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Gen. Ulysses S. Grant, Commander-in-Chief of the Union Army in the Civil War and 18th President of the United States was born on Apr. 27, 1822 at Pt. Pleasant, Ohio.

The Sesquicentennial of his birth will be noted on May 7 at Mt. McGregor, N. Y., where he died. These annual services have been conducted by the New York Dept. for the past fifty years, and prior to that by members of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Jerome L. Orton, Dept. Chaplain is arranging the program which will include participation of many other patriotic organizations.

The service takes place on the front lawn and porch of the Grant Cottage. From here it is only a three minute walk to "Grant's Lookout" where a new flag will be raised where it can be seen all over the valley. On a clear day, the mountains of Vermont can easily be seen from this point, over fifty miles distant.

The New York Department, Sons and Auxiliary will also conduct their annual services at the Grant Tomb on Riverside Drive, New York City, on Sunday, April 30th at 2 P.M. Memorial wreaths will be placed by both groups.

Following the service, dinner will be served at Stouffer's Restaurant, 866 Fifth Ave. This will be followed by a reception to Department and National Officers. Past Natl. Pres. Edith Paulding is chairlady of this year's observance.



General Ulysses S. Grant Brady photo

Sesquicentennial



Grant's Boyhood Home
1823 - 1839
Georgetown, Ohio



Grant Cottage
Where he died 1885
Mt. McGregor, N. Y.

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1. Now that the winter is almost over, let us all come out of hibernation and become more active in the affairs of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.
2. During our trip to the West Coast we were treated royally by members of the Sons and Auxiliary, and also by all of the Allied Orders. I would especially like to thank P.N.P. Bea Riggs, who was really the "hostess with the mostest". Also contributing to our enjoyable trip were Dept. Commander and Mrs. Harold Rogers and Sr. Vice Commander Chester Butler.
3. While in Southern California, we were shocked and saddened to hear that Past Commander-in-Chief Frank Woerner had suffered a stroke while backing out of his driveway and had to be rushed to the hospital. Although at first he seemed to be recovering, we have since learned that he had another stroke and has passed away. He will be sorely missed by members of the California Department.
4. ALL CAMPS WILL DRAPE THEIR CHARTERS IN MEMORY OF P. C. IN C. FRANK WOERNER. We of the National Organization extend our Deepest Sympathy to his family and to the Dept. of California & Pacific.
5. Arriving in San Francisco, we were met by Ken and Dorothy Greeley and P.N.P. Lenore Glass. We were treated like members of the family while staying at the Greeley's, and I was especially pleased to learn that Ken Greeley is also a retired military man. Since this was my first trip to California since 1933, I found it very interesting as there have been a lot of changes since then.
6. Upon our arrival in Portland, Oregon, we were met by Dept. Commander and Mrs. George Harriman, and Lew McKee, the Dept. Secy. While there, we were taken to see some very exciting wrestling matches, by Rusty Hanson and his wife, Bonnie. The Dept. of Oregon & Washington is one of the most active we have and both the Sons and Auxiliary have a great many young members. We had the pleasure of installing the Camp and Auxiliary Officers while we were there.
7. At the Dinner held in our honor, I was very pleased and surprised to be made an honorary member of the Oregon Blues Brigade, one of the most active units of our Sons of Veterans Reserve. I have heard many good reports of this unit.
8. During the month of February, I attended several Lincoln Dinners, and on the 12th I had the honor and privilege of placing the wreath for the National Organization at the Lincoln Memorial in Washington, D. C. at the ceremony conducted by the Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States. This was very impressive and one of the highlights of my year as Commander.
9. Department Encampments will start during the month of April, and I would like to express my thanks to all Department Officers who have served during the past year, and to the newly elected officers, my sincere congratulations and my wish for a successful and productive year.
10. Camp Secretaries, don't forget to inform me when any of your members have secured five or more new members for your Camp, so they may be designated as a National Aide. I am sure that many members are entitled but I MUST KNOW ABOUT IT.
11. Remember to contribute to your Natl. Patr. Instr. Fund. This fund supports all of our Patriotic work. This is one of our most important offices and needs your support.
12. Memorial Day will soon be here and all members of our organization are expected to take part in services on that day, either with their own camp or with other Patriotic Organizations.
13. The Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War is what YOU make it, so instead of complaining about what other members do, vow to take an active part in YOUR CAMP, YOUR DEPARTMENT, and in the National Organization. Only in this way can you be sure that you are doing your duty.

NORMAN R. FURMAN, Commander-in-Chief

THE MILITARY ORDER OF THE LOYAL
LEGION OF THE UNITED STATES

Established April 15, 1865 (the day Pres. Lincoln died) is comprised of descendants of Commissioned Officers of the Union Army, 1861-1865.

Seven Presidents of the U.S.A. have been members; several were made honorary members, as was Pres. Benito Juarez of Mexico, while in exile in 1865.

Membership information is available from National Headquarters, Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the U. S., 1805 Pine Street, Phila., Pa. 19103.

T A P S

FRANK WOERNER
California Department



COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF 1966
Died Feb. 25, 1972

"Rest in Peace"



50th Anniversary
of the
Dedication
of the
Lincoln Memorial
1922 - 1972

On February 12, 1972 the Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States commemorated the birth of Abraham Lincoln at the Lincoln Monument in Washington, D. C. The weather was clear and cool and a larger crowd than usual was present.

Wreaths were placed by our Commander-in-Chief, Norman R. Furman, and Auxiliary Natl. President Mrs. Agnes Davis, shown above with our Color Guard. Our colors were carried by the 11th Penna. Vol. Inf. SVR from Gettysburg, Lt. Donald Schmitt, Cmdg.

Many members were present from Lincoln Cushing Camp including Doren Vest, John Palsgrove and Brother McCarthy. Also present were Natl. Secy-Treas. Shriver, Charles A. Brady Jr. and mother from Chicago, Wm. Duvall from Cincinnati, James Ledwith from Connecticut, and Elton Koch, Ivan Frantz Jr. and others from Pennsylvania.

Music was furnished by the United States Navy Band. Hon. Robert McClory, 12th District of Illinois represented President Nixon and delivered his message.

ABOUT AMNESTY

General Robert E. Lee never had his United States Citizenship restored following the Civil War in spite of the fact that he reportedly (National Observer, May 10, 1971) signed a document promising to support and defend the Constitution of the United States, and abide by and faithfully support all laws and proclamations. Would the present crop of deserters and draft dodgers sign such a statement, and mean it?

The war in Vietnam raised many moral questions for all of us. To some, the answer to that question was to leave the country. They must understand this has serious and long-range consequences. It was their choice. No man can leave his country and then expect to return when the heat is off.

Putting deserters and draft dodgers in prison when they return is too simple an answer. A bill before Congress provides for alternative forms of service for draft evaders who return. This is closer to a constructive solution.

The whole question of amnesty, however, should be delayed until such time as all of our troops and all of our imprisoned men are returned. Even then, prior concern should be shown for the wounded and misplaced loyal Americans than for amnesty to others.

THE BANNER

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All items for publication must be received by the 15th day of December, March, June and September.

All members receive The Banner without charge. Other interested persons can subscribe at the rate of \$1.00 yearly. All subscriptions expire on the first day of each year.

Albert C. Lambert, Editor, P. O. Box 457, Trenton, N. J. 08603.

ONE WORE BLUE---ONE WORE GREY



Thomas J. Crittenden
Union Major General



George B. Crittenden
Confederate Major General

Two sons of John J. Crittenden, one of the U. S. Senators from Kentucky, who strove for compromise during the Civil War were generals on opposing sides. This was but one of many house-divided situations.

THIRD ANNUAL S.V.R. NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT
LANCASTER, OHIO

SCHEDULE

Friday June 30, 1972

Stake out encampment area per Union and Confederate Units for all SVR, ANV, and other troops.

Saturday July 1, 1972

0700 Reveille
0800 Colors (all troops, bulletins will be read and posted for the day)
0900 Shooting matches
1200 Lunch
1330 Formation of parade at Fairgrounds and North High St. proceed South to Main St. down past the Sherman Home with a Gun Salute by Union Troops. Then proceed up North Broad St. back to the Fairgrounds
1530 All participants and their families gather at the grandstand for awards to:
The Best Dressed Soldier
The Best Street Dress
The Best Dressed Childred (3 Classes) -- 3 to 6 yrs
6 to 9 yrs
9 to 12 yrs

1630 1862 Manual of Arms and Drill Competition
1715 Tug of war between the North and South
1800 Supper
1915 Retreat (Announce the time and Place of the Blue Gray Ball.)
2200 Blue Gray Ball also Ball Gown Competition

Sunday July 2, 1972

0700 Reveille
0800 Colors (all troops, bulletins will be read and posted for the day)
0900 Church services
1100 Officers call and powder rations
1200 Lunch
1300 All units prepare for arms inspection
1400 Commence battle re-enactment of Peach Tree Creek
1600 Retreat
1615 Gun salute North and South
1620 Formation for pass in review
1645 Awarding of battle ribbons

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

LTC Jerry L. Wolford
105 E. State St., Salem, Ohio 44460

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO
CONSTITUTION

For consideration of the
91st National Encampment
at Phila., Pa.

ARTICLE 3-Eligibility-Page 2

Change the last word in line two to read "fourteen" instead of "sixteen", so that it shall read:

All male descendents, whether through the paternal or maternal line, not less than fourteen years of age, etc.

SUBMITTED BY OHIO DEPARTMENT

THE LEGISLATIVE REPORT

Wisconsin has taken a step closer to approving the "Monday Holiday Bill" and bringing the Badger State into line with federal law. On Jan. 20 the Senate voted 24 to 7 to change the dates of observance of five dates on the patriotic calendar including Memorial Day and Veterans Day. On Feb. 2 an assembly committee recommended passage of the Senate-passed measure. An amendment has since been offered to retain the observance of Memorial Day and Veterans Day on their traditional dates. The bill will soon be scheduled for floor debate as economic interests are pushing for quick enactment of this measure. Last year the Assembly voted decisively to remove Memorial Day and Veterans Day from the provisions of a similar bill.

As yet no hearings have been scheduled in either house of Congress relative to the Antietam Battleground Preservation Bills, S 1525 and HR 7613. Rep. Goodloe Byron of Maryland, sponsor of HR 7613 reports that the National Park Service has taken one private developer to court in an effort to block residential development in the area adjacent to the historic battlefield.

Defense spending promises to continue as an issue in this session of Congress. In his State of the Union Message, President Nixon requested a modest increase of \$700 million in defense appropriation for the fiscal year beginning July 1. In addition he requested \$6.9 billion to be spread over future years for purposes of conducting research and development on defense needs. In the face of an increasing Soviet threat, the President would earmark the largest share of the Defense Department Budget to the Navy for the procurement of new warships, aircraft and missiles.

Washington columnist Willard Edwards recently reported that a concerned Chicagoan obtained little satisfaction on a trip to the Nation's Capitol. He had gone to Washington to protest the display of the flag at half staff by some individuals in apparent violation of federal law. Neither the White House nor the office of his Senators and Representatives appeared to share his degree of concern. Edwards observed, "As he poured out his feelings, he appeared to symbolize the plight of the lone citizen - devoid of political influence, lacking an introduction from someone of influence - who seeks to get a hearing in Washington."

Perhaps had he espoused a radical cause, he would have had at least free television coverage on the evening news.

Thomas L. W. Johnson, Chairman



Department
News



CONNECTICUT Dept. Officers were guests at an open installation of Aux 20 in East Hampton on Jan. 15. A planned visit of Natl. Pres. Agnes Davis to a Washington-Lincoln celebration in Rockville on Feb. 19 was cancelled because of a severe storm. P.D.C. Robt. E. Daniels Sr., a member of Dept. Council passed away suddenly on Feb. 16. Our new Dept. Secy-Treas. is Frank W. Squier Sr. 29 Summit St., East Hampton, Conn. 06424.

INDIANA Morgan Raid Camp held a dinner on Feb. 15 in South Decatur with 69 present. The Camp is saddened by the death of Herman Lankeau, our first Commander. James E. Halberstadt Jr is the new Commander.

MAINE Commander-in-Chief Furman and Natl. Pres. Agnes Davis made their official visits to Maine during the New England Regional held March 18-19 in Portland at the Sheraton-Eastland Motor Inn. Our Dept. Encampment will be held at the same place on June 9-11. Mrs. Susie Renell has been installed as Pres. of Shepley Aux. This Camp and Aux will celebrate their 85th anniversary later this year.

MICHIGAN We regret to report the death of P.D.C. Stanley Cline Barker on Feb. 18th. He was devoted to his country, his community and his family, and will be greatly missed.

NEW HAMPSHIRE Extends sympathy to the family of the late PDP Mae Marsh and to PDP Ethel Griffin in the loss of her daughter. PDP Bertha Goodnow has suffered a fractured hip and is in the Manor Nursing Home, Keene.

NEW JERSEY Circumstances beyond our control have forced us to change the location for our Department Encampment. It will be held June 9-10 in the beautiful Beacon Manor Hotel & Motel, Ocean Ave., Pt. Pleasant Beach, N. J. Beacon Manor with it's private beach and swimming pool and excellent cuisine is air conditioned and 100% fire proof. Our State Camp Spring Dinner meeting will be held Apr. 22 in the University Room of Nassau Inn, Princeton.

NEW YORK Florence R. Parsons, 1 Hawley Terrace, Yonkers, N. Y. is accepting Booster donations for the program at the Grant Tomb. Individual Boosters are \$1.00, Camp, Aux. or group at \$3.00, and Special Listing at \$5.00. Paul Furst is Chairman for the Sons committee, and Edith Paulding is Chairlady for the Auxiliary.

OREGON & WASHINGTON Has been active with inspections, luncheons and visitations. All Camps and Auxiliaries were present at a Testimonial Luncheon honoring Commander-in-Chief Furman and Natl. Pres. Mrs. Davis on Jan. 23. The SVR were present in blue uniforms and conferred honorary membership on Commander Furman. At a meeting on Jan. 24 of the Portland Camp and Aux., Natl. Pres. Agnes Davis was made a queen of the Rose City, and presented with traditional bouquet of roses. We are sorry to report the death of Jr. Vice Comdr. John Mikekel, age 93, during February. This leaves but three actual Sons in Camp 17, namely Roy Morse, Charles Hansen and C. S. Merydith.

PENNSYLVANIA The annual Appomattox Dinner was held April 8th in Reading by the Allied Orders of the G.A.R. On Feb. 10, the Carlisle Camp hosted the Golden Anniversary of their Aux. with a dinner at the Bellaire House, at which time Aux. Pres. Mary Butterfield presented 50 year pins to two Charter Members, Mrs. Ella Ruggles and Mrs. Grace Hooper. Commander Ralph Peiper welcomed the guests; Lester Kerns, P.C. was Toastmaster; and Kent Ruhl, P.C. gave the invocation.

RHODE ISLAND Gus and Gertrude Peterson celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary at a dinner party on Jan 22 with 115 guests and family. Wallace and Mae Macomber celebrated their 25th Wedding Anniversary with a reception on Jan 30 with 95 guests. Congratulations to the brides and grooms.

WISCONSIN Address change--Dept. Secy-Treas. Edw. E. Biering, 335 E. Rosedale, Milwaukee Wisc 53207

SONS OF VETERANS RESERVE On May 26-29 the SVR and the Army of Northern Virginia, CSA Reactivated, will participate in a reenactment of the Battle of Fort Mott at Fort Mott, N. J. In the evening there will be a Blue-Gray Ball. On May 29th a Memorial Service will be held in Finns Point Natl. Cemetery in the AM and a Veterans Parade in Penns Grove in the PM. For information write to Col. Reuben W. Dunfee, 41 Lakeside Drive, Bridgeton, N. J. 08302.

NEWS DEADLINE FOR NEXT ISSUE IS JUNE 15, 1972

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SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR
**ANNUAL DRIVE FOR
 G.A.R. MEMORIAL FUND**

DEPARTMENTS - CAMPS - MEMBERS:

Once a year, you are asked to support this fund. With your help we will keep alive the memory of the G.A.R.

This fund finances many projects in the National Organization, including a Scholarship.

Lincoln Tomb Exercises, Lincoln Monument Exercises, and committees for Grave Marking, G.A.R. Highway, Centennial, and G.A.R. History.

This is your investment in our Order, your assurance of a part in the work of the National Organization. It is a wise investment, its dividends the practice of true patriotism.

Send your check or money-order and let the annual report come to you as a shareholder.

(Contributions are deductible for Income Tax purposes — Section 170 of the Code of 1954.)

To—
 Chester S. Shriver, Natl. Treas.
 P.O. Box 24, Gettysburg, Pa. 17325

Enclosed find \$ _____ as a
 contribution to the 1972 G.A.R.
 Memorial Fund.

Name.....
 Department.....
 Street.....
 City and State.....

It is suggested that each Department plan and implement a money raising project. The money realized, supplemented by individual contributions will be credited to the Department. Our many patriotic activities need the full support of our combined membership. The Department contributing most will be appropriately recognized at our National Encampment.

J. E. Martie, Natl. Patr. Instr.

91st NATIONAL CONVENTION

Pennsylvania invites you to the 91st Annual Encampment to be held in the Marriott Motor Hotel, Phila., Pa. August 13-17. The Marriott was selected as headquarters for several reasons. It is one of the most luxurious places we have had, containing 750 rooms, 10 lounges and restaurants as well as 3 swimming pools. It has 1800 parking spaces -- free parking day and night. The convenient location, however, was the main reason for its being selected as 95% of our people can reach it without becoming involved with Philadelphia traffic.

Arriving from the North, East or West, on the Pennsylvania Turnpike, exit at the Valley Forge Exit No. 24 onto the Schuylkill Expressway. Continue 10 miles (toll free) to Exit 41, which is City Ave. Keep to the right and after descending onto City Ave., continue one block and you are at the Marriott. Those flying to Phila. will find the airport limousine will stop at the Marriott, and if arriving by train or bus, ask at the terminal for directions.

Room rates are as follows: Single \$19.50 - \$21.50, Twins \$25.50 - \$27.50, Suites \$40.50 - \$60.50. Deadline for reservations is JULY 31st. Prior to the Camp Fire on Sunday evening there will be a concert by the Fourth District Naval Band, and during the program there will be entertainment by the United States Steel Chorus. The convention committee will present a beautiful souvenir of Philadelphia to each delegate when registering.

Due to the many points of interest in and around Philadelphia, the committee could not decide on a tour for Wednesday, so that will be a free day to let the delegates take any tour they might wish, or visit the nearby shopping center. That night there will be a two hour professional floor show in the ballroom.

To—Chester S. Shriver, National Secretary Treasurer,
 P. O. Box 24, Gettysburg, Pa. 17325

Kindly enter the following Civil War record on the
 HONOR ROLL FUND.

Name of Veteran

Company & Regiment

Enclosed find (\$10.00 or more) donation to the HONOR
 ROLL FUND from

Name

Address

(Donations, legacies, and bequests to this fund are wel-
 come and will be preserved.)

(Contributions are deductible for Income Tax purposes —
 Section 170 of the Code of 1954)

The following contributions have been received since the last issue of THE BANNER.

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 LIFE MEMBERSHIP \$50.00

Richard Greenwalt, Alliance, Ohio
 LIFE MEMBERSHIP \$100.00

W. W. DORSEY, Mt. Vernon, Ohio
 LIFE MEMBERSHIP \$ 50.00

Stanton Camp 8 & Aux. 8 \$10.00
 Dept. of Calif. & Pacific

IN MEMORY OF P. C. in G. Frank
 Woerner