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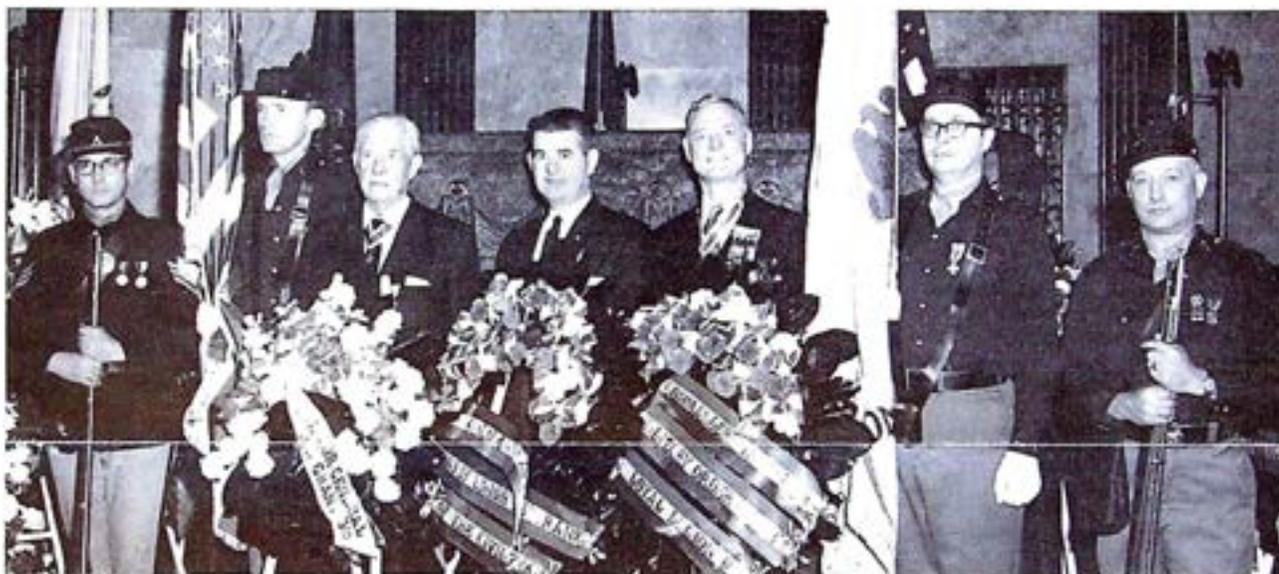
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LINCOLN TOMB CEREMONY



Past Commander-in-Chief U. S. Grant 3rd appeared in Springfield, Illinois three times on April 15 in connection with the commemoration of the ninety eighth anniversary of Abraham Lincoln's death.

Pictured at top (at Crypt) left to right are: Maj. Gen. Grant; Commander-in-Chief Chester S. Shriver; Lt. Col. Donald M. Liddell Jr.; Past Commander-in-Chief, MOLLUS. The Color Guard from left to right are Roland D. Persenico, John Brooks Davis, P.D.C. Charles A. Brady Jr. and A. Hyland Tresselt, all of Custer Camp No. 1.

Lower picture (at luncheon) shows left to right, seated: Edward G. Pree, Pres. Sangamon County Historical Society; Chester S. Shriver, Commander-in-Chief SUVCW; Douglas A. Henry, Springfield Inter-Veterans Council, Parade Marshal; James L. High, Recorder, Illinois Commandery MOLLUS, Ceremony Co-Chairman; Maj. Gen. U. S. Grant 3rd, USA, Ret. Standing: George L. Cashman, Curator of the Lincoln Tomb, P.D.C. SUVCW, Ceremony Co-Chairman; Gladys N. High, National Chaplain, Dames of the Loyal Legion of the U.S.A.; Lt. Col. Donald M. Liddell Jr., P. C. in C. MOLLUS, and Judge Benjamin S. DeBoice, Pres. Springfield Civil War Round Table.

At the seventh annual Memorial Service conducted at the Lincoln Tomb in Oak Ridge Cemetery under the sponsorship of our National Organization, assisted by The Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States, General Grant placed the first of 62 wreaths offered by 46 separated patriotic societies and veterans organizations. The General's wreath represented his personal tribute to the man who preserved the Union a century ago. The solemn exercises fittingly honored the memory of our sixteenth President.

Our Commandery-in-Chief colors were carried by the Color Guard of General George A. Custer Camp No. 1, Illinois Department, clad in Civil War uniforms and armed with muzzle loading muskets. The Memorial Salute was fired by a squad composed of two riflemen from the Custer Camp detail and two from the Department of Illinois, Military Order of the Purple Heart.

As in the past, there were two addresses at the Tomb. Commander-in-Chief Chester S. Shriver of our Order recited Mr. Lincoln's February 11, 1861 Springfield farewell and was followed by Lieutenant Colonel Donald M. Liddell Jr., Past Commander-in-Chief, Mollus.

After the service in the cemetery, General Grant addressed a luncheon gathering of 94 guests at the State House Inn, his subject being "A Unique Friendship—Lincoln and Grant." Mayor Nelson O. Howarth of Springfield extended a cordial welcome to the out-of-towners. A moment of silence was observed in memory of Past Commander-in-Chief Richard F. Locke, who passed away shortly after the 1962 ceremony, and Loyal Legion Companion Frank B. Huntington, who died suddenly on April 14, 1963 as he was about to start the journey to Springfield. Both of these gentlemen had taken active parts in organizing the Tomb exercises in the early years. Each person at the luncheon received a plaster Lincoln head presented by the Loyal Legion.

A chartered bus, furnished through the courtesy of the Sons of Union Veterans, operated between the State House Inn and the Tomb.

Co-Chairmen of the Committee in charge were P.D.C. (Illinois SUVCW) George L. Cashman, Curator of the Lincoln Tomb, and James L. High, Recorder of the Illinois Commandery of the Loyal Legion. The other committee members were James M. Blackman, M. J. Burns Jr., Department Commander W. Glen Davis and Carl G. Hodges, all of Illinois.

General Grant's third appearance of the day took place at an evening meeting of the Sangamon County Historical Society, where he spoke on "Grant and Lincoln—The Victorious Team." During his talk, the General quoted his grandfather as having said "Lincoln was the greatest man I've ever known and the day of his death was the darkest day I've ever known." It was fitting that this meeting was held in the Old State House (Sangamon County Court House), since it was here that the first General Grant worked while mustering new regiments into Federal service during the early days of the Civil War; it was here that he received his first commission as an officer in the Union forces; it was from this historic old building that he stepped forth on the road to fame and immortality.

The Historical Society graciously presented Past Commander-in-Chief Grant with a handsome fountain pen desk set mounted on a base of stone taken from Mr. Lincoln's first burial vault and containing a piece of wood from a roof timber of the Old State House.

Organizations Participating

Allied Orders of the G.A.R.

Sons of Union Veterans—National
Sons of Union Veterans—Illinois
Sons of Union Veterans—Ohio
Sons of Union Veterans—Camp 1, Chicago
Aux. to Sons of Union Veterans—National
Aux. to Sons of Union Veterans—Illinois
Aux. to Sons of Union Veterans—Missouri
Ladies of the G.A.R.—National
Ladies of the G.A.R.—Illinois
Daughters of Union Veterans—National
Daughters of Union Veterans—Illinois
Woman's Relief Corps—National
Woman's Relief Corps—Illinois

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Auxiliary to Amvets
American Legion—National
American Gold Star Mothers Inc.
Amvets—National & Illinois
American War Dads
American War Mothers—Illinois
Blue Star Mothers—Bellwood Chapter 1
Children of American Revolution—Illinois
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Springfield Civil War Round Table
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Daughters of American Colonists—Illinois
Daughters of American Revolution—Illinois
Society Daughters of Colonial Wars
Disabled American Veterans
Disabled American Veterans Auxiliary
Fleet Reserve Association
Order of Founders and Patriots—Illinois
National Gold Star Mothers Inc.
Huguenot Society—Illinois
Italian American War Veterans of the U. S.
Jewish War Veterans—Illinois
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Military Order of the World Wars—Chicago
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Retreads, Inc.
Sangamon County Historical Society
Sons of the American Revolution—Illinois
Natl. Soc. Sons and Daughters of Pilgrims—Illinois
National Aux. Veterans of Foreign Wars
General Society of the War of 1812
Widows of World War 1—Illinois
Natl. Soc. Women Descendants of Ancient and Honorable
Artillery Co. of Illinois

SCHOLARSHIP

The annual scholarship award of the National Auxiliary was presented by Sister Anna Stoudt, to Ronald Young a member of the graduation class at Scotland School for Veterans Children, Scotland, Pa. on June 1st.

This school was founded in 1895 by the Grand Army of the Republic, for orphans of veterans of the Civil War, and today there are 560 children of veterans of all wars, finding a home and education at this fine school. It is the desire of the Auxiliary to award this scholarship to a descendant of a Union Veteran where possible, however, due to these children coming from broken homes it is difficult to trace their ancestry. Consequently, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of the school, Dr. Willard M. Stevens a member of the Reading Pa. Camp, the award went to Ronald Young.

Ronald is a Colored boy who was one of the most outstanding members of the graduating class. He has the highest scholastic average; is treasurer of the class; a cadet officer; an outstanding athlete playing football, basketball and track. He was trombone soloist in the band where he won the John Philip Sousa Memorial award for excellence in music.

Ronald has been accepted for admission to West Chester State College, where he will major in higher mathematics. Unfortunately, coming as he does from a poor family, he can expect no financial assistance from them, consequently, Sister Stoudt was delighted to be of some help to this deserving son of a veteran.

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82nd ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

Tentative Program

SUNDAY, AUGUST 18—MORNING WORSHIP—
Church of your Choice
1:00 P. M. Registration—Hotel Lobby
1:30 P. M. National Council Meeting—Headquarters
2:00 P. M. Dept. Commanders meet with Natl. Chaplain—Napoleon Room
3:00 P. M. Joint Memorial Services—Sons and Aux.—Napoleon Room
7:30 P. M. Band Concert—Camp Fire—Napoleon Room
MONDAY, AUGUST 19
9:30 A. M. Registration—Charlemagne Room
10:00 A. M. Joint Opening—Sons and Auxiliary—Napoleon Room
11:00 A. M. Business Session—Charlemagne Room
4:00 P. M. Recess
5:30 P. M. Banquet—P. C. in C. & P. N. P.s—Charlemagne Room
9:00 P. M. Courtesy Water Show—At the Pool
TUESDAY, AUGUST 20
11:00 A. M. Business Session—Charlemagne Room
3:00 P. M. Greetings Received—Charlemagne Room
4:00 P. M. Recess
6:00 P. M. Banquet honoring National Officers—Napoleon Room
9:00 P. M. Reception honoring National Officers—Charlemagne Room
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 21
No business transacted
10:30 A. M. Complimentary boat trip
1:00 P. M. Complimentary boat trip
3:00 P. M. Complimentary boat trip
As the boat holds only 125 persons, tickets will be distributed for one of the trips, at the time of Registration.
7:00 P. M. Hawaiian Luau—At the Pool
(Authentic Hawaiian food, music and entertainment)
THURSDAY, AUGUST 22
11:00 A. M. Business Session—Installation of Officers—Charlemagne Room
4:00 P. M. Meeting of National Council—Headquarters
9:00 P. M. Dance and Entertainment—Charlemagne Room
(Courtesy of New Jersey Department)

SCHOOL PRAYERS

The Supreme Court has made the predictable decision that reading the Bible and recitation of the Lord's Prayer in the public schools is unconstitutional.

The task of the court was to clarify the First Amendment, which asserts that "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof."

The lone dissenter, Justice Potter Stewart (a member of our Order), accused the majority of trampling upon the second guarantee. Justice Stewart contended that "we err . . . if we do not recognize as a matter of history and as a matter of the imperatives of our free society, that religion and government necessarily must interact in countless ways."

"UNDER GOD" now threatened. The American Civil Liberties Union has filed suit in Superior Court declaring inclusion of the words "under God" in the United States pledge of allegiance is unconstitutional. Suit started on behalf of Haswell Parker, 51, a Los Angeles high school history teacher who says that he did not belong to any church and objected to being required to take part in a pledge which includes the phrase "under God."

IS THE AMERICAN PUBLIC SO APATHETIC AS TO ACCEPT THIS SITUATION?

SHOULD 170 MILLION AMERICANS BE INDOCTRINATED AS ATHEISTS.

For most of us the law has been violated on a technicality. Tradition and usage over the years has clearly indicated the intent.

IF OUR REPRESENTATIVES IN CONGRESS KNOW HOW WE FEEL, THEY WILL DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT. WRITE—WIRE—CALL ON YOUR CONGRESSMAN. THIS IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY—IT IS YOUR COUNTRY—IT WILL BE AS YOU PERMIT IT TO BE.



**General Orders No. 4
Series 1962-1963**

Headquarters
COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF
Sons of Union Veterans
of the Civil War
P. O. Box 24
Gettysburg, Pa.

July 1, 1963

1. Department Encampments have now been completed and I wish to congratulate each newly elected Officer. May you and your Department face this new year with a rededication of faith and effort to promote our Order. This office is at your service for any assistance you request.

2. Official visitations during the past three months have taken me to all Departments of the New England Region, eastern United States and central United States. Conflict of dates has prevented me from attending only one Department for which I am regretful. I commend all Departments for their success during the past year.

3. Every Department Commander, Department Secretary, Department Counselor, and Camp Commander is requested to study the C. & R. (Form 11) and the Ritual and acquaint himself with the contents. Present lack of knowledge and respect for conduct of business of our Order is in evidence and should be corrected. Copies of the above may be ordered from the National Secretary.

4. The annual observance at Lincoln's Tomb on April 15 in Oak Ridge Cemetery, Springfield, Illinois deserves commendation for the success that it was. Special mention is given in another part of this publication.

5. Memorial Day, 1963 was solemnly observed in nearly every community with appropriate services. Proudly our membership joined in placing Flags upon the graves of our Soldier Dead, strewed flowers, recited our ritualistic services and prayed that "these men shall not have died in vain."

6. The 82nd Annual National Encampment is hereby called for August 18-23 in the Deauville Hotel, Miami Beach, Florida. The following Committees are appointed: Committee on Officers Reports—P. C. in C. Thomas A. Chadwick, Chairman. Committee on Resolutions—P. C. in C. U. S. Grant 3rd, Chairman. Credential Committee: Arthur L. Ballou (Vermont), Chairman; Robert L. Gerke, New Jersey; Edward E. Biering, Wisconsin; DeVene F. Williamson, New York; Lewis T. Story, California.

Each National Officer and Committee Chairman must submit a written or typed report of his activity during the past year. All proposed Amendment Changes, Recommendations, and Resolutions are to be forwarded immediately to the National Secretary to be forwarded to their respective committees. This is to save time and allow advance study.

7. To Auxiliary National President, Sister Anna I. Stoudt, my deepest appreciation for the many courtesies received during the past year. The opportunity of planning and traveling to many meet-

ings together was outstanding and worked successfully. May you have a memorable Encampment as the climax of your year as National President.

Special good wishes for harmonious conventions go to Mrs. Marian K. Leach, National President of the Ladies of the G. A. R., Mrs. Gertrude L. Gilbert, National President of the W. R. C., and to Mrs. Dema Smith, National President of the DUVCW.

To each National Officer, members of National Committees, Department Commanders and to each member of our Order, my sincere "Thank You" for the privilege, the honor and the challenge of serving as your Commander-in-Chief. The many courtesies and friends made through our fellowship will never be forgotten.

Chester S. Shriver,
Commander-in-Chief.

CITATIONS



Top picture shows Good Citizen Award being presented to Mr. Robert Echols Goldsby at New Jersey Department Encampment. From left to right are: Fred H. Combs Jr., P.D.C. who made the presentation, Goldsby, and Department Commander Robert L. Gerke Sr.

Bottom picture shows Natl. Secy.-Treas. Lambert presenting an award to Hon. William Beard who is a Past Commander-in-Chief of the Sons of Confederate Veterans. The award cited him for promotion of proper appreciation of services rendered by the soldiers of the Union and the soldiers of the Confederacy. The presentation took place at the N. J. State Camp semi-annual dinner meeting in April.

YOUNG RECRUIT



Roger Earl Woodbury, son of Commander Roger Woodbury, Capt. Robinson Camp No. 31, Bristol Conn. models Civil War cap.

**Proposed Amendments to
Constitution**

For consideration of 82nd National Encampment Strike out Section 3 of Article 7, and in lieu thereof insert the following

Section 3. The phrase "All male descendants, * * * that are blood relatives of soldiers, sailors or marines, * * * as used in Article 3 of this constitution is understood and defined to mean all male descendants of a Union Veteran of the Civil War who have a common ancestor, and includes the sons, grand-sons, and great-grand-sons of such veteran or of a brother or sister of such veteran.

Section 4. Associate Membership (a) Departments and camps may admit as Associate Members those collateral male descendants who are not blood relatives of a Union Veteran of the Civil War.

(b) An 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, except with some distinguishing mark, to be prescribed in Regulations.

(c) No Camp shall, at any time, elect Associates when the number of Associates will exceed one half the number of regular members at the time of such election.

Add an additional section to said Article 7, as follows: Section 5. Honorary Members. The Commandery-in-Chief upon recommendation from a Camp, Department, or the National Council of Administration, may grant honorary membership to persons of acknowledged eminence who are especially distinguished for conspicuous and consistent loyalty to the Constitution and laws of the United States of America, and who have been active and eminent in maintaining the supremacy of the same, and are not known to be eligible for membership in the Order.

Proposed and Adopted by the Ohio Department

Patriotic Instructors Message

As we are now in our third year of the Civil War Centennial there brings to my mind a question which is: Have you done something to perpetuate the memory of your Father or Grandfather, or are you just sitting by waiting for someone else to do it for you?

Now is the time for all of us to put our shoulders to the wheel and make this year a banner year for us all by taking advantage of each and every holiday (pertaining to Patriot-

ism) to bring before the public the Patriotic work that can be done in our schools to further the ideals and accomplishments of our Fathers and Forefathers.

Let's all put our right foot forward spread the good work and remember the Grand Army of the Republic did not wait for some one else to do it for them.

With your help in supporting the Grand Army Memorial Fund we can help to keep this Nation of ours a United one and above all a Patriotic Land in which to bring up our loved ones.

To the Members of each Camp and to the Departments who contributed to my fund a big thank you.

TO ALL DEPT. PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTORS
"A REMINDER"

If you have not sent in your reports of your years work please do so right away so I may compile them into the National report to be read at convention at the close of my year.

If you have not already donated please do so now, if we are to succeed with our work that our ancestors set aside for us to do, let us all donate now and not put it off until another day.

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

Support Senate Joint Resolution 22

United States Senator Kenneth B. Keating (New York) has advised us that he has reintroduced legislation designating November 19, the anniversary of Lincoln's Gettysburg Address, as Dedication Day.

Known as S.J. Res. 22, the bill has been referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, of which Senator James O. Eastland of Mississippi is the Chairman.

MEMORIAL DAY AT GETTYSBURG



Vice President Lyndon B. Johnson, U. S. Ambassador to the Netherlands John C. Rice, and Commander-in-Chief Chester S. Shriver stand at attention while 19 gun salute is fired upon arrival of the Vice President for 96th Annual Memorial Day services at Gettysburg. Johnson's helicopter is in background. Vice President Johnson delivered the principal address. Shriver served as Master of Ceremonies. Following the ceremony Commander-in-Chief Shriver presented the Vice President with the SUVCW Certificate of Merit in recognition of "His efforts throughout the world to bring peace and understanding by virtue of his strength and character and love of all peoples."



Department News



CALIFORNIA

U. B. Schoonover of Whittier is the New Department Commander. At the recent Department Encampment, the California Department voted to extend an invitation for the National Encampment to be held in Long Beach in 1967 during the dedication of the monument at the end of the G.A.R. Highway, and the beginning of the largest World Fair ever held in the United States. The Department Permanent Fund is now in operation. A permanent record will be kept of each donation. Checks should be sent to Dept. Treas. Elmer Wohlgenuth.

ILLINOIS



Lovina Lorah, Acting President is shown presenting a sabre to Cadet Lt. Col. Jerry L. Hoffeman of Belleville, Ill. at Champaign on Honor Day, May 3rd.

On April 6 at the Palmer House in Chicago, the Sons and Daughters of Union Veterans Banquet Assoc. of Cook County gave its annual reception and luncheon commemorating the anniversary of the founding of the G.A.R. Mary E. Law, Dept. Pres. DUVCW and W. Glen Davis, Dept. Commdr. SUVCW attended as guests of honor. Other guests were Clara Miller, Dept. Pres. W.R.C.; Grace Langfield, Dept. Pres. Ladies G.A.R.; Lovina Lorah, Acting Pres. of the Aux.; and Vlad Jedlicka, Commander of the G.A.R. Memorial Association. The featured speaker was Irving Breakstone, Past Commander of the Illinois Department American Legion. Earlier in the day, a wreath had been placed at Gen. John A. Logan's monument in Grant Park.

Gen. George Custer Camp 1 and Aux. No. 20 entertained at Charlotte's Restaurant, Chicago, on May 5 in honor of the Acting Department President of the Auxiliary and the Department Commander of the Sons.

On the morning of Memorial Day, exercises were conducted at the plot of Gen. Geo. H. Thomas Post of the G.A.R. in Rosehill Cemetery, Chicago by Custer Camp, its Auxiliary, Keturah Hoover Tent No. 10, DUVCW, and the 104th Illinois Vol. Inf. The Chicago parade in the afternoon was led by Custer Camp color guard and the 104th Infantry.

At the Department Encampment in Peoria, the Family Dinner was featured by an illustrated lecture on the life of Mr. Lincoln given by P.D.C. Geo. L. Cashman and Dorothy, both of whom are experts on the subject. Myron Goodermont

was elected Department Commander and Lovina Lorah Department President of the Auxiliary.

P.D.C. Charles A. Brady Jr. was recently elected Commander of the Illinois Commandery, The Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States.

The annual Flag Day ceremonies of the Glenwood School for Boys on June 16 featured the G.A.R. Memorial Award, consisting of a medal and a plaque presented to an outstanding cadet by Dept. Patr. Instr. Miner T. Coburn.

CONNECTICUT

May 5, members of Amos P. Chapman Camp 6 visited the Bristol Veterans Home in Bristol, R. I. and presented a wheelchair to the home. The presentation was made by Perley Wallace and Harry Barber, both Past Commanders of the Camp. They were accompanied by Roy Wallace of Camp 6 and Daisy Wallace and Jane Barber of Aux. 11. Also present was a uniformed group from Rhode Island headed by Maj. V. Bonner and Major G. Strait.



New Department Officers installed April 20 left to right Sr. Vice Comm. Harry Grindle; Commander Russell Lawrence; P.D.C. and Council Member Leon Crocker; Council Member Robert Daniels; Allen Spink, installing officer; C. Brown Newton, Dept. Secy-Treas.

MAINE

Commander-in-Chief Shriver and Natl. Pres. Mrs. Anna Stoult were honored by the SUVCW and Aux. at a dinner in the Portland Hotel, Portland, on May 4. At the same time Shepley Camp observed its 80th anniversary, and the Auxiliary its 72nd anniversary. Joseph Hurley, an associate, read the history of the Camp, and Sister Eileen R. Mason, P.D.P. read the history of the Auxiliary. Bro. William Dow of Shepley Camp showed slides while his wife, Sister Sylvia, told about their European Tour.

Dept. Sr. Vice Commdr. Lester D. Nadeau succeeded in having church bells and fire whistles tolled at 12 noon on Memorial Day in Waterville area. They tolled 1-8-6-3 in memory of the 20th Maine, which regiment distinguished itself at the Battle of Gettysburg.

MARYLAND

We regret to report the death of Joseph H. Gentieu, long time faithful member and Secretary of Appomattox Camp No. 2.

The Memorial Day parade in Wilmington, Del. consisted of four divisions, with Col. Edward C. Campbell as Grand Marshall.

MASSACHUSETTS

Springfield—Tift Camp 15 in compliance with the custom carried on for years by E. K. Wilcox Post 16, G.A.R. conducted Memorial Day exercises in cooperation with the Veterans Association of Springfield. Church services were attended on May 26 and on May 30 services were held at the G.A.R. Monument in Oak Grove Cemetery and at Court Square.



Shown above are the Civil War Centennial Contest winners of the Allied Orders of the G.A.R. in Massachusetts. Central figure is Ben Foster of Warren Camp 34. Starting at left front clockwise are Marion A. Pohl, Aux. 13; Elsie Cook, DUVCW; Grace Broderick DUVCW; Hazel Cummings, W.R.C.; Mae Chaisson, W.R.C.; Helen M. Kelley, DUVCW; and Frances Andersen, DUVCW.

At the annual Encampment, John W. Mitcheson was elected Commander, while confined in Chelsea Hospital. Special dispensation was granted by C. in C. Shriver who attended all of the sessions. A class of candidates was initiated by five P.D.C.s whose aggregate years of service is over 200 years. Mrs. Pearl C. Bowen was chosen to lead the Department Auxiliary. She recently served as Dept. Pres. of the W.R.C. and is currently their Treasurer. Mrs. Anna Stoult, Natl. Pres. attended the Auxiliary functions. A complimentary dinner was given by Gov. Endicott Peabody in honor of the National Heads.

The part played by Col. Robert Gould Shaw, organizer and leader of the 54th Mass. Regt. in the Civil War was commemorated by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts at the State Capitol and Shaw Memorial Statue. Jr. Vice C. in C. Allen Howland represented C. in C. Shriver and Harold M. Drown was aide to Special Guests. Gov. Endicott Peabody and noted historian Bruce Catton were among the speakers.

Custer Camp 11 of Whitman recently initiated six new members. The staff was headed by P.D.C. John B. Davis. John Foster Snow, a member of Town School Committee was one of the candidates and also guest speaker of the evening.

The Department Auxiliary held their annual commemorative ceremony at their Boulder-Plaque in New Bedford, marking the G.A.R. Memorial Highway. Arrangements are made by Hawes Auxiliary of New Bedford. Attending were Dept. Pres. Pearl C. Bowen, and P.D.C. Ernest G. Wells, who was the speaker. Others attending were Allen B. Howland, William W. Haskell, William O. Fuller, Millard F. Brown, Barbara D. Brown, Jessie G. Wells, Alfred M. Bowen and Minnie E. Madeiros.

MISSOURI

Friends of Sister Ruth Park will be saddened by news of her recent death. She had been elected Department Vice-President at our Department Encampment, even though she was in the hospital at the time with a fractured hip. We were pleased to have Natl. Pres. Anna I. Stoult and PNP Mildred Webster attend our convention on May 19th. Sister Stoult installed the new Officers with Sister Ethelyn Gray as the new Department President.

NEW JERSEY

Commander-in-Chief Shriver installed officers at our Department Encampment with William Wharton of Camp 4, Trenton, as the new Commander. Newly elected Department President Mrs. Hilda Junge was installed by P.N.P. Edna S.

Lambert. Visitors included Natl. Pres. Mrs. Anna I. Stoult, C. Leroy Stoult, as well as P.N.P. Margaret Brady and P.D.P. Edith Snyder of New York. Additional sponsors to the Florida Encampment include Mr. Edward Vay, Mr. & Mrs. Herman Schroeder, and Mr. & Mrs. Andrew Richardson.

Reports have been received of outstanding Memorial Day services in Bloomfield and Trenton. At the services on the Town Green in Bloomfield, Past Commander Percy Davenport read Gen. Logan's Order No. 11. In Trenton both Camps decorated graves and held services.

NEW YORK

Ovid, Auxiliary 72 has been receiving regular newspaper coverage of their many events, including Class Initiations, receptions and parties.

Oliver Tilden Camp 26, New York City marked Memorial Day with services on May 26 at Admiral Farragut's Monument and at the grave of Capt. Oliver Tilden in Woodlawn Cemetery. On May 30 they participated in the parade and wreath laying ceremonies at the Soldiers & Sailors Monument on Riverside Drive.

Lafayette Camp 140, New York City recently installed Harold K. Whitford, as Commander. He is an advertising and public relations executive, and has been a member for the past ten years. Extremely active in journalistic circles, Mr. Whitford has written for newspapers and magazines on varied subjects.

Elmira P. C. in C. Neil D. Cranmer authored a comprehensive essay of the history of Baldin Post No. 6 which was published in the Elmira Sunday Telegram, June 9.

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Cathedral of the Pines Annual Memorial Observance was held at 3 P. M. on May 30, where All America paid tribute to All Its War Dead, at the National War Memorial at the Altar of the Nation. This was preceded by ground breaking ceremony for the Memorial Bell Tower. Every State of the Union was represented, and floral tributes were presented from most National Patriotic and Veteran Organizations. Past Commander-in-Chief Cleon Heald represented our Order in placing our wreath.

OHIO

Cincinnati—Members of U. S. Grant Camp 100 taking active part in Memorial Day Services included William M. Coffin, P. C. in C.; Col. Henry P. Rawson, who was Honorary Grand Marshall of the parade through downtown Cincinnati; William Tod Conner, Grand Marshall of Parade; and Fred Pfister Jr., program committee. The Central Mound Spring Grove Cemetery services were under direction of the Hamilton County Memorial Association, with Maj. William M. Coffin, as Officer of the Day.

PENNSYLVANIA

Dept. Patr. Instr. John D. Erskine contacted every Camp with his Memorial Day Order and special brochures "Our Flag" and "Ode to Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty."

Pennsylvania Brigade held a Spring meeting of commissioned and non-commissioned officers at Wilkes-Barre on March 24.

Gettysburg, June 27 (7 P. M. E. D. T.) the re-enactment of Gen. Early's Raid into Gettysburg will take place. On July 1, 10:30 A. M. re-enactment of Gen. Howard assuming command after Gen. Reynolds was killed during the first day's battle. On July 2 afternoon, the BIG PARADE will take place. SUV Reserve will have the "right of line" in the Parade, with the Penna. Brigade leading. On July 3, the re-enactment of the Union Army's courageous stand at Bloody Angle against the relentless attack of Pickett's Charge (Longstreet's Assault).

Past Commander-in-Chief C. Leroy Stoult and Past National Auxiliary President Dorothy L. Hilyard (Maryland Department) headed a list of seven members of our Orders to receive the "Chapel of Four Chaplains Legion of Honor Award" on Sunday, June 23rd at the Chapel of Four Chaplains in Philadelphia. Other recipients were P.D.C. and Dept. Counselor Frank Heacock, Sr., Dept. Council Member John D. Erskine, P.D.P. Caroline E. Riddell, P.D.P. and National Chaplain, L. of the G.A.R. Mrs. Elizabeth B. Koch, and P.D.P. Helen H. Hall. National President Anna Stoult, Dept. Commander John H. Stark along with other Department and Past Department Officers were present for the service.

GOOD CITIZENSHIP AWARD



Darlington Hoopes, center, Reading attorney, receives the 1963 Good Citizen Award of Meade Camp 16 from C. Leroy Stoudt, awards committee chairman at the 31st annual Appomattox Banquet April 6. At left is the Rev. Richard O. Partington, National Chaplain and Department Commander.

The Allied Orders of the G.A.R. of Reading celebrated the 98th anniversary of Appomattox Day with a well attended dinner on April 6 in the Hotel Abraham Lincoln. A feature of the evening was the initiation of 10 candidates into Meade Camp. The address of the evening was given by Hon. Judge J. Wilson Austin, Berks County Court of Common Pleas.

VERMONT

Bellows Falls on Mar. 27, Camp 91 was host to District No. 5. The meeting was preceded by a delicious ham supper in the Grange Hall. New by-laws for the District were adopted. On May 11, the Camp sponsored the Clyde Joy Show and realized a sizeable profit.

Chelsea at the May 11 meeting of Camp 28 visitors included Dept. Secy.-Treas. Aldrich, P.D.C. Alaric Nichols and Robert Tassie. The Camp was organized in 1886 and is the oldest in the state.

Brandon Camp held a meeting on May 3 at which P.D.C. Archie Aldrich, Dept. Commdr. Howard Reed and Carroll Bridgeo were visitors.

Brattleboro Camp 11 and Aux. 9 were hosts to District No. 5 on May 18. Following a delicious supper, a full program consisting of a penny raffle, a cake walk and a very enlightening talk by Attorney Timothy O'Connor, President of the Brattleboro Jr. Chamber of Commerce. Again this year, Archie Aldrich will serve as Chairman for Memorial Day exercises. Camp Commander Jos. Aldrich marshalled the parade and Archie Aldrich acted as Master of Ceremonies on the common.

Come to Florida

The 82nd National Encampment will be held with headquarters in the fabulous Deauville Hotel in Miami Beach, August 18-23. Rates are \$11.00 per person per day, which includes breakfast-brunch and dinner. All rooms are twin-bed rooms and these rates are based on two to a room. Special rates can be obtained for three or more to a room. Single occupancy is \$15.00 per day per person, including meals. IMPORTANT—Reservations must be made by July 27 to be guaranteed.

Florida is on Eastern Standard Time, so be guided accordingly.

Meetings are scheduled only on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from 11 A.M. to 4 P. M. which will give time for exploring exciting Collins Ave. and the Lincoln Road shopping center. Bus and water tours are available to Hialeah, the Seaquarium, Vizcaya Gardens, the Parrot Jungle, Everglades

National Park, Greater Miami and Miami Beach. Enjoy swimming, ice skating, night clubbing, a water show, an authentic Hawaiian Luau, and other features.

For your Sunday morning guidance, churches are located as follows:

- Catholic—St. Joseph—87th & Byron—7—8—9—10—11—12
- Methodist—St. John on the Lake—4760 Pinetree Dr.—11 a. m.
- Baptist—1st Miami Beach Baptist—28th & Sheridan—11 a. m.
- Presbyterian—Miami Beach 1st Presby.—7141 Indian Creek Dr.—11 a. m.

Bell Captain at Hotel has available information on churches of other faiths.

United States Senator Spessard Lindsey Holland (Florida) will be the principal speaker at the Camp-Fire, with P. C. in C. Gen. Grant 3rd as Master of Ceremonies. The Camp Fire will start promptly at 8 P. M. on Sunday evening in Section 2 of the Napoleon Room of the Deauville Hotel. This will be preceded by a band concert at 7:30 P. M. by The Goldcoasters, an outstanding band sponsored by the Veterans of Foreign Wars of Greater Miami.

On Monday evening at 9 P. M. there will be a water show at the hotel pool courtesy of the Encampment Committee. On Wednesday evening at 7 P. M. an Hawaiian Luau will be held at the pool with authentic Hawaiian food, music and entertainment. There will be a charge for this outstanding event, but you will be given credit for the dinner missed at the hotel. On Thursday evening, following the close of the Encampment, a courtesy dance and entertainment will be given by the New Jersey Department Sons and Auxiliary in the Charlemagne Room at 9 P. M.

If you wish to travel on the special train, communicate with Henry S. Bowen Jr., 8 Judson St., Beverly, Mass., immediately.

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Our Permanent Fund was authorized to unite us 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 their name.

To—Albert C. Lambert, National Secretary-Treasurer,
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