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## *California Dedication of the G. A. R. Highway*

Shown below is a portion of the large attendance at Long Beach, Calif., where on Sunday, May 3rd the Western Terminus of the Grand Army of the Republic Highway (U. S. No. 6) was dedicated. Immediately surrounding the temporary marker are (left to right) Melville Riggs, then Dep't Comdr.; Vernon T. Cheney, Chairman Highway Committee; Frank Woerner, Chairman of Fund Raising for Memorial; Wm. L. Anderson, P. C. in C.; James R. Riggs, Dep't Chief of Staff; and Woody Cammett.

Thus the longest continuous highway in the United States—3654 miles—beginning at Cape Cod, Provincetown,



Mass., and ending at Long Beach, Calif., was formally dedicated. Promptly at 2 P. M. at the sound of a bugle, invocation was given by Lt. Comdr. W. D. McCabe, Chaplain U. S. N. Then P.D.C. Frank Woerner after a brief review introduced Dep't Comdr. Melville R. Riggs who gave a hearty and sincere address of welcome and then presented the Master of Ceremonies, Comdr. Glenn Skogman, U. S. N. Ret., a member of our Order. Speakers included Hon. Lyman B. Sutter, Mayor of Long Beach; Commander-in-Chief F. K. Davis; Beatrice Riggs, N. V. P. Aux.; National Highway Chairman Vernon T. Cheney; P. C. in C. Wm. L. Anderson; Maj-Gen. Hobart R. Gay, Commanding General 3rd Army Corps; Capt. Minor C. Heine, Commander Long Beach Naval Base; Maj-Gen. C. F. Schilt, Commanding General Fleet Marine Force; Capt. John Trebes, Commander 11th Coast Guard District; Col. Ronald F. Walton, Commanding Officer, 2370 Air Base; and Wilbur Feineman, Capt. U. S. N. Ret. representing the Long Beach Chamber of Commerce Highway Committee.

Music was furnished by the Aircraft Fleet Marine Force Band of Long Beach, with Color Guards furnished by the U. S. Army, U. S. Navy, and U. S. Marines.

Veteran and Patriotic organizations represented included: United Spanish War Veterans and Aux., Veterans of Foreign Wars and Auxiliary, American Legion Auxiliary, Military Order of the Purple Heart, (continued on next page)

Dedication continued.

Marine Corps League and Auxiliary, Disabled American Veterans, Jewish War Veterans Auxiliary, Amvets Auxiliary, and Regular Veteran's Association Auxiliary.

Chairman Skogman read the following message from President Eisenhower:



WESTERN UNION... SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR-1068 HARVARD ST SANTA MONICA CALIF.

I AM HAPPY TO SEND GREETINGS FOR THE DEDICATION OF THE MONUMENT WHICH THE SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR HAVE ERECTED TO MARK THE WESTERN TERMINUS OF THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC HIGHWAY.

TO YOU AND TO ALL WHO JOIN IN THE SIMULTANEOUS DEDICATION SERVICES ACROSS THE COUNTRY, I SEND CONGRATULATIONS DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER

Iowa Dedicates G. A. R. Highway

Simultaneously with the California exercises, Iowa conducted dedication exercises conferring upon U. S. Highway 6, its new official name "The Grand Army of the Republic Highway".

Highway Dedication in Indiana

The Indiana Dep't participated in the Nat'l Dedication of U. S. Highway 6 as a memorial to the Grand Army of the Republic. Those taking part in the program included Mrs. Harold Kantz, Thomas M. Horn, N. C. Brown, Walter Wellman, S. L. Isaac, Rev. Earl Heimburger, Mrs. H. M. Johnson, State Senator Richard O. Ristine, and the Walkerton High School Band.

Senator Ristine termed the dedication "The most outstanding event in the history of Civil War men—Ninety years ago the Boys in Blue made history from the Atlantic to the Pacific—In 1860 while at Springfield, Ill., Abraham Lincoln stressed the fact that all men are created free and equal while today men are still struggling for freedom and equal rights".

Dedication in Massachusetts & Ohio

The Dep't of Ohio conducted a program on the public square in Cleveland simultaneously with those held in other parts of the country dedicating Grand Army of the Republic Highway. The vital role played in the development of Greater Cleveland and Ohio by U. S. Route 6 was recalled as the route was formally dedicated as Grand Army of the Republic Highway.

At the same hour services were held at New Bedford, Mass. at the approach to the Fairhaven Bridge. Exercises were also held in Nevada, and at other points but have not been reported in detail.



TEMPORARY MARKER at LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA

House Passes Bill to Keep U. S. Flag Above All Others

The House passed and sent back to the Senate a bill to keep the American Flag flying highest in the United States.

The measure was passed by voice vote after adoption of amendments to a Senate-approved bill introduced by Sen. Martin (R) of Penna. The House struck out a provision calling for a fine of \$250 or six months in jail for violators.

The measure will make it an offense against the United States to display the United Nations flag or any other national or international flag equal to or above Old Glory.

One exception, display of the United Nations flag above all others at the United Nations Headquarters, was allowed.

Washington, D.C. Times-Herald, June 12, 1953

A man without enemies is nobody.

Extend 106th Birthday Greetings



Recent visitors to Comrade Albert Woolson were (l to r) Chester L. Charter, Dewey B. Mead, Comrade Woolson, and Mrs. Chester L. Charter.

Comrade Woolson is a member of Duluth Camp No. 5, S.U.V.C.W. His father, W. P. Woolson, served in Company I, 4th Minnesota Infantry and lost a leg in battle.

Reader Agrees With Gen. Grant

In a letter to the Editor of the Newark News on Feb. 28, Charles F. Schrade of Washington, N. J. said, "I was more than pleased to read the comments of Gen. Ulysses S. Grant 3rd pertaining to the lack of patriotic teaching in the nation's public schools. . . . In the 1880s and 1890s groups of men of the Grand Army of the Republic visited the public schools and gave talks that instilled the spirit of patriotism in the hearts and souls of youth. . . . That is the kind of patriotism Gen. Grant speaks of, and war veterans understand. Today it is next to impossible to secure a speaking appointment in the public schools"

G. A. R. Office Moved

On June 1st, the Nat'l Headquarters of the Grand Army of the Republic was moved to the Fenton Memorial Building, Jamestown, N. Y.

This building was once the home of R. E. Fenton, Governor of New York State during the Civil War. It is now owned by the City of Jamestown and is used as a Memorial to the Grand Army of the Republic by the various patriotic organizations of Jamestown. For a number of years it was the meeting place of the James Brown Post, G. A. R. of which Past Commander-in-Chief Robert M. Rownd, and P.D.C. Martin V. Stone were members Charlotte Cook Brown Tent, D.U.V.C. W. have held their meetings in this building for many years, and it is fitting that the closing years of Grand Army of the Republic Nat'l Headquarters will be in such a historic building.

Miss Cora E. Gillis, Nat'l Secretary.

Standby Military Reserves

One very important phase of the Nation's manpower problems—that of reserves—is getting some much-needed intensive consideration in the Defense Dep't.

Under a loosely worded law, little enforced, draftees after completing a two-year tour of duty, are supposed to serve six years either in Federal Reserve organizations or the National Guard. Large numbers of returned draftees have never participated in this duty.

Army studies have been seeking ways to streamline the reserve situation. There are plans to cut down the annual turnover in active forces by relieving service men who take a third year in them from further reserve responsibility or to allow the same future release after three full years in the Organized Reserve or the National Guard.

Still another proposal is to stop deferments of youths 17 to 18½ who enter the National Guard and, if they remain in it for nine years, can be relieved of active military duty entirely. This is a touchy subject with National Guard officials. But Dr. John A. Hannah, Asst. Sec'y of Defense for Manpower, points out that with 2,000,000 men coming back from active service annually there will be plenty of manpower to keep up both the Guard and the Reserves.

These matters are in discussion stages. They should not be dealt with narrowly, but must be met to maintain for a long period ahead a large backlog of trained men that will keep America's defenses on the sound basis demanded by serious world conditions.

Phila. Pa. Inquirer, May 31, 1953

Facts are worthless to a man if he has to keep running to somebody else for advice on how to use them.

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GATE AJAR

I saw a vision, like a star, A vision of a gate ajar; Around that shining portal gleamed A soft, yet vivid light which seemed A halo from a sacred place, As glory lights a saintly face. And as I gazed, somehow I knew, That gate was for the "Boys in Blue"; Though now ajar, it long swung wide, To welcome Home a marching tide Of veterans, brave and wise and true, 'Til all save one had now passed through.

Because of heroes such as he, This land we love is truly free, Our flag a symbol of the right, Our Country strong with God's own might, United by their iron will; An undivided nation still, Tc that lone soldier, aged and spent, An everlasting monument. Too soon that haloed gate ajar, Must close behind the G. A. R., And they, preservers of the free, Shall be a deathless memory.

By Thomas A. Chadwick, P.D.C. Vermont



## General Order No. 5 Series 1952-1953

Headquarters  
COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF  
Sons of Union Veterans  
of the Civil War

1193 Pearl Street,  
Eugene, Oregon

July 1, 1953

### Officers and Members:

Accompanied by my wife, I visited seven Dep't Encampments—all but one of them in June. Starting with California on the Pacific coast, we concluded these visits with attendance at the Encampment of the New York Dep't at Elmira.

Appreciation goes to the staff officers who represented the Commandery-in-Chief at most of the other Encampments. Nat'l Patriotic Instructor DeHaven, Nat'l Chaplain Brockway, and Nat'l Counselor Bauer traveled considerable distances on these missions. P.C. in C. Roy Bennett went to Minnesota and Missouri at my request. Others were in attendance in their own Dep'ts. Appreciation is also extended Sr. Vice C. in C. Grant and Jr. Vice C. in C. Richardson for representing our Nat'l Organization on various occasions in different Dep'ts. I have been most fortunate to have such an outstanding staff of officers, and their unflinching consideration is unforgettable. My thanks and gratitude go to them all.

### National Encampment Features

A feature of the program of the Encampment at Buffalo (which has been printed elsewhere), will be a free 4-hour bus tour to Niagara Falls on Wednesday afternoon, Aug. 26. It will include viewing the falls from Canada—a most memorable sight.

The probable speaker for the Tuesday evening banquet will be Congressman Kenneth Keating of New York who has introduced legislation proposed by us and notably distinguished himself for patriotic effort in Congress.

My wife and I traveled nearly a thousand miles by auto this summer in Illinois, Indiana, and Kentucky, taking pictures connected with the ancestry, birth and life of Abraham Lincoln. It has been suggested that we show some of our Lincoln-story pictures on the screen on Monday evening at the Encampment, with historical commentary. Considering that we are essentially a historical organization, we have done amazing little to supply historical programs for the use of Departments and Camps. Our place in the national community, it seems to me, has been poorly analyzed and met with in many respects.

### National Encampment Membership

The password having been dropped, paid-up membership cards are now required. The C. & R. designates the voting membership. Dep'ts should note that each is entitled to one delegate, plus one delegate for each fifty members or major fraction thereof, based on its report next preceding the Encampment. It does not count Past Dep't Commanders or Past Commanders-in-Chief who are seated in their own right. Members not entitled to participation in business sessions may be

admitted as guests upon payment of the registration fee, but may not vote nor have a voice in the proceedings. Vacancies in the allowed delegate representation may be filled by the Dep't Commander. If not present the chairman of the delegation may act for him.

### Credentials Committee

The following men are requested to serve as the Credentials Committee, supervised by Nat'l Sec'y Lambert: Jesse H. Taylor, Dep't Commander, Calif. & Pacific; Fred H. Combs Jr., Dep't Commander, New Jersey; Robt. H. McMahon, Past Dep't Commdr., New York; Wm. J. Moore, Dep't Commander, Illinois; Ludwig E. Manoly, Past Dep't Commdr., Maryland.

This committee should be prepared to examine credentials at 2 P. M. on Sunday, Aug. 23; also on other days and times as required.

### National Aide Appointments

The first two named have received citations and ribbons for obtaining five new members. Bro. Woerner is recognized for exceptional service raising money in Calif. on behalf of the G.A.R. Highway Project.

Edward Carmichael, Pasadena, Calif.  
Dean S. Wait, Long Beach, Calif.  
Frank Woerner, Inglewood, Calif.

### Resolutions from Departments

Dep't Resolutions proposing changes in our Constitution and received by me or the Nat'l Secretary in time for publication as required, are printed elsewhere in this issue.

From the replies to the mimeographed questionnaire sent to each Dep't, the following have indicated their viewpoints:

From Indiana, Colo. & Wyo., and Calif. & Pacific: "Article 3, page 3 of the C. & R. Amendment. Only the Commander-in-Chief or Commandery-in-Chief may offer honorary membership, inactive status, for distinguished public service, but Dep'ts may make recommendations for such honorary membership". Same from New Jersey except omit "Only".

From Oregon & Washington: "Article 3, page 3, C. & R. Amendment. The Commander-in-Chief or Commandery-in-Chief may offer honorary recognition for distinguished public service to a non-member, but Dep'ts may make recommendations for such honorary recognition".

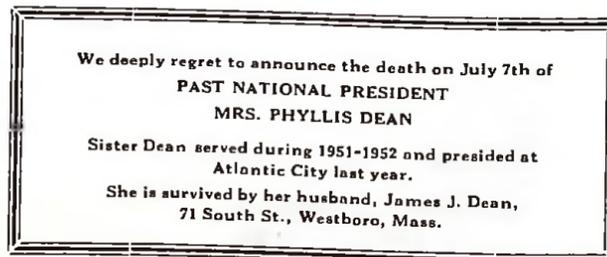
### Final Word

As I bring to an end now my last General Order, it is with the hope that some constructive ideas were forthcoming during my term for your attention. My kindest regards and wishes go to you all.

Frederick K. Davis, Commander-in-Chief

Attest:

Albert C. Lambert, Nat'l Sec'y-Treas.



## Convention Program

Buffalo, N. Y.—Aug. 23-27, 1953

[Eastern Daylight Saving Time]

- SUN—AUG 23--AM Services in church of your choice.  
2 PM SUVCW Credentials received--Mahogany Room  
AUX. Credentials received--Crystal Ballroom  
SUVCW Council of Administration meeting--book audit.  
AUX. National Council meeting.
- 4 PM Dept. Presidents or representatives--Dept. Commanders or representatives meet with Nat'l. Chaplains of SUVCW and AUX in ballroom.
- 5 PM AUX--All National and Special Aides meet with Chief of Staff in ballroom.
- 8 PM Concert by Sylvania Choralists--Crystal Ballroom
- 9 PM Joint Memorial Services under direction of National Chaplains--Crystal Ballroom.
- MON--AUG 24-- 8 AM Courtesy Breakfast to National Officers SUVCW and AUX; Past Nat'l. Pres's and Past Commanders-in-Chief; members of convention committee.
- 9:30AM Business sessions--both organizations.
- 12:15 SUVCW--No-host luncheon--Dept. Commanders and Sec'y's.
- 1:30 PM Business sessions--both organizations.
- 5 PM Banquet--Past Commanders-in-Chief and Past Nat'l Pres's
- 7:30 PM SUVCW Exemplification of initiation work by degree team from Rochester in Mahogany Room.
- 9 PM AUX--Auxiliary Courtesy Hour--Crystal Ballroom--direction of Nat'l. Chief of Staff, Mrs. Ruth Muzzey.
- TUE--AUG 25-- 7:30 A.M. Auxiliary Club Breakfasts
- 9 AM Business sessions--both organizations.
- 12:15 SUVCW--No-host luncheon for Past Dept. Commanders and Past Dept. Secretaries.
- 1:30 PM Business sessions--both organizations.
- 2 PM AUX--Presentation by Nat'l. Patr. Instr. to Cerebral Palsy Foundation in memory of the G. A. R.
- 2:30 PM Greetings received from all organizations.
- 6 PM Banquet honoring Commander-in-Chief and National President in Crystal Ballroom under direction of Nat'l. Chief of Staff Mrs. Ruth Muzzey. The Buffalo Encampment Committee has secured Representative Kenneth R. Keating as the speaker at this banquet. As Chairman of the House Judiciary Sub-Committee Congressman Keating is a busy man, but again shows his friendship for us as he has many times in the past.
- 9 PM Reception and dance honoring National President and Commander-in-Chief in Crystal Ballroom under direction of Nat'l. Chief of Staff, Mrs. Ruth Muzzey.
- WED--AUG 26
- 8-10 AM Auxiliary balloting outside of ballroom.
- 9 AM Business sessions--both organizations.
- 12 Noon AUX--Past Dept. Pres. luncheon--Crystal Dining Room
- 1 PM Courtesy bus trip to Niagara Falls and Fort Niagara for all delegates of both organizations.
- 7 PM Wreath laying ceremony and passing of colors at Civil War Monument in Lafayette Square. All Camps are requested to bring their colors for this occasion. These colors will be displayed during the entire Encampment.
- 9 PM Military Ball--dancing and entertainment under direction of Chief of Staff, C. Leroy Stout--Crystal Ballroom.
- THUR--AUG 27
- Business sessions if necessary.  
SUVCW Meeting of Council of Administration  
AUX Meeting of National Council

The only excuse for war is that we may live in peace. -Cicero.

It isn't difficult to get along on a modest income, if one does not spend too much trying to hide it.

He who has little and wants less is richer than he who has much and wants more.

He who cuts his own wood warms himself twice.

RECEIVED for Permanent Honor Roll Fund from:  
Past Commander-in-Chief J. Kirkwood Craig in honor of James Benjamin Craig, Co. E, 16th Iowa Infantry Vol.: \$10.00

What a pleasure life would be to live if everybody would try to do only half of what he expects others to do.

### Minnesota Gettysburg Program

On July 2, the Minnesota Dep't held an impressive program to celebrate the 90th anniversary of the historic charge of the First Minnesota Infantry at the Battle of Gettysburg, at the statue of Josias R. King, who was the first man to volunteer in the First Minnesota Infantry, the first regiment tendered the government for the suppression of the Rebellion. Those taking part include P.D.C. Dewey B. Mead, the Rev. Eugene W. Anderson, P.D.C. Irving Best, and representatives of the Allied Orders. The 135th Infantry Color Guard, and the St. Francis DeSales Band also took part.

### A Reminder

Donations will be received for the G.A.R. Memorial Fund up to and including the Nat'l Encampment. We need funds for projects—Give—Give As Much As You Can—Give NOW.

Dep't Patriotic Instructors who have not sent in Form 61 are urged to do so immediately.

Albert B. DeHaven, Nat'l Patriotic Instructor

*Making ends meet never caused any individual, family, enterprise, country, to incur disaster.*

### In Appreciation

Rev. Arthur M. Soule acknowledges with appreciation the financial donations made by the Maine, the Massachusetts, and Rhode Island Dep'ts of the S. U. V. C. W., its Aux., and the allied G. A. R. Family for making possible the inter-communicating telephone system at the Home for Aged Persons in Foxboro, Mass. Also to the Providence, R. I. allied family for the beautiful American Flag.

### Permanent Monument to Replace the Temporary One at Long Beach

The permanent monument designating the western terminus of the G.A.R. Highway cannot be built for two years. An improvement program in its location will raise the grade several feet higher than at present. The plaque that will be used in the permanent monument was placed in a temporary one, and later the temporary monument with a new plaque will be placed somewhere else along the highway.

The Colorado Dep't is planning to build a similar monument where U. S. No. 6 starts into the Rocky Mountains, about 15 miles west of Denver. They held a dedication service at this point in a snow storm on May 3 with State Officials, Veterans Organizations, and a 75 piece band taking part.

When you talk, you repeat what you already know; when you listen, you often learn something.

## S. U. V. C. W.



## News Notes

**California**-Following the dedication of the G. A. R. Highway our Annual Encampment was opened. This proved to be our biggest and best in years. San Jose was selected as the location of our 1954 meeting.



Pictured are five of nine members of the 50 yr. Club at the Dep't Encampment at Long Beach . . . left to right Linus L. Karnes, Geo. P. Edmans, J. Val Loebel, Howard P. Dow, and Chas. O. Boynton. . . . Burlingame Camp of Pasadena reports 3 new members on June 10 . . . Camps and Aux's were well represented at booster meeting at Pomona on June 15 . . . 200 plus attended the mid-year meeting of Dist. 2 at Los Angeles June 27 . . . The Grand Army Family were honored guests recently at a musical at the Municipal Aud in Pasadena . . . all Orders marched in with flags and banners to reserved sections.

**Indiana**-Our 67th Encampment was held in connection with the 5th Memorial Encampment to the G. A. R. . . . Attendance was better than usual . . . About 200 attended the Camp-Fire Banquet and each of the Allied Orders presented a program . . . Honored visitors included C. in C. Fred'k K. Davis and Albert W. Lambert, son of our Nat'l Sec'y-Treas. . . . The next meeting of the Indiana Dep't will be held at the Tippecanoe Battle Ground picnic on July 26.

**Maine**-Hyde Camp and Aux. held their annual memorial services on May 19 with a good attendance. This Camp has a fine degree team . . . This Memorial Day marked the 55th year that P.D.C. Vernon W. Miller participated in the parade.

**Maryland**-The Memorial Day exercises at the Battleground Nat'l Cemetery in Brightwood, D.C. were conducted by a committee of which P. D. C. Manoly was Vice-Chairman . . . This was an impressive program with Hon. Bruce Catton, Pres. of Civil War Round Table as principal speaker . . . The U. S. Dep't of Commerce Band furnished music . . . P. D. C. Michael Casey read "Orders of the Grand Army of the Republic" . . . Our Dep't Encampment was a very successful one . . . The Maryland Dep't endorsed Gen. U. S. Grant 3rd for the

office of Commander-in-Chief . . . Bros. Jos. Gentieu and Elmer Corrie were presented with 50 year badges . . . entertainment was furnished at the banquet by the Appomattox Military Co. . . . Nat'l Pres. Lila Macey and Gen. U. S. Grant 3rd were honored guests . . . Retiring Comdr. Richard A. Green was presented with his P.D. C. Badge by his father, P.D. C. John C. Green.

**Michigan**-Camp 14 Grand Rapids, recently initiated four new members: Roy P. Parker, Dr. Edw. C. Morcy, Thos. L. Wilson, and Dr. Howard W. Morcy. On April 11 a Regional Meeting was held in Kalamazoo, and on May 2 a similar meeting was held at Jackson with about 70 members and friends present on each occasion . . . A. C. Marvin of Camp 7, Jackson, reports decorating three Union Veterans graves on Memorial Day in Simcoe, Ontario, Canada.

**Missouri**-Regrets to report the death of P.D.C. Herman Balsiger . . . he served as Dep't Comdr in 1948 & 1949, and also served as Sec'y to the Missouri Dep't G. A. R. for many years . . . Bro. Balsiger was a former president of the Kansas City Retail Grocers Ass'n and was one of the founders of the American War Dads.

**New Jersey**-had a well attended Encampment with Jr. Vice C. in C. Richardson representing the C. in C. . . . at the joint banquet with our Aux. several Camp Color Guards took part in massing of the colors . . . A projected 35mm screen program was presented by Nat'l Sec'y Lambert of the Gettysburg Battlefield, and of pictures of previous Encampments . . . Newly elected Dep't Comdr Fred H. Combs Jr., was installed by his father, P.D.C. Fred H. Combs Sr. . . . Retiring Comdr. George Kilmer was presented with his P. D. C. badge by Nat'l Sec'y-Treas. Lambert.

**New York**-Memorial Day services in honor of Koltes Post 32 G.A.R. were conducted by Koltes Camp 171 and Post 784 American Legion with an impressive program . . . At the May meeting of Waverly Camp 88, 25 year bars were presented to Percy Durell and Lester Geer . . . Diven Camp 77, Elmira, attended Memorial Sunday services at the Riverside Methodist Church . . . P. C. in C. Cranmer read Logan's Order at Memorial Day exercises in Woodlawn Cemetery . . . The address was made by State Senator Peterson of Odessa . . . Over 1500 flags were placed in Elmira cemeteries under direction of Truman Vincent . . . Cook Camp 223, Buffalo placed a wreath on statue of Pres. Lincoln in Delaware Park near the Rose Gardens on April 12 . . . Those taking part included Comdr. Harry E. Gibbons, P. D. C. Willard B. Stephan, Sr. Vice Comdr. Harold L. Wilson, Sec'y Orion L. Murell, and Color Bearer James Hollis . . . Camp 223 had charge of Memorial services on Memorial Day at the Civil War Monument in Forest Lawn Cemetery . . . Oliver Tilden Camp 26 together with other Camps in the Metropolitan District will again take part in the flag raising ceremony of the United Spanish War Veterans at the Liberty Pole in the New York City Hall Park on July 4, following which a program will be presented at the Eternal Light in Madison Square Park under auspices of the Minute Men of America . . . Attendance at the 70th Dep't Encampment in Elmira was largest in recent years . . . C. in C. Davis and Nat'l Pres. Lila Macey brought inspiring messages . . . P.D.C. Hermon L. Brockway was endorsed for the office of Commander-in-Chief . . . Over 600 from the Allied Orders heard P. C. in C. Cranmer speak at a revival of the G. A. R. Camp-Fire on "New York in the Civil War" . . . The Rochester degree team with John H. Waste as director initiated (continued next page)

**New York, continued**- 8 new members at the Encampment . . . On July 19 the annual meeting and picnic of the Southern Tier Ass'n S.U.V.C.W. and Auxiliary will be held at Stewart Park, Ithaca.

**Ohio**-On May 24 the Dep't under auspices of Akron Camp 27 and Aux. dedicated a room to the G. A. R. in the Childrens Hospital . . . A \$500 check was given by the Ohio Dep't Sons and Aux. to equip the room . . . The impressive ceremony was conducted by Dep't Patriotic Instructor W. E. Corbin . . . included in the large attendance was Dep't Comdr. C. B. Wood and Dep't President Olive Boren.

## Lincoln Portrait Presented



Cleveland Plain Dealer

A portrait of Pres. Lincoln was presented to Mr. Floyd Hartpence, Sup't of the Ohio Soldiers and Sailors Orphans Home at Zenia recently by the Cuyahoga County Council of the Sons and Daughters of Union Veterans at the Hotel Statler. In the picture (left to right) are Charles J. Thobaben, Comdr. of Lookout Camp S. U.V.C.W., Hartpence, Mrs. Irene Polito, Pres. Cuyahoga Co. Sons and Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, and former Gov. Thomas J. Herbert, all of whom took part in the Council's Lincoln program.

## Auxiliary

National President  
Mrs. Lila A. Macey



## News Notes

725 State St.,  
Schenectady, N. Y.

**Connecticut**-Dep't Pres. Mary Hogan presided at the 38th Dep't Encampment in a gracious manner . . . Nat'l Pres. Lila Macey headed an impressive group of distinguished guests . . . Upon advice of her physician Dep't Vice Pres. was forced to decline the nomination for Dep't Pres. . . . Sister Mildred Boyce of Aux. 17 was elected as Dep't Pres. and looks forward to a fine year . . . At the Dep't Banquet Dep't Patr. Instr. Janice Lyons presented an American flag to the new Veterans Tuberculosis Hospital of West Haven . . . Dep't Chaplain Bessie O'Neill presided at the Memorial Service . . . Nat'l Pres Lila Macey installed our new Officers very impressively.

**Colorado**-Mayor Mabel Willie welcomed delegates to our 25th Encampment at Manitou Spring, and accepted a beautiful American Flag on behalf of the City from the Allied Orders . . . We were very happy to have

with us at all sessions, our Nat'l Vice Pres. Beatrice Riggs who brought greetings from Nat'l Pres. Lila Macey . . . The banquet was followed by the traditional Camp-Fire . . . The joint memorial service of the S.U.V.C.W. and Aux. were beautiful and impressive . . . At the joint installation service Mae Levine of Denver was installed as Dep't Pres . . . The officers were installed by Nat'l Vice Pres. Riggs . . . The general chairman of the encampment committee was P. D. C. A. G. Myers of Colorado Springs.

**Maine**-Garfield Camp recently celebrated their 65th anniversary and their Aux. their 45th with a chicken dinner . . . There were about 55 guests including the oldest Aux. member in point of service, Sister Margaret Foster . . . the oldest Camp member in point of service is Bro. Herbert Simpson . . . the history of the Camp and Aux. was read . . . Sister Mildred Webster was endorsed by the Maine Dep't for the office of Nat'l Pres. at Buffalo.

**Minnesota**-The Camps and Aux's of Duluth, Detroit Lakes, St. Paul, Lynwood, and Minneapolis have held their installations and look forward to the Dep't Encampment in St. Paul.

**New Hampshire**-The 45th annual Encampment was presided over by Dep't Pres. Mae Marsh of Keene. . . Reports showed many worthwhile activities during the year . . . Nat'l Pres. Lila Macey was our guest along with other Nat'l officers and visitors from New York, Mass., Maine, and Vermont . . . Our Dep't Pres. presented to Chief of Staff Ruth Mussey \$50 for her fund . . . Newly elected officers who were installed by our Nat'l Pres. include Ethel Griffin, Pres., and Bertha Goodnow, Vice Pres. . . There were 17 P.D.P.s and 2 P.N.P.s present

**New Jersey**-held a fine encampment in Atlantic City June 19-20 . . . Newly elected Dep't Pres. is Mrs. Florence Janssen of Union City . . . We were delighted to have Nat'l Pres. Lila Macey present, and to welcome Nat'l Press Corres. Margaret McKinney and P. N. P. Clara Gallagher . . . The Dep't presented a beautiful American Flag to Lawrence Twp. Jr. High School which was accepted by the School Principal, Fred H. Combs Jr, the newly elected Dep't Comdr. of New Jersey S.U.V.C.W. . . . Several delightful breakfasts, luncheons, and dinners were enjoyed.

**New York**-Members of Aux. 72 decorated in Union and Catholic Cemeteries May 30 . . . Due to rain, services were held at the Ovid Central School, following which "Taps" were sounded at the cemetery . . . Sister Mary Mandeville recently installed Sister Helen Smith as Pres. of Aux. 12 following a dinner at Hotel Marilyn . . . At this meeting Dep't Pres. Edith Ostrander made her official visit . . . Sister Mandeville presented the Dep't Pres. with a gift from the Aux. . . . Aux. 12 recently presented an American Flag to the Kennedy Corners School with Patr. Instr. Harriet Slight making the presentation.

**Pennsylvania**-Aux. 2 installed along with Camp 2 . . . they work harmoniously and have fine meetings . . . The Lincoln Banquet of Pittsburgh was held at Memorial Hall with P.N.P. Katherine Joyce as toastmistress while Anna Clevenhaus gave the address of welcome . . . Following the dinner a meeting of Dep't Presidents of all the Allied Orders made plans for the Encampment in Pittsburgh . . . Aux. 177, Indiana, Pa. held its Lincoln Dinner at their meeting hall . . . this was a huge success with the Camp taking part . . . Sister Elizabeth Work celebrated her 84th birthday (continued next page)

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**Pennsylvania continued**-in January . . Sister Elizabeth Kase installed the new officers of Aux. 177 with Sister Ada Kuhns as President.

**Vermont**-Encampment was held at Burlington April 21-23 . . . We were pleased to welcome Nat'l Pres. Lila Macey and Mrs. Herman Brockway of N. Y. . . . Morrisville won the membership banner as well as the at-

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO CONSTITUTION for consideration of 72nd National Encampment:

The Constitution is hereby amended by renumbering Article 8 as Article 9, and by adding the following new Article:

ARTICLE 8--PERMANENT FUND

Section 1--The Permanent Fund of the Order shall consist of funds now invested in U. S. Savings Bonds, such moneys as have been or may be given or bequeathed to the National Organization in memory of a Civil War Veteran, all moneys given or bequeathed to the National Organization and not designated for some other purpose by the donor or testator, and such other moneys as may be added thereto by vote of the Commandery-in-Chief or of the Council of Administration. Moneys given or bequeathed in memory of a Civil War Veteran shall be accounted for under a separate heading as the "Honor Roll Fund".

Section 2--Such funds shall be kept on deposit in some one or more bank--institutions whose deposits are fully insured to the amount of the deposit, or invested in obligations of the United States or in the securities of corporations or trusts located in the United States, which securities are listed or admitted to trading privileges on the New York Stock Exchange or are registered under the so-called "Blue Sky Law" in the State where such corporations or trusts are located, and no investment shall be made in the securities of any corporation or trust which has not paid regular dividends on its common stock, or on its capital stock if it has only one class, for at least three years prior to such investment.

Section 3--All moneys shall be deposited and all investments made in the name of the Order.

Section 4--All moneys given or bequeathed to the National Organization upon any express trust shall be held and the income and principal thereof shall be used only in accordance with the terms of the trust, but the restrictions in this Article upon the investment and use of funds shall apply to Trust Funds, in so far as they are consistent with the terms of the trust.

Section 5--Except as may be provided in the will or donation giving trust funds, no part of the principal of any of the funds covered by this Article shall ever be spent, and all moneys accruing from the sale of rights and all stocks received as a dividend shall be held as a part of the principal of the fund to which they accrue.

Section 6--By vote of the Commandery-in-Chief or of the Council of Administration and subject to the restrictions governing any trust funds the income of the funds covered by this article accruing in the year in which such vote is passed, or any portion of such income, may be transferred to the General Fund and used for the expenses and purposes of the Order, but any income not so transferred shall be added to the principal.

Adopted and submitted by Massachusetts Department 5/16/53  
 Adopted and submitted by New Jersey Department 6/20/53

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO CONSTITUTION for consideration of 72nd National Encampment:

ARTICLE 3 of the Constitution is hereby amended by changing the period at the end thereof to a semi-colon and by adding at the end the following clause:

"Provided that where a Soldier, Sailor or Marine, who served as aforesaid has left no lineal descendants, lineal descendants of a brother or sister of such Soldier, Sailor or Marine, may be admitted under the same conditions as lineal descendants of a Soldier, Sailor or Marine himself".

Adopted and submitted by Massachusetts Department 5/16/53

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO CONSTITUTION for consideration of 72nd National Encampment:

ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP: addition to Article 7 of the Constitution by adding a new section, to be known as Section 3:

Section 3--Departments and Camps may establish Associate membership. Said Associate Member must be ineligible for full membership due to lack of lineal descent from a Union Veteran of the Civil War. Said Associate Member shall not hold elective office, or be entitled to vote, but he may serve as an appointive officer or as a member of a committee. The wearing of the membership badge is prohibited.

Adopted and submitted by Massachusetts Department 5/16/53

tendance banner . . . Rita Osborne of Rutland is the new Dep't Pres. . . Winooski Valley Dist. meeting was held May 9 with Alfred Brigham of Barre elected Pres. The Aug. meeting will be a basket picnic in Peacham at the home of P. D. C. and Mrs. Lewis Abbott . . . Dist. No. 5 held their meeting May 23 at Windsor and will hold a picnic at Springfield in July . . . N. E. Regional meeting will be held at The Weirs July 15-19.