the fund has approximately \$2,200.00; from which has been taken \$500.00 for the Grand Army of the Republic, and approximately \$200.00 for the Grand Army of the Republic Highway so there is \$1,500.00 remaining—from which the one-fifth share of Encampment expenses of \$200.00 or \$300.00 will be taken. Is that correct? (Reply, "Yes"). If, so, then I agree we should accept the report of the Council-in-Chief and adopt the budget.

(Motion carried).

Past Commander-in-Chief Sautter: I move you that from the G. A. R. Fund there be an appropriation of \$500.00, to be presented to the Grand Army of the Republic at the next National Encampment; and that \$200.00 be appropriated from that fund for expenses for the Grand Army of the Republic Highway project this year. (Seconded by Department Commander Charles F. Dexter, Michigan, and carried).

Past Commander-in-Chief Stoudt: I wonder how many of you know that we are now right on the Grand Army of the Republic Highway; the route goes right through the city of Cleveland, and I thought you might like to know about it.

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: Thank you, Brother Stoudt.

Past Commander-in-Chief Hale: I have two matters to dispose of at this time, one official and one unofficial.

REPORT OF GREETINGS TO THE G. A. R.

Past Commander-in-Chief Hale: First, is the visit of your Greetings Committee to the Grand Army of the Republic, sent to extend greetings of our Encampment to the Grand Army of the Republic.

It seems to be a very uphill task to detach Past Commanders-in-Chief in the midst of Encampment activities, to get them apart during

■ very busy week for this very important task and privilege, but we did get five Past Commanders-in-Chief together. Together with the grand nephew Paul Grate (grand nephew of the Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic), we went to call on the Grand Army of the Republic and found there the five following veterans:

John H. Grate, Commander-in-Chief (102 years old), Atwater, Ohio.
William H. Osborn (104 years old), Joplin, Mo.
John C. Adams (99 years old), Jonesboro, Ind.
Robert M. Rownd (102 years old), Ripley, N. Y.
John H. Bennett (102 years old), Waynesfield, Ohio.

I think it was an extraordinary meeting, one in which frank and true expression of the fraternal relations of the Sons and their Fathers were given; and I want to have on the record the words of Commander-in-Chief Grate which were substantially this: "We want our Sons of Union Veterans to enjoy their labors in patriotism, and to carry on the great work with which we have been identified so long."

It was a privilege to go to them, and we were happy to express your greetings to them. Therefore, your Committee has officially performed its duty, and wishes to be discharged. (Committee discharged with thanks).

RADIO PUBLICITY

Past Commander-in-Chief Hale: As to the unofficial part, it is our radio activity; and it occurs to me that no sizable National Convention ever comes into Cleveland without using the facilities of their important radio stations. We, as an organization, have been slow to wake up to the importance of this way of reaching many thousands of people who have very misty ideas as to the Grand Army of the Republic and of the Grand Army family.

On this occasion, I have a very special event to be recorded in connection with our radio work. This, I believe, is the third time I have endeavored to get our Commander-in-Chief on the air, and it isn't his fault that on two other occasions it failed, but at last yesterday afternoon, I got him on the NBC outlet here—Station WTAM. In it is something which I think was a very real service for you and me—in that our Commander-in-Chief gave to the listening audience the high-lights of our great memorial project, the Grand Army of the Republic Highway. I think there must be thousands who have never heard of that project; and I think it is a most worthwhile way of getting to the public our prime objective at the present time.

There is also to be noted on our record another program, presented later, in which a fine speaker of the Grand Army of the Republic was high-lighted. Past Department Commander John H. Bennett of the Grand Army of the Republic in his own characteristic style, helped a little by my questions, gave to the listeners of the Columbia chain, through Station WGAR, the high-lights of his service, the human interest of the part he played in the Civil War, in a program the other night. We had the good Commander of the Grand Army of the Republic come down to the station the day before, and there it all went on a disc—and the voice of Past Department Commander Bennett is recorded, and can be used in the future. Years and years after he has passed on people old and young may hear the voice of John Bennett giving the story of what he did in the Abraham Lincoln army of the North in the Civil War.

Another matter in that connection, might be of interest to you. The radio station requires a copy of all talks preserved, so they said

they would typewrite what we had written for our use on the program the other afternoon. When I examined the typewritten copy given to me by them, I found they had used the term "War Between the States." When it was called to the attention of the Program Director he remarked that he wanted to vary the term describing the Civil War. I told him the Grand Army of the Republic, and the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War are dead against that name, and he said he would not use it; so we fixed that up, so the program went through untainted.

We just want you to know that there are great assets in the use of radio—this is just an illustration of what can be accomplished. This radio publicity is something that ought to spread, and ought to be a medium to be used by every Department in this Commandery-in-Chief. How, otherwise, can you reach thousands of people to tell what the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War were created for, and what we are trying to do in the cause of patriotism.

We have a great future, but we must take advantage of such opportunities.

To present a radio program requires work, and more work; and may I warn you not to afflict a radio station with poorly prepared programs. We want good publicity, so I hope this idea will spread to all Departments. This is a medium through which we can get better recognition, a higher appreciation, and a more co-operative spirit from the public.

We are glad that we had Commander-in-Chief Cranmer speak yesterday afternoon high-lighting the G. A. R. Highway project; and we were happy to give in the other program some of the high-lights of service of the veterans who participated in the Civil War, and who are first and foremost in the presentation of any radio program about that war.

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: Thank you. You are entitled to our highest and warmest congratulations for all the work you have done, and especially the work during this week. You, too, gave a very fine address here in Cleveland over the air.

Brother Thobaben, will you approach this station? Brothers, I selected Brother Thobaben as our Chairman of the Convention Committee here in Cleveland. I know it was not an easy task, but you have done a fine job in the arrangements for this Encampment here in Cleveland. I know you have been quite busy, working in our behalf, and you have our warmest and most sincere thanks for all of your efforts.

Past Department Commander W. C. Thobaben, Ohio: As I previously told the Commander-in-Chief, I do not believe that any thanks are needed when a true Son of a Veteran does his duty; the satisfaction of a job well done should be his reward. I hope that you have thoroughly enjoyed yourselves and that we have, in a small way, paid a debt to you. I hope that you enjoyed our hospitality in Cleveland, and that you were comfortable in spite of the warm weather.

Past Commander-in-Chief Mabie: This information has been asked for by several people, and we have two or three different conceptions. Is the National Patriotic Instructor supposed to continue collecting for the G. A. R. Fund, or must a motion be made at each Encampment giving him the authority and power to do so? Is this a permanent affair, or must it be renewed each year?

Past Commander-in-Chief Sautter: I am quite sure that if you look at the proceedings of two or three years ago, you will find that

I offered a resolution providing for a permanent G. A. R. Fund. I don't believe any further action is necessary, we automatically continue with the Patriotic Instructor's solicitations.

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: We will, therefore, continue with the solicitations for contributions to the G. A. R. Fund by the Patriotic Instructor, and no motion is necessary.

Past Commander-in-Chief Sautter: I think we should now be under new business. (New business called for, but none presented).

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: Is the Credential Committee ready with a final report at this time?

Delegate Julius Isaacs, New York: Commander-in-Chief, the Credential Committee submits its final report—188 members on the roll. (Complete report, as per Encampment Roll appearing on Pages 109-122).

Past Commander-in-Chief Coffin: I move that the report of the Credential Committee be accepted, and adopted, with 188 members the voting strength of our Encampment. (Seconded by Delegate Lester K. Sweeny, Massachusetts, and carried).

NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Past Commander-in-Chief Mabie: I move we go into nomination and election of officers. (Seconded by Past Commander-in-Chief Craig, and carried).

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: National Secretary, you will call the roll for nominations for Commander-in-Chief.

The National Secretary called the roll to Massachusetts.

Department Commander Harold W. Drown, Massachusetts: There are eighteen voting delegates here at the present time from Massachusetts, and they are all unanimous in the nomination for Commander-in-Chief of Past Department Commander Charles H. E. Moran, and Past Commander-in-Chief Anderson will make the nomination.

Past Commander-in-Chief Anderson: Commander-in-Chief, and members of this Encampment, I am indeed happy to have the privilege to come before you and give, for your consideration, a man for the office of Commander-in-Chief.

This Brother has been a member of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War for forty-one years, is a Past Department Commander, has served on Council-in-Chief two terms. His father was a Past Department Commander of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War in New York. He has a son in the service of the U. S. Army, and another son in command of his local Camp.

When we come to these annual Encampments, we try to legislate for the best interest of our organization, and to select men who are leaders of men—men who have rendered a service to our organization, men who can lead us and keep us before the general public as a great patriotic organization. Therefore, I am mighty happy to present to you the name of Past Department Commander Charles H. E. Moran, of Holyoke, Massachusetts, for the office of Commander-in-Chief.

Department Commander John C. Yocum, Pennsylvania: Pennsylvania takes pleasure in seconding that nomination.

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: Nominations are now open for Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief.

National Secretary Hammer: I move that all further nominations be from the floor. (Seconded by several, and carried).

Past Commander-in-Chief Ireland: The Maryland delegation desire to present to this Encampment the name of a brother who was instrumental in introducing, and having passed, a bill making Abraham Lincoln's birthday a holiday in Maryland.

He has served as Department Commander of Maryland, is at present Department Secretary-Treasurer of that Department; and we wish to present the name of Thomas L. Bufter of Baltimore, Maryland, for Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief.

National Chaplain Childs: I would like to present before this body the name of a man who has worked faithfully and loyally, the man who is now filling the office of Sr. Vice Commander-in-Chief Roy J. Bennett, a Past Department Commander of Iowa. He has worked in this organization hard and faithfully, and has helped to promote the interest to a great measure. No finer man can be found, and it gives me great pleasure to present for your consideration the name of Brother Roy J. Bennett, of Des Moines, Iowa.

Acting Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief Bennett: Thank you, but I should like to withdraw.

Past Commander-in-Chief Ireland: I move that the nominations be closed. (Seconded by Past Commander-in-Chief Towle, and carried).

Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: Nominations are now open for Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief.

Past Commander-in-Chief Coffin: Commander-in-Chief, and Brothers, following the custom of many years, I rise on behalf of the Department of Ohio to make a nomination for the office of Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief.

It is the unanimous decision of our delegates here present that we give you, for your consideration, a brother who was on the platform just a few moments ago—a Past Department Commander, and one who has worked hard in arranging for this Encampment, W. C. Thobaben, of Cleveland, Ohio.

Past Department Commander William J. Blakeley, Pennsylvania: I move the nominations for Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief be closed. (Seconded by Past Commander-in-Chief Craig, and carried).

Council-in-Chief

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: Nominations are now open for Council-in-Chief.

Past Commander-in-Chief Mabie: Brother Liesee and Brother Webster were unfortunate this year. Brother Laduke was ill, and these two Brothers had the toughest job that any Council-in-Chief had in a good many years. They worked all week balancing the budget, and trying to fix up the deficit and under tremendous handicaps, they have served you well as your Council-in-Chief.

In behalf of the Department of Pennsylvania, I place again the name of John H. Liesee of Philadelphia for Council-in-Chief.

Past Commander-in-Chief Craig: Some of you will remember that, as a Pastor of the Methodist Church, I have had to move around numerous times—to Minnesota, to Pennsylvania, and now to New Hampshire.

Having been a member of the Department of Minnesota for a

number of years, I became well acquainted with many of the brothers in that Department. Among the rest of them was George E. Bailey of Minneapolis, Minnesota, who has served this organization in many capacities. He is the purchasing agent for one of the big concerns in that city.

Therefore, because of his record in Minnesota, and in his attendance at Commandery-in-Chief Encampments, I place the name of George E. Bailey for Council-in-Chief.

Department Commander Clarence P. Renell, Maine: Another member has served on the Council-in-Chief during this last year; and Maine would again like to present the name of Charles C. Webster of Maine for Council-in-Chief.

Past Department Commander Frank M. Heacock, Pennsylvania: I move that the nominations for Council-in-Chief be closed. (Seconded by Department Commander John Yocum, Pennsylvania, and carried).

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: I appoint as tellers Past Department Commander John H. Runkle, Pennsylvania; Past Department Commander Enoch A. Hoyt, Rhode Island; and Past Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief Charles B. Martin of Kansas.

Past Commander-in-Chief Craig: Inasmuch as there is only one nomination in most cases, and no opposition, I move that the Secretary cast the ballot for each of these officers. (Seconded by several, and carried).

National Secretary Hammer: I cast the 188 votes of the Encampment.

Past Commander-in-Chief Craig: I rise to a point of order. One ballot should be cast by the Secretary.

Past Commander-in-Chief Locke: We have 188 men entitled to vote in this Encampment according to the Report of the Credentials Committee. Therefore, 188 should vote; and even though some of them might have left, the Secretary should cast the vote for the 188.

Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: I will rule that Past Commander-in-Chief Locke is correct, and the Secretary has, therefore, cast the 188 votes of this Encampment.

(The tellers found the unanimous vote of the Encampment for the officers, and they were declared elected. The Commander-in-Chief informed each of his election, and accepted their election to the various offices).

(The Tellers were discharged by the Commander-in-Chief).

Past Commander-in-Chief Mabie: I move that the records of this Encampment as taken by the stenographer be the official record of this Encampment, and that the usual number of proceedings be printed and distributed. (Seconded by several, and carried).

Past Commander-in-Chief Sautter: I just want to call your attention to the number attending this Encampment, which exceeds last year by ten. I think there is some encouragement in that, and I think it is the best attendance we have had for a number of years.

Just one other thing; yesterday there were some remarks made about the relative age of the various affiliated organizations of the Grand Army of the Republic. I knew I had it somewhere in my pocket, and I think that information might be of interest and value to you. The dates of organization are as follows:

Grand Army of the Republic.....	1866
Sons of Union Veterans	1881
Woman's Relief Corps (adopted as Aux. to G. A. R.).....	1882
Ladies of the G. A. R.	1886
Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans.....	1886
Daughters of Union Veterans	1890

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

Commander-in-Chief elect Moran appointed Past Commander-in-Chief Sautter, Pennsylvania, as Installing Officer and Past Commander-in-Chief Anderson, Massachusetts, as Installing Guide.

He appointed:

Counselor—Past Commander-in-Chief Walter C. Mable, Penna.

Personal Aide—Past Department Commander John W. Emery, Massachusetts.

Past Commander-in-Chief Sautter: The National Secretary will call the names of the newly elected officers (complied with and

Commander-in-Chief—Charles H. E. Moran, Massachusetts;

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief—Thomas L. Bufter, Maryland;

Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief—Wilbur C. Thobaben, Ohio;

Council-in-Chief—John H. Liesee, Pennsylvania;

George E. Bailey, Minnesota;

Charles C. Webster, Maine;

were installed in Ritualistic form).

Past Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: I count it a happy privilege to pin upon you the badge of the Commander-in-Chief which I have worn throughout the past year; and in so doing, I want you to know that with it goes the best wishes for unqualified success for your administration. May God give you his blessing as you take on the duties of this most important office.

Commander-in-Chief Moran: Thank you, Brother Cranmer, and brothers of this Encampment. Little did I know last Friday when I left home to come to this Encampment, that I would be honored with the highest honor at your command. I appreciate the honor and I appreciate the opportunity of still giving further service to the order we all love. I realize deeply that much work is required to carry on our affairs, and I realize that I need the assistance and co-operation of every member of our organization.

You have heard in the report of our National Secretary our present strength. Our entire membership of today is not as great as that in the New York or Massachusetts Departments a few years ago. At the rate our membership is going down, unless every member will devote a little time to the organization to strengthen our membership, we will be out of existence nearly as soon as the Grand Army of the Republic. We want to carry on the work of the Grand Army of the Republic, yet we have a membership so small that no one pays any attention to us.

We must build up our organization—action, not words is what we need; and action is what I ask of you this year, in order that one year hence we can truly say we are on our way to build a living memorial to the Grand Army of the Republic. Brothers, I appeal to each and everyone of you to help accomplish this hope.

Is there any other business to come before this session?

Past Commander-in-Chief Hale; I move that a letter of thanks be

sent by the National Secretary to Stations WGAR and WTAM for their very helpful co-operation in presenting the two radio programs this week. (Seconded by Past Department Commander John H. Runkle, Pennsylvania, and carried).

PRESENTATIONS

Past Commander-in-Chief Sautter: Past Commander-in-Chief Cranmer, to me it is always an extreme pleasure to perform this duty. It is, in a sense, an unusual one because automatically the Past Commander-in-Chief from the Department of the immediate outgoing Commander-in-Chief is delegated this honor, but my good friend and Past Commander-in-Chief Dr. Sheldon is not present and consequently, it becomes my great pleasure to present to you this emblem of a Past Commander-in-Chief of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

I have worn this decoration myself, over a period of thirty-three years; and I trust that to you will come the good fortune that has been mine—to continue to serve this organization in the years to come.

I have further great pleasure to officially welcome you to the ranks of the Past Commanders-in-Chief. I said before, and I say now, that I don't like the term "has been"—rather I think it should be "ever or," because I am confident that you will never become a "has been" in the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, but appreciating the greater responsibility that devolves on you as a Past Commander-in-Chief, will continue to work in the ranks of this body as a private, if you please, but always proud of the fact that you were privileged to serve in this important position.

And now, with great pleasure, I pin upon your lapel this emblem of a Past Commander-in-Chief. You have given us a year of splendid service, you have presided over your Encampment in a very satisfactory manner to every member of this Encampment, and I am sure that I express what is in the heart and mind of every member in this room when I extend deep and sincere appreciation for your service together with our wish that God, in his goodness, will spare you to serve this organization again as a Son of a Union Veterans of the Civil War. My congratulations, and I welcome you to the ranks of the Past Commanders-in-Chief.

Past Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: Commander-in-Chief, Past Commander-in-Chief Sautter and Brothers, when I accepted the office of Commander-in-Chief, I said that I did so with a deep sense of humility—and it is somewhat in the same spirit that I accept this badge of a Past Commander-in-Chief.

I want to tell you at this time that the past year has been the happiest and best of my life despite some difficulties which I faced, and I have you to thank for making this so.

As I now return as a high private in the rear rank, I assure you, Commander-in-Chief Moran, that I shall continue to serve this organization in my own Camp, in the Department of New York, and in the Commandery-in-Chief; and I pledge to you my utmost loyalty and co-operation. Unlike Joshua, I did not lead you over into the promised land but my faith is undimmed and I feel quite sure that we will go over because I am thoroughly convinced that our best days are just ahead. Thank you.

Past Commander-in-Chief Sautter: We have a very modest National Secretary-Treasurer who has asked me to "pinch-hit" for him; and I am further privileged to present from him this buttonhole decoration to you, Past Commander-in-Chief Cranmer.

Past Commander-in-Chief Cranmer: Thank you so much, Brother Hammer. I paid my tribute to you in my report, and I now thank you from the bottom of my heart for this very beautiful emblem of our order.

INTRODUCTION OF MRS. CLARA BAILEY

Mrs. Clara Bailey, President of the Allied Council, was then escorted in and introduced. She congratulated Commander-in-Chief Moran, and distributed cigarettes to the members of the Encampment (Response by Past Commander-in-Chief Cranmer).

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief Butler: I am most appreciative of the honor bestowed upon me by the Commandery-in-Chief, and I will serve you to the best of my ability. My best wishes to all of you, and I hope that you all return home safely.

Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief Thobaben: I want to express my appreciation to the members of this Encampment for the great honor bestowed upon me, and I will do all in my power to serve you well.

Council-in-Chief Webster: Thank you, Brothers, for electing me as a member of the Council-in-Chief. I will do the best I possibly can.

Council-in-Chief Liesee: Thank you for the confidence you have placed in me—I will try to be worthy of it.

Council-in-Chief Bailey: I wish to express my appreciation for this great honor, and I will endeavor to carry out my duties to the best of my ability.

Commander-in-Chief Moran: Is there any other business to come before this Encampment?

Delegate Julius Isaacs, New York: I move we adjourn. (Seconded by Past Department Commander John H. Runkle, Pennsylvania, and carried).

The Encampment closed in Ritualistic form.

Certified as a true and correct transcript of the Proceedings of the Sixty-sixth Annual Encampment.

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Chapter 3, Article 2, Section 1, Constitution and Regulations:
 " * * * one delegate from each Department, whatever its membership,
 and one additional delegate for every one hundred members or major
 fraction thereof * * * "

Department:	Seniority Rank	Date Instituted	March 31, 1947 Membership.	Delegates
California & Pacific...	19	July 1, 1886	432	5
Colorado & Wyoming..	25	Mar. 22, 1929	87	2
Connecticut	5	May 15, 1883	821	9
Illinois	10	July 1883	399	5
Indiana	18	June 12, 1885	331	4
Iowa	6	June 2, 1883	235	3
Kansas	9	June 1883	217	3
Maine	4	April 10, 1883	735	8
Maryland	20	June 15, 1887	310	4
Massachusetts	2	July 17, 1882	2556	27
Michigan	15	June 24, 1884	392	5
Minnesota	17	Jan. 1, 1885	126	2
Missouri	7	June 2, 1883	140	2
Nebraska	16	Sept. 2, 1884	69	2
New Hampshire	11	Aug. 1883	371	5
New Jersey	8	June 14, 1883	591	7
New York	13	Nov. 6, 1883	1351	15
Ohio	3	Aug. 1, 1882	1183	13
Oregon	24	June 8, 1923	161	3
Pennsylvania	1	July 4,, 1882	2749	28
Rhode Island	14	Feb. 14, 1884	228	3
Vermont	12	Oct. 1883	414	5
Wisconsin	21	Sept. 1887	313	4

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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	
1892	*Marvin E. Hall	Michigan	
1893	*Joseph B. Maccabe	Massachusetts	
1894	*William E. Bundy	Ohio	
1895	William H. Russell	Kansas	La Crosse, Kan.
1896	*James Lewis Rake	Pennsylvania	
1897	*Charles K. Darling	Massachusetts	
1898	*Frank L. Shepard	Illinois	
1899	*A. W. Jones	Ohio	
1900	*Edgar W. Alexander	Pennsylvania	
1901	*Edward R. Campbell	Maryland	
1902	*Frank Martin	Indiana	
1903	*Arthur B. Spink	Rhode Island	
1904	*William G. Dustin	Illinois	
1905	*Harley V. Speelman	Ohio	
1906	*Edwin M. Amies	Pennsylvania	
1907	Ralph Sheldon	New York	Lyons, N. Y.
1908	*Edgar Allan, Jr.	Maryland	
1909	*George W. Pollitt	New Jersey	
1910	*Fred E. Bolton	Massachusetts	
1911	*Newton J. McGuire	Indiana	
1912	Ralph M. Grant	Connecticut	18 Asylum S., Hartford, Conn.
1913	John E. Sautter	Pennsylvania	622 Whitney Ave., Pittsburgh 21, Pa.
1914	Charles F. Sherman	New York	46 S. Fourth Ave., Mt. Vernon, New York.
1915	*A. E. B. Stephens	Ohio	
1916	William T. Church	Illinois	134 S. LaSalle St., Suite 1510, Chicago, Ill.
1917	*Fred T. F. Johnson	Maryland	
1918	*Francis Callahan	Pennsylvania	
1919	*Harry D. Sisson	Massachusetts	
1920	*Pelham A. Barrows	Nebraska	
1921	*Clifford Ireland	Illinois	
1922	*Frank Shellhouse	Indiana	
1923	*Samuel S. Horn	Pennsylvania	

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1931 Frank C. Huston	Indiana		
1932 *Titus M. Ruch	Pennsylvania	21419 Kenwood Ave., Rocky River, Ohio	21419 Kenwood Ave., Rocky River, Ohio
1933 Park F. Yengling	Ohio	24 Burr St., Jamaica Plain 30, Mass.	24 Burr St., Jamaica Plain 30, Mass.
1934 *Frank L. Kirchgassner	Massachusetts	Glen Ellyn, Ill.	Glen Ellyn, Ill.
1935 Richard F. Locke	Illinois		
1936 *Wm. Allan Dyer	New York		
1937 *Wm. Allan Dyer	New York		
1938 Wm. L. Anderson, Sr.	Massachusetts	40 Robin St., West Roxbury, Mass.	40 Robin St., West Roxbury, Mass.
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1940 J. Kirkwood Craig	N. Hampshire	10 View St., Franklin, N. H.	10 View St., Franklin, N. H.
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1946 Nell D. Cranmer	New York	Elmira, New York	Elmira, New York

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1885 †*Louis M. Wagner			
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1883 *A. P. Davis	Pennsylvania		
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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

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49th	1930	Aug. 26-28	Cincinnati	Ohio
50th	1931	Sept. 14-17	Des Moines	Iowa
51st	1932	Sept. 19-22	Springfield	Illinois
52nd	1933	Sept. 19-21	St. Paul	Minnesota
53rd	1934	Aug. 14-16	Rochester	New York
54th	1935	Sept. 9-12	Grand Rapids	Michigan
55th	1936	Sept. 22-24	Washington	D. C.
56th	1937	Sept. 6-9	Madison	Wisconsin
57th	1938	Sept. 5-8	Des Moines	Iowa
58th	1939	Aug. 29-31	Pittsburgh	Pennsylvania
59th	1940	Sept. 10-12	Springfield	Illinois
60th	1941	Sept. 15-18	Columbus	Ohio
61st	1942	Sept. 15-17	Indianapolis	Indiana
62nd	1943	Sept. 20-23	Milwaukee	Wisconsin
63rd	1944	Sept. 12-14	Des Moines	Iowa
64th	1945	Oct. 1-4	Columbus	Ohio
65th	1946	Aug. 25-29	Indianapolis	Indiana
66th	1947	Aug. 10-14	Cleveland	Ohio

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