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169th Anniversary of the Birth of President Lincoln Commemorated on Feb. 12, 1978

Again this year the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, the Auxiliary, the Daughters of Union Veterans, the Ladies of the G.A.R. and the Woman's Relief Corps joined in honoring the Birthday of our Civil War President. In 1922, on the occasion of the dedication of the Lincoln Memorial in Washington, President Harding and Chief Justice Taft sought the help of the Military Order of the Loyal Legion (MOLLUS) to arrange a suitable service. Every year since this society, which was formed in 1865 by Officers of the Union Army and now is a hereditary society basing eligibility on direct descent from a commissioned officer of the Federal Forces (Army, Navy or Marine Corps), has continued the annual event. In addition to the Allied Orders, numerous other historic groups and patriotic organizations joined in the ceremonies. Starting at 11:25 A.M. on a clear but cold February 12, 1978 at the Lincoln Memorial in Washington, D.C. the program began with a Concert from the U. S. Air Force Band and the presentation of the Colors by the Joint Services Color Guard. Wreaths were presented by The President of the United States (who was represented by Major General Kenneth E. Dohleman), the Diplomatic Corps, The Department of the Interior, The State of Delaware, The District of Columbia, The National Park Service and the Military Order of the Loyal Legion. In addition were twenty-two more Floral Tributes including those of the SUVCW, The Auxiliary, The Ladies of the G.A.R., Department of the District of Columbia, Daughters of the Union Veterans, the Department of The Potomac, Woman's Relief Corps, and the Maryland Department of SUVCW. In the absence of Commander-in-Chief Beilby, the Sons were represented by Jr. Vice Commander-in-Chief J. B. Johnson. National President Marion E. Combs represented the Auxiliary. The Gettysburg Address was delivered The Honorable Robert Krueger, Ph.D., Member of Congress from the State of Texas. Under Secretary of the Interior James A. Joseph delivered closing remarks and a short eulogy.

STEPHEN A. DOUGLAS - STATESMAN

By

GEORGE L. CASHMAN

In 1858, Stephen A. Douglas, with his eyes upon the Presidency of the United States, was confident that the office was well within his grasp, but then came the famous Lincoln-Douglas debates.

It was in the debate at Freeport, Illinois, that Douglas lost his chance to become President in 1861, for Lincoln asked the question, "Can the people of the United States territory, in any lawful way, against the wish of any citizen of the United States, exclude slavery from its limits prior to the formation of a State constitution?"

Lincoln was entreated by his many friends not to put the question. His reply was, "If Douglas answers, he never can be President; and the battle of 1860 is worth a hundred of this." (This was Lincoln's campaign for a seat in the United States Senate.)

Douglas answered in his best style of verbal acrobatics, and thus sealed his fate. Lincoln saw farther than his advisors, and he understood better than they the forces at work in America. Lincoln came out of these debates with Douglas as one of the chief intellectual leaders of America and the world, with a place in English literature.

And how nobly did Douglas act! After Lincoln became President and the day after Fort Sumter fell, he called on Lincoln and was with him for two hours. He said to Lincoln, "I probably can't support you in all your measures, but when it comes to Union or disunion, I am for my country every time." And well he kept his word. He came to Springfield and here delivered one of the greatest patriotic speeches of his career, the "Protect The Flag Speech."

From the time he left Washington until he arrived in Chicago, where he died of exhaustion at the age of forty-eight, he made many speeches to coerce the people in supporting the President and the war effort. In so doing Douglas made himself popular with Lincoln and with the country at large, with the war Democrats and especially with the Republicans.

FAMILY HISTORY OF SERVICE

We don't know for sure what happens during the annual Army-Navy Game in the home of Brig. Gen. W. A. Morgan, USAR-Ret. a charter member of Major General H. J. Madill Camp #141 of Sayre, Penna. You see, prior to a career in Penna. National Guard that started with a commission in November of 1921 and included active duty during the Second World War, General Morgan served four years (1917-21) on active duty with the U. S. Navy, Atlantic Fleet and was for a short time a member of the Naval Reserve Service. His wife, Louise, is a veteran of four years service as a U. S. Navy Nurse during World War II. General Morgan, who holds many medals and awards including the Army Commendation Medal with oak leaf cluster, retired from active service in 1952. His civilian career includes many civic and veterans activities and recognitions too numerous to recount. If this mixed loyalty to the two services seems somewhat unusual to you, consider this fact. General Morgan's father, Roger B. Morgan, served in both the U. S. Army and the U. S. Navy during the Civil War and for many years thereafter was a leader in his local G.A.R. affairs. As a member of the 137th Penna. Volunteer Regiment he saw much service between 1862 and 1863 when his service ended, including Antietam where the fighting became the bitterest of the war and many of his comrades fell. By 1864 he was back in "Mr. Lincoln's War", this time as a seaman in the U. S. Navy. Assigned to the USS Black Hawk, Seaman Morgan was aboard when a bomb sent the ship to the bottom in flames. With the Abandon Ship order, Seaman Morgan was responsible for saving the life of a fellow seaman who could not swim. By 1865 he had his second Honorable Discharge.

It would seem, indeed, that the tradition of service to their country runs strong in the Morgan family (even though we still wonder who routes for whom during the annual "big game")



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1. My first disappointment was not being able to travel to Washington, D.C. on February 12th for the ceremonies at the Lincoln Memorial. It was due to the weather. In fact our backyard still looks like "Winter Wonderland". Here in Rochester, we have not had one day the whole month of February when the temperature rose above freezing.
However Jr. Vice Commander-in-Chief J. B. Johnson was in attendance and represented the National Organization in good style. Many thanks J. B.
2. I am writing this General Order just before embarking for Seattle, Washington to attend the Oregon-Washington Department Encampment to be held in that city. From there I am going to Grand Rapids, Michigan for a called meeting of the Michigan Department.
3. The 1978 National Encampment Committee of the S.U.V.C.W. are Carl A. Smith, Chairman, Benjamin F. Edge III and Warren Barber. We all are hoping for a large attendance at the National Encampment in Grand Rapids, Michigan, August 13-16, 1978.
4. Due to the many conflicting dates of the various Department Encampments, I realize now that I will not be able to visit every Department during their Encampments. I am therefore endeavoring to arrange a called meeting of the Departments, whose Encampments I will not be able to attend. I certainly will appreciate the cooperation of these Departments in this matter.
5. Memorial Day is fast approaching. It is the one day that all Camps members should endeavor to have fitting services. This was the day designated by the Grand Army of the Republic to honor those Veterans who gave their lives that our Nation might be preserved.
6. June 14th being Flag Day, appropriate programs should be arranged wherever possible.
7. I attended the New Jersey Department Lincoln Dinner on March 4th. There was a very good turnout and a very well planned patriotic program. On March 11th I am planning to attend the Philadelphia Lincoln Dinner which was postponed from February 11th due to the bad weather.
8. Once more Brothers, we should all strive to gain new members for our Order. Please inform me whenever any member recruits three or more new members as he automatically becomes a National Aide. The most recent one is Peter A. Dixon, Commander of Lincoln-Cushing Camp, Washington, D.C. He not only recruited four new members, but persuaded several Members-at-Large to join said Camp.
9. I stress once more the National Patriotic Instructor's G.A.R. Memorial Fund and also the Sr. Vice Commander-in-Chief's Centennial Fund. Both of these Brothers can reach their quotas, only through the cooperation of all members and Departments.
10. John B. Davis, a Past Department Commander of both New Hampshire and Massachusetts as well as a past National Chaplain has moved to Virginia Beach, Virginia. He has become very interested in the raising of the Monitor. Once raised it will be established as a National Shrine in Norfolk, Virginia. Any Brothers interested in this project should contact Brother John B. Davis, 710 Ainsley Pl., Apt. #102, Virginia Beach, Virginia, 23462. I know he will appreciate hearing from all of you Brothers.

11. Don't forget Lincoln Tomb Ceremonies in Springfield, Illinois on April 15th and also Grant's Tomb Exercises which will be held on April 30th in New York City.
12. To those of our members of all the G.A.R. Allied Organizations, who have lost loved ones may I express the sympathy of the National Organization S.U.V.C.W. as well as my own personal condolences. To those of you who are ill, I pray for a speedy recovery.

Harold T. Beilby
Commander-in-Chief.

SEE YOU AT GRAND RAPIDS (MICHIGAN) AUGUST 13-17, 1978

The 97th Annual Encampment of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War and the 92nd Annual Encampment of the Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, together with the Annual National Encampment of the Ladies of the G.A.R., will be held August 13-17, 1978 with headquarters at the Pantlind Hotel, 187 Monroe, N.W., Grand Rapids, Michigan 49503. The telephone number of the Hotel is (Area Code 616) 459-7201.

We are not in receipt of any pre-printed reservation cards but advance reservations may be made directly with the Hotel. Be sure to mention that you are attending the National Encampment and give both your arrival and departure dates. In a recent letter, the Hotel advised The Banner that the special room rates extended to our organizations are:

Room for One	\$18.00, \$21.00, and \$24.00
Room for Two	\$21.00, \$24.00, and \$27.00
Room for Three	\$27.00
Room for Four	\$32.00
Parlor Suite for Two	\$60.00 or \$80.00

The Chairman for the Sons is P.D.C. Carl A. Smith, 326 Cherry Street, S.E., Apt. #2, Grand Rapids, Michigan 49503. He and his committee, as well as the comparable groups for the Auxiliary and the Ladies, are hard at work planning for your enjoyment. If at all possible, we will try to have details in time for the July issue. But all will amount to nothing unless we, the national membership, can come up with the most vital contribution of all... our presence. Please mark your calendars now, see y'all in Grand Rapids.

ATTENTION ALL DEPARTMENT AND CAMP SECRETARIES

The Credential Cards are used for mailing the Proceedings to the registered delegates at the National Encampment. Each year considerable time is lost because Credential Cards are not completely filled out or are not legibly written. Since the Proceedings are not mailed first class, this may result in some delegates not receiving their Proceedings.

Will you please be sure to write (or type) legibly the delegate's name, street address, city, state and ZIP CODE on the Credential Cards. This will save your National Secretary-Treasurer a considerable amount of time in preparing the mailing labels.

ATTENTION ALL DEPARTMENTS

The annual Department (and Camp-at-Large) New Membership Report is due by July 15, 1978. This report is needed by the Jr. Vice Commander-in-Chief in order to assemble his statistics and make his report to the National in August. Please be sure that all Jr. Vice Department Commanders complete and mail this report promptly.

J. B. Johnson
Jr. Vice Commander-in-Chief
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THE LEGISLATIVE REPORT

On a roll call vote of 68 to 32, the U.S. Senate on March 16, ratified the neutrality treaty designed to guarantee the status of the Panama Canal after the year 2000. In the ratification process, the Senate added amendments sponsored by its leadership that would permit U.S. military intervention if any nation sought to block the waterway and would give first priority to the passage of U.S. warships in a period of emergency. These amendments had the support of the Administration and the present Panamanian government. Added just before the final vote was a reservation offered by Sen. Dennis DeConcini of Ariz., that would give the U.S. authority to take necessary action including the use of armed force to keep the Canal open even in the instance of threatened closure brought about by instability and violence within Panama itself.

Despite these attempts to make the treaty more acceptable to members of the Senate and to the American people, treaty opponents were not mollified. Led by Sen. James Allen of Ala., a premier parliamentary tactician, and with the active support of Sen. Paul Laxalt of Nev., Sen. Robert Griffin of Mich., Sen. Robert Dole of Kan., Sen. Orrin Hatch of Utah, and Sen. Jesse Helms of N. Carolina, among others, a host of amendments designed to clarify treaty provisions were proposed and voted down with monotonous regularity during the four weeks of heated and emotional debate. Proponents of the treaty led by Sen. Robert Byrd of West Virginia, Sen. Frank Church of Idaho, and Sen. Paul Sarbanes of Md., described the tactics of Sen. Allen and his cohorts as those of offering "killer amendments" in the hope that Panama would ultimately reject the treaty as amended, making necessary a new round of negotiations. In rebuttal, Sen. Allen and his colleagues argued repeatedly that their amendments were drafted to "perfect" a "flawed" agreement.

Basically, supporters of the treaty argued that the time had come for the U.S. to relinquish its claim to exclusive jurisdiction over the strip of land that borders the Canal and divides Panama and that the neutrality treaty provided the necessary safeguards to ensure unrestricted use of the Canal after the year 2000. Treaty opponents maintained that the pact as presented for ratification failed to provide for an adequate U.S. military presence in and about what is now the Canal Zone after the Panamanians have assumed full control.

Because the Constitution requires a two thirds vote for ratification of treaties, a change in the votes of two Senators would have defeated the pact. This treaty is the first of two dealing with the status of the Canal. The second treaty provides for the phased transfer of legal and administrative authority from the United States to Panama between now and December 31, 1999. Debate has begun on this measure and a vote is expected to take place sometime in April with its fate still in question.

Undoubtedly, the votes on these two treaties will occupy a place in history books yet to be written. Not since the bitter debate over the Treaty of Versailles after WW I has the Senate considered a more controversial and unpopular treaty. Authorities believe the pact now being debated to transfer jurisdiction to Panama will set a precedent if ratified as "the only controversial bilateral agreement involving the cession of jurisdiction over U.S. territory considered vital to the national interest."

Without the amendments jointly sponsored by Majority Leader Robert Byrd and Minority Leader Howard Baker and the reservation authored by Sen. DeConcini, the neutrality treaty would have failed to muster the two-thirds majority needed. Even with those changes, in the judgment of your chairman, treaty opponents raised significant questions concerning the adequacy of the provisions designed to protect U.S. interests. For the most part, these concerns have gone unanswered. For the sake of our nation's future, let us hope that the legitimate doubts and fears expressed during the debates will prove to be unfounded. The 21st century is but 22 short years away.

Respectfully submitted,
THOMAS L. W. JOHNSON, Chairman

MESSAGE FROM THE NATIONAL PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR

The marvelous response received following the appeal contained in The Banner last quarter has been most heartwarming, and I sincerely thank all brothers and sisters who have contributed to our G.A.R. Memorial Fund. Surely those grand old men of our parent organization would be impressed with the enthusiastic way all of you have pitched in to support the patriotic activities our Order undertakes each year in memory of the Grand Army.

Very shortly now we will be marking another Memorial Day — the most important patriotic holiday we observe, both because of its Grand Army origin and because it is a time for remembering the deeds of the Union Veteran. Every camp should participate in the various cemetery ceremonies and parades which make this holiday a uniquely American observance of remembrance and respect for departed comrades who answered their country's call to arms during its tragic hours of need.

To help make it possible for SUVCW to play a prominent part in promoting the idea of continuing to keep the American flag waving proudly all over our land — and at the same time to give a pat on the back to those who keep it flying — I have had certificates prepared (they are called "Star-Spangled Salute" awards) which camps can present to individuals, institutions or business firms in their local communities as a means of recognizing those who fly the flag publicly on a regular basis. To secure such certificates, camps should send me the name of the person or firm to be awarded the certificate and the city and state where located. Space has been provided on the certificate for the camp to fill in the name of the presenter and the date of presentation. My address is: P.O. Box 6165, Chicago, Illinois 60680.

Charles A. Brady, Jr.
National Patriotic Instructor

Chaplain's Corner

What joy each Spring brings.
A rebirth of life all around us.
First shoots bursting through newly thawed sod.
Colorful blossoms on bush and tree.
Feathered friends returning to traditional nesting places.
God certainly has provided a fine atmosphere around us
which just seems to shout Arise! Shine!
Your spirit is renewed! Be about your
Fathers business!
Honoring our fathers, mothers and ancestors as we do
would seem to be his business.
Now is a good time to start afresh, with new energy,
to bring new life and breath into our fellowship.
Why not reach out and bring new friends into the fold?

Richard C. Schlenker
National Chaplain

FIRST ANNUAL OHIO CIVIL WAR MEMORABILIA SHOW SCHEDULED FOR APRIL 22-23, 1978

The National Guard Armory at Ashland, Ohio will be the site of the 1st Annual Ohio Civil War Memorabilia Show from 8:00 A.M. until 7:00 P.M. on April 22nd and 23rd. Admission will be \$1.00 for Adults with children under 16 admitted Free provided they are accompanied by a Parent or Guardian. The show is a pet project of Donald B. Williams who is also a 1st Sgt. in D Battery, 1st OVLA, S.V.R. Don advises us that up to 70 tables will be available, strictly for Civil War Firearms, Swords, Bayonets, Uniforms, Accouterments and other Memorabilia of the period of 1776 thru 1870. There will also be publications pertaining to the Civil War for Sale, Trade or Show. Flea Market and other non-related Civil War items will absolutely not be permitted.



EFFORTS TO LOCATE DESCENDENTS OF USS MONITOR CREW CONTINUE . . . MEMBER OF SUVCW APPOINTED TO MONITOR NATIONAL ADVISORY BOARD

Since our January article on the project to raise the USS Monitor and to possibly reconstruct her final minutes, we have received word that John B. Davis, P.D.C. from the Massachusetts Department and presently a resident of Norfolk, Virginia has been appointed to the Monitor National Advisory Board. Further we are told that the Monitor Foundation will soon be moving their headquarters to Norfolk since the vessel, when recovered, will be on display in that "Navy town". We congratulate Brother John on his appointment and wish him the very best of luck.

One of the most critical aspects of the many-faceted work of the Foundation is the project to locate the descendents of the Officers and Crew of the Monitor. As an organization of Civil War veteran's descendents, it is possible that within our own ranks are members whose forefathers served the same as the men pictured above (the above photo was taken on blockage duty aboard The Monitor and appeared in National Geographic courtesy of Mariner's Museum in Newport News, Va.) A list appears in small print below of the known Officers, Crew and Attached Civilians who served on The Monitor. Anyone having any knowledge of living descendents of these men or who might themselves possess knowledge of these men, should contact: The Monitor Research and Recovery Foundation, P.O. Box 1862, Beaufort, N.C. 28516.

ANGIER, Richard; Quartermaster, enlisted New York, born England. ALLEN, William; Landsman, enlisted New York, born England. ATKINS, John; Seaman, transferred from recruit receiving ship USS North Carolina in New York harbor. ATWATER, Norman K.; Ensign, from New Haven, Conn. ANDERSON, Hans; born 1824 Gothenberg or Fjarsaa, Halland, Sweden, d. Brook

BANKHEAD, John Payne; Commanding Officer, born South Carolina. BASTON/BASTING, Anton; Seaman, born Germany, died Jersey City, N.J. BRINGMAN, Derick; Carpenter's Mate, from USS North Carolina. BROWN, Edmund; 1st Class Fireman. BROWN, John; Ordinary Seaman, born Haverstraw, N.Y., boarded Wash., D.C. BROWN, Joseph; Gunner's Mate, born New York. BUTTS, Francis (Frank) B.; Paymaster's Clerk, Landsman, born Providence, R.I., enlisted New York, boarded Washington D.C. BRYAN, William; Yeoman, born New York, enlisted Boston, Mass.

CAMPBELL, Albert B.; 2nd Asst. Engr., injured knee. CARROLL, Thomas (#1); Capt-of-hold, born and enlisted Boston, Mass. CARROLL, Thomas (#2); 1st Class Boy, born Richfields Springs, N.Y. CARTER, Siah; 1st Class Boy, born Charles City, Va., escaped slave from CSA Col. Hill Carter's plantation "Shurly", enlisted on James River, Carter an alias, actual name Siah Hulett. CANN, Edward; 1st Class Boy, Jan. 1863 muster roll. COOK, Robert; 1st Class Boy, born Gloucester Co., Va., enlisted Hampton Roads, Va. CONNOLLY, Anthony; Seaman, enlisted Boston, born Ireland. COLEMAN, William; Coal Heaver, Jan. 1863 muster roll. COLEMAN, James; Landsman, enlisted N.Y., born Ireland, boarded Wash. CONKLIN, John P.; Quarter Gunner, enlisted July 18, 1861. CROWN, Joseph; Gunner's Mate, enlisted and born New York. CUTTEBACK, David; Landsman/Capt's Steward, born Port Jervis, N.Y.

DRISCOLL, John; 1st Class Fireman, from USS North Carolina at N.Y. DURST, William; Coal Heaver, 1315 George St., Philadelphia, Penn.

ELLIS, David Roberts; Coal Heaver, Paymaster's Steward, enlisted N.Y., born Carmarthen, Wales in 1840. ELY, T.; Landsman, (Robert B. from USS Dana)

FEEHY, Thomas; Coal Heaver, from USS North Carolina. FENWICK, James; Quarter Gunner, Seaman, enlisted Boston, born Scotland. FENTER, Abram; See Abraham/Abram Tester. FISHER, Hugh; 1st Class Fireman, from USS North Carolina. FLYE, William; Lieutenant, later C.O. of USS Underwright. FREDERICKSON, George; Ensign, missing at sea 12-31-1862, of Philadelphia.

GAGER, Edwin V.; Commissioned Officer and Pilot. GARRATY, John; 1st Class Fireman, enlisted New York, born Ireland. GEER, George S.; 1st Class Fireman, enlisted N.Y. born Troy, N.Y.. GREENE, Samuel Dana; C.O. Monitor, born Cumberland, Maryland.

HULETT, Siah, see alias Siah Carter. HALMAN, William S.; Hospital Steward, muster roll Jan 29, 1863. HANDS, Robinson W.; 3rd Asst. Engr., missing-at-sea 12-31-1862, of Balt, Maryland. HARRISON, Henry; Seaman, enlisted New York, born Sweden.

HANNON, Patrick; 1st Class Fireman, born Indiana, enlisted and died N.Y. HOWARD, Robert H.; Officer's Cook, missing-at-sea 12-31-1862. HOWARD, James P.; Pilot Monitor, regularly attached USS Roanoke or bark USS Amanda, citizen of Bridgeport or Hartford, Conn., born Ireland, died Washington, D.C. HOWARD, W. H.; enlisted Washington, D.C., born Ireland Co., Va. Landsman. HUBBELL, R.K.; Paymaster's Steward, from St. Louis, grandson of Ben Hubbell of Bridgeport, Conn. HARDY, John; Seaman, born Portland, Maine, enlisted N.Y., from USS Mass.

JEFFERS, William N.; C.O. Monitor, wife's brother was army general JEFFREY, William H.; Officer's Steward, enlisted N.Y., from USS Pimbina, born Philadelphia, Penn. JONES, Jesse M.; Hospital Steward. JOICE, Thomas; 1st Class Fireman, enlisted N.Y., born Ireland.

KEELER, William Frederick; Paymaster, born Utica, N.Y., son of Mary Plant and Roswell Keeler, married Ann (Anna) Elizabeth Dutton of Bridgeport Conn., lived La Salle, Ill., died Mayoport, Fla.

LEONARD, Matthew, 1st Class Fireman, enlisted N.Y., born Ireland. LEWIS, George H.; 3rd Asst. Engr., missing at sea 12-31-1862. LEWIS, Samuel Auger, 3rd Asst. Engr., born Penn. from Baltimore. LOGUE, Daniel C.; Asst. Surgeon, born Otisville, N.Y., worked Brooklyn, died Bellmore, Long Island, N.Y., resigned November 1862.

LONGHRAN, Thomas; Seaman, Cook, from frigate USS Sabine. LITTLEFIELD, George, Landsman, born Saco, Maine, enlisted New York.

EAGAN (S), William H.; Landsman, enlisted New York, born Ireland. ELLIS, David Roberts; Coal Heaver, Paymaster's Steward, enlisted N.Y., born Carmarthen, Wales in 1840.

MALONE, James; Landsman, enlisted N.Y., born Ireland. MARION, William; Seaman, Quartermaster, enlisted Boston, born Ireland from frigate USS Sabine, civilian occupation sailmaker. MASON, John; Coal Heaver, enlisted New York. MC PHERSON, Norman; Seaman, from USS North Carolina. MICKLES, Jacob; Ordinary Seaman, enlisted Buffalo, N.Y. MONAGHAN, John, Landsman, born and enlisted N.Y., boarded Washington, D.C. MOONEY, Michael; Coal heaver, enlisted New York, born Ireland.

MOORE, Daniel and/or Edward; Landsman and/or Wardroom Cook, drowned Hampton Roads, Va. or off Cape Hatteras, N.C. 12-31-62. MORRISON, William; Landsman, enlisted New York, born England. MURRAY, Lawrence; Wardroom Steward, drowned Hampton Roads, Sept. 1862. NEWTON, Jr., Isaac; 1st Asst. Engr., from New York. NICKLIS, Jacob; born, enlisted, died Buffalo, N.Y., son of William Nicklis. NICHOLS, William H.; Landsman, Officer's Steward, born Brooklyn, N.Y.

PETERSON, Charles; Seaman, Gun Loader. PRICE, Christy, Coal Heaver, enlisted New York, born Ireland.

QUINN, Robert; Coal Heaver, enlisted New York, born Ireland.

REMYINGTON, William H.; Landsman, enlisted Washington, D.C., born Onondaga, N.Y., boarded Washington, D.C. RICHARDSON, William; 1st Class Fireman, born Philadelphia, enlisted N.Y. RIDDEY, Francis A.; Seaman, from USS North Carolina. ROBERTS, Ellis; incorrect official listing, see Ellis, David Roberts. ROONEY, John; Master-at-Arms, born Brooklyn, New York, enlisted N.Y.

SLOAN, James T.; Pilot, May, July, Aug., Sept., 1862 (civilian or military). SCOTT, Isaac, Ordinary Seaman, enlisted Buffalo, N.Y., born Canada. SCOTT, Isaac H.; son of Ioannis Scott and Maria Pye, married Catherine Sausse, daughter of Bryan and Helena Dwyer. SCOTT, William; 1st Class Boy, enlisted James River, Va. off City Point, Va., born Petersburg, Virginia. SEERY, James; Coal Heaver, from USS North Carolina. SELFRIDGE, Jr., Thomas Oliver; C.O. Monitor, father C.O. USS Miss SINCLAIR, Henry, Ship's Cook. STOCKING, John; Boatswain's Mate, born Binghamton, N.Y., enlisted N.Y. SMITH, Charles; Landsman, born Rome, N.Y., enlisted N.Y. SMITH, James; Landsman, enlisted N.Y., born Troy, N.Y. STEARNS, Moses M.; Quartermaster, from frigate USS Sabine. STEPHENS, Jr., Thomas Holdup; C.O. Monitor, born Middletown, Conn. STIMERS, Alban C.; Chief Engr., Inspector, born Smithfield, N.Y., died Staten Island, N.Y., married adopted daughter of Gilman Appleby of Buffalo, N.Y. STODER, Louis N.; Acting Master, Navigating Officer, died Brooklyn SUNSTROM, Mark Truman, 4th Asst. Engr., resigned November 10, 1865. SYLVESTER, Charles F.; Seaman, enlisted New York, born Sweden.

TAYLOR, ?; Officer, Medical Doctor, from N.Y. (J. Winthrop?). TESTER, Abraham (Abram); 1st Class Fireman, enlisted N.Y., born Sweden (or England?) civilian occupation machinist. TOFFEY, Daniel; Capt's Clerk, died Jersey City, N.J., likely related to Capt. Worden's wife Olivia Toffey of Pawling, N.Y. TRUSCOTT, Peter, Seaman, Gunner, enlisted New York, born Ireland?

VIAL, Thomas B.; Seaman, enlisted June 11, 1861.

WATTERS, Joseph; 2nd Asst. Engr., born Bordentown, N.J., died Sept. 13, 1866 New Orleans. WEEKS, Grenville M.; Asst. Surgeon, lost three fingers. WELCH, Daniel, Seaman, on frigate USS Sabine. WHITE, George H.; 2nd Asst. Engr. retired 1890, died Feb. 22 1891 promoted to monitor USS Nantucket. WEBBER, John Joshua Nathaniel, Acting Master, born Brooklyn, from Babylon, New York. WILLIAMS, Peter; Quartermaster, Ensign, b1831 Norway, Medal of Honor, from Penn. WILLIAMS, Robert; 1st Class Fireman, enlisted N.Y., born Wales. WORDEN, Jr., John Lorner, C.O. Monitor, born 1818 N.Y., boyhood Swartoutville, Dutches Co., N.Y., married Olivia Toffey, Quaker Hill estate, Pawling, N.Y., died Washington, D.C., Oct. 13, 1897, buried Pawling, N.Y., pro. USS Mantauk

CONFLICTING INFORMATION—

WALTERS, James; 1st Engineer—Jan. 6, 1863 N.Y. Times TECKLEY, Jacob; non-officer, missing at sea 12-31-1862, may be same as Jacob Mickler or Mickles or F./T.W. Meckley. MECKLEY, F. or T.W.; Acting Asst. Surgeon on N.Y. Herald 1/4/63 list. BEAN, John H.; Pilot of USS Rhode Island or Monitor departing Hampton

1978 DEPARTMENT ENCAMPMENTS

CORRECTION . . . The dates of the Michigan Department Encampment will be June 12-14, 1978 and not June 19-21 as published in the January 1978 issue of The Banner. The Pantlind Hotel in Grand Rapids, which is also the site of our 1978 National Encampments, will be the location of the Michigan Encampment, only the dates were incorrect in our last issue.

In our last issue the OHIO DEPARTMENT ENCAMPMENT was listed for June 23-25, 1978 with no location or headquarters. The Encampment will be at the Mount Union College in Alliance, Ohio on the dates indicated.

MEMORIAL DAY 1978

One wag has been oft-quoted as saying that the reason he does not grasp his opportunities is that he never sees them, they are always disguised as problems!

As Spring spreads across our still beautiful, still free and still united land and the time approaches for Memorial Day what will we see, the opportunity to once again stand tall for our patriotism or the "problem" that there are many who would and do dishonor the day? There are those who see pollution of various types and in discouragement can no longer see beauty. There are those who see politics and government bureaucracy restrict an individual liberty and can no longer realize that they are still the freest society anywhere, anytime in the history of our civilization. And there are those who see an uncaring and selfish population dishonor this most sacred of days and can no longer develop fresh and enthusiastic ways to show their patriotism. We recall the words of General John A. Logan: "If other eyes grow dull and other hands slack, and other hearts cold in the solemn trust, ours shall keep it well, as long as the light and warmth of the life remain in us." But we forget that as heirs of the G.A.R. and holders of their solemn trust, that order means US. We recall the great address of President Abraham Lincoln and re-read the words: "That we here might 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 and for the people shall not perish from the earth." But if Lincoln could walk with us this coming Memorial Day and visit the countless lesser cemeteries which our organizations will visit and will decorate, from coast to coast, would he find that resolve still fresh and strong and hopeful in us?

We may, again this year, observe Memorial Day on the 29th instead of the 30th, at least in many States. And we continue to think that is wrong and we will continue to work for it's correction. But far more important, Brothers and Sisters, is what we will be doing. We will have the opportunity to stand for what we believe is right and to show others that we do believe, let us not make the error of mistaking that opportunity for the "problem" of having to perform the various duties of Memorial Day without sufficient help or support.

SUVCW LIFE MEMBERSHIPS

A Life Membership can be an individual purchase, a gift, or a bestowed honor. The costs per category are as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Age Group and Cost. Under age 60: \$150.00. Age 60 to 69: \$125.00. Age 70 and over: \$100.00.

Payment to the National Secretary-Treasurer can be made on the basis of one-third (1/3) with the application for a Life Membership and the balance within one year. The interest on each Life Membership is mailed January 1st of each year to the Member's Camp Treasurer for the member's dues. The interest paid per each life membership for 1978 will be \$6.00. Life Membership fees are placed in the Permanent Fund of our National Organization.

The number of Life Members to date is ninety-eight. The following list of Life Memberships is printed for the general interest of the readers of THE BANNER:

Table with 3 columns: NO., NAME, DATE PURCHASED. Lists members from No. 1 to 23, including names like U. S. Grant, III, Howard E. Waite, Richard W. Bauer, Albert C. Lambert, Fred E. Howe, Charles P. Weidin, Richard F. Locke, Edward N. Barnard, Earl F. Riggs, William M. Coffin, Frederick K. Davis, Edgar L. Tenney, Dr. Levi J. Snow, Philip K. Conley, Edward W. Higley, Thomas Lockhart Wilson, Chester S. Shruver, William F. Bruckel, Benjamin F. Edge, Joseph S. Rippey, James Y. Ledwith, Harry Furman, Marvin W. Reed.

Table with 3 columns: NO., NAME, DATE PURCHASED. Lists members from No. 24 to 97, including names like William A. Davis, Stanley Cline Barker, Thomas E. Hoffman, Raymond Nichols, Norman R. Furman, George L. Cashman, Grover C. Scott, Richard L. Greenwalt, Warfield W. Dorsey, Aylmer Mead Gifford, Chauncey A. Geer, Edgar M. Eshelman, Jr., Edward B. Beale, Kenneth S. Swift, Martin R. Battey, Carl R. Latham, II, Robert C. Wolz, G. Edward Coltrin, Col. Joseph S. Coulter, USA, Ret., Fred H. Combs, Jr., L. Kaye Hyde, Harry E. Gibbons, Sr., George N. Lovatt, Emmett G. Riley, Ralph Shadel, Jr., Alfred J. Durocher, Sr., Cecil M. Baer, William G. Shannon, Kenneth Ekstrand, William C. Rule, Rev. Dr. Raymond H. Lieber, Lawrence J. Cavanaugh, Allen B. Howland, Gilman W. Harrington, Miles E. Harrington, Herbert F. Howe, Charles Q. Creager, John H. Stark, Robert J. Wolz, James Herlinger, Fred W. Herlinger, Harry S. Stutzman, George F. Roberts, Sr., Galen Ritchie, Robert McKey, Jack Quinby, Paul Furst, John Will, Vincent Edmunds, Thomas Kloss, Anthony Emmerich, Frederic Emmerich, Oscar Zinn, George Kroepke, Charles H. Small, Ben H. Lebo, Thomas L. W. Johnson, Frank C. Bellinger, Thomas Clifton Etter, Jr., David C. Laing, Lemuel Holmes, David Holmes, Jerry L. Wolford, Thomas W. Graham, Lester M. Clark, Martin L. Schultz, Carl R. Latham, III, Cleon E. Heald, George J. Hassinger, Elton P. Koch, Ned L. Durkee, Alfred Hahn, Carl A. Smith, Forest Altland, William C. Reed, Jr.

*Deceased

INDIANA DESIGNATES "STEPPING STONE" FOR TENNESSEE MONUMENT PROJECT

By means of a Executive Order, or Proclamation, the Hon. Otis R. Bowen, M.D., Governor of Indiana accepted a gift from Bedford Limestone Suppliers, Inc. of a limestone stepping stone carved in the shape of the State of Indiana, and ordered that it be placed with those of other states in a walkway to the Tennessee Memorial at Gettysburg (see Article in January 1978 issue of The Banner). Prior to the placing of the stone, it will be displayed in the Rotunda of the State Capital at Indianapolis. The action joins Indiana with Louisiana and Belgium (Europe) which governments had already qualified for the stepping stone honor. Other states now expect to follow suit are: Alabama, Mississippi and Washington.

HONOR ROLL LIVING SONS OF CIVIL WAR VETERANS

The following names are added to those published in July 1977 and in October 1977 and to our Honor Roll of men who are living sons of a veteran of the Union Forces in the Civil War:

Charles H. Bournstine, Chicago, Illinois (Camp #1, Dept. of Illinois, SUVCW) Son of Simon Bournstine, Union Veteran

Lozimer Rich, Camden, N.J. (No known affiliation with SUVCW) Son of George Washington Rich

John Harvey Berry, Niagara Falls, N.Y. (H. C. Berry Camp #89, SUVCW) Son of Harvey C. Berry, Union Veteran

Henry W. Stewart, Williamsport, Penna. (Ferd V. Dayton Camp #5, SUVCW) Son of Henry James Stewart, Union Veteran

Robert L. Girton, Williamsport, Penna. (Not presently a member of the SUVCW) Son of John Albert Girton, Union Veteran

Ellsworth Nichols, Rochester, N.Y. (Rochester Camp #6, SUVCW) Son of William H. Nichols, Union Veteran

Loren Starret, Waterloo, Iowa (Waterloo Camp #33, SUVCW) Son of George Starret, Union Veteran

Alfred H. B. Smith, Stony Brook, N.Y. (Member of SUVCW, Camp unknown) Son of Zephaniah C. Smith, Union Veteran

Thayne C. LaBanta, Jackson, Michigan (Austin Blair Camp #7, SUVCW) Son of Derick Dean LaBanta, Union Veteran

James Lawrence Hearshman, Des Moines, Iowa (James M. Tuttle Camp #16, SUVCW) Son of Emanuel B. Hearshman, Union Veteran

William H. Munroe, Lynnfield, Mass. (Camp #30, SUVCW) Son of George Munroe, Union Veteran

Edwin O. Jewett, Amherst, N.H. (John W. Spaulding Camp #38, SUVCW) Son of Union Veteran (name not included in correspondence)

Gordon Vallandigham, San Jose, Calif. (Phil Sheridan Camp #4, SUVCW) Son of George B. Vallandigham, Union Veteran

Joseph H. Jambois, Genoa, Wisc. (No known affiliation with the SUVCW) Son of Florenty H. Jambois, Union Veteran

Dominic Jambois, King, Wisc. (No known affiliation with the SUVCW) Son of Florenty H. Jambois, Union Veteran

Arthur Sutton, Scottsburg, Indiana (No known affiliation with the SUVCW) Son of Charles H. Sutton, Union Veteran

Brig. Gen. W. A. Morgan, USAR-Ret., Altoona, Pa. (Major General H. J. Madill Camp #141, SUVCW) Son of Roger B. Morgan, Union Veteran

GENEVA, NEW YORK WILL SPONSOR NINTH ANNUAL S.V.R. ENCAMPMENT

The Bicentennial Commission of Geneva, New York has decided, as it's last National program of the Bi-Centennial, to sponsor the annual Encampment of the Sons of Veterans Reserve in cooperation with The City of Geneva, The Geneva Area Chamber of Commerce, The Finger Lakes Parks Commission and the Geneva Historical Society. The Encampment, which will be officially hosted by the 1st New York Brigade (The "Excelsior Brigade") will be held from 1300 hours on June 28, 1978 thru Sunday evening, July 2, 1978. It will include a day of tours in the historic Geneva area, parades, military

competitions, social events, events for the Children and will close with a battle on Sunday. Camp sites in the State Park have been arranged at no cost to participants and facilities will include free firewood and rest rooms and showers with hot and cold running water. Persons interested in more information may contact:

Major William Warne, CMDG 2nd LT. George Shadman, P.I.O. 1st New York Brigade, SVR 1st New York Brigade, SVR P.O. Box 233 29 Carlton Road Ovid, New York 14521 Waterloo, New York 13165

PERMANENT FUND

Our Permanent Fund was authorized to unite and to assure a permanent association. No member is obligated to contribute nor may he be assessed. All funds in the Permanent Fund must be voluntary to fulfill its intent and purpose. Any member may contribute in memory of his family or Civil War ancestor to honor and perpetuate the memory of his name.

TO - Chester S. Shriver, National Secretary-Treas. P.O. Box 24, Gettysburg, Penna. 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 welcome and will be preserved. Contributions are deductible for Income Tax purposes- Section 170 of the Code of 1954)

The following Honor Roll contributions have been received since the last issue of THE BANNER:

- From Warren S. Baker, San Diego, Calif. In Memory of Lorenzo Dow Baker, Co. K, 14th Iowa Vol. Inf. \$10.00 From Richard L. Greenwalt, Alliance, Ohio In Memory of Pvt. Peter R. Greenwalt, Co. I, 10th Regt., West Virginia Volunteers \$25.00 From William J. Neisel, Hendersonville, N.C. In Memory of James Edie, Co. K, 14th N.Y.S.M. \$10.00 From James M. LaRue, Charlevoix, Michigan In Memory of Sgt. John W. LaRue, Co. I, 29th Regt., Ind. Vol. \$20.00 From Kenneth S. Athey, East Columbus, Ohio In Memory of Edwin Williams, Co. E, 10th Regt., OVC \$10.00 From Robert W. Vincent, Stillwater, Oklahoma In Memory of Pvt. Israel "Bud" Thompson, Co. I, 6th Missouri Cavalry (Volunteers) \$16.00

CENTENNIAL FUND NEEDS YOUR HELP

Brothers, I have been waiting until our National Patriotic Instructor, Charles A. Brady, Jr., had an opportunity to put out his call for the financial support necessary to carry out the programs sponsored by the National Organization. As you have read, his goal has been increased and I urge that you do what you feel you can so that these fine programs may be continued.

I was highly honored by being elected as your Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief in Des Moines last August. One of the duties of my office is to collect money which will be placed in a Hundreth Anniversary Fund. The purpose of this Fund is to make it possible for us to mark the passing of the century mark of our existence in a manner befitting our heritage. The year, 1981, is rapidly approaching. Please send your contributions to me. Support our organization... ask others to join our Camps.

Richard Greenwalt Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief 616 West Summit Street Alliance, Ohio 44601



Department News



ILLINOIS

As Memorial Day approaches, numerous plans are being made across the State for various affairs. A new entry this year is in the Naperville area where the Naperville Park District, which operates the Caroline Martin-Mitchell Museum, will sponsor a military band concert by the Heritage Military Music Foundation of Milwaukee. The Museum will have it's military rooms open on Saturday, May 27, 1978 while the uniformed band contingent sets-up a 19th Century military encampment from 1:00 PM to 6:00 PM on the Museum grounds. The band is the 1st Brigade Band, 3rd Division, 15th Army Corps... a recreation of a Civil War Band which joined Federal Service in 1864 and was assigned to General Sherman in his campaigns in northern Georgia and the Carolinas. Civil War Blue uniforms and authentic musical instruments and arrangements are featured. Individual tickets for the Concert are \$2.00 each or \$1.50 each for groups of ten or more. Contact the Naperville (Ill.) Park District.

MARYLAND

Lincoln-Cushing Camp, Washington, D.C., held their Annual Business Meeting at the Officers Club of the Washington Navy Yard on January 20, 1978. After election of Officers and induction of three new members for this steadily growing Camp, the group heard remarks by Colonel William P. Jones, a historian, pertaining to the Civil War era. The monthly luncheons, held the first Friday of each month jointly with the MOLLUS organization, are gaining in popularity and support.

The Maryland Department floral tribute was presented at the Lincoln Memorial in Washington on February 12th by Department Commander Richard C. Schlenker. This annual affair and the traditional banquet held by MOLLUS the preceding evening where occasions for many members to renew old friendships with Brothers and Sisters from other Departments and from National. Wilmington area Camp and Auxiliary members spearheaded the second annual Americanization Dinner which was held on February 18th. The Annual Department Encampment will be held on April 29th and 30th at the Old Town Holiday Inn, Alexandria, Virginia.

MICHIGAN

IN MEMORIUM... The Department is saddened by the death of Department Historian Roy H. Steffens of Traverse City, a member of Robert Finch Camp #14. Brother Steffens, who was 82, was a veteran of World War I and a widely respected local Military Historian in the Traverse City area. He assembled records of Traverse City area soldiers from the Civil War forward and in the process discovered the names of two G.A.R. veterans in previously unmarked graves. He was buried last January with full military honors and will be missed very much by our organization as well as the many others whom he assisted.

The State Encampment will be held June 12th and 13th at the Hotel Pantlind in Grand Rapids which will also be the site of the National Encampments in August which Michigan will host. Carl A. Smith is in charge of planning and arrangements and is being assisted by Jr. Vice Department Commander Thayne LaBanta. The Department Encampment will be a time for finalizing plans and the active support of every Brother and Sister is greatly appreciated.

THE BANNER Published quarterly by the National Headquarters of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. This Order was founded in 1881 and is the only male organization organized by the Grand Army of the Republic. A Congressional Charter has been granted to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. All items for publication must be received by the 15th day of December, March, June and September. All member receive THE BANNER without charge. Other interested persons may subscribe at the rate of \$2.00 yearly. All subscriptions expire on the first day of each year. Albert W Lambert, Editor, P.O. Box 673, Naperville, Illinois 60540.

NEW HAMPSHIRE



We are proud to welcome a new Auxiliary to our Department. Pictured above are some of the members of the new Auxiliary to John W. Spaulding Camp. Standing, from the left, are Dottie Mellor, Roseanna Wheeler, Nelle Holmes, Louise Gale, Kenneth Wheeler and Emma Wheeler. Sitting, from the left, are Karen Brigham, Ida Caldwell, Altharetta Walker, Jacquelyn Johnston, Barbara Boisvert and Laurie Hooper. In all there were 38 members of the newly formed Auxiliary. We were proud to welcome our National President, Marion E. Combs, our National Vice President, Lelie Turner, and P. C. in C. Fred H. Combs, Jr. all of whom traveled to New Hampshire for the institution of the Auxiliary and the installing of officers. Sister Turner presented the new Auxiliary with \$10.00 for being the first to be formed during her term as National Vice President. We welcomed a number of other distinguished guests from our Allied Orders as well as from other patriotic and civic groups. The ranks of this new Auxiliary, in addition to a large group of enthusiastic younger people, include an ex-State Senator (Nelle Holmes), a Past National President of Realtors and member of the Town Planning Board (Louise Gale), and a Past Department President of the Woman's Relief Corp. plus State Grange Woman's Chairman (Madelene Shattuck).

NEW JERSEY

The Treadway Inn on Route No. 1, Princeton was the site of the Department's annual Lincoln Dinner held on Saturday evening, March 4th, with 43 persons in attendance. A winter storm the previous evening prevented many persons from attending. We were delighted to have Commander-in-Chief Harold T. Beilby and his wife and National President Marion E. Combs in attendance. Dr. Robert L. Gerke of Dayton Camp #5, Trenton, was the Toastmaster. A very interesting and informative film, "The U.S. Navy in the Civil War," was enjoyed by all.

The spring dinner meeting of the State Camp, Abraham Lincoln Camp #100, will be held on April 29, 1978 at 6:00 p.m. at the Nassau Inn, Princeton. The speaker will be Professor Craig Symonds, Assistant Professor of History at the U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis, Maryland. Dr. Symond's topic will be "The Union Naval Blockade of the Confederacy."

Plans are being finalized for the annual Department Encampment of the Sons and Auxiliary to be held in the Buckingham Hotel, Avon-by-the-Sea, New Jersey, June 15-17.

Plans are being made for cemetery decoration and special services for Memorial Day. All Camps and members are urged to take part in this annual remembrance to honor those who fought for the Union during the American Civil War of 1861-1865.

Many members of the Sons and Auxiliary are making plans to attend the National Encampment to be held at the Pantlind Hotel in Grand Rapids, Michigan, August 13-17. Hotel reservation cards can be obtained from Department Secretary-Treasurer Richard D. Hines or Auxiliary Department Secretary Anne O. Clayton.

NEW YORK

P. G. Cook Camp #223 was saddened at the death recently of S. Grove McClellan. Brother McClellan, who was 84, was the son of a Civil War Veteran who had served as a drummer boy. He was a Past Camp Commander and was active in several organizations. He was a retired Vice President of the Old Fort Niagara Association and for his many services in and around the Fort he had been decorated by the French Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

Cook Camp and Berry Camp observed Lincoln's Birthday on Friday, February 10th (the early date was necessitated by the scheduling of two of the bands in attendance) at the Buffalo & Erie County Historical Society in Buffalo. The event, held outside in spite of the weather in Buffalo in February, was carried by three local television channels.

Auxiliary #48 of Troy awarded their annual scholarship to John M. Kane, a student of Male Nursing at St. Mary's Hospital in Troy. The scholarship, in the amount of \$50.00, is an annual event but this year the recipient, Mr. Kane was presented with his award by his grandmother, Mrs. Mildred Nistico, P.D.P., after whom the scholarship fund was named.

OHIO

We regret to report to our membership the death of two of the three actual sons of Union Veterans, Brother Fred Pfister, Jr. and Brother Howard Conrad. These Brothers, whose years of service and devotion were respected, will be missed.

Several Sisters from Alliance visited the Frost Auxiliary for their inspection meeting and again a short time later to attend the reception honoring Department President Judy Morgan. The reception was an extremely nice affair and the Sisters were especially pleased to welcome Department Commander and Mrs. Wilbur Haeuter and Past Department Commander and Mrs. Rick Bury.

The weather and energy crises cancelled many winter events for our organizations, including both regular meetings and holiday parties. However the Lincoln Banquet was held with good attendance. We were happy that officials of the Disabled American Veterans of Alliance were able to join with the Sons and Auxiliary in honoring President Lincoln. The main speaker was Mr. Harold D. Thomas whose subject was "Star Spangled and Other Banners". Mr. Thomas dealt with earlier flags of the Revolution which preceded the Star Spangled Banner and then with the various State flags developed as each State was admitted to our Union.

A well attended District Meeting was held in Unionport with Brothers and Sisters in attendance from Mansfield, Wooster, Salem and Alliance.

PENNSYLVANIA



Pictured above are Department Commander Goodling H. Dugan (right) with Sister M. Lucy, Sisters of the Holy Redeemer, Presi-

dent of the Board of Directors of Holy Redeemer Hospital in Meadowbrook, Penna. Commander Dugan presented an American Flag and a Star Spangled Salute to Sister Lucy and Mr. Timothy A. Harrington, Executive Director of the Hospital. Star Spangled Salutes have also been presented to: The Amtrak Rail Facility in Philadelphia; Casa Conti Restaurant in Glenside; and Standard Pressed Steel Company in Jenkintown.

WISCONSIN

The annual Washington-Lincoln-McKinley Patriotic Luncheon sponsored by C. K. Pier-Badger Camp No. 1 and Auxiliary No. 4 and Washington Circle of the Ladies of the G.A.R., all of Milwaukee, was held Saturday, February 18, at the Ambassador Motor Hotel, Milwaukee. The featured speaker was Bro. Robert G. Carroon, curator of the Milwaukee County Historical Society, who spoke on the subject, "Milwaukee Scots in the Civil War: Arms and the Clans." Department heads attending were Grover R. Huff, SUVCW, Rhoda Lemanski, AUXILIARY, Lilyan Behnke, LGAR, and Constance Nack, WRC. Rhoda Lemanski is also President of Auxiliary No. 4 and was general chairlady for the event.

Officers of Ammi Hawks Camp No. 3 and Auxiliary No. 5 led by Camp Commander Edward Huff and Auxiliary President Helen Huff respectively, were formally installed in ceremonies at the Summit Town Hall on Sunday, January 15. Thomas L. W. Johnson, PDC, acted as installing officer for the Camp, and Ellinor K. Johnson, PNP, performed similar duties for the Auxiliary. During the meeting that followed, Tom and Ellinor Johnson were each presented with individual resolutions commending them for their help in the activation of the Camp and Auxiliary at Oconomowoc, and for their continued support and encouragement of these units.

WHAT'S INTERESTING???

It is never possible for your Editor to utilize all of the fine material which is submitted to The Banner every quarter. Basically, we try to use four different types of stories in every issue:

- Official publications of the SUVCW such as The Roster and the General Orders.
- Reports of events of general interest to all our membership such as the Annual Lincoln Birthday event in Washington, etc.
- News from various Camps, Auxiliaries and Departments of significant activities in their areas (the Department News)
- Articles of general interest to those who have a genuine interest in the American Civil War period and a desire to know more about this great and tragic event and about the people involved in it.

Unfortunately some interesting stories, poems and comments do not get used, generally due to space, etc. That decision is and must remain the responsibility of The Editor. In spite of this, I urge every member to keep sending us information. If you are planning a special event, know of some unusual or interesting Civil War related item, etc. please let us know. To be used, all pictures MUST be of good quality, black and white prints. Unless they are 3½ inches wide they cannot fit our columns without either cutting or photo-reducing.

IN PASSING . . .

In the January issue we made mention of a unique book, *A Tour Guide of the Civil War* by Alice H. Cromie. It mentions many interesting Civil War sites in all parts of the country. Not to detract at all from these sites, we would like to remind you of another. If you will be anywhere near Fort Chickamauga, Cookson, Oklahoma we strongly suggest you stop. As the only active Horse Cavalry Post in the United States (acting under Congressional approval) and as the headquarters of the Fourth United States Cavalry, S.V.R. (Sons of Veterans Reserve) it is well worth your time and trouble. We think that once you have visited The Fort, you will find it is also much more. It is a dedicated, living example of 19th Century military and social life. It is a living part of our history, a vivid example of the period of time in which our forefathers lived and during which they fought to save our Union.