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Brothers:—We are on the eve of our greatest work connected with our Organization, that is, our obligation to our fathers and grandfathers to pay homage to the men who so valiantly fought for the preservation of our Country, by placing upon their graves that emblem, the flag of the Union, which through their loyalty and sacrifices they brought back to us, unsullied and unscarred; and to help those who are still in the ranks of the Grand Army of the Republic to make the evening of their lives as happy and pleasant as possible, so that they may rest assured that the tribute they paid for so many years to their dead comrades will be just as sacredly observed by their Sons and their Allied Organizations.

Let each one of us renew our obligations to our fathers and grandfathers and let not a single one of us neglect to observe Memorial Day, but to do the sacred duty allotted to us, to go out to the several cemeteries in every city, town or hamlet wherever one of the Grand Men of the Civil War lies buried. Let none of us count ourselves too rich or too poor, but let us all do our duty on Memorial Day. It will redound not only to the credit of our Order, but to the praise of all Americans.—Fraternally yours, Titus M. Ruch, Commander-in-Chief.





GENERAL ORDERS NO. 5

Headquarters of
COMMANDERY-IN-CHIEF,
SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR

Office of the Commander-in-Chief

610 Main Street,
Hellertown, Pennsylvania

May 1, 1933.

MEMORIAL DAY.

Its sacred duties are called to mind. Preparations will it is expected be completed.

Every Camp and member of the Order should be in line of parade on that day—May 30, 1933—and every member reminded of his duty incident to the observance of the occasion.

Sunday, May 28, it is urgently requested and it is expected, that all Camps will comply, as the order of the day. Every Camp and member able will attend Divine services in a body, having arranged for services to conform.

Memorial Day, May 30, Camps and members will turn out in a body, observing the Day and participating with Posts of the Grand Army of the Republic, or, where Posts or Comrades are unable to do so and Camps are in charge proper ceremonies will be observed, and the Ritual carried out. This will apply to parade and program.

Prompt Reports by Camp Chaplains will be made. Immediately after the ceremonies on Memorial Day, Camp Chaplains will forward Report thereon—Form 14—to their respective Department Chaplains.

Department Chaplains will without delay forward their Reports—Form 13—to Rev. Homer K. Pitman, National Chaplain, 222 San Jose Avenue, San Francisco, California.

CAMP PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTORS' REPORTS.

Camp Patriotic Instructor's Report—Form 50—must be sent to Department Patriotic Instructor May 31st.

Department Patriotic Instructors will forward their Reports—Form 51—without delay to National Patriotic Instructor Park E. Youngling, Bassett Road, Bay Village, Ohio.

DEPARTMENT ENCAMPMENTS.

Department Commanders will report to the Commander-in-Chief, promptly, the place and date of holding Department Encampments, addressing Hellertown, Pennsylvania. Following are announced:

California & Pacific, at Berkeley, May 14-15.
Illinois, at Jacksonville, June 5-8.
Indiana, at Huntington, June 11 to 13.
Iowa, at Fort Madison, June 11-14.
Kansas, at Eldorado, May 15-17.
Maine, at Bangor, June 14-15.
Maryland, at Ellton, Md., May 9-10.
Michigan, at Saginaw, June 14-15.
Missouri, at Jefferson City, May 8-10.
Nebraska, at Lincoln, May 14.
New Jersey, at Asbury Park, June 28-30.
New York, at Syracuse, June 7 to 9.
Ohio, at Newark, week of June 18.
Oregon, at Salem, June 20-21.
Pennsylvania, at Pittsburgh, June 13-15.
Vermont, at Brattleboro, June 27-29.
Washington, at Spokane, June 19-20.
Wisconsin, at Sheboygan, June 11 to 14.

CERTIFICATES OF ELECTION—FORM 49.

These must be forwarded in duplicate to the National Secretary, immediately after Department Encampment ends. It is vital that this be complied with in order to have Roster of Department Officers at Headquarters. The Certificates should be typewritten and Names and ADDRESSES legibly and carefully entered, with residence or street addresses.

Residence addresses of Delegates are requested.

Form 49 is furnished on Requisition Form 12.

BONDS.

All Bonds cover the "Position of Department Commander." The premium in payment for continuance of the position must be

forwarded promptly to the National Secretary. NO OTHER BOND is required, or premium to be paid the National Secretary EXCEPT for that of Position of Department Commander. Other Officers bonded by Departments must be taken care of by Departments and NOT the Commandery-in-Chief. Note and comply with this.

CAMP OFFICERS' REPORTS.

Department Commanders will furnish all Camps with blank Forms 27 and 28—Camp Secretary and Camp Treasurers' Reports—for the Quarter ending June 30th. Camp Commanders will see that these Reports with per capita tax and membership fees are forwarded to Department Headquarters on the LAST MEETING NIGHT OF THE CAMP IN JUNE. Keep Camp Commanders mindful of these reports and to urge prompt return of same. The June Quarter will be *our last reports*. Make them promptly.

SECURE MEMBERS FROM OUR FAMILIES.

Camp Commanders are urged to have their Welfare Committee active in endeavoring to have those who are not members of the Order, and whose Fathers are members, unite with such Camps. Use the official pamphlet on Information Concerning the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, of which every Camp should have a supply, or secure same from Department Headquarters. Urge those in the family not members to join your Camp or some other one. Get them into the Order.

ONE COMPLETED!

The Commander-in-Chief requested Department Commanders to organize at least one New Camp in February General Order No. 2. Also that Camp Commanders, as a special favor, would secure at least ONE NEW member in the March (last) Quarter, and at least THREE NEW MEMBERS in the June (this) Quarter.

The Department Commanders who have not responded to the request of the Commander-in-Chief, as to the possibility and outlook, and their efforts, it is hoped, will do so.

Department Commander E. S. Spangler and Department Secretary-Treasurer S. A. Brown, Department of Kansas, have responded to our request and organized a new Camp at Eldorado, Kansas. This is greatly appreciated and acknowledged accordingly.

NEW DEPARTMENT OFFICERS.

Alabama & Tennessee—Commander, C. W. Jackson, 1914 Melrose Ave. So., St. Petersburg, Fla.; Secretary-Treasurer, M. D. Friedman, 1257 South 21st St., Birmingham, Ala.

Connecticut—Commander, Daniel E. Emery, 21 New Britain Ave., Plainville; Secretary-Treasurer, Isaac T. Jenks, P. O. Box 1222, New Haven.

New Hampshire—Commander, Orion H. Hardy, Pengeook; Secretary-Treasurer, Jackson C. Carr, P. O. Box 262, Hillsboro.

NEW CAMP.

Application for Charter for Camp at Eldorado, Department of Kansas, with 18 applicants, was approved April 17, 1933.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT NO. 7.

Report of the National Secretary for month of April, 1933:

Receipts:
March 31, 1933, To Balance \$8909.20
Received for Per Capita Tax and Membership Fees \$135.20
Charter Fees 5.00
Supplies 137.89
Miscellaneous 1.23

Total Receipts \$ 9228.52

\$ 8962.61

Expenditures:
General Expenses—Supplies \$ 326.75

April 30, 1933, Balance \$ 8962.61

The Commandery-in-Chief Encampment to be held at the St. Paul Hotel, St. Paul, Minnesota, in the week beginning September 17th, is in preparation and full arrangements will be announced in the June Banner.

All those who wish to reserve rooms can do so by writing to the St. Paul Hotel, stating that such reservations are made for the Sons of Union Veterans and they will be taken care of.

By order of

Attest:
H. H. HAMMER,

TITUS M. RUCH,
Commander-in-Chief.

National Secretary.

In Memoriam

The morning of May 5, 1866, dawned clear and beautiful in the little town of Waterloo, New York. It was a morning that was to see the beginning of a beautiful, sacred and solemn custom, a practice that was eventually to become, in the course of time, accepted and universally practiced by the American people. On that pleasant morning General John B. Murray, then a resident of Waterloo, conceived the idea of calling together a Platoon of ex-soldiers who had worn the Blue of the Northland during the War of the Rebellion, for the purpose of showing by their action, their intense loyalty, their love and devotion toward those of their Comrades who had answered the last roll-call.

Visualize to yourself what a scene this must have been. Flags floating proudly on the balmy spring breeze; flowers piled in great profusion; flowers that had been gathered by the school children previous to this occasion; members of that large body of soldiers who comprised the Union Army during the War that only a year previous they had brought to successful conclusion. Standing at attention these soldiers received, perhaps from the hands of the school children, these first blossoms of spring. These men were in the prime of their life, and with heads erect, shoulders thrown back, these loyal men at the command of General Murray marched to the strains of martial music to the local cemetery and proceeded to decorate the graves of their departed Comrades.

That morning, beautiful with the first blossoms of spring; the birds gaily singing; the air sweet with the perfume of flowers; the trees resplendent in their green foliage; all nature seemed to be fitted for this sacred duty. Even the Ruler of the Universe seemed in accord with these Men in Blue; this God of Love and Mercy who had carried them safely through the strife and turmoil of War, seemed to smile benignly down upon these men in Blue, who with reverential respect, with heads bowed with love and devotion, made this first public showing of their love and devotion for their departed Comrades.

In a sense this was a daring gesture. There were men on that beautiful May morning who were not sure just how the rank and file of the soldiers would take it. Disension was in their ranks but they did not falter, and every soldier, sailor or marine whose body lay in that cemetery had flowers placed upon his grave and thus ended what was to be the beginning of Memorial Day.

Shortly afterwards, during the year 1868, when General John A. Logan became Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, he issued his famous General Order No. 11, which officially set aside May 30 as Memorial Day—a day on which there would be established the custom of caring for and decorating the graves of their deceased Comrades, with appropriate exercises. How well that order has been carried out needs no comment from me; it speaks for itself. Year after year, with loving hands and tender hearts and memories, these Men in Blue from the Northland, bowed their heads as they placed flowers upon the graves of their departed Comrades who had been

mustered out and had entered into Eternal peace with their Maker.

These men who wore the Blue of the Northland in the War of the Rebellion, were at that time either young or in the middle ages of life. They were not exactly interested, but being accustomed to obeying orders, they, slowly at first, but as time wore on, entered into the spirit of Memorial Day with that same spirit, that same devotion, that same love for their Comrades that they had shown during the preceding years of bloodshed and strife. These same Comrades who perhaps had been boyhood friends, who perhaps had gone to the same swimming pool together, and who perhaps together answered the first call of Lincoln for volunteers; the same Comrade who perhaps fought shoulder to shoulder with him; who shared their hard-tack and perhaps drank from the same canteen during the heat of battle; who perhaps sat around the same camp-fire and sang the same songs. Now all that is left of his mortal body lies in some small graveyard, sleeping the Eternal sleep of contentedness. As the Comrade stands at the grave of his friend who has answered the last roll-call, who can tell how much he misses the cheery voice; who can tell what feelings pass through his heart? No one knows how much he longs for the companionship of his friend, how he longs to have him back. He realizes that no power on earth can bring him back, so with bowed head and a prayer to the Divine Master of us all, he places flowers on the grave and passes on, to repeat the same at another grave with the same reverential feeling of devotion. When at last the decorating is over he returns to the quarters of the Grand Army of the Republic, there to revel in the memory of other days.

For over sixty-five years this work of decorating the graves of deceased Soldiers, Sailors and Marines who served in the War of the Rebellion, has been carried out. Year after year these Veterans in their youth, in their middle age, and in the declining years of their life, have persistently and systematically carried on the work of keeping the graves and memories of their departed Comrades green.

To any intelligent man it is evident that the Grand Army cannot continue this work any longer. The laws of nature are working. Death, that relentless enemy, has greatly depleted their ranks, and only a pitifully few years can we have any of them with us. After all these years of loving labor in caring for and decorating the graves of their departed Comrades, would it not be pleasing to them to know, to entertain no doubt whatsoever, that the Sons of Union Veterans will be able to continue where they have left off? With what a feeling of peace could they face their Eternal Creator, if they could be sure of that; sure that they could depend on the Sons of Union Veterans. Are we going to fail them? There is only one way to assure them, there is only one way to convince them that we will not fail them, and that is to so increase our membership that failure will be impossible. When the last few surviving members of the Grand Army of the Republic see the rapidly swelling ranks of the Sons of Union Veterans they will believe that we mean busi-

ness; that dilatory tactics and procrastination have been eliminated from our Order, and that the Sons of Union Veterans can take its place as the aid to the Grand Army of the Republic, where it rightfully belongs, in sufficient numbers to make that position secure. Then they will be assured that their sons, and the sons of their Comrades, will not fail them.

To you who are members of the Sons of Union Veterans in this land of ours; if you were sincere when you took your obligation, and if you are sincere in your desire to help the members of the Grand Army of the Republic; if you really believe that they, by their valor, by their devotion and bravery, were responsible for the continuance of this Country undivided; if you really believe that the caring for and decorating of the graves of their departed Comrades was a sacred and solemn duty, so faithfully and devotedly carried out for so many years; if you really believe that the years of suffering, of privation, of bloodshed, mean anything at all to these pitifully few surviving members of the Grand Army of the Republic; if you really believe all this and are the son of your father, you will not fail to work and work hard that you may be able to build up the membership of your Camp so large that there will be absolutely no doubt of your ability to carry on the work entrusted to your care. Believing all these things, if you are a real Son of a Union Veteran, you will get busy. There are plenty of eligibles in your town or city. There is some way in which you can interest them. Find out that way and get after them; do not let them get away; keep after them until they have signed the application, and continue to keep them interested. That is not a difficult thing to do if you go at it rightly, but do not be satisfied with one member; get all you can, we need them. These members of the Grand Army of the Republic have carried on their work for sixty-five years. Let us place ourselves in a position to carry on for twice sixty-five years.

Time is the most important factor in this matter. Do not wait, but get right after your man now. Day by day these rapidly aging Veterans are dropping from the ranks, and the day will come, all too soon, when the work of decorating the graves and perpetuating their memory, will fall wholly upon the shoulders of the Sons of Union Veterans.

Soon Memorial Day will be with us again. Soon we will be aiding in the decorating of the graves of departed Comrades. Before that time comes let us make a strong, determined effort to build up our membership. Let us report on that morning in larger numbers than ever before. Let every member who is able to report on that morning for participation in the exercises, and particularly in the parade wherever one is held. Let us show the people of every city, town and hamlet by our large showing, that we are fully capable of doing the work entrusted to us in such a manner that it will leave no doubt in the minds of the most skeptical of our ability. Let us show by such a preponderance of numbers that the work of perpetuating the memories and caring for and decorating the graves of the departed mem-

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General Ames Dies

Gen. Adelbert Ames, last surviving Union General of the Civil War, died at Ormond Beach, Florida, on April 13. He was 92 years old.

General Ames, oldest graduate of West Point, was commissioned Brigadier General at the age of 28, and led a brigade against General Robert E. Lee, one of his former professors, at Gettysburg. He was provisional governor of Mississippi during the carpet-bagger era of reconstruction in that state, and had also served in the U. S. Senate from the same state.

A widow and a daughter survive him. The funeral and burial services were held at Lowell, Mass.

Lincoln and Land Speculation

When the delegates to the last National Encampment of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War were grouped in front of the Lincoln home at Eighth and Jackson Streets in Springfield, perhaps few gave thought to Mr. Lincoln's land ownership.

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No single person had more influence than he in moving the state capitol from Vandalia to Springfield. He was a member of the legislature and the leader of the "Springfield Boosters." On the day after the legislature decided to move the capitol, Lincoln was admitted to the bar. When the session of the legislature ended, he moved from New Salem to Springfield and opened his law office at the new capitol. In modern times we would expect a young lawyer similarly situated to enter Springfield with a pocket full of binders and options.

Springfield was then a village of 1500 inhabitants. It had no paved streets or sidewalks. Mud was the order in winter and dust in summer. But a land boom was on. One would naturally expect the young lawyer to speculate in land. He did not. Many of his law suits involved land. He saw values increase by leaps and bounds. His clients made money on land, but he showed very little personal interest in their speculation. He did not care even for the management of real estate. He wrote to a client, "As to the real estate, we cannot attend to it. We are not real estate agents, we are lawyers. We recommend that you give the charge of it to Mr. Isaac S. Britton, a trustworthy man and one whom the Lord made on purpose for such business."

When Mr. Lincoln left Springfield in February, 1861, to be inaugurated as president, its population had grown to over 5,000. Many of its citizens had accumulated much wealth from the increase in land values.

In his younger days, Lincoln had been a surveyor. He no doubt saw his customers make money in land. His failure to speculate in land at that time is explained by the fact that he had no money. But he prospered as a lawyer and could no doubt have made money, as many others did, in land speculation in Springfield and elsewhere. Cupidity was totally absent in his make up. No doubt there are many of us who regret that we did not look on the land boom of the last decade with the indifference that Mr. Lincoln displayed in the boom days in Springfield.—Michael G. Heintz, Past Department Commander, Ohio.

We shall never have more time. We have, and we have always had, all the time there is. No object is served in waiting until next week or even until tomorrow. Keep going day in and out. Concentrate on something useful. Having decided to achieve a certain task, achieve it at all costs.—Arnold Bennett.

Because a fellow has failed once or twice, or a dozen times, you don't want to set him down as a failure till he's dead or loses his courage—and that's the same thing.—George Horace Lorimer.

The prospect of an ordeal is often much worse than the ordeal itself.—Exchange.

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Lincoln, the Youth, in Bronze

When, in 1928, the officers of the Lincoln National Life Insurance Company commissioned Paul Manship, world-famous sculptor, of New York City to make a statue depicting Abraham Lincoln as a Hoosier youth, they desired to produce a memento that would take first rank with the best memorials of him, and that would personify the martyred President in that part of his life best familiar to the world. How well they have succeeded is best evidenced by the completed heroic bronze statue of Lincoln at the age of twenty-one which is situated at the entrance plaza of the beautiful home office building of the insurance company, at Fort Wayne, Indiana, and which is being hailed today by historians and students of Lincolniana as not only an outstanding creation of art, but also as a fitting, age-long memorial to the emancipator and his Indiana years.

"It is the truest, as it is the most beautiful, concept of Abraham Lincoln as a youth yet given this country," said Ida M. Tarbell, foremost Lincoln biographer, when she saw the masterpiece.

"So far as I am aware," declared Arthur M. Hyde, former Secretary of Agriculture, in the dedicatory address on September 16 of last year, "this is the only statue of Lincoln which portrays him as a young man. This, too, is a great gain. From a contemplation of the form and face of the youth portrayed here, and a comparison of these rude assemblages with the towering Lincoln of deathless fame, the youth of our land may draw courage and determination to bend their lives, too, to the service of mankind and their country."

"Such a memorial of the great President," wrote President Hoover, "is singularly appropriate in the state in which he spent so much of his boyhood, the state which contributed so greatly to develop his powers of mind and spirit at their most sensitive stage."

Speaking for the Statue Committee, Franklin B. Mead, the author of a recent book on all of the heroic bronze statues of the Civil War President, commented: "It is more than a statue of Lincoln—it is a great work of art apart from any conception of Lincoln."

So runs the praise and universal acclamation with which this unusual and inspiring memorial has been received by the people of

America. It is far from just another statue of "Honest Abe;" and it will doubtless take its place among the notable monuments to historical figures. Certainly it is one of the greatest of Lincoln that has ever been executed.

In the Manship bronze which, incidentally, is the second statue of the great emancipator in Indiana, we see the youthful Lincoln as a lithe, clean-limbed frontiersman, resting against a log. He is clad in a linsey-woolsey shirt, buckskin trousers and boots, all of which were habiliments of his time. His left hand rests on the head of a pure American hound dog, which has seated itself closely to its master, while in his right hand he holds a book, a finger marking the place. An axe, symbolic of how he spent most of his Indiana years, stands at his right, for the moment forgotten. The axe helve in the memorial, although built contrary to present-day standards, is the type which was used in the pioneer days. Lincoln's age as he appears here is indicated by the twenty-one acorns scattered over the oak log. On the granite pedestal on which this figure group is mounted will be found four bronze medallions in bas-relief, also done by Mr. Manship. More will be said of these later in this article.

The story of how "Abraham Lincoln—the Hoosier Youth," which is the appropriate name given to this monument, was conceived, created and finally finished and presented as a lasting tribute to the memory of the martyred President, is as dramatic as it is interesting. Quite different from many such memorials the idea for it did not develop and grow overnight. Four years of study and execution were put into its realization.

For many years it had been the desire of the Lincoln National Life Insurance Company to honor the man after whom it is named. With this in mind, the designers of the building which houses the company made provisions in 1929 for the erection of a suitable memorial. Eight years later, the executive committee engaged Mr. Manship to create a statue of Lincoln that would represent the maturity of his boyhood, when his mind and personality were just becoming the man's. It was felt that inasmuch as Lincoln had spent fourteen years of his youth (1816-1830) in Indiana, such a work would be most fitting.

Moreover, as *Lincoln Love*, the bulletin of the Lincoln Historical Research Foundation, points out, "the location of this statue in Indiana is timely indeed, as Lincoln might be said to personify the early history of the state."

"Lincoln was born the same year that Indiana was set apart as a separate territory," it continues. "He came into the state the same year Indiana was received into the Union as a state. While he was growing up from a small child to the height of six feet four inches, Indiana was growing in population from 63,000 to 341,582. Lincoln left the state in 1830, the date chosen by the Indiana Pioneers' Association as the year concluding the pioneer history of the State."

Before doing any actual modeling on the statue, the sculptor, in the company of Dr. Louis A. Warren, director of the foundation, made what Mr. Manship calls "a vivid trip through the Lincoln country," and visited

the boyhood homes in Indiana and Kentucky.

"The Ohio River and reminders of the old ferryboat days," Mr. Manship wrote in March, 1932, after the completion of his labor, "and the glimpse of the Kentucky homestead of Lincoln's childhood excited the imagination. Sandburg's book and talks with Ida Tarbell vivified my impressions which led to the desire to represent the youth as a dreamer and a poet, rather than the material aspect of the rattleplatter, as the qualities of the spirit are more important in view of the greatness of later accomplishment and the influence of the accomplishment of the great which continues after death. Without these qualities of spirit, the idealism and clarity of his future visions would never have been possible.

"This active backwoods life gave him, with his six-foot-four stature, inevitably a magnificent physique. I believe it is Herndon who says in his book that Lincoln weighed forty pounds more at the age of twenty-one than he did in the later years of his life."

Explaining what each part of the group represents, the sculptor continued:

"The gnarled stump of the oak in the statue symbolizes his background; among the leaves are scattered twenty-one acorns. His axe tells the story of his rattle-splitting days. (The axe, by the way, is copied from photographs in the Barrett collection of Lincolniana). The book naturally belongs to those first named qualities of the mind. We recall stories of his father's complaints that the son was not always industrious and seemed rather to prefer his book to the workaday occupation of the farm. We know of his friendship for animals and the story of his wading back across or by stream to carry over his dog which had lagged behind on the memorable journey from Indiana to Illinois; to use Lincoln's own words as given by Herndon, 'I could not endure the idea of abandoning even a dog. Rolling off shoes and socks I waded across the stream and triumphantly returned with the shivering animal under my arm. His frantic leaps of joy and other evidence of a dog's gratitude amply repaid me for all the exposure I had undergone.' His relationship to the dog symbolizes the great feeling of human sympathy and protectiveness that was one of Lincoln's conspicuous characteristics through life.

"His clothes consist of the linsey-woolsey homemade shirt, buckskin or burrnut trousers and boots. We had at first thought of having him wear homemade moccasins. However, it was later recalled that by the age of twenty-one, when the Lincolns migrated to Illinois, Abraham had already been in contact with the world apart from his locality. He had made the trip to New Orleans on a flatboat and had worked as a ferryman on the Ohio River; it was, therefore, conceived that, with his greater earning capacity, he would probably wear boots.

"On the base of the statue it seemed appropriate to represent in four small reliefs some of the major qualities which Lincoln possessed—patriotism, justice, fortitude and charity; these I have expressed in the conventional manner, with the exception of patriotism, which goes on the front of the pedestal and which I have characterized by

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bars of the Grand Army of the Republic will be safe in the hands of the Sons of Union Veterans for a great many more years to come; and that when the last member of that glorious Grand Army of the Republic has passed before the Judgment Throne of the Eternal Creator, he will be assured that the work he loved to do; the work that brought both pleasure and sadness; the work that he never missed as long as he was able to do it, will be carried on continually, just as long as a member of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War is left in existence.—P. F. McCormick, Secretary, Capt. R. B. Grover Camp No. 17, 147 Court Street, Braintree, Mass.

the American eagle holding an olive branch and a bunch of arrows. The unity of his country, symbolized by the eagle, was his great patriotic ideal."

It should be noted here that Mr. Manship did not have the benefit of any pictures of Lincoln during this period of his life, for none is available. The earliest known daguer-type of the Civil War President was made about the time he was elected to Congress in 1846. Consequently, it was necessary for the sculptor to make physiological studies of later pictures, photographs and casts in order to mold Lincoln's face in the youthful form. This study in bronze is historically correct in every detail, and is the creation of a skilled workman who exhausted every scientific means at his command to portray his subject as he must have looked in 1830.

Not until after a year of considerable thought and careful study of the vast amount of material and information which he had gathered—much of which he had obtained from the endowed museum of the Lincoln Historical Research Foundation—did Sculptor Manship present the executive committee of the life insurance company with an initial sketch of the memorial in plaster. The miniature was approved, and work on the plaster model was begun in his New York studio. Shortly after, Mr. Manship went abroad, where he continued his labors in his Paris studio, completing his masterpiece there in November, 1931. Just before he had finished the statue, he wrote:

"I have been working on it steadily all summer and, while my difficulties have been many and I have oftentimes felt considerable discouragement about my lack of getting certain qualities desirable to put into the work, I think now that it is coming along finely and another month's work should see the end of my troubles."

"My friends who have seen my work are pleased with it, and I personally think it is one of my best. You know, I believe, that I brought a hound to Paris with me to serve as a model for the dog. This dog came from across the Ohio River, from the place of Lincoln's youth, and was just the type we needed."

Although it is said to be quite unusual to erect a statue to a hound it is indeed most appropriate that the dog be included in this historical group. Not only does it symbolize Lincoln's great love of animals and the many instances of kindness which he showed toward them, but it also serves to indicate the fact that the emancipator was very fond of man's best friend, owned several canines, and was always very much concerned about the welfare of these creatures.

"From the days of his boyhood through those turbulent times which he spent in the White House as the nation's chief executive, dogs played no little part in the eventful and dramatic life of Abraham Lincoln." I wrote in an article, entitled "Dogs Ever Were a Joy to Lincoln," in the February, 1933, issue of the American Kennel Gazette. "They were frequently employed by him; as excellent objects for his now famous stories, although there were occasions when his ironic comparison of man and dog could hardly be called flattering to the former. They proved, however, that he was thor-

oughly familiar with the characteristic traits of canines, and also had a keen insight into human nature. Few historical figures have been better judges of their fellow men and possessed such an uncanny understanding of their motives."

In conclusion, I commented:

"To the long and notable list of historical figures who were lovers of dogs we must surely add the illustrious name of the martyr-President. Toward these animals he displayed tenderness and a sympathetic understanding and, strangely enough, they seemed to have understood him, perhaps more so than even some of his most intimate friends and associates. In them he found comfort, relaxation, pleasure. At times they helped to make the great load which he bore a little lighter, their loyalty and sincere devotion gave him heart to face some of the most unpleasant tasks. They were at his side in peace and in war, in joy and sorrow. To him they were truly friends, as are most dogs to those who are fond of them and interested in their welfare. The name of Abraham Lincoln will go marching down the ages, gaining lustre as time goes on. The world will always remember him as a railsplitter, lawyer, emancipator, president, hero and dog lover."

When the statue was completed, one model in plaster was sent for the casting to Compagnie des Bronzes, in Brussels, Belgium, and another was shipped to the New York studio, where, during the winter months of 1931-32, Mr. Manship executed the four medallions of the monument pedestal. Later he again went abroad, and inspected the finished casting and personally supervised the tone of the patina.

On September 16, 1932, the Manship Lincoln was dedicated with elaborate ceremonies as America's latest tribute to the emancipator. Arthur Fletcher Hall, the third, five years old, and great-great-grandson of Hugh McCulloch, a member of Lincoln's cabinet, unveiled the statue. More than ten thousand people heard the dedicatory address by Secretary of Agriculture. Congratulations were received from all parts of the country, and the bronze and its creator were assured the recognition of which they were justly deserving.

Today the heroic bronze statue stands directly in front of the main entrance of the insurance company's building, and faces Fort Wayne's new United States postoffice and courthouse. Its base, which is nineteen feet square and is rough finished granite of a pinkish tone, extends over the steps ascending to the plaza and rises to the level of the court. The high seat, eleven and a half feet square, rests upon the base. Weighing fourteen and a half tons, the die or pedestal of one piece of granite, six and a half feet high and five feet square, is reared upon this. The pedestal and seat are of polished Conway green granite of an olive gray tone delicately speckled with black.

Of light verdigris to harmonize with the Indiana limestone of the building is the statue itself, while the medallions of the pedestal, which, incidentally, weigh two hundred and fifty pounds each, are deeper in tone, with olive in their pigment in order to blend pleasingly with the tone of the granite of the pedestal and of the seat. The bronze figure of Lincoln, the weight of

which is four and a half tons, is twelve feet six inches in height.

A word or two about Sculptor Manship would not be amiss. Born in St. Paul, Minn., in 1885, he studied in the St. Paul Institute of Art, the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts, and in Paris and Rome. For his outstanding work, he was awarded the Helen Burnett prize N. A. D. in 1913 and 1917, the George D. Widener memorial gold medal, the gold medal of the San Francisco Exposition, the medal of the A. I. A., the American Numismatic Society medal, and others. His work is represented in the leading museums of the world, and he made the New York Metropolitan Museum of Art's memorial to its benefactor and president, J. Pierpont Morgan. He is now busy on an equestrian statue of General Grant, which is to be placed in front of Grant's Tomb on Riverside Drive, in New York City. A unique gateway in bronze for the Zoological Gardens in Bronx Park is likewise engaging his attention at the present time.

It is interesting to note that "Abraham Lincoln—the Hoosier Youth" is a part of the exhibit of the Lincoln Historical Research Foundation, which was founded in 1928 by an endowment from the Lincoln National Life Insurance Company. The foundation's purpose is to perpetuate an active interest in the life and character of the martyred President. Its museum, dedicated in 1931, contains the most comprehensive collection of Lincoln lore in existence, comprising more than twenty-five thousand items. This is said to be the most complete assemblage of historical data ever amassed in one place about any one character since the beginning of time, except Biblical figures. Information and service are offered by the foundation to all students of Lincolniana.

Statues of Abraham Lincoln are to be found in many cities throughout the country, and several are far removed from the principal centers of population. They portray him in various poses, most of them as the President. All are valuable contributions to the memory of the savior of the Union, and are works of art. Where the heroic bronze monuments of Lincoln which are life size or larger are located may be ascertained from the following list:

California, San Francisco; District of Columbia, Washington; England, London and Manchester; Illinois, Chicago — Lincoln Park, Grant Park and Garfield Park; Springfield—State House and Lincoln Tomb; Hunter Hill, Dixon, Freeport, Pana, Urbana and Clinton; Indiana, Fort Wayne and Wabash; Idaho, Boise; Iowa, Webster City and Johnson; Kansas, Topeka; Kentucky, Louisville, Frankfort, and Hodgenville; Massachusetts, Boston; Michigan, Muskegon and Detroit; Minnesota, Minneapolis; Nebraska, Lincoln and Omaha; New Jersey, Newark, East Orange, Jersey City and Lincoln; New York, Brooklyn, New York, Buffalo, Rochester and Yonkers; Ohio, Cincinnati — Lytle Park and Avondale School; Cleveland and Alliance; Oregon, Portland; Pennsylvania, Philadelphia—East Park and Union League Club; Gettysburg and Wilkesburg; Scotland, Edinburgh; Washington, Spokane and Tacoma, and Wisconsin, Burlington, Madison and Kenosha. By Albert R. Beatty, in National Republic.

PENNSYLVANIA

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Fifty-third Annual Encampment.

Sunday, June 11—1:30 p. m. Joint service at First Presbyterian Church, Rev. Clarence E. Macartney, D. D., Minister.

Monday, June 12—Eight o'clock, 10 a. m. to 4 p. m., 8 p. m. Parade, "Ritual in Children's City" under the auspices of Pittsburgh Public Schools, Soldiers and Sailors Memorial Hall.

Tuesday, June 13—10:20 a. m. Opening session of Encampment. All sessions to be held in Nurses Home, Post Pitt Hotel, 9 p. m. Dinner, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War and Auxiliary, Post Pitt Hotel, 8 p. m. Reception of allied orders to the Dept. Commander and officers of the Grand Army of the Republic, Dept. of Pennsylvania, William Penn Hotel, 10 p. m. Stunt night, Sons and Auxiliary, Post Pitt Hotel.

Wednesday, June 14—8:00 a. m. Session 8:30 p. m. Parade, 8 p. m. Camp Fire, Grand Army of the Republic, Soldiers and Sailors Memorial Hall, 9 p. m. Reception of Auxiliary to Dept. Commander and officers, Dept. of Pa., Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Post Pitt Hotel, followed by dance, same place.

Thursday, June 15—9:30 a. m. Session, 2 p. m. Session, unless business has previously been concluded.

Friday, June 16—Notes to points of interest, industrial plants, etc., if desired.

Board trip tickets will be sold at ONE WAY FARE for the round trip on Identification Certificates. Tickets will be on sale from June 8 until June 14. Return limit, thirty days. Certificates can be procured from Dept. Sec. Wm. E. McGill, 667 North Twelfth St., Philadelphia.

Special Grand Army units will be attached to Train No. 25, leaving Broad Street Station, Sunday, June 18, at 1:10 p. m., Eastern Standard Time. Train will leave Lancaster 2:48 p. m., Harrisburg 4:02 p. m., Johnstown 7:28 p. m., arriving at Pittsburgh at 7:45 p. m.

Appomattox Day at Reading.

Reading's first elaborate celebration of Appomattox Day took place April 5 in the form of a colorful parade. Marking the 85th anniversary of the surrender of the Confederate Army in the Civil War, the parade attracted many to the downtown streets.

In line were approximately 1500 people, comprising descendants of Union soldiers and war veterans that fought in later conflicts. Crowds lining the sidewalks saw pass in review a vivid portrayal of the Civil War. Sons of Veterans Reserve were also and men in the blue uniform uniforms that were the pride of the Union Army, while a number of boys depicted scenes that are dear to the now remaining Reading survivors of that drama.

Starting from Second and Franklin Streets at 7:45 p. m., the parade proceeded east on Franklin Street to Tenth, north on Tenth to Washington and west of Washington to Fourth, where it disbanded. A reviewing stand in front of City Hall was occupied by State officers of military organizations. Many out-of-town units joined with the Reading and Parks county groups in the celebration.

A squad of city policemen and city officials led off the procession, and National Guard, under command of Maj. Joseph D. Hilsenrath, chief marshal of the parade, comprised the first division. Landmarkers, Spanish War Veterans and organizations affiliated with the Allied Orders of the Grand Army of the Republic made up other divisions.

The day's program came to an end with a banquet at the Hotel Abraham Lincoln, program of which follows:

Introduction of Toastmaster—By Alice Jones, President, Allied Orders of the G. A. R. Toastmaster—Captain C. Leroy Stoudt, Commanding Post, 2nd Inf., S. V. R. America—Pledge to the Flag.

Welcome—Hon. Huber Brantmont, Mayor, City of Reading.

Invocation—Mrs. Carrie Heston, Chaplain, Allied Orders of the G. A. R. Banquet.

Address—Jacob Barron, Dept. Commander, G. A. R. Address—Tamm M. Bach, Commander-in-Chief, Sons of Union Veterans.

Vocal Selection—Mrs. Myrtle M. Amment, S. V. Auxiliary No. 19, Lancaster, Pa.; Accompanist, Mrs. Anna E. Gable.

Greetings—Mrs. Ada Gorsack, Dept. President, Ladies of the G. A. R. Greetings—Mrs. Anna M. Kreege, Dept. President, Woman's Relief Corps.

Greetings—G. Thomas Leisinger, Dept. Commander, Sons of Union Veterans. Greetings—Mrs. Mazie D. MacFarlane, Post Nat. Secretary, Aux. to Union Veteran Legion.

Greetings—Mrs. Islay Herftman, Dept. President, Aux. to Sons of Union Veterans. Greetings—Ed. Edwin John Brittle, Commanding Officer, Sons of Veterans Reserve.

Greetings—Mrs. Anne Rausling, Dept. President, Daughters of Union Veterans. Greetings—Major Joseph D. Hilsenrath, Commanding Officer, 1st Battalion, 215th C. A., P. N. G.

Vocal Selection—Leroy Dourman, Accompanist, Miss Anna E. Gable. Address—Walter C. Mable, Post Commander-in-Chief, Sons of Union Veterans.

The Executive Committee in charge of the affair was as follows: Captain C. L. Stoudt, Chairman; Hon. W. Havard Still, Secretary; Bertha M. Leimbach, Treasurer; Alice M. Jones, M. Lizzie Staehler, Mae E. Felck, Rosa E. Hartman, Linda B. Bucher, Nellie G. Cronin, and Sergt. Jesse Morganfale.

A feature of the affair was the community singing led by Art Leh and the piano playing of his wife.

Appomattox Day at Pittsburgh.

The Appomattox Day observance, commemorating the 85th anniversary of the surrender of General Robert E. Lee to General Ulysses S. Grant, under the auspices of the Federated Patriotic Orders allied with the Grand Army of the Republic, was held in Soldiers Memorial Hall, Pittsburgh, Saturday, April 5. The program was as follows:

Star Spangled Banner—Audience. Address of Welcome—Major A. E. Hay, Union Veteran Legion.

Toastmaster—Miss Theba Sautter, President, Federated Patriotic Orders. Solo—Mrs. Mary Caldwell.

Address—Rev. Bolton, Pastor of Grace U. P. Church, Shensburg.

Magician—Mr. Lawrence Jenkins. Tally Photographer—Mr. Ted Hinner, World War Veteran.

Greetings of Allied Orders. America—Audience.

Camp 1, Philadelphia.

We are not heard of often in this column. That does not mean we are not carrying on. Anna M. Ross Camp is the name of the Order Post 91 on August 27, 1878, organized a committee to form a order camp of the sons of their members and on September 29 the Camp organized as Camp 1, Order of Sons of Veterans, and we have carried on without a break in our meetings until the present time.

During the past winter the Camp and Auxiliary have jointly held weekly entertainments, card parties, and luncheons, to raise funds to help defray the expense of their delegates to the Pittsburgh Encampment.

At present all our efforts are being centered

on activities for Memorial Day, as our Post, having dwindled to three members, was compelled to surrender its charter during the last year, and it is now up to us to carry on their work.

At a meeting of the Camp in January, the name of William L. Hatcher was presented for the consideration of the delegates at the Pittsburgh Encampment for the office of Dept. Commander. Brother Hatcher has been an active member of our Order for 45 years, serving two years as Camp Commander; nine years as Captain of Co. K, 1st Regt., Pa. S. V. R.; three years as Regimental Q. M.; eighteen years as Camp Secretary; twenty years as Camp Treasurer, and is now serving a second term of three years on the Board of Managers of the D. E. A. He has attended forty Department and Party-day Commandery-in-Chief Encampments, serving two years on the Dept. Council and one year as Dept. Counselor.

Camp 34, Mount Carmel.

On May 10, Camp 34 will celebrate its 50th anniversary by a banquet and Old-Timers' Night. The affair is in the hands of a committee composed of Jim Smith, John Wightman, and Albert Rowe, et al., which assures the affair will be a success. Among members of the "Old Guard" who so far have accepted the invitation to be present, are Past Commanders-in-Chief Wagner, Sautter, Horn, Mable, Nat. Sec. Hammer, Com-in-Chief Duch, Dept. Secretary and member of Nat. Council McGillre.

Camp 50, Carlisle.

At the regular meeting held Thursday, Apr. 6, in their Camp room, Capt. J. P. Brindle, Camp No. 50 certainly did have some big night. Appomattox Day was observed and it was some turnout, during a heavy electrical storm. One recruit was mustered in and another will be next month. Memorial Day Committee made a partial report and everything O. K. so far.

This Camp has organized a Junior Camp composed of grandsons and great-grandsons of Civil War Veterans. Twenty-two were on the list. The boys will organize and elect their various officers, drill master and musician. Brothers Crothers and Rozelle will be the "instructors." Some of the boys who joined have their parents interested now, and before we could get either one to become members of the Camp or Auxiliary. This Junior Camp will meet at the various homes of the boys so that their parents can see what a worth-while organization it is to the boys and help to perpetuate the memory of their great-grandfathers. This Camp will not be run on a money plan. It is to be simple, but keep the boys busy in drills, history, hikes and probably later into a Drum Corps, and especially for Memorial Day work, and a reserve membership for the older Camp, with the hope of getting them into the Camp when 16 years of age.

Our parent organization, Capt. Colwell Post 293, had at one time a roster of 226. Today it is three, while several old Veterans are living in and around Carlisle.

At the close of the meeting the Auxiliary members were the guests of the Camp. A musical entertainment by boys and girls whose grandparents were Veterans of the Civil War, was enjoyed very much.

Our Camp Commander, Staff Sergt. Erlford E. Backly, of the U. S. Army, contemplates having such affairs at every meeting and we hope it will not be long until some of the absentees will be in our midst again.

Camp 92, McKeesport.

The sixty-eighth anniversary of the surrender of General Robert E. Lee at Appomattox Courthouse, Virginia, a surrender that brought to a close four bloody years of inter-

nal office, was observed last night in the Masonic Temple by Captain A. B. Campbell, Camp No. 29, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

Two of the McKeesport district's nine Veterans of the Civil War, T. B. Barr and Johnston Moon, were honored guests of the organization, sitting at a table that in former years contained sold boys of the "Boys in Blue." Age and infirmity prevented the other seven from having tribute paid to the gallantry and idealism of the Union Army.

A speaking program, headed by Congressman Chas. Kelly and Judge James H. Gray, featured Mayor George H. Lytle, John E. Snitzer, of Wheeling, Past Com. in Chief, S. V. Miss Grace Forsyth, Past President of the Auxiliary to S. of U. V. and Alexander P. Landay, Pittsburgh Attorney, R. F. Lee, Camp Commander, president, Councilman A. J. Richards, Past Commander, was toastmaster, and Postmaster J. H. Resnick, Past Dept. Commander and Chairman of the general committee, introduced Councilman Richards.

Camp 112, Gettysburg.

This year the Memorial Day speaker at Gettysburg will be a former Governor of Pennsylvania, Hon. John S. Fisher, who is a member of Camp 177.

All arrangements for the observance of Memorial Day at Gettysburg are in the hands of the following committee from Gettysburg Camp 112, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War: Rev. Luther H. Huter, Hon. Donald P. McPherson, G. Harry Roth, William L. Meade, and Charles E. Bodley.

Camp 223, Easton.

Camp 223, celebrated its 44th anniversary at its meeting April 29 in the production of an old-fashioned minstrel show, at which members of the G. A. R. and Auxiliary were guests. The production was directed by Past Commander-in-Chief Horn, who prepared the entire program and coached the cast. Past Com. Charles E. Buck was inter-comer, while Edith Hunt of the Auxiliary presided at the piano. The casts were handled by Post Coms. Roberts, Johns, Reams and Lamb, whose jokes, cross-words and songs made a distinct hit. The acts were handled by Post Com. Beck, Past Com. Risher and Com. Rice, and they were pleasing and well received. The opening chorus consisted of "Anti-depression" songs, while the grand finale was composed of patriotic choruses, supplemented by an exhibition of a table game of Company A.

Following the regular performance, group singing was held, led by Brother Horn who sang "Johnny Schmoeker," and Sisters Buck and Wilenski rendered a duet. Refreshments were then served. In all it was a "red letter night." Seventeen Past Commanders were present and the G. A. R. hall was filled to overflowing.

Camp 233, Philadelphia.

The Entertainment Committee, under the leadership of Chairman Wm. Hattorick, are to be congratulated on their card parties on March 15 and April 15. The committee, after paying all bills, reports a small gain for the treasury.

Moade Post 1, G. A. B.

Moade Post celebrated the 111th birthday of General E. B. Grant by a banquet at the Union League, Philadelphia, on April 27.

It was regretted that Dept. Commander Jacob Burton, the present Post Commander, through illness, was unable to officiate. AdR. Henry I. Yahn, of the 1st U. S. Dragoons, presided as toastmaster. Among the speakers were P. C. and John R. King, of Baltimore; Col. E. S. Gray, 3rd, of Washington; Col. Chas. C. Allen, of Washington, and Hon. John Kephart, of the Superior Court, Sons of Vet-

NEW JERSEY

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Camp 1, Hoboken.

Camp 1 meets 1st Thursday, May 25, at 629 Washington St. While we expect to be very

busy, we would be pleased to greet some visitors.

Letter Shows Activity in New York.

The following form letter was received from P. C. and C. C. of Rochester, N. Y., and while we cannot offer any aid to Theodore, we do print this to show what can and is being done:

"On Wednesday, May 3, 3:45 o'clock in the Columbus Civic Center, will occur the first Transfer of Flags with the Catholic Schools of Rochester, commemorating the 72nd anniversary of the 10th 15th Regiment leaving for the front in 1861. Representatives of the Grand Army will hand over to each Standard Bearer from the schools, a standard of colors presented by the Captain Henry Lamb Camp. An interesting program is assured. We will sit down to supper at 8 o'clock, the Grand Army men being my guests.

"We would like to have present at least fifty of these Grand Army men. Won't you please do all you can for me in seeing that those Veterans who are able, are brought in by automobile to Columbus Civic Center at 8 o'clock, Wednesday, May 3rd?"

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Headquarters, Sons of Veterans Reserve, Pennsylvania Brigade, Mt. Holly Springs, Pa., April 24, 1933.

1.-3-17-33, "A" (Garfield) Battery attached to Camp 1, Dept. of New Jersey, Trenton, have been transferred to the Pa. Brigade and assigned to "A" Battery, 1st Regt. Field Artillery.

2.-3-22-33, "D" Company, Sixth Regiment Infantry, organized and mustered into the Reserve, Attached to Camp 52R, York, Pa.

3.-New Commissions: Major: 4-24-33, Chas. E. Amundt, Lancaster, Sixth Infantry.

Captains: 2-25-33, W. E. Knechtel, Allentown, "E" Co., 2nd Infantry; 3-15-33, J. I. Reeger, Trenton, N. J., "A" Bat., 1st U. S. A.; 3-15-33, H. H. Brown, Pittsburgh, "C" Co., 5th Infantry; 3-18-33, S. E. Landis, Oquirrhown, Chambers, 2nd Infantry; 4-22-33, S. C. Doyle, Greensburg, "A" Co., 1st Infantry.

1st Lieutenants: 2-25-33, R. B. Arnold, Allentown, "E" Co., 2nd Infantry; 3-15-33, H. G. Williams, Trenton, N. J., "A" Bat., 1st U. S. A.; 3-15-33, J. E. Coy, Greensburg, "G" 5th Infantry; 4-2-33, W. M. Peters, York, Pa., "D" Co., 6th Infantry.

2nd Lieutenants: 2-25-33, E. I. Moore, Allentown, "E" 2nd Infantry; 3-15-33, A. E. Mitchell, Trenton, N. J., "A" Bat., 1st U. S. A.; 3-17-33, H. L. Miller, Middletown, "C" 6th Infantry.

4.-Election for Commanding Officer, Sixth Infantry, was held at the Armory of "C" Company, Middletown, by the Commanding Officer, Colonel Blain John Prittle, April 22. Chas. E. Amundt, Lancaster, was elected, Rank Major of Infantry. Major Amundt was the Commander of "L" Company, Sixth Infantry.

5.-The Assistant Adjutant General acknowledges with thanks the complete records and orders of the Reserve from 1864 to 1919. Also the roster of that time, from former Asst. Q. M. Gen. John Miller, Easton, Pa., through Captain H. H. Garrison, the Asst. Insp. General, Pa. Dept. S. V. R.—John Prittle, Col. S. V. R., Commanding.

busy, we would be pleased to greet some visitors.

The Joint Memorial Committee, composed of all the veteran orders in the city, have started their meetings and are busy getting all details in shape for the usual ceremonies; parade in the morning, then to the cemeteries for services, and decorating of those graves that have possibly been overlooked on Memorial Sunday. We have so many that we start Monday morning and finish Memorial Day evening. On Sunday evening, the 28th, Memorial Services will be held at St. Paul's Church. We decorate four tablets, placed there in memory of some Veterans who moved away but are not forgotten.

We have heard from Bro. Bob Woerner, who says that the earthquake did not do much damage where he lives, but in other places it was terrible. He and his family and every available person had to get out and help.

Two more of our brothers have answered the last call, William Bauscher and Frank Dorman. Both of them are going to be greatly missed. Bro. Bauscher became a member in May, 1909; Brother Dorman joined in March, 1907. He was Sr. Vice Commander this year, and held several other offices before. They both were always ready when duty called, and their passing on will leave a great gap in our ranks. We held services and extended our sympathies to the families.

Have you written your state Senator in reference to bills No. 365 and No. 370? Do it at once.

Camp 4, Trenton.

The members of Garfield Camp regret the loss of Wm. H. Barr, one of their brothers, who died on Sunday, April 2. Members of Camp 4 paid their respects to Brother Barr by holding funeral services at his late home on Tuesday evening, April 11.

Camp 4 held a "Variety Supper" in the Camp room on Wednesday evening, April 19, which proved to be a success.

Camp 5, Trenton.

During May of this year, Fred V. Dayton Camp will be 19 years old, a long and enviable record. Ours is the oldest charter in existence in the New Jersey Department under the Camp system. There are some older Camps that operated under the Post system, but were not admitted to the Camp system until a later date. In view of Memorial Day coming this month, and the Encampment next month, the Camp has decided to hold its 19th anniversary in the fall of the year.

On Monday evening, May 1, Camp 5 again welcomed Camps 4, 19, and a delegation from Philadelphia, at which time a military review was presented under direction of Capt. Ben T. Beers of Camp 5, and Capt. John L. Reeger of Camp 4. These military nights have been well worth while, and we sincerely hope that the practice will be continued. The full music for the occasion was furnished by Camp 19 of Lambertville.

Det. Pvt. Inst. Fred Kurtz wishes to call the attention of every member of the Department to the dates for our annual visitations to the Soldiers Homes, as follows: Vineland, May 14, and Mendota Park on June 11.

Our Memorial Day activities this year call for decoration of all graves as usual. We will attend divine worship with the Grand Army on the Sunday preceding Memorial Day. Camp 5, together with Camp 4, will represent the Sons of Union Veterans in the Memorial Day parade in Trenton. As usual our Auxiliary will serve dinner at the camp rooms on Memorial Day.

All worthwhile men have good thoughts, good ideas and good intentions—but precious few of them ever translate these into action. --John Hancock Field.

MASSACHUSETTS

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31 Blake Street, Westboro.

Department Encampment.

Our 51st Encampment was opened in due form by Dept. Commander Robinson at 10 a. m. on April 14 in Lorimer Hall.

The Commander gave a very full and interesting report of his year of service. While the net decrease in membership had not been stopped yet there were grounds for encouragement and he hoped that some of the movements he had started would result in increased membership before long.

In the afternoon we were visited by a delegation headed by Com. Robinson of the Melrose Post, G. A. R. Com. Robinson's remarks were interesting, and he told of seeing, as a boy of 15, the last survivor of the Battle of Bunker Hill at Bunker Hill. He shook hands with this old man who was 104 years old. Thus these two men had witnessed the entire history of the United States of America from its beginning until the present time.

Before these visitors left, another delegation headed by Com-in-Chief Wright of the G. A. R., and including Com-in-Chief Bush of the Sons, arrived. Com-in-Chief Wright spoke words of cheer and encouragement to the Sons.

The joint memorial service, held later in the afternoon, was very impressive. In the evening the reception was largely attended and was a most successful affair. The trooping of the colors was beautiful.

The second day of the Encampment was very busy with reports and election of officers. Several recommendations of the Commander were adopted, designed to reduce expenditures and increase the efficiency of the order.

The usual delegations from our allied orders were received and much interest was shown in their remarks. We were especially pleased to receive those who came from our Auxiliary who were headed by Dept. Pres. Mrs. Maude B. Warren.

The following officers were elected:

Com. William O. Fuller, of Camp 35, New Bedford; Sr. Vice, Theodore C. Lantz, of Camp 61, Cambridge; Jr. Vice, William H. Bridgman, of Camp 30, Dorchester; Council—George A. Derby of Camp 5, Hudson, William T. Tisdale of Camp 59, Brighton, and Harold M. Brown of Camp 30, Dorchester.

The Commander appointed Secretary, Leon H. Palmer, of Camp 79, Melrose, and Treasurer, Fred E. Bolton, of Camp 46, Roxbury.

Words of Appreciation.

The Department of Massachusetts should be congratulated on the selection and election of William O. Fuller, better known to his friends as "Bill," as Dept. Commander at the recent Encampment. If he puts as much labor in the order as he has in his business we will have some Order at the close of his term.

When I first knew him in 1912 he was a hired man on a painting job and soon after started in for himself in a small shop in his yard. Careful attention to details and good workmanship forced him to take larger quarters down town and now he has outgrown those and has to move into still larger ones.

If he gets the same co-operation from the Camps in this State as he has had from the men employed by him what will our order be a year from now? He is a hard, honest and conscientious worker in anything he goes into and has had the interest of the Camp at heart first, last and always.

I urge every Camp Commander to give "Bill" their hearty support and all their Camps fuller with Fuller. When his term of office is over I think you may safely use the Bible quotation: "Well done thou good and faithful

servant. You have been faithful over small things, we will now make you ruler over many." The above may not be the exact text of the Bible but means the same and he will be in line for National Commander at some later date. **CAMPS SHOULD GET FULLER WITH FULLER.**—William H. DeLano, Past Com. of Camp 35, our new Dept. Commander's Camp.

Plymouth Anniversary.

With our Auxiliary we celebrated our anniversaries on April 5. It was our 27th and their 23rd. Our special guests were Dept. Pres Maude B. Warren, Dist. Adm. Mrs. Alice Shumons, of Duxbury, Com. George Burgess of Post 76, G. A. R., George F. Sampson representing the Department, and Charles Manning of the Plymouth selectmen.

A turkey banquet was served to about 170 members and guests. The tables were prettily decorated with flowers and Easter rabbits. The annual roll call was held followed by an entertainment and dancing.

We had a good delegation at the state Encampment where we received the banner for second best gain in membership. We had 29 new members, all young men.

Our hall has lately been newly decorated by members of our Camp and looks very fine.

Sixteen Camps at Mass Meeting.

Despite a continual downpour of rain, a large and enthusiastic patriotic meeting was held at G. A. R. hall, Chelsea, when Camps 62 of Everett, 89 of Malden, and 81 of Chelsea entertained delegations from the 13 other Camps in the North Metropolitan District Association of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

Asst. Dept. Organizer and Secretary of the Association, George W. Kimball, was chairman, assisted by Past Dept. Com. Addison A. Quinn, Past Com. Willis L. DeLano, Past Com. Joseph A. Finn, Com. Arthur W. Simington, and Sr. Vice Com. Charles W. Mead, both of Camp 81.

Guests were escorted to their seats after being welcomed by Chairman Kimball. The U. S. flag was placed in the center of the hall by Color Bearer Enoch F. Yarno of Camp 81 and the pledge of allegiance given by the assembly. They stood for one minute as a silent tribute to the memory of the G. A. R. members and those of its allied bodies who have passed away during the last year in the North Metropolitan District.

Numbered among the guests present were: Albert A. Nickerson, Commander of Post 35, G. A. R., Chelsea; George W. Green, Commander of Post 269, Jamaica Plain; George Parsons, Commander of Post 156, Everett; Henry Batchelder, Adjutant of Post 156, Everett; Frank L. Klechgasner, Sr. Vice Com-in-Chief, Sons of Union Veterans; Ralph L. Smith, Sr. Vice Dept. Com.; Sons of Union Veterans; Frank E. Johnson, Dept. Pat. Inst., Sons of Union Veterans.

Representatives of the allied orders and other patriotic organizations were present. Representative Paul A. Dever, of Cambridge, brought a timely message and there were brief remarks by the four G. A. R. guests.

Notes from New Bedford.

John H. Clifford Camp, 159, is planning its Memorial Day work along the same lines as usual. With its system of lists, divided among the members, we will cover the cemeteries assigned to us in the morning, while our brother Camp, No. 35, takes care of the other end of the city. Several of our brothers will have official positions in the parade in the afternoon.

Together with others of the orders allied with the Grand Army, this Camp is assisting a group of young colored men in planning the dedication of a city square with the name of

OREGON

H. L. Howe, Correspondent, City Hall,
Hood River.

With almost the suddenness of a meteor from the sky came the illness and death of Charles A. Fessenden, Commander of Joshua Smith Camp, at the Salem Deaconess Hospital, Wednesday, April 12, following an operation Tuesday night for strangulation of the bowels. Funeral services were held Monday, April 17, from the First Methodist Church, where Brother and Sister Fessenden held membership.

Bro. Fessenden, aged 53, had continuously given time and energy to the cause so dear to every loyal Son. He served Oregon Department as Commander for the term 1926-27; chairman of general committee for the Encampment in Salem that year; was Commander of Joshua Smith Camp No. 6 and again chairman of general committee for the Encampment to be held in Salem June 20, 21, 22.

No greater tribute could be paid any brother than was paid to Brother Fessenden in the resolutions passed by Coos Bay Camp No. 3, Marshfield, a copy of which were sent to Mrs. Fessenden.

To every son or grandson, daughter or granddaughter of a Union Veteran of the Civil War: Let us again honor these defenders of the Flag by attending the Encampment at Salem, June 20-21-22. The program, under the direction of the general committee, has been completed and assures a splendid Encampment.

Sergeant William H. Carney, "The Hero of Fort Wagner," whose brave action in rescuing the flag of the 54th Massachusetts Regiment is well known. A tablet procured by the young men will also be placed there.

This Camp was well represented at the Dept. Encampment and we offer congratulations to our fellow townsman, William O. Fuller, of Camp 35, on his election as Department Commander.

Costume Party at Brockton.

A colorful costume party and dance, featuring a grand march, during the course of which the winners of the various prizes were selected, featured the weekly party sponsored by the welfare committee of R. E. Grover Camp, S. of P. V., Saturday night, March 25, at Grand Army hall. Cash prizes were awarded Mrs. H. A. Dumas, who wore an antique costume; and to Daniel Manning who was attired in a comic tramp outfit. The judges were: Louis Lincoln, Mildred Purcell and Martin Holmes.

Worcester County Association.

The meeting at Southbridge on April 21 was well attended, members being present from many Camps in all parts of the county.

A joint committee with the Auxiliary was appointed to arrange for stunt night at the October meeting. Camps and Auxiliaries, get your thinking caps on and be ready to take home the prize from that meeting.

Brother Chaboux and Sister Angier, of Marlboro, entertained with several musical numbers. Lunch was served by the local Daughters of Union Veterans.

Under normal periods, any man's success hinges about 5 per cent on what others do for him and 95 per cent on what he does, with emphasis on the does. The years that lie just ahead will be no bed of roses for any business man. No matter how high the tide of prosperity may rise, no business man will share therein who does not gear himself and his business to a new tempo to meet the changed conditions and the problems and difficulties that await our solution.—Jas. A. Worsham.

NEW YORK

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Camp 193, Halsey Valley.

S. F. Smith Camp has sustained a severe loss in the death of its Commander, John Hess. The funeral was held April 5, at Halsey Valley. Members of D. W. Bardick Camp No. 40, of Ithaca, conducted the burial service at the cemetery. The stations were filled as follows: Com. C. P. Cowles; Sr. Vice Com. Geo. Tyner; Jr. Vice Com. N. Terwilliger; Pat. Inst. Fred C. Barnard; Chap. Ernest Barber; Color Bearers, M. Taylor and William Brown; Guide, G. W. Thompson.

Dept. Com. Dyer's Busy Schedule.

April was no exception to the strenuous life of Dept. Com. Dyer since assuming office. On April 8 he attended a dinner of Holden Camp No. 5, where a good class were mustered. April 19 was spent with Ten Eyck at Albany. On April 22 came a reception given by DeGraft Camp of Amsterdam. April 22 was spent at Hudson where the camp received needed attention. A conference was also held with a group of former members of Phil Sheridan Camp, at Albany, and a number joined the State Camp.

Camp 56, Glens Falls.

An appeal to preserve and perpetuate the memories of our fathers featured the address given by Dept. Com. William Alton Dyer at the annual banquet of Austin W. Holden Camp, held at the Queensbury, April 16. Gen. Loyal L. Davis, a Spanish War officer and active member of Holden Camp, was hostmaster. Mayor Earl H. Sibley gave the address of welcome. Other speakers included P. C. Edward L. Brown and Post Dept. Pres. Jennie M. Davidson of the Auxiliary. The Rev. J. J. Trueman, of South Glens Falls, offered the invocation. A musical program including piano selections by Mrs. William Kennedy, Jr., and vocal solos by Mrs. Arthur Davis and Bernard Blahutis were presented. The committee in charge comprised Merlan A. Curtis, John J. Mosier, Gen. Loyal L. Davis, Edward L. Brown, Charles W. Bennett, E. A. Wellington and Com. H. E. Ingraham.

Exercises at Mount McGregor.

The annual exercises conducted by the Sons of Union Veterans and Auxiliary at Grant's Cottage, Mount McGregor, near Saratoga Springs, were held Sunday, May 7, at 2:30 p. m. This slightly spot was the place where General Grant spent his last days, and is one of the shrines of America.

Camp 100, Rochester.

Under the auspices of Capt. Henry Lomb Camp on May 2 in the Columbus Circle Center, Rochester, attended the first transfer of flags with the Catholic schools of Rochester. The occasion also commemorated the 72nd anniversary of the departure of the Old 13th New York Volunteers for the front. Representatives of the Grand Army handed over to each standard bearer from the schools a standard of colors presented by Lomb Camp. At 6 o'clock a supper was enjoyed, the G. A. R. members present being the guests of P. C. J. C. Condit.

Camp 77, Elmira.

Gen. A. S. Tiven Camp is busy on plans for Memorial Day, the committee comprising: Com. Judson Cole, P. C. J. Gordon Wilcox and P. C. Ray M. Barthman.

Baldwin Post No. 5, G. A. R., has had its numbers reduced to 25 with the demise of Comrades Jefferson B. Sitter and George W. Prindle. Comrade Sitter was the father of Brother Arthur R. Sitter, and was orderly

Sergeant of Co. G, 109th N. Y. Vols., and a P. C. of the Post. Comrade Prindle, who lived at Sayona, served in the 111st N. Y. Vols. Com. Judson Cole, P. C. Ira D. Wood and P. D. C. Nell Cranmer attended Comrade Sitter's funeral.

Members of Camp 77 were guests of Aux. 19 at its annual inspection on April 12. Among those who responded to toasts were P. D. C. Fred C. Barnard, Member Dept. Council Arthur S. Miller and P. C. Harry Morgan, all of Camp 77 of Ithaca. Com. Judson Cole and P. C. R. M. Barnham of Camp 77, P. D. C. Nell Cranmer was toastmaster and presented a gift of a vase to the Inspector, Mrs. Lucy C. Barnard, of Ithaca, on behalf of Aux. 19. Guests were also present from Waverly and Ovid.

P. D. C. Nell Cranmer has been honored by being named as a delegate on the ballot for the election May 23, when delegates will be chosen for the state constitutional convention which meets in June at Albany to act on proposed repeal of the 18th amendment.

Camp 19, Amsterdam.

A. H. DeGraft Camp rendered a reception April 15 in Neoskolstein Hall in honor of Dept. Com. William Alton Dyer and staff. Secretary C. E. Johnson reports a very successful occasion.

Camp No. 1, Kingston.

Tappan Camp held an old timer's meeting on Tuesday eve., Apr. 4. Among those present were Brothers Jay S. Rosa and Chas. Breitenbacher, who have been active members for 59 years, having been charter members when the Camp was instituted in February, 1838. Another charter member, Bro. Chas. L. McBride, withdrew from the Camp upon removal from the city in 1885, and joined Mitchell Camp No. 133 in 1901. Our Commander, Chas. M. Walter, is another old timer, who joined a Pennsylvania Camp in 1881. Remarks were made by nine Past Commanders present, and a short entertainment was given, after which the Camp and Auxiliary sat down to a beautiful supper.

Camp 1 is making arrangements for Memorial Day, when we have over 800 graves to decorate, and 1200 to mark. Post No. 1, G. A. R., is our best care. We have five comrades of the Post left.

Camp 66, Syracuse.

General Snider Camp held its regular meeting April 18 in the Larned Bldg. We had a very good attendance, but we missed Brothers Nims and Listman. Past Dept. Com. Wm. H. Klein spoke on the Encampment which will be held in Syracuse June 7, 8, 9.

Memorial Day services will be held at the Woodlawn Cemetery Tuesday, May 20, at 10 o'clock. There being only two Grand Army Vets left in Lilly Post we are going to carry on their work on Memorial Day. The Camp will out the evening May 21, and then the members of the Auxiliary and Camp will make them into wreaths which are placed on the Veterans' graves Memorial Day.

Past Commanders Wason and Hurst were appointed a committee to take care of the graves of the Sons of Veterans of Gen. Snider Camp. The Camp meets every third Tuesday in the Larned Bldg.

Camp 42, Troy.

At the April meeting of Samuel King Camp further arrangements were made for the observance of Memorial Day and the program will probably follow that of previous years. S. V. Com. Kirkpatrick is chairman of a committee from the Veteran organizations and Camp which will appear before city officials to ask for better care and protection for the old Village Cemetery, Lansingburgh.

The Union Memorial Day service will be held on the evening of May 28 in the First Presbyterian Church Lansingburgh. Rev. Seth

N. Gentuz, pastor. The Camp, with other patriotic societies, has been invited to attend.

The Joint Memorial Day Committee voted last year's chairman, George W. McCune, a memento for his excellent work, the expense being much below the appropriation. Brother McCune is recovering from injuries received in a fall last winter.

Southern Tier Association at Auburn.

Over 100 members of Camps and Auxiliaries from Lincolnton, Waverly, Ithaca, Ovid and Elmira attended the Southern Tier meeting in G. A. R. Hall, Auburn, April 22. In the afternoon the guests attended an open meeting of Seward Cracker Post G. A. R. A fine chicken supper served by Auburn Auxiliary was served at 6:30 o'clock, followed by a program of music, addresses and a business session. President Carl Hill, of Lincolnton, presided. Seven Civil War Veterans attended.

On to Syracuse!

The state Encampment at Syracuse, June 7, 8 and 9, should draw a large attendance. The seat of one of the great universities of the East, the home city of Dept. Com. Dyer and P. D. C's Courtney, Klein and Nims, and with Syracuse Sons and allied bodies noted for their hospitality experienced several times before, the Saline City will surely be the merca of many loyal Sons of the Empire State.

Memorial Day Thoughts.

The approach of Memorial Day finds a new spirit of faith in the future of our beloved Order in the New York Department. Coupled with that faith is a higher appreciation of its value to us and its usefulness in our community life.

Distressing as conditions have been in our state and nation we have much for which we can be truly thankful. We are citizens of the greatest state in many ways, and of the greatest nation on the face of the globe. We are heirs to the most fertile spot on God's footstool. We become extravagant and indifferent. We forget the homely virtues of thrift and vigilance. But the true spirit of an American is now asserting itself. Confidence in ourselves is now being restored. We find a new pride in the sturdy qualities of character of our forefathers under Washington who founded and built this nation, and our fathers under Lincoln who preserved for all time this constitutional union and banished forever slavery from our fair land. We are trying to prove we are true sons of those noble pioneers by applying ourselves to the task of preserving the blessings of our beloved country for future generations.

Just now we are preparing to honor the memory of gallant men from whom we are descended. In it shall we not be baptized anew with their unconquerable spirit? Working together in the solemn task we shall find we are overcoming the difficulties besetting us. Then a few days later we shall meet on the occasion of our 60th Anniversary Encampment—our Golden Jubilee at Syracuse, as members of a stronger and nobler fraternity.

—P. D. C. Nell Cranmer.

My philosophy of life has been to let the future take care of itself. You cannot devote your mind or time to scheming and planning for your own future without injury to the work you have on hand at the moment. You must do what you can the best you know how each day. Obviously, you cannot have your mind absolutely absorbed in what you are doing and at the same time be worrying or strategizing about your own future activities or ambitions. A man must get his reward from his work. Work itself is the best, the only reward. The right kind of man, with the right kind of reward, seldom has to seek position or office. Usually the office seeks him.—James Connelley.

WISCONSIN

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 "On to Sheboygan Encampment, G. A. R., June 11th to June 14th."
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All Set. Let's Go!

Bro. A. W. Brown, Sec.-Treas. of the Sheboygan Camp, sent us a letter which told interestingly how the Camp there is making ready for the Encampment. Not only has it taken in recruits but will shortly enroll others, among them being prominent business men. The Auxiliary is going strongly, too, and took in eight not long since. On that occasion there seems to have been a joint session with the Sons, preceded by a dinner and followed with a program and social get-together.

Another thing the Camp aims to do is to round up for the Encampment Past Dept. Commanders who belong. In order named they are: Bro. G. A. Kremer, Albert Huelsman, H. C. Mock and C. D. Mayhew.

There are twenty-one Comrades of the G. A. R. in Sheboygan County and most of them are expected to attend the Encampment.

A new court house has been built or is being built and in that is to be a G. A. R. Memorial Hall, in which the Sons and Auxiliary and the other allied Orders will hold their meetings. A kitchen accessible to and for the use of those occupying the hall adds much to the conveniences.

We are cordially invited to attend this Encampment, a good time is promised. Your Correspondent taught at Sheboygan in the High School a good many years back. For him the place is a second home, he got to know the people and for hospitality, good cheer, benevolence and all that they stand second to none.

Come, pack up your kits, your bags and baggage, meet the nice people there, draw inspiration from an Encampment. Let's go! On to Sheboygan!

In Memoriam.

Brother Otto Heronimus of Sheboygan Camp, a charter member, died April 15, burial April 18.

Brother Heronimus was the kind of a member who helps make up the backbone of any Camp. Faithful, dependable, a worthy son of a noble sire, him we shall miss at the June Encampment. Peace be to him.

Madison.

This Camp is still going strongly. First we met with the Daughters of the G. A. R. the forepart of April. We furnished the fireworks for the program. An exceptionally well gotten up dinner preceded the meeting and program.

The fore part of April we covered the firing on and surrender of Fort Sumter, and also the surrender of Lee at Appomattox. The last meeting in April we spent an hour on the life of the hero of Appomattox, General U. S. Grant. Every Son should learn Civil War history; we of Henry Harnden Camp are doing that.

Essay Contest.

As yet we have not gotten the name of the winners. Should make the selection this month of June. It is likely that the winner will appear at the Sheboygan Encampment to read the winning essay as we have done before.

This is a most effective way to reach the 7th and 8th grade teachers, through Superintendents who are too busy to help or disinclined to do so. Many of the teachers are interested because of relationship with some Civil War Veteran, and are willing to assign the subject we select as a topic for one essay during the school year. There should be little

MICHIGAN

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Visit Relatives in Cleveland, Ohio.

Com. Jas. M. Adams, of Austin Blair Camp of Jackson, and Mrs. Adams spent a few days in Cleveland, O., this month visiting relatives and friends. Mrs. Adams is a member of Betsy Ross Tent, D. of V., and recently presented the Tent and Camp with appropriate cabinets for storing property of the two orders. These gifts are much appreciated by members of both organizations.

Moves to Lake Home for the Summer.

Dept. Com. and Mrs. Robert E. French, of Jackson, have moved to their summer cottage at Gillett's Lake for the summer. "Bob" says the big ones of the finny tribe will suffer as soon as the season opens.

Patriotic Societies Benefit by Will.

Austin Blair Camp, Betsy Ross Tent, and other patriotic societies of Jackson will receive handsome bequests through the will of the late Comrade Frederick T. Scofield, whose death was chronicled in this column last month. Several members of the Sons were also mentioned in the testament as beneficiaries.

G. A. R. Assured of Encampment Expenses.

It has been customary for years for the State of Michigan to include in its yearly budget an appropriation of sufficient size to defray the expenses of the annual Encampments of the Allied Patriotic Organizations, but this year because of the financial condition of the State treasury this courtesy has been of necessity "cut out." This state of af-

difficulty in getting a response which will reach up into the hundreds.

The balance of fund, as of date of last Encampment, was \$1918.17. While there will be deductions therefrom for medals, expenses, etc., yet the interest will more than balance and so the principal sum will increase a bit.

Eau Claire.

The Sons of Eau Claire sponsored the Golden Jubilee of the G. A. R. Post there, Friday, March 31. We wish we might have a column or two to do this affair justice but must be content with limited space. The whole event was in the nature of an intensely interesting and patriotic program.

Bro. E. S. Phipps, Commander of Camp, was toastmaster. Canes were presented to the Veterans and P. D. C. Donaldson presented them with a speech that was "high in sentiment and rich in tender humor." Bro. Clarence E. Brill spoke also, referring especially to the late Wm. W. Bartlett, the local historian, who had done so much.

Mrs. Theresa Aieff, of Sheboygan, Dept. President, Auxiliary to Sons of U. V., and Mrs. Ethel Louman, Chief-of-Staff, Auxiliary, Mrs. Gertrude Adolmitz, Dept. Sec., Auxiliary, Dept. Com. However of the Sons, and heads of other allied Orders were there. We all got invitations and regret that we could not go.

Bros. Donald Donaldson, Haas and Brill as a committee of three are entitled to much praise for engineering successfully so brilliant an affair. Congratulations, Eau Claire!

A Word of Appreciation to All.

Speaking personally and voicing the sentiment of my co-worker, Dept. Correspondent E. S. McKay, let us say that we want to thank all the Officers and Brethren for uniform kindness and consideration shown during the year. It is much appreciated. "Adios" until we meet at Sheboygan.—H. S. S.

faira did not exactly please Dept. Com. Orestus Blake, G. A. R., who along with many others thought the great State should continue to honor the few remaining Veterans of the Civil War, at least, by seeing to it that they received some assistance for their annual get-together to be held in Saginaw, June 14-15-16. So, on Wednesday, April 18, a committee headed by Com. Blake, Dept. Com. Robert E. French, Past Dept. Com. Perlo L. Pouch, S. U. V., and several other Department officers and members journeyed to Lansing and succeeded in securing some help to defray the expenses of the Encampment. While the G. A. R. alone will benefit, other organizations must pay their own expenses. "Much thanks for this relief!"

Regional Meeting at Jackson Big Success.

To stimulate interest in the Order the Regional Meeting held by Austin Blair Camp, Saturday evening, April 8, attracted a large gathering, in Jackson. The affair started with a banquet at G. A. R. Hall at 6:30, 125 being served. Following the repast, P. D. C. Glen Wigent acted as master of ceremonies. The address of welcome was given by Com. James M. Adams; remarks, P. D. C. Perlo L. Pouch; whistling solos, Mr. Titus. The assemblage then transferred to Moose Hall, where the program was continued with solos by Mrs. Gladys Allen; remarks by Dept. Com. Orestus Blake, G. A. R.; anecdotes of Gen. Phil Sheridan and the Civil War, Comrade John Kileen; remarks, Dept. Com. Robert E. French, S. U. V.; Paul Johnson and his human dog; banjo and harmonica solos, Eric Worsham.

The following Present and Past Dept. Officers were then introduced: Mrs. Julia Allen, President W. R. C.; Mrs. Pearl Plough, President D. U. V.; Dept. Secretary J. Ray Pisher, S. U. V.; Mrs. Minnie Wigent, Past Dept. President, D. U. V.; Mrs. Effie Murray and Mrs. Ella Rice, Past Dept. Presidents of the W. R. C.; Mrs. Libbie Cornell, Past Dept. President, D. U. V., also the Auxiliary; Mrs. Ada Odren, Mrs. Myra Dunbar and Mrs. Van Woert, Past Dept. President of D. U. V.

Several candidates were then initiated, Dept. Com. Robert E. French, assisted by State and local officers putting on the initiatory work. Dancing was then enjoyed until a late hour. Officers and members were present from Battle Creek, Lansing, Kalamazoo, Grand Rapids and Allegan.

Battle Creek to Hold Regional Meeting.

Byington Camp No. 45 of Battle Creek are planning on entertaining a large gathering on Saturday, May 13, when a Regional Meeting will be held. Officers and members from all parts of the State are expected to attend.

Robert Finch Camp No. 14 of Grand Rapids are planning a Regional Meeting on some date during the month of May.

In men whom men condemn as ill
 I find so much of goodness still;
 In men whom men pronounce divine
 I find so much of sin and blot.
 I hesitate to draw the line
 Between the two, when God has not.
 —Jeannin Miller.

The Christian faith is not one of cold intellect; rather it is full of love, grace and humanity. It has the strength and compassion with which Christ was able to change the course of human life from evil to good, from selfishness to service, from despair to faith in the highest.—Bishop William T. Manning.

No man can tell whether he is rich or poor by turning to his locker. It is the heart that makes a man rich. He is rich according to what he is, not according to what he has.—Henry Ward Beecher.

RHODE ISLAND

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Department Encampment.

The 44th Annual Department of the Dept. of Rhode Island was called to order Tuesday evening, April 18. After a short session the Encampment recessed until Tuesday, April 25, at the Narragansett Hotel. The guest of honor was Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief Frank L. Kitchingmaster. Other guests included Past Sr. Vice Commander-in-Chief "Billy" Anderson and Past Dept. Commander Dale of Massachusetts. After the regular business was taken care of the following officers were elected and installed:

Com. John McCurdy; Sr. Vice, Gen. Charles T. Gillett; Jr. Vice, Fred J. Arnold; Council, Frank S. Reavy; Frank L. Barrows, Charles Witter; Past Inst., John Maguire; Chap., Edward S. Kilgus; Insp., Joseph E. Boyde; Org., Frank S. Reavy; Press. Com., Howard H. Johnson.

After the installation ceremonies, the Sons joined the Auxiliary in a joint banquet. Speeches were made by the officers present and so ended another happy year.

Department Notes.

Joint memorial exercises were held at the recent Encampment for the departed Comrades, Sons and Auxiliary members. We were honored with the presence of six of the Comrades at our Encampment sessions.

Past Com. McCurdy has appointed two committees as follows: Guest of the Order—Frank L. Barrows, Fred O. Arnold, Charles W. Seifer; Past Inst. Memorial—Charles E. Sleeper, Charles W. Seifer, Frank E. Wight.

Col. Frank L. Barrows was elected President of the Federated Patriotic Societies at the recent meeting held in Providence.

Burnside Camp will observe their 10th anniversary on May 26.

Plans are under consideration by members of the Department for a celebration on Flag Day, June 14.

For the first time in our history a Son of a Union Veteran will act as Chief Marshal of our Memorial exercises on May 30.

We are hoping for the speedy recovery of several Brothers who have been on the sick list. Numbered among the sick also has been Adl. Gen. Fred Barr, whose presence at the Encampment was greatly missed.

CALIFORNIA & PACIFIC

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As the approach of the coming Department Encampment of California & Nevada, Grand Army of the Republic and its Allies looms, the writer feels that a small recap is in order for also, for though he has labored to the best of his capabilities, in season and out, somehow there seems to be a something lacking in the makeup of affairs that fails to impress upon the minds of as readily a number by millions, of the things we should be thankful for that these Grand Old Boys in Blue were victorious in their day and generation. Gratitude for their mighty efforts seems to have faded from the picture and their descendants know not how to replace it there.

Here is something that should be of interest to many of us. "In the presence of friends and Comrades of Approximate Post No. 10, G. A. R., and its Retired Corps, Comrade Andrew Britton, 85, Civil War Veteran and Mrs. Lula Cummings, 41, were married. The ceremony was held in the Veterans' Memorial Building, in Oakland, Calif. The romance and its inception two months ago when they met at one of the Retired Corps meetings. The ceremony was

performed by the Rev. James R. Orr, with Mrs. Marlon Allen, Corps member, and Comrade R. A. Boulke, 85, G. A. R. Veteran, serving as maid of honor and best man respectively. The Color Bearers of the Corps presided the wedding party to the Altar, which had been established in the corps meeting room; over two hundred guests were present. Comrade Britton is a retired and wealthy rancher, has six children, twenty-one grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. His bride was a daughter and two great-grandchildren. The newlyweds will reside at the home of the bridegroom in Berkeley; the bride formerly lived in Alameda. A noonday luncheon preceded the wedding ceremony."

Readers, there's a mark to shoot at in ordinary times, but at such a time as this, why its just wonderful. Indeed it is. There is not much more to say to fill our allotted space so with a word of our joint picnic, held Approximate Day in Fresno, Calif., which, although the attendance was not quite up to standard (quite to be expected these times) was thoroughly successful and warmly enjoyed by an enthusiastic gathering, announcing as they left, "Certainly Fresno knows how."

The writer would like to refer the reader to a study of National Pension legislation for veterans generally; being a veteran of the Spanish-American War he has some notions of his own about the present situation; but YOU think it over, dear reader. It may help out some day when you least expect it, if you give this matter some thought.

KANSAS

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Department Encampment.

The Fiftieth Annual Encampment of Kansas Department will be held in Eldorado, May 15 to 18. As far as practicable the following schedule will be followed:

- Monday, May 15.
 - 1:30 p. m.—Federated Patriotic Societies.
 - 4:30 p. m.—Federated Societies Banquet.
- Tuesday, May 16.
 - 8:00 a. m.—Meeting of Department Council, Auditorium.
 - 8:30 a. m.—Credentials Committee, Auditorium.
 - 9:30 a. m.—Opening of the Fiftieth Annual Encampment.
 - 1:00 p. m.—Business session of Encampment, Auditorium.
 - 2:00 p. m.—Greetings Committee.
 - 1:00 p. m.—Joint Memorial Service, S. U. V. and Auxiliary.
 - 7:45 p. m.—Camp Fire, Auditorium.
- Wednesday, May 17.
 - 9:00 a. m.—Encampment Session, Auditorium.
 - 10:00 a. m.—G. A. R. Parade.
 - 11:00 a. m.—Special Meetings, S. U. V. AUX.
 - 1:00 p. m.—Encampment Session, Auditorium.
 - 1:00 p. m.—Joint Installation, S. U. V. and Auxiliary.
 - 7:45 p. m.—Camp Fire at Auditorium.
- Headquarters—Hotel Eldorado, Rooms 204 and 205, Encampment—Municipal Auditorium.

New Camp at Eldorado.

A new Camp of Sons of Union Veterans was organized at Eldorado April 21, by Past Dept. Com. H. M. Lewis, under authority of Dept. Com. E. S. Spangler of Newton. There are already 22 names on the charter application, which will be held upon that others may be included as charter members. The new Camp was named in honor of the late G. A. R. member in Eldorado, Marion Perry Camp No. 52, the number of the Camp being the age of Comrade Perry.

Elder Golden, Sec. of the Chamber of Commerce, aided materially in the detail work. J. Paul Tanner was elected Commander of the new Camp. Members of the Camps from Newton, Winfield and Wichita assisted in the in-

ALABAMA & TENNESSEE

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The Department Encampment, held at St. Cloud, Fla., April 5-7, is now an item of the past. It was a most pleasant and harmonious one, the business being conducted in a pleasing manner. The Mayor and all City Officials were on hand to bid us welcome, and to hand us the keys of the city. The city was decorated with bunting and colored flags and flags were displayed everywhere, and on every street.

The weather was at its best. Social entertainments were held all over town and the citizens showed a desire to please all.

The memorial services for the Grand Army and the W. R. C., together with all allied bodies, was very sincere and very impressive. The parade was over ten blocks long and was enthusiastically cheered.

The business of the Encampment was handled with dispatch. No new legislation was preferred, but our Delegates were impressed with the necessity of promptly forwarding Quarterly Reports when due. Two Camps that were asleep were awakened and are now working in a business-like way.

The following officers were elected and installed: Commander, C. W. Jackson, Camp 11, 1611 Melrose Ave., South, St. Petersburg, Fla.; Sr. Vice, A. C. Mellan, Camp 11, St. Petersburg, Fla.; Jr. Vice, O. L. Wetherbee, Camp 8, St. Cloud, Fla.; Council, Alex. R. McAdam, Camp 11, 272 N. E. 60th St., Miami, Fla.; Chairman, Frederick M. Newcomb, Camp 10, Memphis, Tenn.; Ivan A. Miller, Camp 1, Easley, Ala.; Sec.-Treas., M. D. Friedman, Camp 1, Birmingham, Ala. (holdover to 1934); Past Inst., Charles A. Hickey, Camp 17, P. O. Box 182, Tampa, Fla.; Commander, A. B. Adams, Camp 7, Aiken Park, Tenn.; Chaplain, P. E. Farnsworth, Camp 9, Lynn Haven, Fla.

Memorial Day will soon be with us. Once again we are called upon to assist the Veterans and to decorate their graves. Your Commander-in-Chief asks you to be more active along this line. Will you? You are asked to see every Son, residing in your vicinity and get him to help you.

Make out and forward promptly your Memorial Day Report; tell us what you have been able to do.

valuable work, and Com. Spangler installed the new officers.

The S. U. V. Drum Corps, of Winfield, was present, adding much to the occasion.

Since Memorial Day is approaching let us all observe it in a commendable and truly patriotic spirit.

Camps should report to the G. A. R. Posts and offer their services in every way possible. In the event there being no Post the same offer of services should be made to the other allied orders of the Civil War family.

Every brother should be so proud of his heritage that he will make every effort to be with his company at Memorial Sunday services and in line on Decoration Day never failing to wear his badge.

Many quarterly reports are still outstanding. These reports should be sent in at once so as to give each Camp a clear record at Eldorado, May 15 to 18.—E. S. Spangler, Department Commander.

I cannot believe that the ill-wishes ever made any passion stronger than our power of government; let any fish can swim down streams, and we must have some friction of the grindstone to develop a cutting edge. We can never lose while holding; the only failure is in giving up.—L. R. Rowland.

OHIO

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Meeting of District 3.

McClellan Camp No. 31 played a conspicuous part Thursday night, April 16, at the district meeting held in Navarre. The drum corps participated in the parade and various members joined in the program.

Among the speakers was Dept. Com. A. E. Hess, of Alliance, who gave a talk of interest. M. G. Marshall, of Canton, who organized McClellan Camp January 17, 1887, was another speaker.

Besides Alliance Camps and Auxiliaries represented were Canton, Carrollton and Navarre. Reports were made by the various representatives.

A fine program was prepared and carried out. The program included music by the orchestra; address by William Straubinger, Past Commander of the Navarre Camp; duets by the Baker sisters; music by the Studer old time orchestra; solo by Boyd Woffleman, Commander of the Navarre Camp, and solo by Mrs. Laura Steel, President of Navarre Auxiliary.

Camp 466, Cleveland.

Lookout Camp held their annual inspection on April 24 with Deputy Inspector Nelson J. Boncland serving as Inspector. The following three candidates were mustered into membership: Rowell H. Miller, Corwin C. McHyer and Chas. J. Thobaben. Brother Thobaben is a son of Past Dept. Com. Thobaben and joined the Camp on the records of four great-grandfathers. The meeting was well attended and inspiring, the initiatory work being conducted by a team composed of Past Camp Commanders.

Camp 91, Alliance.

On Saturday afternoon, March 25, the Sons and Auxiliary at the close of the regular Grand Army Post meeting put on a birthday party in honor of two of our Grand Army boys—John Conrad, 87 years, and Henry Windie, 92 years old. A fine time was enjoyed by all present.

On the evening of April 14 Dept. Com. Hess, Dept. Chief-of-Staff Waller and Bro. Lawrence Loether motored to Salem and organized a new district—No. 2. Bro. F. L. Probert, of Salem, was elected District President; Mrs. George Darling, of Girard, was elected Secretary, and Bro. Hiebs, of East Palestine, was elected Treasurer. This district is composed of the following towns: Salem, Youngstown, East Palestine, Rogers and East Liverpool.

Camp 12, Mansfield.

McLachlin Camp is having a hard time keeping up with their dates, so much so that they missed their 25th anniversary of the Camp's institution, April 15. However we intend to celebrate the closing of the charter on Nov. 16, as the present calendar is too full to add another event.

Members of the Camp have attended the District Inspector on his trips and have assisted him in reviving interest in the District, every Camp having been inspected by Bro. Stevens except our own, which was taken care of very capably by Dept. Com. Hess on April 8.

This event was one of the best of the season and the Camp did itself proud in putting on the work. The Camp officers capably handled the work, except during the initiation, at which time a special team took charge. In addition to the regular work a special optional form, written by some of our members, was used. The work was so well done and so much appreciated that the team has been asked to exemplify the ritual at the Encampment at

ILLINOIS

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Camp 2, Quincy.

Christian Idekhat Camp, through the efforts of Past Com. D. N. Eberhart, Theo. Gillespie, O. L. Sargent and Com. Wm. Kuhlman have been instrumental in placing Lincoln's Gettysburg Address tablets in all the schools of Quincy, including the parochial. All schools wrote essays on Lincoln.

Sons of Union Veterans are represented in the Association of Patriotic Organizations of the Soldiers and Sailors Home, which conducts dances twice a week, all the proceeds being used for the relief of ex-service men and their families.

The Camp held a post-Easter ball at the new Lincoln-Douglas Hotel. The annual Camp frolic and picnic will be held on May 28 at the Eucles Alps, north of the city. A Drum Corps has been organized and will be seen in the Memorial Day parade.

Camp 1 Loses Prominent Member.

Brother Herbert R. Saunders, a faithful member of Camp 1 since Oct. 20, 1922, died last Jan. 25. The interment was in Oakwood Cemetery. Bro. Saunders' father was formerly a member of Meade Post No. 441, and served in the 2nd Illinois Light Artillery.

Radio Broadcast.

The radio program on April 8, over station WLS, was very successful in getting the G. A. R. and allied organizations before the public. Responses were sent in from many states. Dept. Com. Wm. O'Callahan of the G. A. R. and Mrs. Glennola Sill, Nat. Press Correspondent for the Daughters of Union Veterans, spoke. The broadcast was closed with a single rap of the gavel used to open the first meeting of the first Post of the G. A. R. in Decatur on April 6, 1866. The remaining Veterans in Decatur were gathered around the

Newark in June. In addition to Com. Hess, Dept. Jr. Vice Com. Bigley of Toledo, Chief-of-Staff Waller of Alliance, Dept. Insp. Waller of Shelby, and Past Dept. Com. A. K. Meyers, of Toledo, and delegations from several neighboring Camps were present.

Other initiations are planned for May 27 and one early in June. The team also expects to muster a class for the Camp at Iberia soon and Com. Sattler is planning some big things in the way of increases.

F. C. H. Stevens, has been endorsed by the Camp and District for the office of Dept. Jr. Vice Commander at the Newark Encampment. The Camp is strong for his election and C. V. Neff is chairman of the campaign committee.

District 10 Meeting.

On Sunday, April 23, the Tenth District meeting of the Sons and their Auxiliary met in Gallon in semi-annual session with Mrs. Ada Newman, Dist. President, in charge. Auxiliary Dept. President Mrs. Pauline Keller, of Dayton was present and gave an interesting address. Beautiful baskets of flowers were presented by greetings committees representing the Woman's Relief Corps, the Daughters of Union Veterans and the Sons and Daughters of Liberty.

Camp and Auxiliary reports were interesting and well received.

Mayor H. H. Hartman, who was absent from the city, was well represented by Mr. Chris Elise who welcomed the convention to Gallon.

About 100 were in attendance. A fine program was carried out.

The District accepted an invitation to meet in Eucyrus on third Sunday in October.

table used in that first meeting. Listening to the broadcast.

Memorial Services in Chicago.

On Sunday, May 28, all Veterans of the Chicago area who wish to attend church services anywhere will be called for and returned home. All are invited however to attend with Com-in-Chief Wright, who is the invited guest of Geo. G. Meade Post at services at Marlboro Presbyterian Church, 6500 South Damen Ave., at 11 a. m. Rev. Horace Bacon is the pastor. Members of the W. R. C., Daughters, Sons and Auxiliary will be present at these services.

In the afternoon members of Camp 8, Tents 2 and 29, and Auxiliary 5 will go to Mt. Hope Cemetery and will place flags on the graves of Veterans of all wars.

On May 30 members of the same organizations, together with members of Meade Post and W. R. C. No. 136 will place flowers on graves in Mt. Hope Cemetery, hold memorial services at Meade Post plot, and then return to G. A. R. hall, 6236 Princeton Ave., for dinner.

Thos. L. Beem, 917 W. 77th St., is chairman of autos for all Veterans. Any desiring use of autos for May 28 or 30 should call or get in touch with Bro. Beem.

MARYLAND

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Department Encampment.

Maryland Department will hold its 47th annual Encampment May 9 and 10 at Elkton, Maryland. The Sons will hold their meetings in the Masonic Hall, and the Auxiliary will meet in Odd Fellows Hall.

The Encampment will be called to order at 11 a. m. May 9, when reports of Dept. Officers will be submitted. The annual banquet will be held Tuesday evening, at 5:30, at the Howard House, and will be followed by a mass meeting at the Masonic Hall at 8 o'clock. Hon. Robert G. Houston, former Congressman from Delaware, and a member of the Sons, will deliver the principal address.

Memorial services will be held at 2 o'clock Wednesday afternoon.

Welcomed Home.

Major Edward R. Campbell, Past Commander-in-Chief of our Order, and both a Union Veteran and the son of a Union Veteran of the Civil War, returned to Washington on Easter Sunday, after spending the past two months at his home in Lakeland, Florida. He has plenty of "sun-tan" to show for it. Mr. A. B. Goodrich, the Major's son-in-law, and a group of his friends in the Sons met him as he left the train at the Union Station and gave him a cordial welcome back to his home in Washington. If his health and the weather permits, the Major plans to attend Maryland Department's 47th annual Encampment.

WASHINGTON

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Camp 10, Yakima.

Under the direction of Mrs. Rose Mansfield an interesting program was given at the joint meeting of Lincoln Camp and Auxiliary April 16 in the armory. Miss Sarah Colvin gave a reading, Mrs. Vera Colvin a song, Miss La-June Patterson, violin numbers, and Mrs. Lena Patterson a reading. Ira King and A. G. Colvin spoke on the activities of the Camp and Auxiliary, and Ralph Weagle and his son, Ralph, entertained with life and drum numbers.

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Thomas Stotts, Press Correspondent, Marshalltown.

Extracts from Department Orders.

We are nearing the close of the year, and there are several camps that are delinquent in their returns, dues and per capita tax. We hoped to get every Camp lined up, and the books cleared in time for the closing the books for the current year. The Commander-in-Chief in a letter just received, insists that this be done. Our Department Secretary cannot make a creditable report unless the officers get their reports to him. Camp Officers, please see that this is done.

The Commander-in-Chief also advises that in no case can relief be granted from the regulations, requiring the returns being made as prescribed by the By-Laws. Neither can the Department Secretary carry any Camp beyond the time limit stipulated. He is obliged to make his returns from your Camp reports. May I suggest that your Camp Council arrange in some way to get the books balanced and get your Camps out of danger.

We have tried to get in touch with the situation in many Camps by making a personal appeal to the Secretary, or Commander, to get some hint as to what could be done. This has not been successful in holding the situation at this end of the difficulty. Surely there is enough pride and honor left with us to enable us to keep our Camps from dissolution. Let us rally to the colors and make the light to hold the fort.

Memorial Day will soon be with us again, and we trust that the Sons will not fail to take their accustomed place in the observance of this day of days. It is a day sacred to the memories of our departed dead, who made the great sacrifice for home and country, when the very life of our nation was at stake. If we neglect this duty, then we must be of little faith indeed. We can at least perform this small recognition of their services, and devote just a little time in the memorials in their honor.

Department Encampment.

Where? Fort Madison. When? June 14th to 16th, 1933.

This is your Encampment. If you come, there will be others there too. We have used every Camp to send at least their delegates. We need to have a goodly number when the Encampment opens. Don't expect a few to attend to the duties of the Department. We need the loyal support of the entire membership.

It has been requested by the Commander-in-Chief that where possible all members taking part in the parade be in uniform. This is a request, not a command. The only uniform yet adopted is very simple. Dark coat, white duck pants, dark tie, and white yacht cap. A dark stripe on outside seam of each leg of pants.

Stunt life will be observed as usual. We have asked each Camp to furnish a stunt. If you furnish one, there will be a stunt nite. We can't all be lookers on.

Now, fellows, don't set back in the cellar, and let your officers do the work. You get as much fun out of it as they do, so do your best. Remember this Encampment is not for the officers alone, for after this is over they will all be back in the ranks, and some of you will have a chance to save the country.

Usual special rates made by all Railroads to Encampment Certificate plan. Good roads all the way for driving. Hiking privileges same as ever.

Any one desiring National Certificates can secure them from the Department Commander or the Secretary for the asking. All Camps should procure at once the necessary creden-

tial cards for their delegates. All Camps to have representation in the Encampment must have all per capita tax paid in full, including the March 31, 1933, quarter.

Attention—Camp Chaplains and Patriotic Instructors—Due to the Department Encampment coming so soon after Decoration Day, your reports should be sent in at once following Decoration Day programs, so as to give the Department Officers time to make their consolidated reports for the Encampment. Too often they do not get one-half of the reports in time for the Encampment. Please be prompt in this matter.

Encampment Program.

Sunday, June 11—Patriotic services in churches by the various orders.

Monday, June 12—9 a. m., Registrations at Hotel Anthon; 9:30 a. m., Meeting of Department Council, Eagle Hall; Meeting of Credentials Committee, Eagle Hall; 1:30 p. m., Formal opening of Encampment with the Auxiliary, at Eagle Hall; Officers' Reports and Business Session; 5 p. m., Good Fellowship Dinner; 8 p. m., Exonunciation of Ritual at Eagle Hall.

Tuesday, June 13—9 a. m., Business Session; Report of Credentials Committee; 10:30 a. m., Grounds extended to and received from all organizations; 1:30 p. m., Business Session; 1:30 p. m., Reception to the Grand Army of the Republic jointly with Auxiliary and other organizations; 5:30 p. m., Reception to Department officers and Stunt Nite, Hotel Anthon and Eagle Hall.

Wednesday, June 14—7 a. m., Department Officers' Breakfast; 9 a. m., Business Session; Read Reports of Officers; Election of Officers; 1:30 p. m., Parade, Grand Army of the Republic and all Allied Organizations; 2:30 p. m., Memorial Service of Sons of Veterans Auxiliary, Eagle Hall; 5:30 p. m., Joint Installation of Officers and Auxiliary; 8 p. m., Camp Fire Grand Army of the Republic and all orders.

In closing this last general order, I wish to say our administration has not realized if the advancement of the Order numerically, and as we are not making any apology for this condition, over which we absolutely and no control. You as members are just as well informed as to why this is as your Commander. The whole world is passing through an ordeal that has paralyzed business of every nature, and tried the very souls of men. Let us reason together, that by so doing we may get a better understanding of ourselves and our brothers, and also to give credit, or discredit, to those who hold the destinies of our country in their hands. We are a patient people, not apt to go our seeking strange gods, but human nature is not inflexible, and other nations have been swept off their feet by a revolution of its people. May Him who holds the destinies of all nations in His hands, bring us safely through this maelstrom which threatens our very existence, and may the hands of government be wise enough, and honest enough, to guide the old ship of state safely through the breakers that threaten back to prosperity and peace.

The welfare of the Order has been my first thought; that as little has been accomplished for it is to be regretted. It is our hope that the coming year the best ground will be realized by more able management than was shown in the closing of my term.—F. Aubrey Smith, Dept. Commander.

INDIANA

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Camp 356, Indianapolis.

Com. William Hall requested the members to get busy and ask all churches in Indianapolis to invite a Veteran of any war to speak in their pulpits for about five minutes on the

Sunday preceding Memorial Day, on the program observance of Memorial Day.

This movement will be sponsored by the Sons of Union Veterans, and the Church Federation and all Veterans Associations will be asked to co-operate.

The Camp and Auxiliary to hold a joint patriotic meeting on March 28. Past Com-in-Chief Frank C. Huston delivered an address on "Lincoln," and Brother Reverend House on "Washington." There was also a program of readings and songs. And did the brothers fall for the sneer.

A few weeks ago the brothers entertained the Auxiliary. After a month of guessing on the part of our guests as to what they were to be served, which guesses ran from wieners to hard boiled eggs, they were served a full oyster dinner with all the trimmings and dessert. The dinner was prepared by the men and to give it a feminine touch, the men who also acted as waiters, came out dressed in women's clothes, ear-rings, bracelets and rouge. It was a hilariously successful evening. Brother Ben C. Wheat was voted the most handsome "woman" present.—M. L. Scudder, Past Inst.

MAINE

Charles C. Webster, Correspondent, 7 John St., Scarborough.

Camp 14, Inebury.

What are the prospects of an increase in membership this year? There are plenty of eligibles in the offing, why can't we get them in? May it not be possible that we don't try, or don't employ the right methods?

One thing is certain, we will have to create an incentive, or awaken their sentiments so that a desire will be born, that they may justify themselves and acknowledge their desire to become a member.

Dear Brothers, we want every eligible in the United States. The only way is to go get them, by whatever method seems best suited to their particular case.—W. B. Bowler, P. C.

VERMONT

H. H. Hartwell, Dept. Press Correspondent, Box 225, Bellows Falls, Vt.

Dept. Com. Wilbur W. Fair attended the N. E. Dept. Commanders meeting in Boston on March 25 and reported a fine gathering. He received some good ideas for the work of the order.

Camp 10, St. Johnsbury.

Capt. E. E. Frost Camp had a large attendance at their meeting on April 11, when dual arrangements were made for Memorial Day. Delegations were present from the W. R. C., Daughters, Am. Legion Aux., Am. Legion, V. of P. W. and G. A. R. Dept. Com. Hoyer of the G. A. R. was present.

The W. R. C. and the Daughters of Union Veterans served refreshments and a social hour followed the meeting.

Camp 21, Saxtons River.

E. G. Butterfield Camp held their meeting on April 25 with a good attendance and completed their plans for Memorial Day.

The Am. Legion and their Auxiliary, the W. R. C. and the Sons of Union Veterans Auxiliary are planning a big program this year for both Bellows Falls and Saxtons River and hope fair weather will favor them. There will be the usual chalice service on Sunday morning, then a special service in the Opera House Sunday evening at 8 o'clock.

Tuesday morning, at 11 o'clock, will occur the parade in Bellows Falls, and at 3 p. m. at Saxtons River.

All school children are asked to march and take part in the exercises.

Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

Mrs. Jean Dowers Thompson, Nat. Pres., 529 Prospect St., Elgin, Ill.; Miss Jean M. Thole, Nat. Press Cor., Dwight, Ill.

NATIONAL PRESIDENT VISITS.

Nat. Pres. Jean B. Thompson made a most successful trip through the New England States, and other eastern states as well, and attended several of the Dept. conventions.

She stopped first at Albany, N. Y., where she was given a splendid meeting on April 8, 11 Aux. and 5 Camps being represented.

She had a wonderful time in Boston, Mass., April 10-12 where she attended their Dept. Encamp. There were 254 young members present.

From there she went to Concord, N. H., and attended their Dept. convention, having a most enjoyable time, and then went on to Portland, Me., where wonderful meetings were held for her.

She also went to Vermont, where successful meetings were held and from there to Rhode Island and Connecticut, where she attended the interesting Encampments of those two Departments. On April 20 she attended the 5th celebration at Grant's Tomb, N. Y. City.

Both her eastern and southern trips were productive of much good for our order.

Alabama & Tennessee.

St. Petersburg, Fla.—Since last writing to The Banner the Aux. gave a supper at the post, honoring Mrs. Jean Dowers Thompson, Nat. Pres. of our order. Small flags and red and white gladioli decorated the table at which were seated 26 guests. Nat. Pres. Thompson was introduced by Mrs. Carolin Adams, Pres. of the local Aux., and gave an entertaining talk, praising Florida's hospitality, St. Petersburg's in particular. Talks were made by many of the guests present, which included Dept. officers of Sons and Aux. and others.

At the convention for G. A. R. and allied orders, held in St. Cloud April 5, 6 and 7, officers were elected for the Aux. at its 5th annual Dept. convention, as follows: Pres., Mrs. Prudence Merchant, St. Petersburg; Vice Pres., Mrs. Ora Swisher, Lynn Haven; Council, Mrs. Ora Swisher, Josephine Matthews and Ruth Kriehorn; Sec.-Treas., Mrs. Alice Palmer; Pat. Inst., Mrs. Alice Hunter; Chap., Mrs. Carolin Adams; Insp., Mrs. Mavis Hausenwinkler; I. & I. Of. and Chief-of-Staff, Mrs. Fanny Van Noy; Press Correspondent, Mrs. Clara Allen; Counselor, Chas. W. Jackson. We did miss our dear Sisters who were not present. Sis. Fanny Van Noy, who was detained by illness and P. D. P. Mattie P. Miller, who recently went back to her home in Conn. She is very proud of the pin given her for her loyalty as Dept. Pres. of the Aux. We had the honor of having Com. (Dad) Hunter, of Miami, install the Aux. officers at convention and also had the honor of having Com. Beach, of St. Petersburg, as guard. Everyone enjoyed themselves very much while in St. Cloud and the convention was a great success. During the parade we noticed quite a few of our boys in blue. A rousing cheer went out for them as they marched side by side, keeping time, these boys so brave and true.—Clara Allen, Dept. Press Cor., Box 78, St. Petersburg, Fla.

Colorado & Wyoming.

Denver—Denver Aux. (and Camp) have put their shoulders to the wheel to keep the wolf from the door. He has been on the threshold but never allowed to enter.

Monthly dinners, card parties or dances have been given to raise funds, always dividing the net proceeds. Our latest activity Apr. 7, was a card party and dance in our adjoining hall. There were prize dances for young and old, quadrilles, door prizes, card table prizes and refreshments. All this without a

cent of expense, everything being donated by members. Hence, the secret of the success financially. Two of our comrades of G. A. R. were present and enjoyed the square dances. Pres. Mary Roland, Sister I. Delight Dillenbeck, Brothers Roland and James Hale, all of Colo. Springs, were guests.

We mourn the loss of one of our most beloved sisters and charter members, Maud Manning Whitney, beyond words of expression. She endeared herself to us while serving two years as Chaplain, which office she loved most. Known and loved by her services for others, she leaves the memory of a most beautiful character worthy to emulate. Her funeral was in charge of our impressive burial service, which was greatly admired by other allied orders.

A pleasant and profitable Dept. Convention is anticipated June 12-13-14 at Manitou, Colo. We are in hopes our Nat. Pres. will include this convention in her itinerary. The allied organizations gave a party on April 28 celebrating the 101st birthday anniversary of Comrade Wm. Leidingwell, our oldest comrade in the state. — Margaret Shellhouse Heiny, Dept. Press Cor., Denver, Colo.

Connecticut.

Danbury—Members and friends of the Aux. and Sons celebrated the 5th birthday of the Aux. on Feb. 1. The Aux. was organized Feb. 26, 1928. Forty members and their friends were present. Supper was served at 6:30, followed by a program. Sydney Smith, a member of the G. A. R. Post of this city, was guest of honor. The birthday cake with the proper number of candles was the center of attraction for a time. Aux. 17 held a card party on Feb. 21, followed by refreshments and a social hour.

The 15th convention of the Aux. was held in New Haven April 25-27. Dept. Headquarters was held at Hotel Garbo. The reception to the Dept. Com. and Dept. Pres. and their staffs was held in the lobby of the hotel following a banquet at 6:30 on April 26. A frolic and dance in Moses Hall followed.

The following Aux. Presidents have been elected and installed: Aux. 1, Gertrude Steed; Aux. 2, Catherine Vincent; Aux. 3, Rose Bradley; Aux. 4, Laura Krogh; Aux. 5, Shirley Hunsford; Aux. 7, Esther Haddon; Aux. 8, Grace Thorpe; Aux. 10, Gertrude Smith; Aux. 11, Ella Haight; Aux. 12, Leolah Williams; Aux. 13, Nellie Meagher; Aux. 14, Margaret Taber; Aux. 15, Hazel White; Aux. 18, Lulu Sterry; Aux. 20, Alice Banning.—Isabelle Birdsall, Dept. Press Cor.

Indiana.

Princeton—On March 27 Aux. 22 celebrated their 10th anniversary with a very impressive ceremony. The hall was decorated with banners of beautiful pink roses. A dining table with an exquisite lace cloth and basket of roses stood in the center of the hall and on the table stood a birthday cake 15 inches high, bearing candles. Pres. Alice Lena Finney gave a history of the Aux. and lighted candles for E. D. P. Corn M. Swartz, who instituted the Aux. ten years ago, and for each of the Presidents, also all members who had been honored with Dept. officers. As she read the names, those present were given a red rose, also Com. Mills of the G. A. R. and Com. J. W. Ritchie of the S. E. V. P. D. C. C. S. Seal and Dept. I. G. H. C. Bucklin. The two comrades present, J. J. Griswell and Thos. Coyne, cut the birthday cake. The Music Weavers favored us with music throughout the evening and Sis. Laura Crisfield gave three readings. Refreshments were served. The Aux. held a meeting April 10 with a fine attendance of Sons and Aux. P. D. C. Jas. Kilmarin gave a very interesting talk on his winter spent in Florida. A four-and-play, "Cindy's Chance" was given, which was heartily enjoyed by all. Selections were played by the Music Weavers.—Miss Kathleen Hansford,

Dept. Press Cor., 710 S. Peas St., Bloomington, Ind.

Iowa.

Fort Dodge—Aux. 12 gave an unusual and interesting program at their meeting Jan. 9, celebrating the birthday of our martyred President, Wm. McKinley. At this time was also heard the Dept. Pres. report of the Nat. Encamp. held in Springfield, Ill., last Sept. On Feb. 13 the Sons and Aux. held a celebration of the birthday of Abraham Lincoln with the two Patriotic Instructors, Ned S. Young and Blanche Pszentsitz, in charge of the program. The Patriotic Club of the Aux. met with Mrs. Julia Nelson, a charter member who is 82 years old and unable to get out much but who is always greatly interested in patriotic work. She was presented with a beautiful plant by the Camp and Aux. which she appreciated a great deal. Election of officers was held at which time Mrs. Sadie Biddinger was elected Pres. A program and games followed and a potluck lunch served. On Feb. 22 at the home of Mrs. Wealthy Winters a Washington program was given. At this time Sis. Pratt called attention to the fact that it was the 86th birthday of Sis. Lottie Hale, a charter member. A splendid program was given. An excellent program was also given at the meeting on March 24, held at the home of Sis. Young, and again on April 26 when the Club met at the home of Sis. Laura Cochran. As a Patriotic Club we study the lives of the Presidents in the month they come. We will hold a Mother and Daughters party on May 21. We each pay 10 cents at each meeting. We have three generations of two families in our order and our Pat. Inst. Blanche Pszentsitz, a charter member, has never missed a meeting since Aux. 12 was organized, Oct. 1923.

Marsden—Aux. 17 was inspected April 6 by Mrs. Alice West, of Cedar Falls, Dept. Inst., at the regular meeting, followed by initiation. P. D. P. Rebecca Hiskey and several of the Aux. members from Cedar Falls and Dept. Pres. Mabel G. Smith, of Newton, were special guests.

Des Moines—At the regular meeting of Aux. 8 held Oct. 7, Ida M. Smythe was elected Pres., together with a fine staff of officers. The Pres. appointed a committee to attend the School of Citizenship held in Oct., Sis. Mary Knoper making a fine report of the school. A George Washington Bi-centennial program, observance of Veterans' Night with Dept. Pres. Mabel G. Smith present, a box supper followed by a Christmas program were some of the activities in which the Camp and Aux. joined during the latter months of last year. In Jan. McKinley's birthday was celebrated with a short program. On Feb. 17 the 11th anniversary of the Aux. was celebrated at the home of Sis. Mattie O'Neil. Sis. Mary Knoper gave an interesting resume of the experiences of Sis. E. Jane Teeve and herself in securing charter members for the new Aux. She was followed by several Past Presidents in the order of their service, each reporting the outstanding work of her year. A joint celebration of the birthdays of Washington and Lincoln was held on March 3 with Dept. Com. of the Sons Audrey Smith and wife, of Marsden as honored guests. A benefit luncheon was held March 3 at the home of Sis. Mattie O'Neil. Inspection of ritualistic work was made April 7 by Dept. Pres. Mabel Smith; Past Nat. Com. Judge Willett, of Tama, was an honored guest and gave the principal address. Other G. A. R. comrades, Sons and Aux. members were present. Dept. Pres. Smith was presented with a beautiful basket of flowers by Sis. Bailey and on behalf of Aux. 8 Pres. Ida M. Smythe presented her with a beautiful pewter basket. Dept. Pres. Mabel G. Smith, of Newton, and Dept. Vice Pres. Ida M. Smythe, of Des Moines, were honored guests.

Des Moines—Aux. 16 was inspected by Past Nat. Pres. Wilma L. Combs at their regular

meeting on April 13 at the Court House. A social hour and refreshments were enjoyed following the ritualistic work. The Gen. J. M. "Battle" Ald was entertained by Mrs. Ida M. Sandler on April 14 in her home. Plans were formed for the summer's work. The members are working on a quilt to be sold. Mrs. Anna Todd, Pres. of Aux. 16, will be the hostess for the May meeting of A. I. - Miss Emma Briell, Insp. Press Cor., Marshalltown.

Kansas.

Winfield—Aux. 49 and their Camp held a covered dish luncheon commemorating the birthday of Thomas Washington. The tables were decorated with potted plants given through the courtesy of Mr and Mrs. Ed Davis. The time of the match was led by Mrs. Madie Stephenson, Aux. Pat. Inst. and Mrs. Alfred Bartholme, Dept. Pres. of the L. of G. A. R. who carried American flags. They were followed by the old soldiers and invited guests. There were 100 present. A splendid program followed the luncheon, which closed with the singing of "God Be With You 'Til We Meet Again," and benediction by Rev. Vinsonhater.

Graham—The Birthdays of Sister Claudine Schultz and Winfred Tindler were celebrated at our Jan. meeting at the home of Sis. Balahtyne, which each was presented with a birthday cake with candies, much to their surprise. An all day meeting was held Feb. 27 at the home of Sis. Solomon with a Washington and Lincoln program. On March 21 we served a dinner at 12:30 in G. A. R. hall. Dept. Pres. Winifred Lewis inspected our Aux., other honored guests were Dept. Sec. Amy Miller, P. D. C. H. M. Lewis, of Wichita, P. D. P. Eva McKee and Joe Miller, of New Cambria; Dept. Council Effreda Burr, of Salsburg; Dept. Chap. Nauale Schulte and P. D. J. Rosa Reed, of Opaona.

Edwards—On April 21 an Aux. was organized at Edwards in connection with the new Camp Marion Perry No. 93. Dept. Pres. Winifred Lewis, assisted by members from Newton and Wichita, instituted the Aux. and Emma La Due, Past Dept. Pres., installed the officers. Seventeen have signed the charter application to date and charter has been left open for a short time in order to give others an opportunity to become charter members. Sis. La Due and Sis. Amy Miller assisted in securing the membership. Between forty and fifty guests were present from Newton, Emporia, Winfield and Wichita.

Salina—Aux. 15 was inspected by Sis. Rosa Yace, Past Dept. Pres., in Salina April 17. An interesting meeting was held with a number of the Sons as visitors. A framed picture of Washington was presented and hung on the Memorial Hall walls. Refreshments were served at the social meeting which followed the inspection—Margaret L. Dolington, Dept. Press Cor., Salina, Kan.

Malta.

Augusta—Aux. 15 is prospering under the leadership of Emma A. Gannett. Through her efforts 3 new members were initiated at our last regular meeting, after which refreshments were served and a speaking and musical program was enjoyed. One of our members kindly offered the use of her home for a card party, to defray the expense of our delegates to the state convention.

Hiddeford—Aux. 25 and their S. V. Camp entertained the G. A. R. comrades on Feb. 25 in memory of our Presidents Washington, Lincoln and McKinley. A splendid patriotic musical and literary program was given, the principal address, on Lincoln, being given by Rev. Frederick M. Meek. Remarks were made by comrades and Dept. officers. Among the guests present were Dept. Com. and Mrs. Holston, P. D. C. John Pyle and P. D. P. Mrs. Laura Pyle, Mrs. G. C. C. M. M. and others from Westbrook. The program was presided by a baked bean supper.

East—The Camp and W. R. C. united in

observing Veterans Night and on Feb. 25 celebrated the Birthdays of McKinley, Lincoln and Washington. Rev. Ward Clarke gave a talk on Lincoln and Eva B. Morgan on Washington; a McKinley sketch was given by Irene Wilson and visiting Sons and comrades made remarks.

Westbrook—Aux. 22, although small, has been working very hard. There had several visitors and aided Sons on all parabolic days with special programs. A play and dance was given in April from which a good sum was realized. We enjoyed the visit of our Nat. Pres. Jean E. Thompson to the good old pine state very much. Have taken in several new members during the past few months. Plans are under way for a district Get-Together on April 29 and expect a good delegation from all sections of the state. An interesting program was given, celebrating the Birthdays of Lincoln and Washington and refreshments of cherry punch and Washington pie was served, in keeping with the day. "Chopping down the cherry tree" afforded an interesting contest with Ben and Sam Pyle winning the prizes and Bro. Pyle the grand prize.

Bath—Aux. 11 held an entertainment recently at which time Wesley H. Lohout, son of P. D. P. Eva J. Leonard, was the speaker, his mother introducing him to the audience. "Patriotism" was the subject of his address and was a very fine one, reflecting in brief patriotism from ancient times down to the present. The young orator was vigorously applauded. Musical numbers were also given and following the entertainment refreshments were served. Dining was enjoyed until a late hour.—Mrs. Gertrude Stewart, Dept. Press Cor., Bath.

Minnesota.

Lehigh—The Aux. gave a Lincoln's birthday program Feb. 2, after which cards were played and lunch served. Aux. Pat. Inst. Clara Scott entertained at her home at a 1 o'clock luncheon Feb. 25. The afternoon was spent playing bridge. The party was to raise money for Sis. Scott's part of the work. On Feb. 25 a Washington program was given, cards were indulged in and lunch was served. The first quarterly birthday party was held on March 2 for those having Birthdays in Jan., Feb., and March. A delightful lunch was served with a large birthday cake for the center piece with candies. Gifts were exchanged, followed by singing and socializing. A card party from which a nice sum was realized was held March 16 and on March 23, Sis. Corie Tredy assisted by Sec. Mary Young, gave a one o'clock luncheon to raise funds for the Aux. This was followed by cards. We are having very nice meetings and those who do come will say they enjoy themselves.

Minneapolis—Aux. 5 and Camp 5 observed Lincoln's Birthday, with a dinner given by the Camp at West Hotel. A large number of members of the Allied Orders were present to enjoy the splendid Lincoln program. The speakers were members of the U. A. R. and of the Camp and Allied Orders. Chap. Alvin J. Brantner gave a very inspiring talk on Lincoln. Washington's birthday was also observed with a program, in our Memorial Hall. We are happy to report that our Pres. is with us again after being a patient in the hospital for some time. The L. L. Club meets regularly every two weeks to carry on their work, which is to provide ways of raising funds to carry on work of Aux. We have a splendid lot of workers and the meetings are very enjoyable. Our L. L. Club developed into a real family circle many years ago, when the splendid co-operation, good fellowship, sincere regard for each other, made it a haven for many outsiders, and consequently many of those outsiders joined our Aux. Last but not least in our Past Presidents Club that is coming to the front; organized only four years, but doing splendid work in helping the

medy. Over \$107 was given for relief this past year. We continue pleasure with work, thus weaving threads of happiness into the life we make and offer. We return to our homes feeling that our Club meetings are all too few.—Lucella Derrig, Dept. Press Cor.

New York.

Albany—On April 15 in G. A. R. Hall, the Aux. of the Albany district entertained Nat. Pres. Mrs. Jean E. Thompson, of Illinois, Ill. also Margaret C. Brady, Nat. Sec. and Mary E. Stapleton, Nat. Pat. Aide, of Albany, and Dept. Pres. Agnes Snyder, of Rochester, Nat. Pres. Thompson's remarks were most edifying. She stressed the fact that more get-together meetings of the Aux. and Camps would do a great deal of good and create a better feeling of friendship and loyalty to one another and to our order than larger affairs. She told of her visit to the South and the good her personal visit did for the Aux. there. Tall and stately and gracious of manner, Sis. Thompson won the hearts of all present, and was presented with a beautiful quilt from the Presidents of the Aux. represented there. Dept. Pres. Snyder and Chief-of-Staff Brown also received gifts. Eleven Aux. and five Camps were represented, as follows: Aux. 30, 54 and 57, of Albany; 45 Schenectady, 57 Saratoga, 56 Amsterdam, 57 Watervliet, 45 Troy, 56 Cohoes, 23 Green Island and 20 Cohoes, and Camps from Amsterdam, Schenectady, Albany and Saratoga. All N. Y. Dept. officers were received by the Nat. Pres. Aux. 29 and 57, of Albany, with Mary E. Stapleton as chaperone, are to be commended on the splendid arrangements that were made for the reception. Remarks were made by all Dept. officers present. Nat. Pres. Thompson gave great praise to Nat. Sec. Margaret C. Brady on the very efficient manner in which she carried on her work. Dinner was served at the conclusion of the reception. About 100 were present.

Watervliet—Aux. 57 gave a reception to Dept. Pres. Agnes Snyder and staff on March 20. Gifts were presented Pres. Snyder and Dept. Chief-of-Staff Florence H. Brown. Talks were given by all Dept. guests. Supper was served. Many guests from Aux. in the capital district were present. The Aux. celebrated Approximate Day, readings and recitations being given, pertaining to Gen. U. S. Grant. The tables were decked with patriotic emblems and flowers. Sisters Brown, Bailey and Harkin were on the committee.

N. Y. City—Aux. 21 held a card and luncheon party on March 12, which was attended by a large number. Prizes for players and non-players were given and refreshments were served.

Warren—Aux. 42 gave a Lincoln and Washington program on Feb. 12. Rev. L. S. Clark gave an address on Lincoln, which was enjoyed by all. Com. Charles Betty, the only G. A. R. member left in Warren, made a few remarks.

Amsterdam—Aux. 36 and their Camp held a joint Washington and Lincoln birthday celebration on Feb. 12 in their rooms. A roast pork supper was served, followed by a program, a drill by the Sisters being featured. About 100 were present.

Troy—On April 5 Dept. Pres. Agnes Snyder and staff were given a reception at Saint Inspection with Nat. Sec. Margaret C. Brady as Inspecting Officer. The drill and their work was very well done and was appreciated by all present. Gifts were exchanged and supper served. Guests from various Aux. were present.

It is with deepest regret that we note the passing of the sister of Eda Humber, P. D. P., who was Past Pres. of O'Rourke Aux. 23 of Rochester. Our beloved order has lost a dear sister. Symmetry is also extended to Sis. Adelle Gull and Hazel Hartman on the loss of their brother and uncle.—Mrs. Alice H. Hogan, Dept. Press Cor., Green Island, N. Y.