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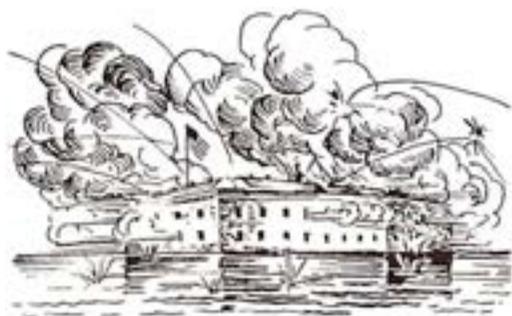
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Five Score Years Ago



At 4:30 A. M., April 12, 1861, a mortar battery at Fort Johnson fired a shell that burst directly over Fort Sumter. This was the signal for a general bombardment by the Confederate batteries about Charleston Harbor. For 34 hours, April 12 and 13, Fort Sumter was battered with shot and shell. Then the Federal commander, Maj. Robert Anderson, agreed to evacuate; and, on April 14, he and his small garrison departed with the full honors of war. On the following day, President Abraham Lincoln issued a call for 75,000 militia. The tragedy of the American Civil War had begun.

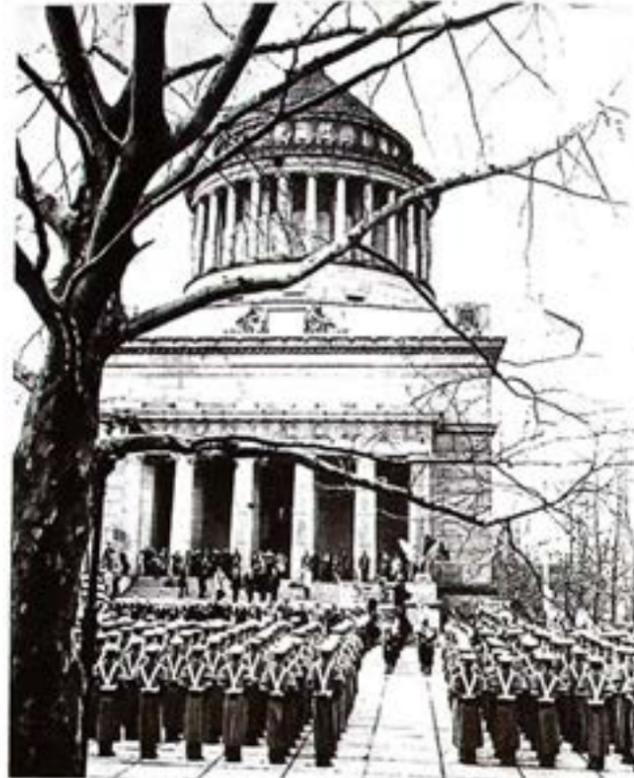
A CENTURY AFTER THE START OF ONE OF AMERICA'S DARKEST PERIODS, A MEMORIAL CEREMONY WAS HELD AT THE LINCOLN MONUMENT, WASHINGTON, D. C. UNDER AUSPICES OF THE MILITARY ORDER OF THE LOYAL LEGION ON FEBRUARY 12th.

A detail representing our Order (shown right) included Past Commander-in-Chief John H. Runkle, Lt. George H. Gruber, Jay A. Estep, E. Eugene White, Harry M. Gephart and Edward Dobbie. Runkle placed a wreath from our National Organization. Following the ceremony the detail was the guest of the Loyal Legion at the Army and Navy Club.



100 YEARS AGO

MARK CIVIL WAR START



- March 3—Confederate Brig. Gen. Beauregard assumes command of Confederate Forces in Charleston.
- March 4—Abraham Lincoln inaugurated as President of the United States.
- March 11—Confederate Brig. Gen. Bragg appointed command of Confederate forces.
- March 12—U. S. Secy. State Seward refuses to see Confederate Peace Commissioners. Union Fort McIntoch, Texas, abandoned by Union.
- March 13—Alabama ratifies secession.
- March 16—Jefferson Davis calls for 100,000 confederate volunteers. Georgia ratifies secession. U. S. executes last two members of John Brown's raiders of 1859.
- March 21—Louisiana ratifies secession. Confederates seize Union "Isabella" at Pensacola, Fla.
- March 22—Missouri rejects secession.
- March 25—Texas ratifies secession.
- March 30—Mississippi ratifies secession.
- April 3—South Carolina ratifies secession.
- April 6—Lincoln notifies South Carolina that Ft. Sumter will be provisioned only.
- April 7—Second relief ship for Ft. Pickens sails from New York City.
- April 10—Second relief ship for Ft. Sumter sails from New York City.
- April 11—Confederate Brig. Gen. Beauregard demands surrender of Ft. Sumter. Union Major Anderson refuses.
- April 12—At 4:30 A. M. Fort Sumter, Charleston, S. C. is bombarded. Continues for 34 hours. War begins.
- April 13—Union Fort Sumter surrenders.
- April 14—Fort Sumter evacuated.
- April 15—Lincoln calls for 75,000 three month Union Volunteers. Governors of Kentucky and North Carolina refuse to supply troops for U. S. service. Fort Macon in No. Carolina is seized by Confederates.
- April 17—Virginia secedes subject to state referendum. Confederates seize "Star of the West" in Indianola, Texas. Governor of Missouri refuses to supply troops for Union service.
- April 18—Lincoln offers U. S. Army Field Command to Col. Robert E. Lee; Lee refuses. Union troops burn Union arsenal at Harper's Ferry. Confederates seize U. S. Customs House and Post Office at Richmond, Va.
- April 19—Lincoln orders blockade of Confederate ports South Carolina to Florida. Mob attacks Union 6th Mass. Reg. at Baltimore.
- April 20—Col. Robert E. Lee resigns U. S. Army commission.
- April 22—Governor of Arkansas refuses to supply troops for Union service.
- April 23—Confederate Maj. Gen. Robt. E. Lee appointed to command Virginia state forces. Florida ratifies secession. Confederate Texas Volunteers capture Company A. 8th U. S. Infantry.
- April 24—Governor of Virginia releases all Union ships except "Jamestown" and "Yorktown."
- April 25—Virginia arrests Union Brig. Gen. Harney. Harper's Ferry, W. Va. Sioux and Chippewa Indians volunteer for Union service.
- April 27—Confederate Col. "Stonewall" Jackson appointed command Virginia State Forces, Harper's Ferry area.
- April 29—Governor of Tennessee orders seizure of all funds of U. S. Collector, Nashville.
- April 30—Virginia releases Union Brig. Gen. Harney.

GRANT'S TOMB, NEW YORK CITY—Fifteen hundred troops, including a battalion from West Point participated in the above ceremony on January 8th, marking the official opening of the Civil War Centennial. Senior Officers of the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines and Coast Guards were present, together with numerous civilian dignitaries. Gen. U. S. Grant 3rd, Chairman of the Centennial Committee officiated on this memorable occasion, which was sponsored by the Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States.

UNION SQUARE, NEW YORK CITY—Immediately preceding the above event, a ceremony was sponsored by Lafayette Camp SUVCW at the Soldiers Monument in Union Square. Along with a musket salute, the program included the sounding of taps, and a recitation of Lincoln's Gettysburg Address by Bertram Isaacs. In a brief talk, P.D.C. Maj. Wm. E. Bruckel called on the nation to rededicate itself to the ideals of our forefathers. P.D.C. Clarence Maples presided at the Ceremonies.

1961 DEPARTMENT ENCAMPMENTS

DEPARTMENT	PLACE	DATE	HOTEL
Calif. & Pac.	Riverside	April 28-30	Mission Inn
Colo. & Wyo.	Mountain Springs	June 11-13	Chiff House
Connecticut	New Britain	April 15-16	Burrill
Illinois	Chicago	June 23-24	Pick-Congress
Indiana	Indianapolis	June 9-11	Severin
Iowa	Des Moines	June 16-18	Savory
Kansas	Newton	April 30-May 1	Ripley
Maine	Portland	June 9-10	Eastland
Maryland	Wilmington, Del.	May 5-6	DuPont
Massachusetts	Boston	April 21-23	Bradford
Michigan	Bay City	June 15-16	Wenonah
Minnesota	Minneapolis	June 3	Andrews
New Hampshire	Concord	April 28-29	Highway
New Jersey	Atlantic City	June 16-17	Ritz-Carlton
New York	Utica	June 14-17	Hamilton
Ohio	Mansfield	June 15-17	Leland
Ore. & Wash.	Portland, Ore.	June 11-13	New Heatman
Pennsylvania	Harrisburg	June 18-21	Penn Harris
Rhode Island	Providence	April 7-8	Sheraton-Biltmore
Vermont	Lake Dunmore	June 22-24	Lake Dunmore
Wisconsin	Fon Du Lac	June 10-11	Relax

It's amazing what ordinary people can do if they set out without preconceived notions.

80th NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT

INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA (Claypool Hotel)

AUGUST 20 - 24, 1961

Pennsylvania Brigade — Sons of Veterans Reserve



This group of 91 Officers and Enlisted Men from the Pennsylvania Brigade is shown at the High Water Mark on the Gettysburg Battlefield following the re-enactment of Pickett's Charge on July 3, 1960. This detachment joined with 900 Skirmishers in the re-enactment before 30,000 spectators.

The Reserve program includes participation in Memorial Day services, Flag Day observances, Department Encampments, Centennial Observances and other patriotic events. This is a goal that the National Military Affairs Committee hopes that other Departments will institute. Uniformed groups of any size from a Color Guard to Rifle Companies are encouraged. For information contact Chairman Chester S. Shriver, P. O. Box 24, Gettysburg, Pa.

INVITATION

To be Present at
 SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS
 Saturday, April 15, 1961

11:00 A. M.—Services will be conducted in front of the Lincoln Tomb in Oak Ridge Cemetery, marking the 96th anniversary of the death of the martyred President. This service is sponsored by our National Organization, and invitations have been extended to numerous Veteran and Patriotic Orders to participate.

12:30 P. M.—A luncheon will be held in the American Room of the Abraham Lincoln Hotel, at which time the featured speaker will be Mr. Bruce E. Wheeler. He is an educator and is on the staff in the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction, State of Illinois.

A chartered bus will leave the Abraham Lincoln Hotel at 10:45 A. M. to take participants to the cemetery, and will return them to the hotel for the luncheon.

Charles A. Brady, Jr., Dept. Commander Illinois Department, and James L. High, recorder for the Illinois Loyal Legion are co-chairmen for the observance.

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 Albert C. Lambert, P. O. Box 457, Trenton 3, N. J.

National Patriotic Instructor's Fund

The Centennial Anniversary of the Civil War has started. The next five years will be the most vital to our organization since its beginning.

If we take a strong, active part in the coming observances we have a golden opportunity to grow to a large and powerful organization.

Let us seize this opportunity to show eligibles that we are proud of the deeds of our ancestors, let us recruit them to our assistance.

Let Us Grow!

In order to do this on a national level, every Camp must donate as generously as possible to the Grand Army Fund and make financially possible this important task.

Please send your contribution to National Patriotic Instructor

ALLEN B. HOWLAND
 Box 105
 Elmwood, Massachusetts

We have inherited new difficulties because we have inherited more privileges.

If you wish your merit to be known, acknowledge that of other people.

USE IT

Enclosed with this issue of THE BANNER is an application blank for membership in the SUVCW. Show it to your friend, relative, or neighbor and bring his application into your Camp. The Centennial Years are our golden opportunity to increase membership.

USE IT



**General Order No. 3
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Headquarters
COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF
Sons of Union Veterans
of the Civil War
R.F.D. No. 1, Box 81,
Chester, Vermont

March 1, 1961

1. On February 1st I returned home from a trip to the West Coast. Meetings were arranged for me in Newton, Kansas; in Colorado Springs, Colorado; two meetings and a nice reception in Pomona and Pasadena; also an inspiring meeting in San Jose, California. In Oregon and Washington, meetings were set up for me in Eugene, Portland and Seattle.

The men and women of our Orders who cooperated so willingly and worked so hard in arranging these gatherings did a wonderful job and they deserve the highest praise. They, and all the friendly folks who attended to meet me have my sincere thanks. Everyone was friendly to me, and those Western girls are such good cooks that I gained seven pounds.

I installed officers in several Camps, and I had the pleasure of seeing several new members initiated. I found the leadership outstanding everywhere I went, both at Camp and Department levels. I believe that those Departments have the will, the courage and the ability to grow.

2. On February 11th I attended a Lincoln Memorial dinner at Philadelphia, an impressive affair of long standing. I was scheduled to be at the Lincoln Memorial, in Washington, on the 12th, but due to the storm I failed to get there on time. However, I made it back to Boston in time to take part in the memorial service which was held at the Lincoln Monument in Park Square, at noon on the 13th.

3. The season for Department Encampments is near at hand. I feel strongly that since these encampments are held jointly under the name of the "Organizations of the Grand Army of the Republic," that every encampment should be opened with a memorial service in memory of the Grand Army of the Republic. These services should be held jointly, with all GAR Orders participating. Many departments already do this, but many others do not. It is my desire that every Department Commander will see to it that his Department Chaplain does plan for such a memorial service this year, in conjunction with the other Orders if possible.

4. I hope that everyone in our beloved Order is making an honest effort to add to our membership. If you sign up only one new member, you have made a real contribution to the continuance of our organization. Do not forget that anyone who secures five or more new members will be appointed as a National Aide, and will receive from me a national ribbon which he will be entitled to wear during my administration.

5. It will be neither difficult nor expensive for any Camp to organize a uniformed Color Guard. Every

member of any Camp having such a uniformed group would take great pride in the greater impressiveness of his Camp's activities. To learn how easy it is to have a uniformed Color Guard, write to the Chairman of our Military Affairs Committee, Major Chester A. Shriver, Box 24, Gettysburg, Pennsylvania.

6. I trust that Departments, Camps and individuals will contribute generously to the Grand Army of the Republic Memorial Fund. Money from this important fund enables our organization to carry out many of its most significant activities. Please send your donation to the National Patriotic Instructor, Allen B. Howland, Box 105, Elmwood, Massachusetts.

THOMAS A. CHADWICK,
Commander-in-Chief.

1961 - 1965

Study and Discussion Topics

(Suggested for Camp Patriotic Instructors)

BULL RUN (Manassas) July 21, 1861
Northeastern Virginia, 25 miles west of Washington. Brig. General Irvin McDowell vs. Beauregard and Johnston.

FORTS HENRY, DONELSON February, 1862
Tennessee, 70 miles northwest of Nashville. Grant vs. Brig. General Lloyd Tilghman and Brig. General John B. Floyd.

SHILOH April 6, 7, 1862
West bank, Tennessee River, 90 miles east of Memphis. Grant and Buell vs. Johnston and Beauregard.

PENINSULAR CAMPAIGN April 4 - July 1, 1862
Yorktown Peninsula, southeast of Richmond between James and York rivers. McClellan vs. J. E. Johnston and R. E. Lee.

SECOND BULL RUN August 29, 30, 1862
Northeastern Virginia, 25 miles west of Washington. Pope vs. Lee.

ANTIETAM (Sharpsburg) September 17, 1862
Fourteen miles south of Hagerstown, Maryland. McClellan vs. Lee.

FREDERICKSBURG December 13, 1862
45 miles north of Richmond. Burnside vs. Lee.

STONES RIVER Dec. 31, 1862 - Jan. 2, 1863
30 miles southeast of Nashville, Tenn. Rosecrans vs. Bragg.

CHANCELLORSVILLE May 1 - 4, 1863
Ten miles west of Fredericksburg, Va. Hooker vs. Lee.

VICKSBURG April 16 - July 4, 1863
Mississippi-Arkansas border. Grant vs. Johnston and Pemberton.

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AUGUST 20 - 24, 1961



**Department
News**



COLORADO

PUEBLO—Auxiliary 7 recently presented 25 year membership pins to Mrs. Cora Martin and Miss Holmes. Both were Charter Members when the Auxiliary was instituted 32 years ago. The presentation was made by P.D.P. Mrs. Arthur Meeker. The meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Clara Savage. Newly installed officers at the meeting include Mrs. Cora Martin, President, and Mrs. Clara Savage, Vice-President. P.D.P. Mrs. John W. Short was the installing officer.

ILLINOIS

LINCOLN DAY DINNERS attended by Dept. Comdr. Brady and Dept. Pres. Evans were those sponsored by the Tri-City Patriotic Assn. (February 11 at the Y.W.C.A. in Moline) and by Gen. Geo. A. Custer Camp 1 and Aux. 30 (February 12 at the Sherman Hotel in Chicago).

OPERATION BUGLE CALL is the name being used by the Illinois Department for its membership drive during the Civil War Centennial. As a means of contacting persons eligible to join, copies of the booklet "Facts About the Civil War" are being offered to descendants of Civil War Veterans through local newspaper advertisements. Response to the advertisements has been sizeable.

AN ILLINOIS UNIT of the Sons of Veterans Reserve is being formed. This is the SUVCW official military organization. Its uniform is reminiscent of that worn by the Union Forces during the Civil War. Camp commanders are requested to forward department headquarters the names of members interested in joining the reserve unit.

THE ILLINOIS DEPT. will participate in a Civil War Centennial program to be held at Cairo on the weekend of April 22-23. One of the scheduled events will be the casting upon the confluence of the rivers, a wreath in memory of the soldiers and sailors who lost their lives in the Civil War. SUVCW has been given the honor of casting this wreath.

ANOTHER WREATH LAYING ceremony is scheduled for April 8 at 3:30 P. M. at the Genl. John A. Logan memorial statue on Michigan Blvd., in Chicago. At that time a wreath will be placed by the five Illinois Dept. heads of the G. A. R. Allied Orders, in memory of the founding to the Grand Army of the Republic. The annual banquet marking the G.A.R.'s founding will be held that evening at the Midland Hotel by the Sons and Daughters Banquet Assn. of Cook County.

BRO. ROY DUNHAM, Belvidere's veteran of the Spanish-American War and a faithful member of the SUVCW passed away last December and was given military rites.

MEMBERS OF THE ILLINOIS DEPT. will entertain the veterans at Vaughn Hospital on March 1st with another bingo game that they so much enjoy. Sister Viola Hartwig is rehabilitation chairman.

CUSTER CAMP AND AUX. will entertain the Department Officers of the SUVCW and Auxiliary for dinner on April 30 in Chicago.

INDIANA

TIPPECANOE County Historical Assoc. held the county's first event in the Centennial on January 8 in the County Museum. Highlights were talks and presentation of exhibits by E. A. Reser, chairman of the county commission for the Centennial and by Mrs. Thomas M. Horn, co-chairman. Mrs. Horn presented national aspects of the centennial and Reser local history related to the war. Mrs. Horn also displayed materials provided by the national commission, including souvenir medals struck from metal of the frigate, Constellation, booklets on Civil War Facts, photostatic copies of Civil War documents and a three-dimensional relief map of the Gettysburg battles.

Lafayette Camp and Auxiliary participated in a program at Indianapolis on February 11, celebrating the centennial of Abraham Lincoln's stop at the capital city on his way to Washington. Those traveling from Lafayette included Mrs. Thomas Horn, Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Helton, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence F. Bodle, Mr. and Mrs. George Foster, Mr.

GETTYSBURG July 1 - 3, 1863
35 miles southwest of Harrisburg, Pa. Meade vs. Lee.

CHICKAMAUGA September 19, 20, 1863
Northwest Georgia, 15 miles south of Chattanooga, Tenn. Rosecrans vs. Bragg.

MISSIONARY RIDGE November 25, 1863
23 miles east of Chattanooga, Tenn. Grant vs. Bragg.

THE WILDERNESS May 3 - 7, 1864
Northeastern Virginia, 15 miles west of Fredericksburg. Grant vs. Lee.

SPOTSYLVANIA May 9 - 19, 1864
Northeastern Virginia, 40 miles north of Richmond. Grant vs. Lee.

COLD HARBOR June 1 - 12, 1864
10 miles northeast of Richmond. Grant vs. Lee.

BATTLES FOR ATLANTA July 20 - Sept. 2, 1864
Sherman vs. Hood.

FRANKLIN November 30, 1864
15 miles south of Nashville, Tenn. Schofield vs. Hood.

NASHVILLE December 15, 16, 1864
Thomas vs. Hood.

FIVE FORKS March 31 - April 1, 1865
Sheridan and Warren vs. Pickett.

The fight at Five Forks had brought the Confederates out of their trenches in a vain attempt to hold their last supply line. At first light on April 2, Grant struck all along the weakened Petersburg defenses. They broke. By night Lee's men were out of the city. The Confederate government evacuated Richmond and the capital surrendered the next morning.

Lee marched west with 30,000 hungry, exhausted men. He had ordered rations sent to Amelia Court House but they never reached there. He tried to turn south along the railroad toward Jetersville but Union troops blocked it. He marched all night past Sailor's Creek where Federal forces captured most of his wagons and 8,000 men from his rear guard. Four more ration trains were supposed to be waiting at Appomattox Station. Sheridan was there before Lee and on April 9 Lee's last brigades struck hard at the Union horsemen. Union troops counter-attacked to the top of a low ridge and Lee's army was trapped. On April 9 Lee surrendered. On April 26 Johnston surrendered to Sherman at Durham, N. C. After another month of diehard resistance in the remote remnants of the Confederacy, the war was all over.

Censure is the tax a man pays to the public for being eminent.

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He that falls in love with himself will have no rivals.

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Let the people know the truth and the country is safe.

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A journey of a thousand miles starts with a single step.

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It is a funny thing about life—if you refuse to accept anything but the best you very often get it.

and Mrs. Joseph Rigby and daughter, N. C. Brown, Mrs. Katherine Gillum and Miss Jane Anderson.

IOWA

DES MOINES Camp 75 and Aux. 8 honored Department Officers at a dinner and reception recently at the Y.M.C.A., following the Auxiliary inspection by Mrs. Lena Lemper of Waterloo. Mrs. Nettie Altig was President of the Auxiliary, and Mr. L. K. Boutin, Camp Commander. Amy Noll was reservations chairman. The newly installed President of Aux. 8 is Mrs. Frances Sutton. Conducting the installation were Mrs. Margaret B. Jones, Mrs. Reva Samuelson, Lura Holliday, Mrs. Perle Wiegand, Irma M. Woods, and Mrs. Willma L. Combs. Both the Camp and Aux. report receiving several new members recently.

MAINE

Auxiliary 35 of Rockland is very proud to have their Secretary, Mrs. Hilda York, as National Chaplain of the Auxiliary. They started their fall meetings with their annual Harvest Supper and Inspection.

MARYLAND

Dept. Pres. Mrs. Catherine Addie made her official visit to Appomattox Auxiliary on January 11, accompanied by Chief of Staff Mrs. Martha Callahan and Dept. Chaplain Ada J. Anderson. Mrs. Mary Hilyard of Bellefonte, Del. succeeded Mrs. Charlotte Hinderer of Wilmington, as President. P.D.C. Frank Heacock, Penna., was present and spoke of the Philadelphia Lincoln Banquet.

Appomattox Aux. 2 and the Past Aux. Pres. Club of Wilmington entertained with a dinner honoring Sister Dorothy Hilyard, Natl. Patr. Instructor, recently. Guests included Dept. Pres. Catherine Addie and P.D.C. Frank Heacock of Penna. An orchid corsage and other gifts were given to Sister Hilyard, as well as a gift from the Past Pres. Club for the National Patriotic Club.

Appomattox Auxiliary and Camp, and the Robert Gould Shaw Auxiliary and Camp have been invited by the Civil War Centennial Committee to take part in a meeting April 15 in Old Soldiers Park, when Dr. James Monroe, of the University of Delaware will be the principal speaker.

Dept. Pres. Addie installed the officers of her own Auxiliary on January 14, with Mrs. Estella Jones as President, Mrs. Martha B. Callahan, Secretary and Miss Eva L. Walker, Treasurer. This marks the sixth term for Mrs. Callahan and Miss Walker. Recent activities of Shaw Auxiliary included a very successful bazaar with Sister Addie serving as Chairman.

MASSACHUSETTS

At the time of our Department Encampments, the public will be invited to see a Civil War Centennial Exhibit by our Orders at the Hotel Bradford on April 21, 22, and 23, 1961.

It is expected that April 1961 will be proclaimed Civil War Centennial Month by Governor John A. Volpe. As you will recall, it is accepted that the Civil War started with the firing on Fort Sumter in April 1861. It is therefore necessary that we choose this time to identify ourselves publicly with this tremendous National Centennial.

We call upon the Brothers of our Camps and the Sisters of our Auxiliaries to rally around us, at this critical time, and prove that the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War is indeed the repository of the memorabilia of the Grand Army of the Republic. The success of this project can affect Sons of Union Veterans everywhere.

We will welcome all trophies, arms, uniforms, diaries, letters, etc.—anything of a historic Civil War interest. Arrangements are being made to guard this Exhibit at all times. You are urged to submit your entries to Junior Vice Department Commander Ernest G. Wells, 11 Tufts St., Cambridge 39, Mass. sufficiently ahead of time to prepare them for exhibition.

Change of Address—Wm. C. Rule, 121 Newton St., Holyoke, Mass.

SPRINGFIELD—Tift Camp celebrated its 78th anniversary on February 8 at its headquarters in G.A.R. Hall. Edward N. Loke is the present Commander of this Camp which was organized with 48 charter members, and was sponsored by Wilcox Post, Grand Army of the Republic.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS opened their Civil War Centennial Observances on Boston Common, Jan-

uary 9 with a 21 gun salute by the Mass. Natl. Guard. Charles W. Hedges, now sheriff of Norfolk County presided, and Gov. John A. Volpe was present. John L. Day and Richard F. Lufkin arranged the program, and Harold M. Drown represented Commander-in-Chief Chadwick.

EMANCIPATION STATUE services were honored this year in having Commander-in-Chief Chadwick present to head the G.A.R. Family. This service observes Lincoln's Birthday, under auspices of Past Commanders and Past Presidents Associations, jointly with the City of Boston. Louis E. Winchell, Sr., presided and Deputy Mayor John P. McMorrow spoke for Mayor Collins, Dept. Comdr. Bowen and Dept. Pres. Brown were participants. Harold M. Drown delivered Lincoln's Gettysburg Address and Marion Pohl placed the memorial wreath for both groups.

BROCKTON—The Rainbow Terrace Club, an affiliate of a housing group for senior citizens unveiled a portrait of Lincoln in their assembly hall as part of the city's Centennial Observance. Harold M. Drown was asked to dedicate it and especially to Viola D. Brunet, Aux. Dept. Secy. who resides there. Dept. Comdr. Bowen who is a prime promoter of old age benefits was a guest, as was Dept. Pres. Nathalie E. Brown.

ABINGTON—Our Order created favorable comment, in Dyer Memorial Library on Lincoln's Birthday. The historical society were chief sponsors at a Centennial Observance. A half dozen Sons from Meade Camp, in Civil War Uniforms acted as guides and informants for the exhibits.

SPRINGFIELD—Herbert W. Bogue, a leader in Western Massachusetts on Centennial Planning was invited to give highlights of Springfield's part in the Civil War on "TOM" Colten program on Channel 22, WWLP. Also participating was Frederick Robinson of a theatrical group, who brought "Andersonville" to Springfield as part of the Civil War Commemoration. Herb received commendation from many sources on his excellent narration.

BROCKTON—Grover Camp 17 and Aux. jointly observed their 70th and 68th anniversaries on February 9 as part of Lincoln and Centennial Observances in Brockton. Among those present were Mayor Leonard H. Ellershaw; William W. Haskell, Camp Commander; P.N.P. Maude B. Warren; Harold M. Drown; and a large representation from both orders.

MICHIGAN

GRAND RAPIDS—Robert Finch Camp 14 installed officers at a recent meeting with Homer R. Savage becoming the Camp Commander. Department Commander M. K. Brown is secretary of this Camp.

DETROIT—Mayor Miriani has recently appointed the following to serve on the Detroit Civil War Centennial Committee: Charles F. Dexter, James A. Davey, Stanley C. Barker, Craig Thompson, George R. Raub, Sr., Fred Kaiser, Carl M. Weideman, George Frank Boos, Maj. Gen. Gordon MacDonald and Milow Newer, Jr.

PORT HURON—There are few communities more closely knit than Port Huron, Mich., and Sarnia, Ontario. During the Civil War similar to other Canadian ports of entry, Sarnia gave short shrift to the draft dodgers and they were promptly returned to Port Huron. Hundreds of venturesome Canadians crossed over to Port Huron to enlist in Michigan Regiments. After the Civil War, a yearly event took place on Decoration Day, when hundreds of Canadians crossed over the river to renew battlefield friends and swap adventures.

NEW JERSEY

LINCOLN'S VISIT STAGED—The New Jersey Legislature held a special joint session on February 21 to reenact the historic appearance of Abraham Lincoln in the State House 100 years ago.

The reenactment starred such luminaries as Academy Award winning actor Anthony Quinn, as Lincoln; Attorney General David D. Furman; and a half-dozen professional and amateur actors in other roles.

Dr. Roy P. Basler of the Library of Congress, a Lincoln expert, explained the historic setting for Lincoln's visit.

The reenactment took place 100 years, almost to the minute, after the original appearance. The session was televised live for one hour.

FORT SUMTER SERVICE—The New Jersey Department will commemorate the firing on Ft. Sumter on Wednesday

evening, April 12. This service, which will be held at 8 p. m. at the Central Methodist Church, So. Broad and Market Sts., Trenton, will feature Civil War music and a message from newspaper columnist and historian, John T. Cunningham of Newark. His subject will be "Jersey Hears That Far-Off Shot." Representatives will extend greetings from the Trenton Centennial Commission, the New Jersey Centennial Commission, and the National Centennial Commission. All Camps, Auxiliaries, and the general public are invited to attend.

STATE CAMP MEETING—The New Jersey State Camp will hold a dinner meeting on Saturday evening, April 22nd at Landwehr's Restaurant, Route 29, Washington Crossing,

7 P. M., at which time the featured speaker will be Mr. Lawrence W. Sagle of Baltimore, Md. Mr. Sagle is an active member of the Washington Round Table as well as a busy and informed member of the Public Relations Staff of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad. He is an authority on the function and operation of railroads during the Civil War period and can be expected to give an enlightening talk on the very important part railroads played in the great struggle.

This meeting will be a "Ladies Night," and all members are invited to bring their wives or lady friends.

MRS. ANNA H. SIMPSON, wife of P.D.C. William G. Simpson and mother of P.N.P. Edna S. Lambert died on February 12th following a lengthy illness. We extend sincere condolences in their great loss.

MRS. ANNA SATTERTHWAITE, mother of George Satterthwaite died on February 19th following a lengthy illness. Sympathy is extended to P.D.C. George Satterthwaite and P.D.P. Henrietta Satterthwaite.

NEW YORK

ELMIRA—Mrs. Leroy Miller, Patriotic Instructor of Aux. 49 recently presented 13 flags to the Hopkins School from the Elmira Auxiliary.

NIAGARA FALLS—A campaign to raise funds for improvements to the city's Civil War Soldiers' Monument in Prospect Park hardly had a chance to get off the ground because of the generosity of a downtown businessman. Meeting the \$2,000 goal in total was John H. Biedenweg, owner of the Red Coach Inn. Mr. Biedenweg's contribution stemmed from civic pride. The money will go toward rehabilitating the monument and for the installation of new bronze tablets at the monument base.

ROCHESTER—February 12 saw the annual "Transfer of Flags" ceremony instigated by the G.A.R. and carried on by the SUVCW since 1931, in cooperation with the Public Schools. Fifty medals were furnished by Bausch and Lomb Optical Co. through the generosity of Mr. Carl Hallauer, Chairman of the Centennial Committee, in memory of Capt. Henry Lomb.

BUFFALO—P.D.C. Joseph S. Rippey was featured speaker at the annual Lincoln Dinner on February 12 held by the Erie County Lincoln Assoc. Mrs. Willard Stephan was the Auxiliary Chairman.

GLIDDEN-PIERCE-LOMB Camp of Rochester held an initiatory ceremony on February 27th at which time five new members were received and several applied for membership. Initiatory staff consisted of Robt. McMahon, Albert Fromberger, Grover C. Scott and Past Department Commanders Kelly, Beilby and Rippey. Following the meeting a reenactment of Lincoln's first inaugural was given in costume in Room 212, War Memorial Building.

U. S. SENATOR KENNETH B. KEATING, has introduced a Resolution in the United States Senate setting November 19th for the observance of Dedication Day in memory of Lincoln's Gettysburg Address.

MT. MCGREGOR annual ceremonies will be held at 2 P. M., Sunday, May 7th. The Northern New York Club will be host to this annual gathering honoring General U. S. Grant.

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NEW YORK CITY—The 135th Anniversary Ball given by the Old Guard of the City of New York was held on January 27 in the Commodore Hotel. This was known as the "Blue and Gray Ball" in commemoration of the Centennial of the Civil War. The veterans of the 7th Regiment had the honor in 1861 of being the first military volunteer organization from New York to answer the Presidents' call for the defense of the National Capitol. Many members of the SUVCW were present as well as representatives from other Veteran and Civic organizations.

OLIVER TILDEN AUX. 31 had their Christmas Party at the home of Sister Marion Werner. Many members of the Camp and Aux. were present when gifts were exchanged and a good time had by all. The Auxiliary regrets to announce the passing of Sister Bertha Koch on January 25. She was the widow of a Civil War Veteran and a member of the Auxiliary for 52 years.

LAFAYETTE CAMP No. 140 held its annual Lincoln Banquet on February 8 at the 7th Regiment. Maj. Gen. Charles Coudert was guest of honor and Col. Wm. D. Lynch spoke on the activities of the 69th in the Civil War. Asst. Chief Inspector Robert Gallati represented the Hon. Stephen P. Kennedy, and spoke on the activities of the Metropolitan Police in the Draft Riots of 1863. On February 11 the Camp participated in the lighting of a ten foot statue of Lincoln in neon lights on the steps of the old court house in Mineola, Long Island. A wreath was placed by Past Pres. Agnes E. Hahn and Commander Wm. F. Bruckel.

OHIO

ALLIANCE—McClellan Camp and Aux. held their Lincoln Banquet on February 11. Dr. R. H. Sales of the Mount Union College faculty was the speaker, speaking on the subject "This is our challenge and hope—that we remember what men in the Civil War died for."

CLEVELAND—Speaker W. J. Waters, speaking of the "One Hundred Years after the Civil War" featured the Lincoln Banquet in Cleveland.

DAYTON—The Lincoln Banquet was held February 18 at which time Atty. Herbert Ickenberry was the speaker, talking on the subject "What would Lincoln think today of the world situation." All of the above banquets were well attended and were well worthwhile affairs.

ALLIANCE—On February 15 a program was held celebrating the stop in Alliance by Abraham Lincoln on his way to the Washington inaugural. State Auditor Rhodes was the speaker along with State Supreme Court Judge W. L. Hart, a member of McClellan Camp 91. Rhodes emphasized the point that Lincoln was the first President elected outside the 13 original colonies and the first to bring dignity and decency to the human race in the first 5,000 years. Judge Hart, 94 years of age, is an ardent scholar of Lincoln. He was born on a farm that Morgan's Raiders visited to steal horses and carry on raids in the southern part of Ohio.

LOUIS G. BLAIR, Past Department Commander, Past Regional President and holder of various National Offices passed away on December 7 at the home of his son in Cedar Rapids, Iowa. A member of U. S. Grant Camp, Cincinnati, he has been chairman of the Hamilton County Memorial Day Committee for many years. We have lost a faithful and loyal member, and he shall be greatly missed.

OREGON & WASHINGTON

FRED DAVIS INJURED—Past Commander-in-Chief Fred Davis has had the misfortune of falling and fracturing the same leg that he broke two years ago, requiring a full length leg cast at present. We wish for him a speedy and comfortable convalescence.

We were honored by having Commander-in-Chief Thos. A. Chadwick of Vermont visit Camps in our Department and so ably installing new officers at Eugene, Portland and

Seattle. Seattle gave him and the National President of the Auxiliary a royal welcome and sightseeing trip through Seattle. While in Portland, Spencer Leonard took him on a scenic tour of the famed Columbia River Highway, followed by a banquet at the Congress Hotel.

PENNSYLVANIA

GETTYSBURG—Camp 112 joined with 41 military, patriotic, civic and religious groups in planning for the Welcome Home Dinner honoring Ex-President and Mrs. Dwight D. Eisenhower back to Gettysburg on January 21 in the Hotel Gettysburg. Local groups of the SUVCW, Auxiliary, DUVCW and Ladies of the G.A.R. were among the 200 present at the dinner.

CHIMES IN READING—The first shots fired in the Civil War were commemorated in Reading on January 8 by the playing of chimes and services in churches. Mayor John C. Kubacki proclaimed it "Civil War Centennial Day" at the request of P. C. in C. Leroy Stoudt, chairman of the Centennial Committee of the Berks County Allied Orders of the G.A.R.

SENATOR DIRKSEN TO SPEAK—Senate minority leader, U. S. Senator Everett McKinley Dirksen of Pekin, Ill., will be the speaker at Gettysburg on November 19 at the program in the National Cemetery marking the 98th anniversary of Lincoln's Gettysburg Address. Chester S. Shriver, president of the Lincoln Fellowship of Pennsylvania said, Senator Dirksen had written him: "So many times I have declined your invitation. This year I shall be glad to accept."

CARLISLE—At a recent ceremony the Camp presented 50 year badges to Edward B. Hemminger, Charles O. Minnich, J. Frank Shaw, and John Ruggles. The event also marked the 50th anniversary of the Camp. Department Commander MacPherson and Dept. Secy. Shriver made the presentations. The Camp is assisting High School students with Civil War history and relics in connection with the Centennial. Carlisle was shelled by Lee's Army June 30 and July 1, just before going to Gettysburg. On February 18 the Camp and Aux. held their annual Old Army Bean Soup dinner. On March 9 the Auxiliary will be host to the Dept. Pres. A covered dish supper will be served. All Camp and Aux. members are invited.

RHODE ISLAND

The annual Lincoln Dinner sponsored by the G.A.R. Family was held February 11 at the Crown Hotel, Providence. Even though the weather was not favorable, a good turnout of local organizations and nearby Departments was present. Among those seated at the head table were Henry S. Bowen, Dept. Commdr., Mass.; Dept. Pres. Mass. Nathalie E. Brown; Dept. Commdr. C. E. Young of R. I.; Mrs. Mary Santagata, Dept. Pres. Aux. R. I.; Mrs. Mabel S. Taylor, Secy. of the W.R.C.; Mrs. Bessie K. Coughlin, Natl. Secy. W.R.C.; and Commander of the G.A.R. Family group, Mrs. Laura I. Smith. Toastmaster for the event was P. C. in C. Harold E. Arnold.

The spring meeting of the New England Regional Assoc. will be held in Providence on March 18-19 at the Benefit Street Arsenal. Time and place for the banquet will be announced by the regional secretaries. P.D.C. H. Dwight Bromley is chairman for the affair.

WISCONSIN

MILWAUKEE—The National Chairman of the Civil War Centennial Commission, Maj-Gen. Ulysses S. Grant 3rd was a visitor here January 12-14, in observance of the Centennial. He was guest speaker at the Civil War Round Table and also spoke at Marquette University Brooks Memorial Union.

On the evening of the 13th, American tunes which more than 80,000 Wisconsin soldiers marched away to, were heard in a commemorative concert by the Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra, with a capacity audience of 2,800. The auditorium, which was decorated in red, white and blue is only a cannon shot from the site of Milwaukee's first Civil War Camp set up in the Spring of 1861, just west of the Auditorium.

Guests at the Symphony were Maj. Gen. Grant and Mrs. Ellinore L. Konrad, P.N.P. After the concert they were guests at a reception at the University Club.

MRS. NETTE A. HAYES—Services for Mrs. Nette A. Hayes, 89, an active worker in the Auxiliary, and a long time resident of Milwaukee were held on January 7. Despite her age, in 1959, she attended her 33rd consecutive annual convention of the Auxiliary in Long Beach, Calif. She was a former National Vice-President of the Auxiliary, and is survived by two daughters, Miss Norma C. Hayes and Mrs. E. M. Smith and also a son, Francis H. Hayes, all of Milwaukee.

FIRST OFFICER SLAIN

An episode of the Civil War that stirred the nation was the untimely death a century ago of Colonel Elmer E. Ellsworth, first commissioned Union officer killed in that great conflict. This 24 year old commander of a New York Regiment of Zouaves which, with other troops, was in occupation of Alexandria, Va., Friday, May 24, 1861, when he noticed a Confederate flag flying atop the Marshall House, a local hotel. He removed the emblem and while descending the stairs to the street, was shot dead by the proprietor. The proprietor was then quickly killed by one of Ellsworth's men.

Colonel Ellsworth played a strong role in popularizing Zouave units in the Civil War. Prior to the outbreak of hostilities he organized and trained a crack drill team of 100 men in Chicago. He attracted considerable attention, when he made a tour of the country in 1860 with this team dressed in the Zouave colorful uniform consisting of a jacket cap, bloomer-like trousers and high gaiters. During the Civil War, Zouave companies were raised in many cities and towns in the country.

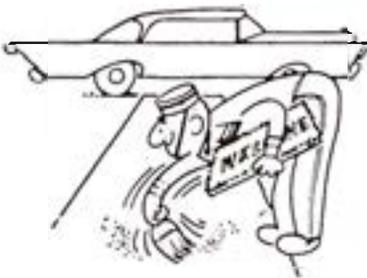
The great man is the man who does a thing for the first time.

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Liberty means responsibility. That is why most men dread it.

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Better to do a little well, than a great deal badly.



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