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THE COVER — These are the men and boys who fought The WAR — who have fought many wars since the birth of our nation. Whether he was G. I. Joe. Doughboy. Billy Yank or Johnny Reb there was little difference in each of him. From the cities, towns and villages; from the plains, mountains, coasts and the country he came to do his duty as he saw it. And if he didn't see it quickly enough, conscription and the draft left him not long in doubt.

But whoever he was, from wherever he came, whatever the year, down inside he was all the same, and experienced and shared the same problems, the same good and bad times, tasted the bitter and the sweet as those before and after him.

We hope they will give you cause for contemplation, and that you will find inspiration thereby.

# Patriotic Instructor's Message

Are You an Interested Member, or are you one that just pays dues and lets others do the work? These words have been spoken many times, but this always brings up the same old subject "If you believe in your ancestors, you will do the work they started out to do."

For Love of Country and Liberty, our forefathers accepted death and made immortal their patriotism and their virtue. This precious legacy of our forefathers shall go down to our children and to future generations, and they too shall rejoice in our heritage and in our proud memories.

To the brave men and women who so gallantly gave their last full measure, we owe our heritage too. In order to carry on this great heritage, it will take hard work and money. For this we have our Grand Army Memorial Fund to which you as a member so generously donate each year. This year as in past years, your National Patriotic Instructor would be pleased to read your name as one who has donated to help keep before the public the fine work of the SUVCW.

President Lincoln in his 2nd inaugural address said "Fondly do we hope—fervently do we pray that this mighty scourge of war may speedily pass away. With malice towards none; with charity for all; with firmness in the right, as God gives us to see the right, let us strive on to finish the work we are in."

With these thoughts in mind, let us strive to do all we can to support the 1963 G. A. R. Memorial Fund. Enclosed with this issue of The Banner is a convenient form for your use in making your contribution.

CLARK W. MELLOR National Patriotic Instructor 3 Ashton St., Worcester 5, Mass.

## Presentation at Fort Monroe

On March 16th the SUVCW and Auxiliary presented two new 50 Star U. S. Flags to the Fort Monroe Casemate Museum, Fort Monroe, Va., in honor of President Abraham Lincoln. The motorcade consisting of fourteen members of the two organizations was welcomed by Col. Roy F. Zinser, Commanding Officer, Fort Monroe, and Co-Chairman, Museum Committee. The flags, presented by Commander Shriver and President Stoudt replaced two 48 Star Flags presented to the Museum in 1955. At that time the delegation was headed by Maj. Gen. U. S. Grant 3rd and Mrs. Stoudt.

Dr. Chester D. Bradley. Co-Chairman and Curator of the Museum, in accepting the flags from Commander Shriver and Mrs. Stoudt, said, "You did well to come to Fort Monroe," reminding them of some of the major events which had occurred at Fort Monroe, a powerful Union base, during the Civil War. The speeches of Col. Zinser. Commander Shriver, Mrs. Stoudt and Dr. Bradley were delivered under a huge painting of Lincoln at Fort Monroe in 1862 when he directed the military and naval operations, which resulted in the fall of Norfolk. Va.

A heavy downpour of rain made it necessary to conduct the entire ceremony inside of the Casemate Museum. Consequently, the Fort Monroe Band, normally consisting of 50 pieces had to be reduced to 17 pieces in order to get it into the Museum. The detachment from the Honor Guard had to be greatly reduced in number for the same reason. The Fort Monroe Honor Guard is a crack formation whose function is to welcome foreign dignitaries and high officials from the



Shown above left to right: Dr. Chester D. Bradley, curator of the Fort Monroe museum; Col. Roy F. Zinser, Fort Monroe Post Commander; Commander-in-Chief Chester S. Shriver; and Mrs. Anna I. Stoudt, Auxiliary National President.

Pentagon. All military personnel present were clad in blue dress uniforms.

Immediately after the ceremony the Sons of Union Veterans motorcade left for Richmond under the guidance of Robert W. Waitt, Jr., Executive Secretary, Richmond Civil War Centennial Committee, who had arranged a series of special events including a cocktail party by the Richmond Civil War Centennial Committee. They were greeted by J. Ambler Johnson of the Committee, and noted authority on the Seven Days Battles. They visited the National Park Service Headquarters and on Sunday morning were taken on a bus tour of Richmond's points of Civil War interest.

# Colonel Clancy Honored

Col. Daniel Francis Clancy, P. D. C. of Ohio has been named as "Outstanding Northerner of the Civil War Centennial" in a citation from the Confederate High Command, signed by Gen. Donald A. Ramsay, Commanding. The citation lists his activities as organizing and commanding the Buckeye Blues Brigade. Elements of this brigade have participated in parades and battle reenactments in Ohio and other states, including commemorations at Philippi, W. Va., Manassas and Winchester, Va., as well as Antietam. Md. Col. Clancy has been named honorary Colonel by Governors of Kentucky, Louisiana and the Confederate High Command. He has also been honored by Governors of Texas, Oklahoma and Nebraska; and has been decorated by groups in Europe.

ERNEST G. WELLS, Chairman National Centennial Committee

# IN MEMORIAM

BERTRAND O. DeFOREST, SR. DIED FEBRUARY 9, 1963

Brother DeForest has served us conspicuously as National Graves Registration Officer for the last seventeen years, rendering valuable assistance in locating and marking Civil War Veteran graves.

A Past Department Commander of Connecticut, he will also be remembered for his column "O'er The Ramparts" which appeared for several years in The Banner. He served as National Patriotic Instructor in 1941-42 during the administration of P. C. in C. Albert C. Lambert.

He is survived by his wife, P. D. P. Mrs. Ella DeForest, and two sons, P. D. C. Bertrand O. DeForest, Jr. and P. D. C. Robert DeForest.

## HIS WORDS LIVE ON



April-June, 1963

A century ago witnessed the crucial year of the Civil War-a year that was marked by the Emancipation Proclamation and the decisive battles of Gettysburg. Vicksburg and Missionary Ridge.

In human, not military terms, one of the genuinely great developments was Lincoln's Gettysburg address on Nov. 19, 1863. Now that his 154th birthday anniversary has been observed, it might be well to recall some of the deathless words he uttered then. It is the closing words that speak directly to each new generation of Americans:

"... we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain — that this nation under God, shall have a new birth of freedom—and that government of the people, by the people, for the people, shall not perish from the earth."

Too often, too many of us tend to think that government exists

solely to coddle the people, forgetting that unless it is representative of all citizens and regulated by the people in their capacity as voters, it becomes a tyranny for the benefit of the few.

Again this year the Military Order of the Loyal Legion conducted an impressive ceremony at the Lincoln Monument in Washington. D. C. on February 12th. Color Guards, the United States Marine Band, and wreath laying featured the observance, at which Dr. Frederic Shriver Klein of Franklin & Marshall College, Lancaster, Pa. was the principal speaker.

Our National Colors were carried by a Color Guard from G Company, 6th Infantry Btn, Sons of Veterans Reserve from Harrisburg, Pa. Department Commander Arthur Glenum of Washington placed a wreath from our Order.

Following the ceremony a luncheon was held in the Secretarial Suite Dining Room of the State Department, which is on the top floor overlooking the Memorial.

# **GRAVE MARKING**

Due to the passing of our National Graves Registration Officer, Brother Bertrand O. DeForest, which I am sure we all regret, I have been appointed by our Commander-in-Chief to fill the unexpired term. I hereby solicit the assistance of each of the brothers in my efforts to have a successful report for the year. With Memorial Day fast approaching, I urge all Camp and Department Grave Registration Committees to renew their efforts to see that the resting place of all Veterans receive proper attention. See that there is a flag-marker there in good condition; make sure there is a headstone, or that one is applied for; check thoroughly for any necessary repairs needed on the grave and notify the proper authorities and assist in any way you can to see that it is taken care of. If you do not have a map or drawing of some kind of the location of the Veterans' graves in your cemeteries, see that something is done about this. Even a rude pencil outline will help those who have to take your place when you are no longer able to perform the duties of which you have been so proud. I also ask one more favor. If you have a Grave Registration Officer in your Department, then each Camp Committee please send their reports to him that he may forward his reports to me prior to the National Encampment. If there is not an appointee in your Department, then each Camp Committee please forward their reports to me. It is also beneficial to all concerned if I receive correspondence from time to time letting me know of your progress. At this time I wish to thank in advance any who may assist me in any way to carry out the duties of my office.

MAURICE J. WARNER National Graves Registration Officer

He who receives a benefit should never forget it; he who bestows should never remember it.

### MEMBERSHIP AWARD



This beautiful loving cup, donated by P. C. in C. U. S. Grant 3rd, will be awarded at the Florida Encampment to the Department showing the greatest percentage increase in membership for the fiscal year ending June 30. The cup will be kept for one year, and awarded each year to the winning Department. The Council of Administration will determine the winner and method of presentation

### THE FIRST MEMORIAL DAY

There seems to be considerable difference of opinion as to just where and when Memorial Day was first observed, but the weight of evidence indicates that it most certainly was in the South.

Brother Elmer P. Whittredge, who is Historian and Chaplain of Camp 81, Chelsea, Mass. is convinced that it was in Columbus, Mississippi on April 25, 1866, by a group of ladies lead by Martha Morton, whose brother Col. Whitfield Morton is buried there.

Mr. Howard K. Porter of Ridgewood. N. J. who is President of the N. J. Society Sons of the American Revolution, and who is married to Effie Gordon McDonald, who was born in Columbus, Georgia and was the daughter of Colonel and Mrs. Francis Gordon Wilkins, Colonel of the Georgia Militia. He contends that the first Memorial Day Observance was in Columbus, Georgia, and that those originating the plan were Mrs. Francis Gordon Wilkins, Mrs. John Tyler and he believes a Mrs. Wilkins.

We are indebted to Col. Allen P. Julian of Atlanta, Ga. for his views on the first Memorial Day. Col. Allen is a noted historian, and a member at large of our Order. His research indicates that a group of ladies in Columbus, Georgia formed the "Ladies Memorial Association" in the Spring of 1866, and that it was Mrs. Charles J. Williams, who, as secretary, published and helped to spread the Memorial Day idea, sending a beautiful letter to the press and to other women of the South on March 12, 1866. As a result of this action, April 26 (anniversary of the surrender of Gen. Joseph E. Johnston) was observed in several places in the South, notably Columbus, Miss., Columbus, Ga., and Atlanta, Ga.

Still another version of the first Memorial Day credits Sue Landon Vaughan of Jackson, Mississippi with holding the first ceremony there on April 26, 1865.



# General Orders No. 3 Series 1962-1963

Headquarters
COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF
Sons of Union Veterans
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Gettysburg, Pa.

April 1, 1963.

- 1. Official visitations during January included meetings in the Departments of California and Pacific, Oregon and Washington, Colorado and Wyoming and Iowa. Compliments must be given to these Departments for their many successful projects, especially the promotion and interest in the G.A.R. Highway (U. S. No. 6). Special thanks for the "Western Welcome" received in each Department.
- 2. With a deep feeling of sympathy, we announce the passing of Brother Bertrand O. DeForest Sr., National Graves Registration Officer. on February 9. Brother DeForest was dedicated and faithful in his services in his own Department of Connecticut, The New England Regional, and the National Organization. His service as Graves Registration Officer was outstanding. Our sympathy is extended to his widow and family.
- 3. Effective February 15, 1963, Brother Maurice J. Warner, Department of Maine, was appointed National Graves Registration Officer. Forward all information concerning markings and registering of graves to him at 822 Middle St., Bath, Maine.
- 4. Additional National Aide appointments: Eugene R. McCoy, Organizer of Camp 27, San Diego, Calif. John Gately of California for securing eight new members.
- 5. Lincoln's Birthday observances were held in many Camps during February with appropriate programs. Camps should now have planned for the observance of Appomattox Day with an outstanding speaker and service. Invite the public to attend and make this another important date on your calender of events.
- 6. Endorsement is needed by every Member, every Camp, and every Department of the following Resolutions:
- H. J. Resolution No. 4—House of Representatives, Washington, D. C.

"To adopt a specific version of the Star Spangled Banner as the National Anthem of the United States of America"

Write to: Representative Joel T. Broyhill 10th District—Virginia Washington 25, D. C.

S. J. Resolution No. 22—Senate of the United States, Washington, D. C.

"That November 19, the anniversary of Lincoln's Gettysburg Address, be designated in our calendar of special days, as Dedication Day and that the President of the United States annually proclaim this day as Dedication Day with the Address to be read in

schools and all public assemblages wherever the American Flag flies."

Write to: Hon. Kenneth B. Keating, United States Senate Washington 25, D. C.

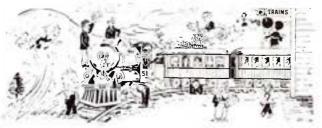
7. Congratulations to each Department Commander and his Staff of Officers as you meet in Encampment. Consider each phase of our program by promoting action for the Civil War Centennial, The G.A.R. Highway, Legislation, Americanism and Education. Encourage formation of Sons of Veterans Reserve Units. Forward information relative to any G.A.R. History to the National Committee. Also information pertaining to grave marking and registration to the National Graves Registration Officer for his annual report. Forward Camp and Department contributions to the National Patriotic Instructor for patriotic promotion of our Order.

Your Commander-in-Chief is making every effort to visit each Department and where conflictions exist on the same dates, special visits will be made.

8. Memorial Day 1963 is nearing and every member should do his part in participating in Camp services. Of all observances, Memorial Day is of greatest importance. Camps should coordinate plans with other Veteran Units for Church and ritualistic services. Advance planning is a necessity in securing prominent speakers and good publicity. Make Memorial Day, 1963 a patriotic day to remember in your community.

By order of Chester S. Shriver Commander-in-Chief

# MIAMI BOUND



# To National Encampment

Because of the heavy response to the article in the last issue of THE BANNER, it has been possible to establish fares and schedule for the Special Party that will travel to the National Encampment in August.

The following prices include all baggage handling, tips, transportation to and from railroad station and hotel, railroad fares and seat charges, from the time you step aboard the train until you are comfortably settled in your hotel room. The same applies to the return trip.

From	Fare	are Train Leaves Aug. 16		
Boston	\$90.00	8:00 A.M.		
Providence New Haven	90.00	8:54 A. M.		
New Haven	81.50	10:54 A. M.		
New York	75.00	2:30 P. M.		
Trenton	75.00	3:26 P. M.		
Philadelphia	69.00	4:08 P. M.		
Wilmington	69.00	4:37 P. M.		
Washington	57.00	6:55 P. M.		
Arrives Miami 4:10 P. M. Aug. 17.				

The above fares are for travel in coaches with the special party. It is unfortunate that group rates do not apply in

sleepers, therefore it is necessary to pay the regular round trip first class fare, plus berth charge for travel in sleepers. Rates will be furnished on application.

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The special party will travel on the Atlantic Coast Line, "East Coast Champion." leaving Boston on the N. H. Colonial and transferring to the Champion at Washington. Passengers between New York and Washington will board the Champion at their respective stations. A special car will be reserved on the Champion for our party.

It is essential that a deadline be set for reservations in order to make proper arrangements. Early reservations are always a help in planning a party of this kind. August 1st will be the last date that reservations can be accepted.

The Special Party will leave on August 16 arriving in Miami on August 17. Leave Miami Friday, August 23 at 9:00 A.M., arriving home the next day.

For delegates and friends in the Middle West, arrangements are being made to organize a group to travel on the Illinois Central "City of Miami" leaving Aug. 16 and returning leave Miami Aug. 24. We need a group of twenty, and have already had fourteen who have made inquiries.

Complete schedules will be mailed with confirmation of reservation or on request.

HENRY S. BOWEN, JR. Tour Conductor 8 Judson Street Beverly, Mass.

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# Department News



#### CALIFORNIA



Eugene R. McCoy (at right), Commander of Gen. Daniel McCoy Camp 27 of San Diego receives a Certificate of Merit from Commander-in-Chief Chester S. Shriver. The citation presented for efforts in the organization of the San Diego Camp, was presented during the official visitation made by the Commander-in-Chief on January 14th.

District Meeting No. 2 was held in Patriotic Hall, Los Angeles, on March 18th with Rosecrans Camp and Auxiliary as hosts. A Pot Luck dinner was served.



invites you to attend the

# **National Encampments**

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Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic



#### COLORADO

The Acacia Hotel in Colorado Springs was the scene of the official visitation and reception to Commander-in-Chief Chester S. Shriver and National President Mrs. Anna I. Stoudt on January 21st. Several members from Pueblo joined the local group in entertaining the visitors. They also were taken for a sightseeing tour of Colorado Springs and Manitou Springs by Erother and Sister A. G. Myers before leaving for Des Moines, lowa. Those attending from Pueblo included Dept. Pres. Nellie Morris. Dept. Secy. Louella V. Holmes, Vice Pres. Clara Savage, and P. D. C. Wilson Savage.

Sister Morris and Sister Holmes also attended the funeral of P. D. P. Sister B. Lee on Jan. 30th.

#### CONNECTICUT

The Department was shocked by the sudden death of P. D. C. Bertrand O. DeForest, Sr., on Feb. 10. Bro. DeForest who had been in poor health for the past few years was long an active member. Services were held in the Derby Congregational Church where he had been Sunday School Superintendent. Parish Clerk, and a Deacon. Bearers were members of Wooster Russell Camp No. 22 of Derby. Our sincere sympathy goes to members of his fine family.

Members representing Camps from Hartford, Bristol, East Haven and New Haven enjoyed a fine turkey supper prepared by the Rockville Auxiliary at their annual Lincoln observance. Officers present included Commander and Mrs. Leon Crocker, Russell Lawrence, James Ledwith, Allen Spink, C. Brown Newton and Robert Daniels. During the fine program the Auxiliary presented an American Flag to Explorer Post 82. P. D. C. C. Brown Newton showed color slides of his trip to Washington, D. C.

#### ILLINOIS

CHICAGO — On Nov. 13 the G. A. R. Memorial Assoc. of Cook County conducted services in Memorial Hall, Chicago Public Library. Participating were SUVCW, DUVCW, Disabled American Veterans, Veterans of Foreign Wars, United Spanish War Veterans and Aux., AMVETS, The American Legion, and The Jewish War Veterans. The tribute of the City of Chicago was given by Hon. Richard J. Daley, Mayor. P. D. C. Alexander J. Levy gave Lincoln's Gettysburg Address. Other tributes were paid by Brooks Davis of Custer Camp No. 1: P. D. C. Charles A. Brady, Jr.; Emma Cadieux, PNP, DUVCW: Gertrude McCarthy, Dept. Treas. DUVCW; Mary Tully, Dept. Sr. Vice Pres. DUVCW and many others.

Miner T. Coburn was elected a vice president of the Illinois State Historical Society last fall. Bro. Coburn, who teaches history at New Trier High School in Winnetka, is the sponsor of a Civil War Round Table organized by his students. He reports enthusiasm runs surprisingly high.

Custer Camp No. 1 and its Auxiliary sponsored their sixth annual Lincoln Day Dinner at the Park East Hotel, Chicago. Grace Northam, Gladys O'Connor and Lovina Lorah were chairmen of the committees. The speaker was Mr. Philip R. Davis. attorney, member of the Chicago Civil War Round Table and a Lincoln student. The Camp is happy to welcome new members, Roderick Van Trump Sr., Roderick Van Trump Jr., Richard John Van Trump, Melvin L. Kurtz and John T. Althouse, the latter a resident of St. Joseph, Missouri.

Television viewers in the Chicago area may have seen the presentation on Feb. 5 and again on Feb. 12 of "They Live with Lincoln" which featured PDC Geo. L. Cashman and his wife Dorothy in their home and in the Tomb of Abraham Lincoln. Many of the people who saw the program have written fan letters to the Cashmans, and Dorothy has been quite busy acknowledging this mail. The program can be presented in other areas on the ABC Network if requests are received by Station WBKB in Chicago from any ABC Station.

The Department was saddened by the death on Feb. 24 of PDC Arthur D. Rhinesmith at the Illinois Masonic Home. A close friend of the late P. C. in C. Richard F. Locke, Bro. Rhinesmith was buried at Peoria. Also by the death on March 8th of Department President Mrs. Sadie Keefer of Melrose Park. The Auxiliary held services for Sister Keefer on March 10th.

#### INDIANA

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#### CENTENNIAL PROJECT



A marker was dedicated in Centerville on Sept. 23. Shown above left to right: Harry G. Golden, Member Wayne County Civil War Centennial Committee; Argus E. Ogborn, P.D.C. and a member of the Committee; Stanley W. Ogborn, in charge of program distribution; Lawrence Porter, and Frank Summers, both members of the Centennial Committee.

INDIANAPOLIS — The January meeting of Ben Harrison Camp 356 featured movies developed from Civil War slides, shown by an officer of the U. S. Army, along with movies of the life of Nurse Clara Barton. During the coming summer, the Indiana Civil War Centennial Commission will sponsor a program marking the grave of Sgt. Mitchell, who found battle plans of the Confederate Army in a cigar carrier. Marion County Civil War Centennial Commission and Camp 356 sponsored a marker dedication service at Camp Morton recently. This was a prison camp and training camp in Indianapolis.

#### IOWA

In bitterly cold, below zero weather, the Iowa Department honored Commander-in-Chief Chester Shriver and National President Mrs, Anna I. Stoudt with a dinner and reception at Younker's Tea Room, in Des Moines on January 23rd, with a good attendance. Judge Ray Harrison, the speaker of the evening is internationally known for his work with Alcoholic Anonymous. The Y.M.C.A. Boys Chorus and Bell Ringers were outstanding, ending their program with a fine rendition of the Battle Hymn of the Republic. The guests were taken on a tour of the city by Roy Bennett, Willma L. Combs, Bro. L. K. Boutin and Dept. Pres. Blanche R. Risher. A noon luncheon at the Hotel Kirkwood was sponsored by G. M. Dodge, Camp 75.

#### HIGHWAY COMMITTEE CONFERENCE



Shown left to right: P.D.C. Laurence K. Boutin, Commander-in-Chief Shriver, and P. C. in C. Roy J. Bennett, as they review progress and plans for the G.A.R. Highway Committee at the Jan. 23 meeting in Des Moines. Boutin is Chairman of the National G.A.R. Highway Committee.

#### PENNSYLVANIA

FLAG PRESENTATION



At the Harrisburg Lincoln Banquet on Feb. 2nd, P.D.C. Frank Heacock Sr. (shown at right) presented a new 50 Star American Flag to Commander-in-Chief Shriver (shown at left), in memory of Past Commander-in-Chief John H. Runkle. Sr. Vice Dept. Commander Stark (in uniform) carried the colors and is holding them for the presentation. The flag is a gift to the Commandery-in-Chief from "Friends of P. C. in C. Runkle."

The annual Lincoln Banquet at Pittsburgh was held on February 9th at which time Hon. Wm. D. McClelland, Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners was the principal speaker.

The 31st annual Appomattox Banquet will be held Apr. 6 at 6:30 P.M. in the Hotel Abraham Lincoln in Reading. There will be a good speaker, fine entertainment and the presentation of Meade Camp's annual "Good Citizen Award." Reservations at \$4.00 should be made to Mrs. Mae E. Feick, 20th & Fairview Ave., Reading.

Sons of Veterans Club of Philadelphia recently elected the following officers: President Walter Myers, Vice-Pres. Frank M. Heacock Jr., Secretary Frank M. Heacock Sr., and Treasurer Charles H. Dern.

#### MAINE

Joshua L. Chamberlain Aux. 35 held their Installation in January with P.D.P. Hilda York as Installing Officer. The new President is Arline Kneeland of South Paris. Our special guest was Brother York along with several members of the Camp. A lovely gift was presented to the Installing Officer, who in turn presented her Chaplain and Guide a gift. A delicious lunch was served and a social hour enjoyed.

Col. Clarence E. Young, Commanding Officer, 1st Military District has assigned the 12th Infantry Battalion SVR to the State of Maine, which later he redesignated as the 12th Ranger (Inf.) Bn. He has appointed Dept. Sr. Vice Commdr. Lester D. Nadeau to his staff with the rank of 1st Lieut. Nadeau will be Assistant District Recruiting Officer and Commanding Officer, 12th Ranger Bn.

#### MARYLAND

Due to the resignation of Department Commander Col. Michael Casey, the Department Council has elected Brother Arthur R. Glenum of Washington, D. C. to complete the unexpired term. Commander Glenum represented Commander in-Chief Shriver at the seminar and banquet of the Coalition of Patriotic Societies held Jan. 31 in the Mayflower Hotel, Washington.

#### MASSACHUSETTS

Many members and friends attended rites for Carder (Tiny) Perkins, whose funeral occurred March 15. Ritual ceremony was conducted by Comdr. John L. Day of Charles Russell Lowell Camp 9, Dept. Comdr. Wells and other Camp members and Department Officers.

# Carder A. Perkins

Past Department Commander
Former Jr. Vice Commander-in-Chief
March 13, 1963

G.A.R. Affiliated Groups joined with the City of Boston on Feb. 12 for annual exercises at Emancipation Statue, Park Square, with the Past Commanders and Past Presidents Associations as chief sponsors. Wm. O. Fuller was M.C. and Herbert L. Jackson. City of Malden Councilman was guest speaker. City greeter, Robert B. DiSimone represented Mayor John F. Collins. Dept. Commdr. Wells and several others were speakers. Wreaths were placed.

Hanson Auxiliary observed their 60th anniversary in a Kingston Inn with 60 present. Mrs. Mary C. Sampson was chairman and guests included Dept. Comdr. Wells, Dept. Pres. Gladys Loomer and National Officers Allen Howland, Clark Mellor and Marguerite Mitcheson. Mrs. Blanche F. Crocker, P.D.P. is a charter member.

Brockton Auxiliary noted their 70th anniversary with a semi-private party. Mrs. Bessie T. Drown, Aux. Treas. and member of Dept. Council was a special guest. "Larry" Jones, Pres. Plymouth County Assoc., P.D.C. Haskell and Drown, PNP Maude B. Warren attended. Mrs. Arleene lervolino presided.

Massachusetts was host to New England Regional Assoc. and Auxiliary in the Hotel Bradford, Boston. Plans were formulated for participation in the conclave of State Civil War Centennial Commissions in May. Arthur L. Ballou of Vermont and Mrs. Kate Dewey Heiman, Mass. presided. Appropriate tribute was paid to Bertram O. DeForest of Conn. who before his recent death was the Senior Past Commander of the Regional Association.

New Bedford Camp 35 and Auxiliary 1 held joint installation of officers at which time Mrs. Jessie Wells installed auxiliary officers with Dorothy L. Hammond as the new President. Officers of Camp 35 were installed by William Haskell of Brockton, with Raymond Morse as the new Camp Commander. Guests included many Department and National Officers. The Auxiliary bazaar was held Dec. 11 at Carpenters Hall, with Mrs. Jenney as chairman.

#### NEW HAMPSHIRE

On Oct. 7 a District Meeting was held in Keene. In spite of inclement weather the meeting was well attended by both the Sons and Aux. members. The ritualistic work was done by a very efficient team, on which every Auxiliary in the Department was represented.

Past Commander-in-Chief Cleon E. Heald of Keene has been elected to the General Court of New Hampshire, and will be attending sessions from January until June.

#### NEW JERSEY

As hosts at the National Encampment to be held in Miami Beach. we are busily planning several special events. The N. J. Dept. Aux. has appropriated a substantial donation for use of the committee. The N. J. Dept. Sons appropriation has been underwritten by the following sponsors: Trenton Camp No. 4, Trenton Camp No. 5, Bloomfield Camp No. 12, Red Bank Camp No. 16 and Union City Camp No. 32. Also, Dr. Karl Rothschild, Wm. W. Vanderhoof, Alton Sharp, Percy Davenport, Eugene Patten, Wm. B. Wharton, Fred H. Combs Sr., Fred H. Combs Jr., Andrew Richardson, Frank Daubert, Wm. G. Simpson, Richard Kucker, Robert L. Gerke Sr., George Satterthwaite, Albert C. Lambert, Albert W. Lambert, and Frank L. Clark.

The 57th annual Lincoln Banquet held by Garfield Camp 4 and Aux. 18 of Trenton was held Feb. 8 in the Hotel Stacy-Trent with the Rev. Jay K. Helms as principal speaker. Dept. Commdr. Gerke and Dept. Pres. Gertrude Deckenback were among the large attendance of officers and members from all parts of the state.

The Spring dinner-meeting of the New Jersey State Camp will be held on April 27 at the Log Cabin Inn, New Brunswick at which time the speaker will be Judge William Beard. Judge Beard is a Past Commander-in-Chief of the Sons of Confederate War Veterans, and will have as his subject, Gen. Geo. B. McClellan.

The N. J. Department Auxiliary recently made contributions to two worthy charities. Department President Mrs. Gertrude Deckenback presented a \$75.00 check to the Kessler Institute for Rehabilitation in West Orange, and Department Patriotic Instructor Mrs. Irene Lambert gave a similar check

to the Union Industrial Home for children in Trenton.
Natl. Secy-Treas. Albert C. Lambert will be the Toastmaster at a Testimonial Dinner in honor of Ladies of the G.A.R. National President Mrs. Marian K. Leach at the Plaza Motor Club Hotel in Camden. N. J. on April 20th. The affair is being sponsored by Wm. B. Hatch Circle No. 2 of Camden.

#### NEW YORK

ROCHESTER-The annual "Transfer of Flags" ceremony instigated by the G.A.R. in 1889 and carried on by Henry Lomb Camp 6 was held Feb. 10 for the 74th time. Grover C. Scott represented the SUVCW in cooperation with the Rochester Public Schools. Bronze medals were presented by the Bausch and Lomb Optical firm of which Capt. Henry Lomb of Civil War fame was a co-founder. The camp now is a consolidation of three Camps and is named Glidden-Pierce-Lomb Camp. Commander Raymond Hightree was also on the committee on arrangements.

> SONS OF UNION VETERANS AROUSE TOLL THE BELLS AND FURL THE FLAGS ON MEMORIAL DAY

RING THE BELLS AND UNFURL (WAVE) THE FLAGS ON INDEPENDENCE DAY

This is suggested as a SLOGAN by Camps, Departments, and National in Memory of the Union Soldiers and G.A.R. Veterans.

On Memorial Day at 12 noon toll bells: 1 pause, 8 pause, 6 pause, 3 pause (in memory of Gettysburg).

At 12 noon on July 4th, Ring the Bells for Freedom.

GROVER C. SCOTT

#### OHIO

#### - IN MEMORIAM -Department Secretary-Treasurer William A. Selz Died February 12, 1963

Bro. Selz joined our Order in the Spring of 1912. Always an active and interested member, he served his Camp through various offices, including that of Commander.

Because of his deep and abiding interest, and his active participation in organizing new Camps, he was elected to the highest office that the Department can bestow, that of Department Commander. After a successful year, he served several years as a member of Department Council. When a vacancy occurred, he was elected to the office of Department Secretary-Treasurer, which office he held until his death. spring it was my privilege to present him with his 50 Year Badge. His deep and sincere loyalty and untiring efforts in the work of our Order will long be remembered.

> WILLIAM F. POWERS Department Commander

ALLIANCE-Camp 91 held their Annual Lincoln Banquet with State Repr. James Thorp as principal speaker. Dept. Commdr. W. F. Powers and wife were present from Dayton, as well as Bros. Clyde Neff and Howard Sprague from Mansfield.

SALEM-The Camp held their Lincoln Banquet on Feb. 12 with W. H. Weir as the speaker.

'The Camps at Dayton and Cleveland observed Lincoln's Birthday with banquets. A good attendance was present at all the banquets.

MANSFIELD - Classes of candidates were received recently, and a Joint Installation was held with the Auxiliary. In March the play "Drummer Boy of Shiloh" was presented by local talent.

Dept. Commander Wm. F. Powers and Dept. Pres. Mrs. Marjorie M. Grate contacted twelve radio stations in the state requesting that they play Civil War songs and read the Gettysburg Address on Nov. 19th. This was done and announced that it was requested by the SUVCW and Aux.

May 1st will be Allied Orders of the G.A.R. Day at the tate Legislature. This was arranged by Dept. Pres. Mar-State Legislature. jorie Grate.

Col. Warfield W. Dorsey and his Mount Vernon Fife and Drum Corps will fly to Pea Ridge, Arkansas for Memorial Day and will return to play at Delaware, Ohio that evening. On the evening of June 20, they will entertain the Department Encampment in Columbus. On June 21st, at Maumee, Ohio, a concert will be given, and on the next day they will participate in a parade in observance of that city's 125th anniversary. Col. Dorsey and his fine group have been invited to lead the Grand Parade in May, 1965 in Washington, D. C. as a climax to the Civil War Centennial.

#### OREGON & WASHINGTON

Oscar A. Hummel, a long time member of Owen Summers Camp at Portland, Ore. passed away on Jan. 18. SUVCW grave side services were led by his son-in-law George Harriman, P.D.C.

#### RHODE ISLAND

The annual Lincoln Banquet sponsored by the Grand Army Family was held in Providence on Feb. 9 with guests present from Mass. and Conn. Jr. Vice C. in C. Howland extended greetings of the National Organization, and Margaret Micheson, National Press Corr. represented the National Auxiliary. Other guests included Natl. Patr. Instr. Clark Mellor, Dept. Commdr. Ernest Wells of Mass. and Dept. Pres. of Mass. Gladys Loomer. The Life of Lincoln was given by Past National Presidents Jennie Moriarity of the DUVCW, Mabel S. Taylor of the Ladies of the GAR, Bessie K. Coughlin of the W.R.C. and Past C. in C. H. E. Arnold. Rep. Eugene F. Cocrahn, a member of the R. I. Legislature was the principal speaker. The committee was composed of Laura I. Smith, George A. Strait, Mabel Taylor and Bessie Coughlin,

We regret to announce that P.D.C. A. Walter Lewis Sr. who

served 1938-39 passed away on Dec. 10, 1962.

WANTED-P. C. in C. Arnold would like G.A.R. Encampment badges to fill out a complete collection. He has duplicates which he will trade for missing badges.

At the December meeting of the Providence Auxiliary, a surprise birthday party was held for Sister Laura Smith in honor of her 90th birthday. She is still very active and attends all meetings.

#### VERMONT

The Green Mountains Patriotic, a bi-monthly bulletin issued by the Vermont Department keeps members informed of events in every part of Vermont. We compliment them on this excellent publication.

Editor's Note

BELLOWS FALLS-Camp 91 meets twice monthly on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday. The Camp will host District No. 5 some time during March.

GREEN MOUNTAINS CAMP 1-Our first quarterly meeting was held Saturday afternoon. Feb. 9 in Brattleboro, with Commander Alaric Nichols presiding. New officers were elected with Howard Reed being the new Commander.

BRATTLEBORO-Our annual Christmas party was held Dec. 18 at the home of Archie and Marion Aldrich at which time bingo and cards were enjoyed. Gifts were exchanged and refreshments were served.

#### 1963 DEPARTMENT ENCAMPMENTS

DEPARTMENT	PLACE	DATE	HOTEL
California	Long Beach	May 3-5	Lafayette
Colorado	Maniton Springs	June 9-11	Cliff House
Connecticut	New Britain	Apr. 20-22	Burritt
Illinois	Peorin	June 11-16	Jefferson
Indiana	Indianapolis	June 8-9	Washington
lowa	Mason City	June 21-22	Hanford
Kansas	Newton	Apr. 28-29	Ripley
Maine	Waterville	June 14-15	Elmwood
Maryland	Wilmington, Del.	May 10-11	Dupont
Mussichusetts	Buston	Apr. 26-28	Bradford
Michigan	Grand Rapids	June 11-13	Pantlind
Minnesota	Minneapolis	June 8	G.A.R. Hall— Clty Hall
New Hampshire	Concord	May 3-4	Highway Hotel
New Jersey	Asbury Park	June 14-15	Berkeley-Carteret
New York	Rochester	June 26-29	Powers
Ohio	Columbus	June 20-22	Fort Hayes
Ore, & Wash.	Eugene	June 9-11	Engene
Pennsylvania	Hazleton	Wk. of June 16	Altument
Rhode Island	Providence	Apr. 12-13	Sheraton-Biltmore
Vermont	Burlington	June 20-22	Vermont
Wisconsin	Wankesha	June 15-16	Motor Hotel