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## LINCOLN REMEMBERED



The 99th Anniversary of Abraham Lincoln's death was marked by a Lincoln Tomb Ceremony on April 15 in Oak Ridge Cemetery, Springfield, Illinois, under sponsorship of our National Organization,

assisted by The Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States, with participation by other patriotic societies and veteran organizations.

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Top picture shows group in front of the impressive Tomb. Bottom picture taken at the luncheon shows, left to right: Rev. A. Burd Arganbright; Hon. William Cellini, City Commissioner; Commander-in-Chief Joseph S. Rippey; Gladys N. High, Natl. Chaplain, Dames of the Loyal Legion; George L. Cashman, Curator of the Lincoln Tomb, P.D.C., Illinois Department, Honorary Member Loyal Legion, and Ceremony Co-Chairman; Thomas L. W. Johnson, Wisconsin Department Commander and Ceremony Co-Chairman; Harry Page, Illinois Public Instruction Director of Public Relations; Mrs. A. Burd Arganbright; Commander William C. Duval, USNR (Ret.) P. C. in C. Military Order Loyal Legion; James L. High, Natl. Council Member and Illinois Commandery MOLLUS Recorder, also representing Chicago Military Order of the World Wars; Douglas A. Henry, Inter-Veterans Council and Parade Marshal; Mrs. Anita Selby, Auxiliary National President; and Mrs. Molly Mercer, Natl. Pres. Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic.

### Lincoln Tomb Ceremony

To commemorate the ninety-ninth anniversary of the death of Abraham Lincoln the eighth annual Lincoln Tomb Ceremony was conducted in Oak Ridge Cemetery under the sponsorship of our National Organization, assisted by The Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States. A total of 51 wreaths were offered as a solemn tribute to the memory of our sixteenth President.

A ritual team from the Veterans of Foreign Wars posted the colors and the Memorial Salute was fired by a squad composed of members of the Veterans of World War I of the U. S. A.

Two addresses were delivered at the Tomb. Commander-in-Chief Joseph S. Rippey of our Order included Mr. Lincoln's Springfield Farewell Address of February 11, 1861 with his timely remarks and was followed by Commander William C. Duval, USNR (Ret.). Past Commander-in-Chief, MOLLUS, who gave a memorable talk on the principles of patriotism.

After the service at the cemetery, Mr. Harry Page, Director of Public Relations for the Illinois Superintendent of Public Instruction, addressed a luncheon gathering of 90 guests at the Hotel Leland, his subject being "Abraham Lincoln." City Commissioner William Cellini of Springfield extended a warm welcome to those present. At the luncheon three of the five men who were principally responsible for originating the ceremony in 1957 were present. They are Commander Duval, James L. High, Recorder of the Illinois Commandery of the Loyal Legion and a member of our Order, and Past Commander-in-Chief William M. Coffin of Ohio. Each person at the luncheon received from the Loyal Legion an interesting booklet entitled "Little Known Facts About Abraham Lincoln and the Civil War" edited by George L. Cashman.

A chartered bus, furnished through the courtesy of the Sons of Union Veterans, operated between the Hotel Leland 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 Thomas L. W. Johnson, Commander of the Department of Wisconsin, SUVCW. Other members of the Commit-

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tee were James M. Blackman, Charles A. Brady, Jr., M. J. Burns, and Department Commander Myron E. Goodermont, all of Illinois. James L. High, while not officially a member of the Committee, also gave generously of his time and talents.

### Organizations Participating

American Gold Star Mothers, Inc.  
American Legion—National and Illinois Department  
Amvets—National and Illinois Department  
Amvets—Springfield Post 61 Auxiliary  
American War Dads  
American War Mothers—Illinois Chapter  
Blue Star Mothers of America—Bellwood Chapter 1  
Boys Civil War Club of Decatur  
Civil War Round Table—Springfield  
Colonial Daughters of the 17th Century—  
Prairie State Chapter  
Daughters of Colonial Wars—National Society  
Daughters of Union Veterans Civil War—  
National and Illinois Department  
Disabled American Veterans—  
Illinois Department and Auxiliary  
Gold Star Mothers, Inc.—National  
Jewish War Veterans of the U.S.A.—Illinois Department  
Ladies of the G.A.R.—National and Illinois Department  
Military Order of the Loyal Legion—National, Illinois Department, Indiana Department, Massachusetts Department, Ohio Department, Washington Department, Dames of the Loyal Legion  
Military Order of the World Wars—Chicago Chapter  
Navy Club of the United States—Illinois Squadron  
Retired Officers Association  
Sangamon County Historical Society  
Sons of American Revolution—Illinois Society  
Society Sons and Daughters of the Pilgrims—Illinois Branch  
Society U.S. Daughters of 1812—Illinois Branch  
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War—National, Illinois Department, Indiana Department, Ohio Department, Wisconsin Department, National Auxiliary, Illinois Auxiliary, Missouri Auxiliary, Wisconsin Auxiliary  
Veterans of Foreign Wars—Illinois Auxiliary  
Veterans of World War I—National and Illinois Department  
Widows of World War I—Illinois Department  
Woman's Relief Corps—National and Illinois Department  
Women Descendants of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company—Illinois Society  
YEOMAN F (First Enlisted Women, U.S.N.)—National  
Illinois Society Children of the American Revolution

### Patriotic Instructor's Message

It is a high honor as well as a privilege to serve in the ranks of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

I say again that there is no memorial more fitting to honor our ancestors than active participation in the tasks left in our charge by the Grand Army of the Republic. We are of their flesh, and in our veins flows the blood of our fathers. The lowliest work performed in their name becomes a deed of loving remembrance.

Let us as true Sons ever seek to keep the standards of American patriotism at the very highest level by showing patriotism in our lives every day: living as citizens proud and happy in our birthright; as inheritors of freedom, bought with a terrible cost, by those who gave all that they possessed on this earth—even life itself—that this nation might grow strong and great. These were humble men and women; they sought to found a homeland, free from tyranny and oppression, where God is the Supreme Being, the Holy One. This is our inheritance from those who sacrificed their all in the long ago.

I wish to express my humble appreciation to those who thus far have contributed to the Grand Army Memorial Fund. If your donation has not been sent in yet, please do not delay. We must have a substantial fund if our National projects are to be completed. Some have apologized that their contributions seemed small. Please do not feel so, for oftentimes a seemingly small sum means a real sacrifice and is given from the heart.

ARTHUR L. BALLOU  
National Patriotic Instructor

### Governor Receives Petitions



Picture on left shows New Jersey Governor, Hon. Richard Hughes (centre), receiving bound volume of over 4,000 signatures relative to school prayer and bible reading from Dept. Secy. Albert W. Lambert, representing Dept. Commdr. William Wharton who was unable to be present. Looking on is then N. J. Aux. Dept. Pres. Mrs. Hilda Junge. The petition said in part "Until such time as the decision (Supreme Court) will be resolved by some measure that is constitutional and acceptable to men of Good Will, we feel that there should be one minute of silence during the customary opening exercises in all schools to give our children and their teachers the

### Reading Good Citizen



OPPORTUNITY to pray, if they wish to. We feel that our Creator, our Refuge and Strength misses these millions of voices."

Picture on right shows Good Citizen Award from Gen. Meade Camp 16, Reading, Pa. to Rev. Dr. Frank W. Ruth, a retired state senator. The presentation was made during the 32nd annual Appomattox Day dinner of the Allied Orders of the G.A.R. on April 11th. Left to right, are Kenneth Reber, Meade Camp Commander; C. Leroy Stoult, Past Commander-in-Chief, and the Rev. Dr. Ruth, who received a plaque.

### Graves Registration

It is nearing the time when reports should start coming in from various Department graves registration officers. It is only through the assistance of others that I may be able to have a report of any value. All Department Commanders please see that your appointee has a report in to me a reasonable time prior to our National Encampment. Your department may not have an officer on graves registration, and if this is the case Department Commanders should see that something is done about the matter. The reports need not be long and hard to make; a brief outline of what has been done, with a little pertinent information is all that is necessary. A few very fine reports were received by me last year, but they were very much in the minority. Only through cooperation can progress be made.

MAURICE J. WARNER  
National Graves Registration  
Officer

### Cathedral of the Pines

Memorial Day was observed at the beautiful Cathedral of the Pines, Rindge, New Hampshire, when again every State in the Union was represented.

Past Commander-in-Chief Albert B. DeHaven of Maine placed a wreath on the Altar of the Nations on behalf of our Order in memory of our deceased members and the Union Veterans of the Civil War. National Chief of Staff Emma Wheeler of New Hampshire placed a wreath on behalf of our National Auxiliary.

Over fifty wreaths were laid on the Altar by representatives of Veteran and Patriotic organizations. A large wreath was

sent by President Lyndon Johnson, and another from the Kennedy family.

The Altar is made up of stones from every state, and from many battlefields. There are G.A.R. as well as SUVCW and Auxiliary bronze markers fastened in stones furnished by us. A white rose was placed for each of the Governors of the fifty states.

### It Wasn't Athens

An article in our January-March issue mentioned the Battle of Athens as the farthest north of the Civil War. Some of our good readers and historians seemed to disagree, which stimulated interesting correspondence.

We are indebted to P. C. in C. Grant for the following: "For a long time I believed it to be so. However, when we came to making up the map for the April 1961 National Geographic Magazine, we discovered that actually the fight in which the Morgan Raid was stopped and the raiders captured at Salineville, July 26, 1863, was further north in northeastern Ohio. Of course, there was also a Confederate invasion from Canada by 30 Confederates in civilian clothes on Oct. 19, 1864 which ended at St. Albans, Vermont. But this can hardly be classed as a fight of the Civil War; it was rather a local bit of mob violence."

Well, yes. We did help Greece stay independent, liberate France, give Cuba its freedom and create Panama. What they want to know is, what have we done for them lately?

Today's supermarket sells almost everything. But if you find auto tires among the groceries, you're in the wrong place. That's a drugstore.



## General Order No. 4 Series 1963-1964

Headquarters  
COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF  
Sons of Union Veterans  
of the Civil War  
165 Linden Street  
Rochester, N. Y. 14620

July 1, 1964

1. Department Encampments have now been completed, and each Department begins a new year of activity. My congratulations and best wishes to the new Department officers. May you demonstrate the utmost of vigor in each day of your tenure as we approach the important climax year of the Centennial period, the period of greatest opportunity for our Order.

2. I have been informed that there are yet many who have earned the right to wear the National Ribbon for obtaining five or more new members for our Order during my administration, the names of all of whom have not yet been made known. Will those so entitled please notify me at once so that the distinguishing ribbon may be awarded at once.

3. The National Grand Army History Committee is engaged in compiling the story of the Grand Army of the Republic since the last known publication of its history in 1889, and is well advanced in this Centennial undertaking of our Order. Much more information is needed concerning individual departments. Please send all data, proceedings, clippings and information you have or can obtain to Chairman Ernest G. Wells, 121 1/2 Tufts Street, Cambridge, Mass. 02139.

4. This is the time for each member, Camp and Department, if you have not already done so, to send your contribution to our National Patriotic Instructor Arthur L. Ballou, R.F.D. 1, Bellows Falls, Vermont 05101, for our Grand Army of the Republic Memorial Fund, a most necessary source of funds for financing special projects of our Order. It is my hope that we may proudly announce at the next National Encampment a splendid balance.

5. The 83rd Annual Encampment of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War is hereby called to meet in the City of Providence, Rhode Island, August 16-20, 1964, with Headquarters and all business to be conducted at the Sheraton-Biltmore Hotel.

The following are appointed to the Committee on Credentials: Paul Selby, Ohio, Chairman; Harold Shepardson, Massachusetts; James Blackman, Illinois; Clarence Young, Rhode Island; and Chester S. Shriver, Pennsylvania.

It is suggested that proposed resolutions, other than those of a routine nature, and proposed amendments, be submitted to the National Secretary, Chester S. Shriver, P. O. Box 24, Gettysburg, Pennsylvania 17325, in advance of the opening day of the Encampment to allow ample time for full consideration. They should be in final form when submitted as they will be considered in the form in which received.

Officers will please prepare their reports in writing for reading at the first business session.

Camps and Departments are requested to submit to their Department Secretary and the National Secretary, respectively, full reports promptly when due, to assure the availability of the necessary data for correlation well in advance of the Encampment.

Departments wishing to entertain the National Encampment in 1966, please present to the National Secretary as early as possible invitations from the Department, and the Chamber of Commerce, Convention and Publicity Bureau, the City, or other authoritative agencies.

6. This being the last General Order of the current administrative year, I take this occasion to express my sincere thanks and gratitude to everyone in all the many places that I have visited and to my many correspondents for the splendid cooperation and courtesies extended to me and for the honors accorded to my office.

My congratulations and appreciation to the officers of my staff, the members of my committees, Department Commanders and to each member of our Order, for the fine work that they have done and for the loyal support that they have given me.

To Anita Selby, National President of the Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans; Mollie Mercer, National President of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic; Isabelle Smith, National President of the Daughters of Union Veterans; and Jessie Johnston, National President of the Woman's Relief Corps, my deepest appreciation for the many courtesies extended me, and the wish for most progressive and enjoyable conventions.

To my many friends, one and all, in all parts of the Nation, my greetings and best wishes for the finest future.

JOSEPH S. RIPPEY  
Commander-in-Chief

## Permanent Fund

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

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

Name of Veteran .....  
Company & Regiment .....  
Enclosed find (\$10.00 or more) donation to the HONOR  
ROLL FUND from

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

(Contributions are deductible for Income Tax purposes—Section 170  
of the Code of 1951)

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

Past Commander-in-Chief U. S. Grant 3rd \$500.00

## Memorial Day Parade



Rochester, New York, the home of Commander-in-Chief Rippey, nationally known for its large and elaborate Memorial Day Parades, outdid itself this year with a parade requiring over 2 1/2 hours to pass. The Sons of Union Veterans rode at the head of a division, the Commander-in-Chief riding in a new Cadillac convertible supplied by the local dealer, accompanied by Natl. Chaplain William Phillips, with P.D.C. Harold T. Beilby as chauffeur, the car well decorated with flags, signs and banners of our Order. Other cars followed, filled with our members. Past Camp Commander and now Department Council Member Raymond W. Hightree was in charge of arrangements for the Sons. Past Camp Commander Grover C. Scott was on the reviewing stand.

## 83rd ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

### Tentative Program

#### SUNDAY, AUGUST 16

Morning Worship, Church of your choice  
1:00 P. M. Registration ..... Mezzanine  
1:30 P. M. National Council Meeting ..... Headquarters  
2:00 P. M. Placing of Wreaths at Soldiers and Sailors  
Monument, National Heads  
Dept. Commanders meet with National Chap-  
lain ..... Ballroom  
3:00 P. M. Joint Memorial Service, Sons and Auxiliary  
Ballroom  
7:00 P. M. Band Concert—Campfire

#### MONDAY, AUGUST 17

7:30 A. M. Courtesy Breakfast, National Officers Sons and  
Auxiliary ..... Sheraton Room  
9:00 A. M. Registration ..... State Suite (1557)  
10:00 A. M. Joint Opening—Sons and Auxiliary Ballroom  
11:00 A. M. Business Session ..... State Suite (1557)  
4:00 P. M. Recess  
5:30 P. M. Banquet P.C. in C. & P.N.P. .... State Suite  
8:00 P. M. Auxiliary Courtesy Hour ..... Ballroom

#### TUESDAY, AUGUST 18

9:30 A. M. Business Session ..... State Suite  
3:00 P. M. Greetings Received  
4:00 P. M. Recess  
6:00 P. M. Banquet Honoring National Officers Sons and  
Auxiliary ..... Ballroom

#### WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 19

No Business Session  
Tour of Quonset Point Air Station and Shore Dinner at  
Rocky Point

#### THURSDAY, AUGUST 20

9:00 A. M. Business Session ..... State Suite  
4:00 P. M. Meeting of National Council ..... Headquarters

Hell is truth seen too late.

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#### VERMONT—

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Our neighbor never gets to drive his little foreign car. Every time he takes it out of the garage, the cat chases it up a tree.



## Department News



### CALIFORNIA

Our 78th Annual Encampment was held at the U. S. Grant Hotel in San Diego, April 17-19. We were honored to have Commander-in-Chief Rippey with us during the Encampment, which started off with a trip to the famous San Diego Zoo. The Campfire on Friday evening under direction of Eugene R. McCoy featured a choral group from the Army and Navy Academy of Carlsbad, the presentation of a flag to a Brownie Troop, and an interesting talk by Rear Admiral A. H. Gray, (Ret.). The Encampment concluded Sunday with installation of the new officers. The new Department Commander is Eugene R. McCoy of San Diego and the Auxiliary is headed by Betty Moon of the Inglewood Auxiliary.

Natl. Pres. Selby made her official visit in February, when she was honored with receptions in Los Angeles on Feb. 17, in Pasadena on the 19th, in Fresno on the 21st, and San Jose on the 22nd. In San Jose, P. C. in C. Thomas Chadwick entertained with slides of interesting and historical scenes and pictures of the Sons of Veterans Reserve in Vermont.

On June 1, Stanton Camp and Aux. of Inglewood celebrated their 25th anniversary. A history of the organization, written and read by Mrs. Bess Garwood recalled many interesting and humorous events. About fifty guests were present, many of whom had been present at the installation in 1939.

Roy Pennington, newly elected Jr. Vice Dept. Commander and Press Correspondent is securing good local coverage in newspapers and radio stations. He is placing "WHAT YOU CAN DO TO FIGHT COMMUNISM AND PRESERVE AMERICA" posters in a large chain of super markets, known as Ralph's Industries, where he is employed.

### CONNECTICUT

Past Camp Commander Perl Chamberlain of Camp 31, Bristol, Past Regional Commander Harold Scott and newly elected Dept. Commdr. Harry Grindle received Thirty, Fifty and Thirty year awards at the 80th Department Encampment in May. National Historian Allen Spink represented Commander-in-Chief Rippey.

The 49th Encampment of the Auxiliary featured a Memorial Service in which tribute was paid to the late President Kennedy and Gen. Douglas MacArthur. P.D.C. Allen Spink presided as toastmaster for the banquet. Mrs. Anita M. Selby of Ohio brought an inspiring message. The new staff of officers, headed by Dept. Pres. Olive Ruda of Waterbury was installed by Flora Bates of Massachusetts.

Admiral Foot Aux. 2 celebrated its 50th anniversary at the 49th Encampment held in New Britain. P.D.P. Vida Schmidt, the only charter member, was honored with a 50-year pin.

### ILLINOIS

AURORA—Camp 21 and Aux. 7 entertained on May 17 at a luncheon for Dept. Commdr. Goodermont and Dept. Pres. Lorah. Bro. Goodermont announced that sufficient funds have been received to start work on the rehabilitation of the G.A.R. Memorial Hall in Aurora, a community project.

FLAG DAY ceremonies of the Glenwood School for Boys on June 14 featured the Department's annual G.A.R. Memorial Award, consisting of a medal and a plaque which was presented to an outstanding cadet by John Brooks Davis, Department Commander and Commander of Custer Camp. Custer Camp extends greetings to its new Brothers: Earl F. Bartholomew, Louis W. Martin and Charles D. Wesselhoeft.

CHICAGO—Television cameras covered the annual Memorial Day service at the plot of Gen. George H. Thomas Post of the G.A.R. in Rosehill Cemetery conducted by Gen. George A. Custer Camp 1, its Auxiliary No. 30, and Keturah Hoover Tent 10 DUVCW with participation by the 104th Illinois Vol. Inf. (Reactivated) and the 1st Ill. Art. (Reactivated).

G.A.R. ANNIVERSARY—Over 100 people attended the Sons and Daughters Association of Cook County's reception and luncheon at the Palmer House on April 4, the occasion being the commemoration of the 98th anniversary of the founding of the Grand Army of the Republic. Mrs. Mary E. Tully,

Dept. Pres. DUVCW and Myron Goodermont, Dept. Commdr. SUVCW were present as guests of honor. Heads of all Allied Orders were welcomed. Ralph G. Newman of the Chicago Civil War Round Table spoke on Abraham Lincoln.

### State Street — Chicago



(Chicago Tribune Photo)

A feature of the 1964 Memorial Day parade in downtown Chicago was Custer Camp SUVCW Color Guard carrying G.A.R. Memorial Association colors. The color guard, left to right, were Charles S. Bournstine, John Brooks Davis, Charles A. Brady, Jr., and A. Hyland Tresselt.

The second marching unit was the 104th Illinois Volunteer Infantry (Reactivated), led by Sergeant Roland D. Persenico, a member of Custer Camp. The third marching unit was the 1st Illinois Artillery (Reactivated) led by Sergeant John Brozell, a member of Custer Camp. The three groups lead the two hour parade.

### INDIANA

The statue of Bvt. Maj. Gen. Sol Meredith, Commander of the Iron Brigade was rededicated in Riverside Cemetery, Cambridge City on May 24th. A parade through Cambridge City preceded the ceremonies. The ceremonies were opened by an exhibition drill and firing of a cannon by the 18th Indiana (Lilly) Battery Reactivated Civil War group of Indianapolis. The cannon was formerly at the Knightstown Soldiers and Sailors orphan's home. Ross M. Hutchinson was Master of Ceremonies and the principal address was delivered by Arville L. Funk, Indianapolis attorney and Civil War historian and lecturer. Placing of a wreath on the monument by Gen. William P. Benton Camp 28 SUVCW and Stanley W. Ogborn, 13-year-old descendant of Gen. Meredith, plus remarks by others present, were cancelled due to heavy rain.

### IOWA

CEDAR RAPIDS—The Iowa Department Sons and Aux. held a meeting at the Sheraton-Montrose Hotel on March 7 honoring Natl. Pres. Anita M. Selby of Ohio. Members and friends from several towns in Iowa attended. Mrs. Myrtle Caldwell, President of Aux. 22 presided at the meeting following a luncheon. Three new members were initiated into the Auxiliary and one new member into the Camp. Mrs. Ada M. Schwab, of Cedar Rapids was also present as Department President.

WATERLOO—The Camp and Auxiliary recently celebrated their 54th anniversary. This is one of the largest Camps and Auxiliaries in the Department. The program followed a pot-luck in Memorial Hall. P.D.P. Ethel Snodgrass gave the history of the organization. She was assisted by John Meier, Myrtle Young, Nick Karas and Mayme Dennis.

DEPARTMENT ENCAMPMENT was held June 5-6 in Cedar Rapids with Margaret B. Jones of Des Moines being installed as Department President by P.N.P. Willma L. Combs. Gifts were presented by the Sunshine Mission and the Recreation Center at Cedar Rapids. A banquet was held attended by the SUVCW, Auxiliary, and DUVCW. Dept. Commander J. B. Johnson presided, and the address was given by P.D.C. Jacob Kirchner of Fort Dodge.

### MARYLAND

Our 77th Annual Department Encampment was held May 1-2 at the Hotel Dupont in Wilmington, Del. A tour of the

Lincoln Room of the free public library opened the festivities. P. C. in C. Chester S. Shriver, Pennsylvania, presided as toastmaster at the banquet, when 50 year badges were presented to Frank Connors and Robert S. Vallean.

P.D.C. Col. Michael Casey installed John E. Palsgrove as Department Commander along with his staff of officers. P.D.C. Wm. J. Johnson, Jr., presented the Past Department Commanders Badge to his brother, Richard H. Johnson, Sr.

### MASSACHUSETTS



gifts. Mr. & Mrs. Millard F. Brown were co-chairmen.

The annual exercises of rededication at the boulder-plaque designating the G.A.R. Memorial Highway at the New Bedford-Fairhaven bridge were held May 3, with Dorothy F. Hammond, Pres. of the New Bedford Aux. presiding. The speaker was Harold M. Drown. Others participating were Dept. Commdr. Alfred Bowen, Dept. Pres. Minnie Madeiros, Allen B. Howland, William W. Haskell, Millard F. Brown, Chester W. Adshear, Mrs. Bessie T. Drown and Mrs. Barbara D. Brown.

Several dozen members of the Reserve, with a good group from Rhode Island participated in the Flag Day exercises in Brockton. Herbert Hobart, Past Commander of Grover Camp and a Legionnaire arranged many of the details. Everett M. Atwood gave our "Flag Charge." Others participating included Col. Young, Maj. Allen B. Howland and Dept. Secy. William W. Haskell.

### MICHIGAN

Austin Blair Camp 7 of Jackson celebrated its 50th anniversary on June 13 in the Masonic Temple. Following dinner at 6:30 P.M. a fine program followed. Old pictures and reminiscing brought back fond memories for all.

### NEW JERSEY



Dr. Bertha Lawrence, former Dean of Education at Trenton State College receives the Annual Good Citizen Award at our Encampment. She was cited "for her unflinching devotion to mankind, to education and to the practice of good citizenship." Shown left to right are: Natl. Pres. Mrs. Anita Selby; Dept. Secy.-Treas. Albert W. Lambert, who made the presentation; Dr. Lawrence; Mrs. Hilda Junge, Dept. Pres. Aux.; and William B. Wharton, Department Commander.

The Encampment which had the Tercentenary of New Jersey as its theme was presided over by Dept. Commdr. Wharton and Dept. Pres. Junge. Commander Wharton was re-elected, and the new Dept. Pres. is Miss Helen Loll. Distinguished visitors in addition to Natl. Pres. Selby were Sr. Vice C. in C. Alton Sharp representing C. in C. Rippey; P. C. in C. Leroy Stoudt; P.N.P. Anna I. Stoudt; and P.D.P. Irene Murphy from Reading, Pa.

Camps of the Department all participated in Memorial Day activities. The Bloomfield observance also marked the New Jersey Tercentenary theme. Camp 12 and Aux. 7 participated actively, with Past Commander Percy Davenport delivering Gen. Logan's Order No. 11. Camp 4 of Trenton held services in Greenwood Cemetery and participated in the afternoon parade. Camp 5 and Aux. 5 of Trenton decorated graves in Riverview Cemetery, followed by services at the Soldiers Plot with both groups participating.

The Spring dinner meeting of the State Camp was held in the Carriage House, New Brunswick, on April 25 at which time Commander Michael Quin presided, and Hon. William N. Beard, Past Commander-in-Chief Sons of Confederate Veterans was the principal speaker. The Autumn dinner meeting will be held Oct. 30 in the Nassau Inn, Princeton.

### NEW YORK

MT. MCGREGOR—Under warm sunny skies, the rooms of Grant's Cottage and the surrounding hills and valleys became filled with the memory of Gen. Ulysses S. Grant as the Northern Tier Club paid tribute to this great American with its

## SLEEP, SOLDIER

MAJ. GEN. AMOS A. FRIES, former chief of the Army's Chemical Warfare Service died in Washington, D. C. on Dec. 20, 1963 at 90 years of age. He was a prominent and notable member of Lincoln-Cushing Camp No. 2. He graduated 7th in the West Point Class of 1898, and served with distinction under General Pershing in France.

PAST COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF Frederic G. Bauer, died at his home in Ridgewood, N. J. on April 13, 1964 at age 83. A retired Boston attorney, Brother Bauer served our Order as Commander-in-Chief in 1955-56. In World War I, he was in the Judge Advocate General's office in France. In 1920 he accepted a commission as Colonel in the Regular Army and returned to the reserve in 1923. To his wife, Mrs. Charlotte A. Bauer, his son, Richard Wingate Bauer, and to the Massachusetts Department we extend sincere and heartfelt sympathy.

GENERAL OF THE ARMY DOUGLAS MACARTHUR, died in Washington, D. C. on April 5, 1964 at the age of 84. When we received our Congressional Charter in 1954, General MacArthur was one of the incorporators. His death was as his life, valiant and courageous. He was one of America's bona-fide heroes and now becomes one of her legends. It is truly said, "Old Soldiers Never Die." Not the great ones.

*Goodbye and God Speed To Three Distinguished Brothers*

annual Flag Raising ceremony on May 3rd. As the South Glens Falls High School Band played the stirring music of one hundred years ago, the presence of the soldiers and sailors who fought to preserve the Union could be felt; they also were paying tribute to their Commander and comrade. Delegations from many Camps and Auxiliaries together with their families and friends were on hand. Speakers were Devene Williamson, chairman; Robert Wagoner, Pres. of the Northern New York Club; Mildred Nestico, Dept. Pres. Aux.; and Richard Cuyler, Department Commander. The new flag was raised at Lookout Point by Richard Cuyler and Robert Wagoner.

Devene Williamson, President of the National Past Department Commanders Assoc. announces that there will be a meeting of the association on Wed., Aug. 19 at 9 A.M. at the National Encampment in Providence.

OID—The 50th anniversary of Camp 146 was celebrated on April 25. Guests from Buffalo, Elmira, Ithaca, New York City, Niagara Falls, Ovid, Rochester, Schenectady, and Utica were present for the dinner and program held at the Ovid American Legion Home. Dept. Commdr. Richard Cuyler was the speaker, and P.D.C. Robert McMahon was toastmaster. Ira Lindenberg, the only remaining Charter Member was present. A 50-year membership badge was presented to Leon Tillinghast by Commander Cuyler. The history of David G. Caywood, for whom the Camp was named, and of the Seneca County Veterans was reviewed.

NIAGARA FALLS—I. Richard Reed, Commander of Berry Camp was honored recently by election as a fellow of the Company of Military Historians. Reed, who is the author of a weekly column in the Niagara Falls Gazette on Niagara County's participation in the Civil War, has been a company member for ten years. He is an avid student of its history and lecturer on the subject. He is a veteran of World War II. The Company of Military Historians, with headquarters in Washington, D. C. has 1,048 members, representing many parts of the United States and some foreign countries.

## OREGON & WASHINGTON

At our Department Encampment in May a husband and wife team were elected and installed to lead our activities during the coming year. Mr. George Harriman is the new Department Commander, and Mrs. Zelma Harriman the new Department President. Commander-in-Chief Rippey made his official visit during April, visiting several Camps.

## PENNSYLVANIA

PHILADELPHIA—On May 11, six Auxiliaries (Nos. 1-9-12-14-80-200) held a combined meeting in G.A.R. Hall in honor of Dept. Pres. Mary Centini. Guests included Helen Cheyne, Council Member; Past Dept. Presidents Caroline Riddell, Agnes Palmer, Viola Bremme, Helen Hall, and Betty Koch P.D.P. of the Ladies of the G.A.R. Also, Sr. Vice Dept. Commdr. Clarence Riddell and P. D. C. Elton Koch. A luncheon was served and enjoyed by all.

GETTYSBURG—The 97th Annual Memorial Day exercises were held under direction of Camp 112 SUVCW, Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 15, American Legion Post 202, and World War I Barracks 2974. P.C. in C. Shriver was General Chairman, and the principal speaker was U. S. Senator Bourke B. Hickenlooper, Iowa. The parade was held at 2 P.M. followed by services at the National Cemetery. Arthur Warman, of Camp 112 served as Commander of the Cemetery Ritual service. Dept. Commander John H. Stark placed a wreath on the Unknown Soldiers' graves.

## RHODE ISLAND

Memorial services at our Department Encampment on April 10-11 were followed by presentation of flags under direction of the Patriotic Instructors of the SUVCW and Aux. to several Boy Scout groups, churches and clubs. The business sessions on Sat. were followed by an evening banquet at which time several National Officers were present including Natl. Pres. Anita Selby of Ohio. Commander-in-Chief Rippey was represented by National Genealogist Kenneth Wheeler of New Hampshire who installed the officers of the SUVCW. Other visitors were present from Massachusetts, Connecticut and New Hampshire.

The Department recently presented the Rhode Island Veterans Home in Bristol with two badly needed medical carts



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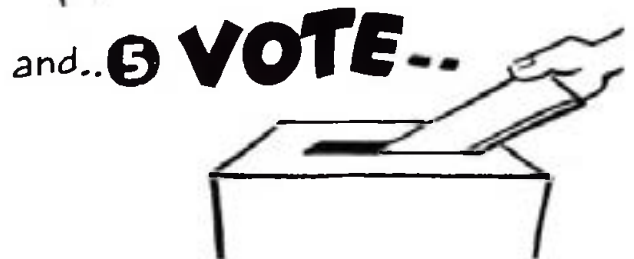
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which were graciously received by Mr. Alfano, the Commandant of the Home.

The annual outing of the Sons and Auxiliary will be held at the home of P.D.P. Ruth Appleby in Warwick.

The National Encampment will be held in Providence the week of August 16th, this being the first one here in 63 years. Your committee has planned a very interesting program for the entire week, and the hotel reports many reservations already received.

The annual New England Regional Assoc. meeting will be held again this year at the Weirs, N. H., on July 18-19. There will be a military review on Sat. at 5 P.M. by the Reserves of the First Military District.

## VERMONT

District No. 5 met in Brattleboro on March 7 at the Grange Hall. The committee, under chairmanship of Sister Lynda Miner served a delightful meal to about thirty-five members and guests. Marion Aldrich is the new President and William Wilson the Vice-President, with Lida Chapin as Secretary. On April 28 Brattleboro had the privilege of entertaining Natl. Pres. Anita Selby of Mansfield, Ohio. We found her gracious and charming and thoroughly enjoyed her visit.

Camp 91 who have joined Company A Sons of Veterans Reserve under Command of 1st Lt. Howard Reed participated in the parade and Memorial Day exercises in Chelsea. P.C. in C. Chadwick was the guest speaker.

## Conference Scheduled

The Central Region Conference will convene on October 10th and 11th, at the Hotel Pfister, Milwaukee 2, Wisconsin.

The first session will be called at 2 P.M. on October 10th, with informal banquet in evening. Second session at 9 A.M. on October 11th.

All reservations for rooms should be sent direct to the Hotel, stating the time of arrival and departure.

The Central Region covers the following States: Colorado & Wyoming, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Missouri, Minnesota-N. & S. Dakota, Nebraska, Missouri, Ohio and Wisconsin.

Thomas L. W. Johnson, Regional Commander, would like to see representatives from all the Central States in attendance.

ELLINORE L. KONRAD, Secretary