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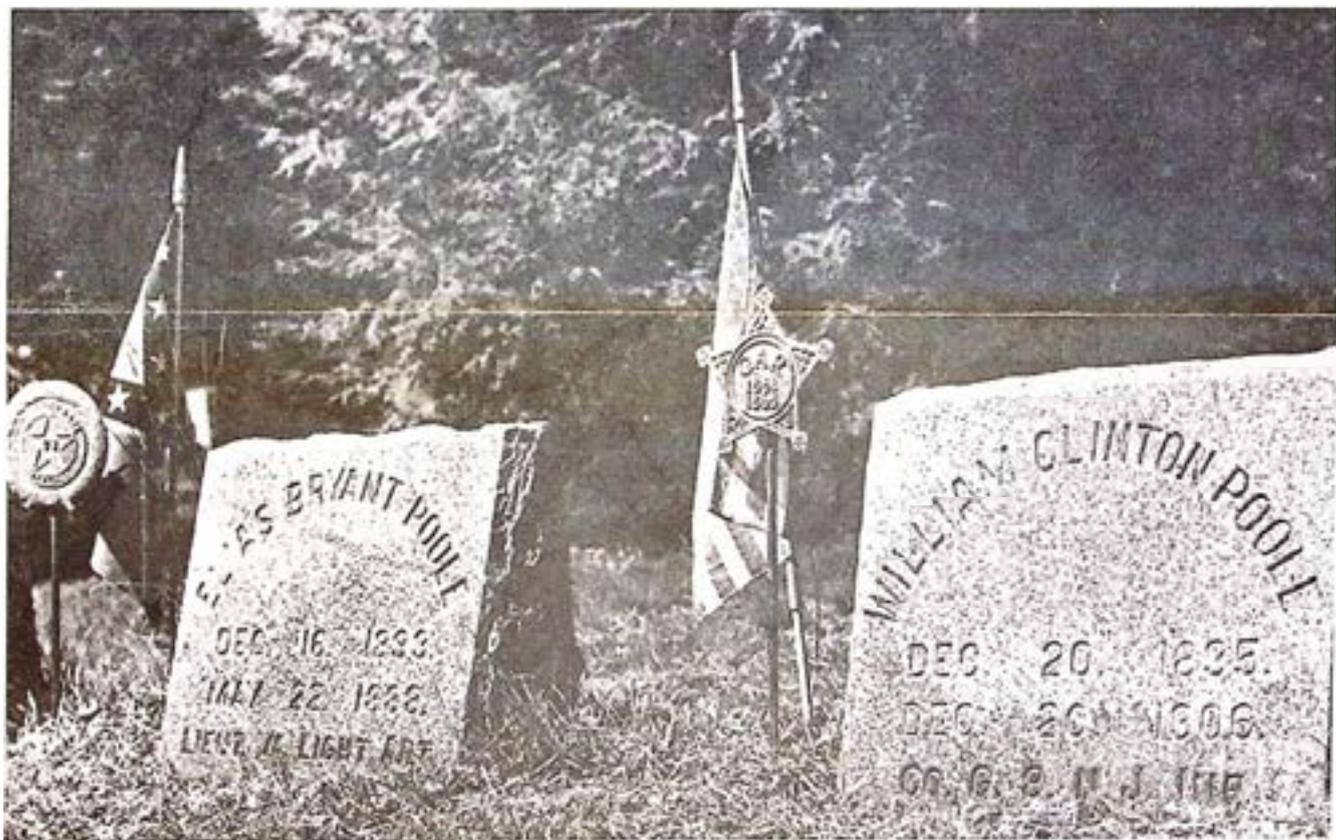
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## ONE WORE BLUE— ONE WORE GRAY



Brother against brother, they fought in that saddest of wars. One, touched by love for the Virginia countryside he had adopted, wore the gray uniform of the South. The other, who stayed home in New Jersey, wore the blue of the North. After Appomattox they came home together to heal the bitterness.

Now they lie side by side in Springfield, where the twin granite stones show that in death, at least, there is no difference. The legend on one stone states: Elias Bryant Poole, Born December 16, 1833. Died May 22, 1888. Lieut. Va. Light Artillery. The other: William Clinton Poole, Born December 20, 1835. Died December 20, 1906. Co. G, 8th N. J. Infantry.

Again this Memorial Day, those who remember will enter the Springfield Presbyterian Cemetery. They will pause for a moment, find the path leading west between the hemlocks and a row of yews, and out beyond the tall cedars they will see the simple stones.

Beside the grave of Elias they will place a Confederate banner near the permanent bronze wreath marked "Confederate Veteran." And, next to the bronze star marker over William's resting place they will place a 50-star flag of the United States.

# Services Mark Anniversary of Death of Abraham Lincoln



Memorial services commemorating the death of Abraham Lincoln 96 years ago were held Saturday, April 15th at Lincoln's Tomb in Oak Ridge Cemetery, Springfield, Illinois, under auspices of our National Organization, assisted by the Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States. A salute was fired, taps played, some 46 wreaths were laid (in 1957 there were 3 wreaths, 4 in 1958, 24 in 1959 and 28 in 1960) and speeches given. Commander-in-Chief Chadwick delivered an address on "Lincoln's Farewell to Springfield." An address "Lincoln's Return to Springfield" was given by Frank B. Huntington, official representative of MOLLUS. Department Commander Charles A. Brady, Jr., Chicago, was Chairman with James L. High as Co-Chairman. Other committee members included J. Colby Beekman, M. J. Burns, Jr., George L. Cashman and W. Glen Davis.

Following the ceremony a luncheon was held in the ballroom of the Hotel Abraham Lincoln with 112 persons attending (attendance in 1957 was 11 persons, 7 in 1958, 58 in 1959 and 75 in 1960). Pictured at the speakers table (left to right) Dr. Raymond Knudson, Pastor of Fifth Springfield Church, Springfield; Douglas A. Henry, Parade Marshal, Springfield Inter-Veterans Council; Commander-in-Chief Thomas Chadwick; Aux. Natl. Pres. Edith Paulding; Bruce E. Wheeler, guest speaker; Charles A. Brady, Jr., Chairman; James L. High, Co-Chairman; Hon. Lester E. Collins, Mayor of Springfield; Mrs. Maryellen McDonough, Natl. Pres. Gold Star Wives of America; William F. Fanning, National President American War Dads; Frank B. Huntington, official representative of U. S. Grant 3rd; and George L. Cashman, Curator of the Lincoln Tomb.

Mrs. Ruth M. Hayes, Natl. Pres. Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War had journeyed to Springfield, but due to a painful back injury was placed under a doctor's care and was unable to appear.

Flowers at the speakers table were the gift of Charles F. Carpenter, Illinois Secretary of State. Mementoes were small round aluminum trays with a photograph of Lincoln's head, and were furnished by the Loyal Legion.

Organizations having Color Guards present were:

- Illinois National Guard
- Springfield Inter-Veterans Council
- Springfield Post 32, American Legion
- LaFore Lock Post 755, Veterans of Foreign Wars
- Springfield Post 61, AMVETS
- Circle 74, Ladies of the G. A. R.
- Illinois Society of the Sons of the Revolution
- 6th District Illinois Veterans of World War I Auxiliary
- National Society United States Daughters of 1812

Department of Illinois, AMVETS Auxiliary

- National American War Dads
- Aztec Club of 1847
- Chicago Civil War Round Table
- Springfield Civil War Round Table
- Illinois Society, Daughters of the American Colonists
- National Society, Daughters of the American Revolution
- Society Daughters of Colonial Wars in Illinois
- National Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War
- Illinois Department Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War
- Disabled American Veterans
- Gold Star Wives of America, Inc.
- National Italian American War Veterans of the U. S. A.

Organizations presenting Memorial Wreaths were:

- Department of Illinois, American Gold Star Mothers
- AMVETS, Springfield Post 61

## Patriotism

Patriotism is love for one's country, and zeal in supporting her interest, and has ever been regarded as one of the most exalted of virtues.

Like all virtues, it has its most common exercise in little things. As the country is made up of State and Town, so the exercise of patriotism begins at home and shows its love of country and zeal for her interests by pride in the welfare of one's own community.

Think highly of your town. Speak well of her and seek to know her advantages and virtues. Then endeavor to strengthen and improve them.

Find her vices and abolish them. See to it that laws are enforced. Honor and respect those in authority. Ask yourself "What kind of a town would it be if every citizen was just like me?"

ALLEN B. HOWLAND,  
National Patriotic Instructor.

Speak well of your enemies—you made them.

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Life is quest not arrival.

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We fall in the direction we lean.

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It's awfully hard to dislike a fellow that really likes you.

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

The silent man is the best one to listen to.

## April 12th in New Jersey



The 100th anniversary of the firing upon Fort Sumter, S.C. was marked in New Jersey by afternoon and evening programs held in Trenton. Pictured at left is the rededication of the Swamp Angel, a Union cannon that was used to shell Charleston during the Civil War. Dr. Harold M. Smith, headmaster of Bordentown Military Institute, the principal speaker, pointed out that it is one of the most celebrated guns in history. It fired shells filled with an inflammable material, which may have been the first incendiary bombs in history. P. D. C. Albert W. Lambert is the Chairman of the Trenton Civil War Centennial Committee that had charge of the program. The color guard is composed of members of Garfield Camp No. 4 and Dayton Camp No. 5.

The picture at right was taken at the Central Methodist Church where the New Jersey Department SUVCW sponsored a Commemorative Service. Shown left to right are Natl. Secy.-Treas. Albert C. Lambert, Mr. John T. Cunningham the principal speaker, Richard Pratt, Department Commander, Albert W. Lambert, representing the Trenton Centennial Committee, State Senator Sido L. Ridolfi representing the New Jersey Centennial Commission, Rev. Herbert J. Smith, and P. D. C. Fred H. Combs, Jr., the presiding officer. Abraham Lincoln is portrayed by William Wharton, Commander of Garfield Camp No. 4, and the color guard is made up of members of Camp No. 4 and Camp No. 5.



**General Order No. 4  
Series 1960-1961**

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

May 1, 1961

1. In today's world, overflowing with misunderstanding, bitterness and hatred, America needs more than at any time in modern history the forbearance, the wisdom and the fortitude of our forefathers. We, as Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, are advocates of their high principles and purposes, which moulded and preserved our great country. We then, more than most, understand the magnitude of the debt of gratitude that we owe our patriotic forbears. These things being true, it seems to me that the degree of our demonstrated gratitude and respect reflects the depth of our loyalty to their principles.

In this critical year let all Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War go "all out" for Memorial Day. Do not let this be just another May 30th. Let us all make an extra effort to demonstrate the full significance of Memorial Day, that those about us may be inspired and heartened. This effort was never more needed than now. Your Commander-in-Chief will be doing his part by taking part in three Memorial Day services. In two of them he will be the speaker of the day.

2. I am greatly pleased at the increasing interest in uniformed groups for our Camps, as shown by frequent inquiries. I hope that those who are interested will secure uniforms while their interest is high.

3. I am also happy to report that I am receiving encouraging reports on our membership drive. Since my last General Order I have awarded the National Ribbon and appointed as Special Aide for securing five or more new members to the following: Charles H. Bournstine, Chicago; Charles A. Brady Jr., Chicago; Roscoe C. Mathis, Prophetstown, Ill.; J. Colby Ceekman, Petersburg, Ill.; and Clyde V. Neff, Mansfield, Ohio. It is a pleasure to issue these awards, and I wish to commend these true Sons for their contributions to the building of our Order. I hope that many more workers may share their satisfaction. Your Commander-in-Chief has attained the same goal, but will forego the award.

4. I hope that every Camp in every Department will contribute generously to the Grand Army of the Republic Memorial Fund. The time is growing short. We must shed the light of patriotism, and this fund is the oil for our lamps. Send your contribution to National Patriotic Instructor Allen B. Howland, Box 105, Elmwood, Mass.

**THOMAS A. CHADWICK,**  
Commander-in-Chief.

**The Chaplain's Corner**

Again as we approach Memorial Day, we are conscious of the debt we owe our parent organization, the Grand Army of the Republic.

It is a debt we can never fully repay, as a Nation or as individuals; but, as long as a true Son lives, he will honor his father in his heart, in word, and in carrying on the work left to his hands by the Grand Army.

We feel, when we place the Flag and the flowers on their earthly resting places on Memorial Day, a sense of reverence not felt at any other time; as though the Boys in Blue, invisible to us, know and approve our loyalty to their memory.

The Sons of Union Veterans is a living Memorial to our fathers; in no other way can we honor their memory so fittingly as to serve in this organization in every way possible.

We become a living Memorial to the Grand Army by the giving of ourselves, as they would wish; for we can speak and work and act warmly, expressively, far better than monuments of marble, bronze, or stone. This is as it should be.

The Nation in which we so fortunately live is a Mountain Peak of hope and freedom to the enslaved peoples of the world. We must endeavor to keep it so, for truly the light would be extinguished and despair engulf many hearts should we fail.

We must not, we dare not neglect our sacred trust. It was placed in our hands by our forbears, when they could no longer carry on the task.

God depends on human hands to keep His Truths, like banners, floating on the Winds of Freedom over all the world.

We build fearsome weapons of war and destruction today, far greater than those known in Civil War times; we feel we must, for defense against the forces of evil arrayed against us, and to protect the free peoples of the world.

Let us never forget, however, that the balance of power does not lie in any world capital; not in Washington, London, Paris, Rome, and surely not in Moscow.

The issue is clearly before us; light against darkness, right against wrong, freedom against slavery, injustice, greed, hate, malice, and oppression, against opposing everything lovely or of good report.

America is a Christian Nation; we have a God-given charge to keep. We must some day, as a people, give an account of our stewardship to our Leader, the God of all the Nations. Once more I say it is Marxism, Communism, Atheism, opposed to Christianity.

The Cross of Jesus Christ still offers today its age old challenge to the world; our own great Nation stands as a bright Symbol, looked up to by countless thousands.

In the name of our God and our Country, we will be true to our obligations.

We offer our tribute of honor and devotion to the heroes of the past; we dedicate ourselves to renewed effort, to more fervent zeal, as, in the strength God gives us, we acknowledge His sovereignty over this nation and the universe that He alone created.

To Him who is able to keep us from falling, and to present us spotless before the throne of Grace, be glory and majesty, dominion and power, both now and forevermore.

ARTHUR LEWIS BALLOU, National Chaplain.

**Bus Trip Planned To  
National Encampment**

Mr. George W. Krey of Camp No. 32, New Jersey is a bus driver for the Public Service Bus Co. He is planning to take a group to the National Encampment to be held in Indianapolis, Indiana, August 20-24th. A Public Service Air Conditioned DeLuxe Cruiser will be used guaranteeing a safe and comfortable trip.

The round-trip bus fare per person will be \$10.00, with the bus starting from Newark, N. J. and making stops enroute. Arrangements have been made for an overnight stop both going and returning, at Wheeling, West Virginia. Cost of overnight accommodations range from \$2.50 to \$3.00 per person, depending upon accommodations.

For further information and reservations communicate with George W. Krey, 46 Fulton Street, Union City, N. J.

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**Reservation Cards**

Enclosed with this issue of The Banner are reservation cards for the Claypool Hotel. Room rates are from \$7.00 single to \$20.00 double depending upon type of accommodations desired. You are urged to make your reservations as soon as possible.

**Convention Committee Plans  
Interesting Program**

The Indianapolis Convention Committee is planning a large outdoor Campfire for Sunday evening during the Encampment at the Memorial Plaza. The local Power and Light Company has promised to split rails from old poles and to electrically make it appear as if they are burning, giving the effect of a campfire. There will be four such fires. The local Centennial Commission has rehabilitated two Civil War Cannons in every detail, even to the harness for the horses. These will be drawn up and fired at sunset and will be on display during the campfire. These cannons were used during the Civil War.

A company of North-South Skirmishers in Union uniforms with Civil War rifles and bayonets will be on hand along with many tents with Civil War displays.

The National Guard will furnish modern equipment for comparison with the old. A military band from Fort Benjamin Harrison will play civil war music. In case of inclement weather, the program will be held in a large Memorial Building which is nearby.

Other plans include Joint Church service for Sunday morning, and a tour on Wednesday afternoon.

It is not who is right, but what is right, that is of importance.

There is no security on this earth, only opportunity.

It is the man who does not want to express an opinion whose opinion I want.

**Permanent Fund**

Our Permanent Fund was authorized to unite us and to assure a permanent association. No member is obligated to contribute, nor may he be assessed. All funds in the Permanent Fund must be voluntary to fulfill its intent and purpose. Any member may contribute in memory of his family or Civil War ancestor to honor and perpetuate the memory of their name.

To—Albert C. Lambert, National Secretary-Treasurer,  
P. O. Box 457, Trenton 3, N. J.

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

Cpl. William Winter, 131st N. Y. Inf.  
(Courtesy William Freck, N. J.) ..... \$10.00

John H. Grate, Ohio, Past Commander-in-Chief G. A. R.  
(Courtesy Neil D. Cranmer, N. Y.) ..... \$10.00

Maj. Gen. U. S. Grant 3rd  
(Donation) ..... \$500.00

John M. Russell, Company H, 86th Ohio Vol. Inf.  
U.S.S. Gazelle, Miss. Sqdrn.  
(Courtesy Josephine R. Hayward,  
c/o Chas. L. Hayward, Minn.) ..... \$10.00

It is ill manners to silence a fool, and cruelty to let him go on.



## Department News



### CONNECTICUT

Department Commander Heckler recently installed the officers of Capt. Robinson Camp 31 in the Trinity Episcopal Church Hall, Bristol. Included in those installed were Commander Chauncey A. Geer, Sr. Vice Commander Russell A. Scott, Jr. Vice Commander Roger F. Woodbury, Secretary Russell E. Laurence, and Treasurer Harold L. Scott. The Bristol Camp is very active in Department affairs, and is gaining in membership. P. D. C. Harold Scott of this Camp is a member of the Connecticut Civil War Centennial Commission.

Our 77th Annual Encampment was a well attended and enjoyable session. The banquet and reception was held in the ballroom of the Hotel Burritt in New Britain at which time an inspiring address was given by the pastor of the Baptist Church of Meriden. Russell E. Laurence of Bristol showed motion pictures of the Civil War monuments in Connecticut. During the Camp Fire staged by the Sons of Veterans Reserve songs of the Civil War period were sung. Ellery Linnell of New Haven is the newly elected Department Commander, and C. Brown Newton of Hartford the new Secretary-Treasurer. The officers were installed by P. C. in C. Harold E. Arnold of Rhode Island. Mrs. Dorothy Linnell was elected Auxiliary Department President.

Among distinguished guests present were Natl. Chaplain Arthur F. Ballou of Vermont, who represented Commander-in-Chief Chadwick; Dept. Commander Harold Bowen of Mass.; P.D.C. Bromley of Rhode Island; Herbert Bogue of Massachusetts; Mrs. Gertrude Peterson, Rhode Island. Auxiliary National Chief of Staff and P. C. in C. Arnold.

On May 20 our Department and the Auxiliary Department will participate in the Armed Forces Show at Brainard Field from 10 A. M. to 4 P. M. We shall have on display articles pertaining to the Civil War, also a guard of honor in Union uniform.

### ILLINOIS

CHICAGO Mayor Richard J. Daley has announced the appointment of a Civil War Centennial Commission. SUVCW members appointed were Charles H. Bournstine, Charles A. Brady, Jr., and James L. High. Also named to the commission were Sadie Keefer, Auxiliary; Eleanor Levy, DUVCW; Josie Kracht, Ladies of the G.A.R.; and Norma Ogen, W.R.C. An exhibit of Civil War guns, uniforms, medals and pictures, all from the private collection of Rank A. Palumbo, was opened at City Hall on April 12th in recognition of the start of the Centennial.

COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF Thomas Chadwick and Dept. Commander Brady were guests of Genl. McClelland Camp No. 4 for dinner and an informal meeting on the evening of April 15 in Petersburg. Both had been in Springfield earlier in the day for the Lincoln Tomb Ceremony.

DEPARTMENT PRESIDENT Elsie Evans will make the Auxiliary's annual presentation of a sword to an R.O.T.C. cadet at the University of Illinois' Champaign campus on May 5. This will take place during the university's annual Honors Day ceremony.

A DINNER AND RECEPTION honoring Dept. Commander Brady and Dept. Pres. Evans was given by Genl. George A. Custer Camp No. 1 and Auxiliary No. 36 on April 30 in the Jade Room of the Graemere Hotel in Chicago.

THE ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT of the Illinois Department will be held June 16 and 17 at the Pick-Congress Hotel in Chicago. A Civil War Centennial theme will be stressed.

Dept. Commander Brady and Dept. Pres. Evans were entertained by Old Glory Aux. 32 of Chicago on April 10, and by Aux. 7 of Aurora on April 21st.

### INDIANA

The muster roll of Battery H, 1st Regiment of Light Artillery, Ohio Volunteers, which served four years in the Civil War, has been presented to the Toledo Public Library by Gordon Lanker, acting Toledo postmaster. It is on display in the local history room of the main library. Battery H

was organized at Camp Dennison (Cincinnati) Nov. 7, 1861 and mustered out June 17, 1865. It took part in many battles, including Winchester, Fredericksburg, Chancellorsville, Gettysburg, the Wilderness, Spotsylvania, Cold Harbor and the siege of Petersburg. Pvt. James Smith, an ancestor of Ross C. Smith of Indianapolis, was on the roll of the Battery.

### IOWA

Past Department President Grace W. Pederson passed away 4 April of a heart attack following a stroke. She suffered her first stroke 15 or 16 months ago and retired from the Johnson County Soldiers Relief Commission where she was Executive Secretary. A longtime member of Lincoln Camp Aux. of Davenport she was also an ardent worker at the V. A. Hospital. A member of the Daughters of Union Veterans and of the American Legion Aux., Grace was honorary but actual Historian of the Iowa City American Legion Post. Members of the Post who were also members of the Relief Com. served as pallbearers. Attending the funeral in Iowa City were P.D.P.'s Mabel Comfort of Davenport, Nora Hinchliffe of Iowa City, and P.D.C. L. K. Boutin of Des Moines.

### KANSAS

We regret to report the death on March 3rd of P.D.C. William H. Dix. He was a Charter Member of Shiloh Camp 30, Newton, and also served several years as Department Secretary-Treasurer. Brother Dix attended the National Encampment held in Indianapolis in 1949.

### MAINE

Daniel Chaplin Camp 3, Bangor, held a Memorial Service for P.D.C. Leon J. Cole who passed away in December. Eugene W. Estabrook is the new Camp Commander and the new President of Aux. 5 is Mary McDonald. The Auxiliary Charter was draped in memory of Leona Smith, 84, who died recently. The Camp and Auxiliary meet in the G.A.R. building, Bangor.

On February 11, Alden Skinner held a Lincoln-Washington celebration with an appropriate program. Dept. Commander Heckler, Dept. Pres. Finer and National Historian Allen Spink were among those present.

Joshua L. Chamberlain Camp and Auxiliary of South Paris joined in a patriotic program together with the Allied Orders on February 28. Roland Decoteau, a member of the Civil War Centennial Commission gave an interesting speech on Abraham Lincoln and the Civil War. Sister Hilda York, National Chaplain was present as was the Department Commander, Department President and several Past Department Officers.

### MASSACHUSETTS

CAMBRIDGE—Mayor Edward A. Crane and Frank F. Johnson, chairman of the Civil War Centennial Committee, and both members of Couden-Higginson Camp No. 56, made the news columns of Boston and Cambridge papers on April 12 by being the first to inspect the new Fort Sumter postage stamps at the Cambridge Post Office. Representing their organizations were Mrs. Bertha A. Johnson, Mass. Dept. Pres. Ladies of the G.A.R.; Henry S. Bowen, Dept. Comdr. SUVCW; and Mrs. Nathalie Brown, Auxiliary Department President.

Working in conjunction with the program directed by Brandon Powers, chairman of the Patriots Day Committee, the Cambridge Civil War Centennial Committee commemorated an event that gave everlasting glory to the City of Cambridge 100 years ago—the formation of our famous "First Company" (first to enter the War for the preservation of the Union). The 9th Battery, Mass. Light Artillery fired a captured Confederate Cannon as a salute to the "First Company." Both Frank Johnson and Mayor Edward Crane were speakers, as was Ernest G. Wells representing the Massachusetts Civil War Centennial Commission. Department heads of the Allied Orders were also recognized. The 9th Battery, in Civil War uniforms, fired a musket volley in honor of the Civil War dead.

EDWARD L. BRESSETTE, Holyoke, and Mary C. Sampson, Kingston, were chosen to head the Sons and Auxiliary at the Department Encampment held at the Bradford Hotel, Boston. Commander-in-Chief Thomas A. Chadwick and National President Edith Paulding were present for the entire

Encampment. The staffs of Commander Bowen and Dept. Pres. Nathalie E. Brown were tendered a dinner and reception. Natl. Pres. Edith Paulding presented Mrs. Bessie T. Drown a National Ribbon for procuring five new members. Mrs. Gertrude Peterson, National Chief of Staff was recognized. Every New England State was represented.

PLYMOUTH COUNTY Assn. and Aux. held their Lincoln observance in March on exact date of 100th anniversary of his first inaugural in New Bedford. Evan Crocker and Mary C. Sampson head the two groups. Barbara D. Brown was General Chairman and Sen. John F. Parker of Taunton the speaker. Noted guests included C. in C. Chadwick, Dept. Comdr. Bowen, Dept. Pres. Brown, Natl. Patr. Instr. Howland and National Historian Spink. A pantomime depicted the first inaugural with Chester Adhead portraying Lincoln, Millard F. Brown as Magistrate and Elaine Brown, the narrator. Harold M. Drown gave the Gettysburg Address. Rhode Island recorded ten present including P. C. in C. Arnold, Laura I. Smith and Bessie Coughlin.

BROCKTON—Abraham Lincoln paraded through the busy streets at noon on April 19 escorted by Harold M. Drown and was greeted on steps of City Hall by Mayor Leonard H. Ellershaw. Emery Brown of Abington impersonated Lincoln. Natl. Patr. Instr. Howland, in Civil War uniform, represented the Commander-in-Chief. An open house was held under direction of the Mayor and Exec. Secy. Wm. W. Haskell, P.D.C. in the beautiful rotunda, which featured Civil War exhibits. During afternoon and evening, P.N.P. Maude B. Warren displayed her excellent collection. A score of oil paintings on battle scenes of 1861-65 adorn the walls of this building.

BOSTON—The Centennial Commemoration and reenactment of departure of the 1st Mass. Regiments to defend Washington, D. C. was to have been a parade and ceremony. It was held in the First Corps Cadet Army because of a severe storm. Richard F. Lufkin, Comdr. of Bay State Camp portrayed War Governor John A. Andrew. Noted among guests were Ernest G. Wells, John L. Day, Harold M. Drown, William O. Fuller and Louis E. Winchell.

### NEW JERSEY



To commemorate the start of the Civil War Centennial, the New Jersey Department Auxiliary presented an American Flag in memory of the Grand Army of the Republic to Cub Scout Pack 4 of St. Cloud, West Orange on Friday evening, April 21st.

The presentation was made by Miss Marguerite Bonnell (second from left in picture) the Department President. Several Department Officers and members accompanied Miss Bonnell to the meeting. Mr. Alex Cross of West Orange accepted the flag for the group. Prior to the presentation, the Cub Pack entertained our members with singing and a skit entitled "Barbara Fritchie."

### NEW YORK

NEW YORK CITY—The Camps and Auxiliaries of Greater New York sponsored their annual service commemorating the birthday of Gen. Ulysses S. Grant on Sunday, April 30th at the Grant National Memorial, Riverside Drive and West 122nd St. P.N.P. Mayme E. Dwyer was the Honorary Chairlady and P.D.C. Clarence A. Maples, the Chairman of the Committee that arranged the impressive program.

Oliver Tilden Camp 26, New York City installed officers on April 11th with Lawrence Isaacs as the new Commander. Initiation of two new members and a speech by Commander Newman of the U.S.W.V. followed. Plans were laid for Memorial Sunday and Memorial Day, as well as other Centennial Observances.

ROCHESTER SUVCW and Auxiliary journeyed to Batavia for the Western New York Past Camp Commanders and Past

Presidents Association for an afternoon meeting and a visit to the Holland Land Office (a National Historic Shrine) recently. Grover C. Scott spoke on his "Civil War Sagas" dramatically recounting the gallant records of Rochester and Batavia areas and prominent figures of 100 years ago. Scott will deliver the "Sagas" at a Masonic meeting May 5th. Rochester now has an official Centennial Committee named by the Mayor. They plan a Pageant and Parade for early October with the cooperation of the SUVCW and other Allied Orders.

Memorial Day plans are under way including the flagging of over 10,000 graves, a Memorial Sunday service in the new War Memorial Shrine on May 28, Memorial Day parade on May 30 and the annual SUVCW Memorial Service at the G.A.R. Plot in Mt. Hope Cemetery, assisted by the 108th N. Y. Vol. Inf. Regiment.

Our new member, Russell D. Schrader whose firm Schrader Meat Products of Rochester has arranged with the Civil War Map Co., P. O. Box 224, Old Chelsea Station, New York, N. Y. to send a large Civil War map with color shots of Civil War figures and data. These can be secured by mailing a label from Schrader's Cold Meat Products and 25¢ direct to New York City.

### OHIO

Mt. Vernon—Earl M. Levering, Jr., 19, a member of the famed Mt. Vernon Fife and Drum Corps which played at funerals of the last two Civil War veterans, was killed instantly in a motor scooter accident near Mt. Gilead in March.

First Ohio Regiment—The Regiment, including infantry, cavalry, artillery, and drum corps are hand picked, hard drilled, precision marching and outfitted with authentic uniforms, equipment and arms. They will carry the Buckeye State banner over Ohio and many other states during the Centennial of the Civil War. Units of the Regiment, commanded by Col. Daniel F. Clancy of Gahanna are Company A "The Cleveland Light Guard" commanded by Capt. Richard Mullaly, Cleveland; "The Capitol Light Infantry" commanded by Capt. E. Alan Nutt, Hilliard; Headquarters Troop, dismounted cavalry commanded by Lt. John W. Hout, Columbus; 9th Ohio Independent Battery, field artillery commanded by Capt. James G. Hudkins, Cuyahoga Falls; and The Battle Band, drum corps, commanded by Sgt. Jan Dullap, Dresden.

Department Commander Clyde V. Neff has been responsible for many new members initiated and many prospects on hand. Along with Mrs. Neff and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Selby he has made visits to Steubenville, Alliance, Dayton, Fostoria and Newark.

McLaughlin Camp 12 and Aux. 100 recently presented an American Flag to the West Fifth Street School of Mansfield. Speakers included Mr. and Mrs. Neff and Mr. and Mrs. Selby. The flag was accepted by Stacia Hing, a sixth grade honor student. The presentation was in memory of the Grand Army of the Republic in conjunction with the Centennial Observance of the Civil War.

### OREGON & WASHINGTON

P.D.C. Spencer Leonard gave an address in the auditorium of the Court House, Vancouver, Washington on February 28th. His topic was "Fort Vancouver during the Civil War." On March 31st he gave a 30 minute radio talk over KOAC at Corvallis. This is a station owned by the State and operated on the campus of Oregon University. Both occasions gave him an opportunity of acquainting the public with the work of the SUVCW. On May 8-10 he will have a display of military records on display at the Meier and Franks Department Store in Portland during the annual Open House of the Portland Genealogical Forum.

The monthly letter distributed by Hiram R. Gale Camp 1, Seattle, Wash. advises that Assistant Governor Jos. Alderson has agreed that the program on April 15th would be held in the Capitol, followed by a Cannon Salute to the Civil War Veterans on the Green following the program. The Camp meets at the Veterans Hall on Lenora Street.

### PENNSYLVANIA

CIVIL WAR SWEARING-IN RESTAGED—An historic incident in the Civil War—swearing-in of the first Pennsylvania troops for Federal Service—was reenacted April 16 in Harrisburg—almost 100 years to the day. The Civil War troops from Pottsville, Reading and Allentown, were trans-

ported to Harrisburg on April 18, 1861, on a Reading Railroad locomotive drawn train. For the reenactment the Reading Railroad furnished one of its two wood-burning locomotives for a special "Iron Horse Ramble" to Harrisburg.

There the modern day Union troops participated in a parade and were sworn-in exactly as their forbears. The original First Defenders comprised the Ringgold Light Artillery of Reading; the Washington Guards and National Light Infantry of Pottsville; and the Allen Infantry of Allentown. They were joined in Harrisburg by the Logan Guards of Lewistown.

READING—The 100th anniversary of the firing upon Ft. Sumter, S. C. was observed on the evening of April 12th by the Allied Orders of the Grand Army of the Republic with ceremonies in City Park and at G.A.R. headquarters. Wreaths were placed at the First Defender Monument in the park. Participating were P. C. in C. Leroy Stoudt, Centennial Committee Chairman, Edward Haigh, Allied Orders President and Abner N. Bauscher, commander of the Combined Veterans Council. The principal speaker at G.A.R. Hall was William B. Stover, High School history teacher. Others on the program included Mrs. Eliz. Mengel, P.D.P. Womans Relief Corps; Mrs. Annamae D. Berhalter, P.D.P. Daughters of Union Veterans; George Teve, Commander of Camp 16, Mrs. Anna Stoudt, Natl. Secy. Auxiliary and Mrs. Jeannette Fies, Treasurer of the Ladies of the G.A.R.

### Leinbach Receives Good Citizen Award



Thomas K. Leinbach received the 1961 "Good Citizen Award" of Meade Camp of Reading at the Appomattox Day dinner of the Allied Orders of the G.A.R. held on April 8th in the Abraham Lincoln Hotel. Left to right are: George F. Toye, commander of Meade Camp; Lt. Col. O. G. MacPherson, Department Commander, Gettysburg; Leinbach and C. Leroy Stoudt, chairman of the awards committee. Mr. Leinbach is the superintendent of the Community General Hospital and has an outstanding record of public service.

### RHODE ISLAND

The first of the 1961 Department Encampments was held at the Sheraton-Biltmore Hotel in Providence, R. I. on April 8th, at which time Dexter Combs was elected and installed as Department Commander, and Harold E. Arnold continues as Department Secretary-Treasurer. Sympathy of the Department was extended to Brother Arnold whose mother passed away during March.

Distinguished guests received at the Encampment included Commander-in-Chief Thomas Chadwick, Vermont; Sr. Vice C. in C. Charles Messer, New York; National Chaplain Arthur Ballou, Vermont; National Historian Allen Spink, Conn.; Natl. Pres. Edith Paulding, New York; Aux. Natl. Chaplain Hilda York, Maine; National Patriotic Instructor Allen Howland, Mass.; P.N.P. Ursula Shepardson, Mass.; P.D.C. Harold Shepardson, Mass.; Henry Bowen, Dept. Commdr. Mass.; and Nathalie Brown, Dept. Pres. Mass.

## Memorial Clock Presented To Scotland School



The Pennsylvania Department Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War and its Auxiliary presented a Memorial Clock in memory of the Grand Army of the Republic on April 16th to the Scotland School for Veterans Children at Scotland, Pennsylvania. P. C. in C. Leroy Stoudt was chairman of the committee with Mrs. Irene K. Murphy as co-chairman. Mrs. Murphy made the presentation and the unveiling was done by Master Keith Wilkes, a student at the school. Col. Lawrence M. Scarborough, Deputy Post Commander of Carlisle Barracks, U. S. Army, was the principal speaker. Others on the program included Mrs. Geraldine Hershberger, Judge William S. Rahauser, Dept. Commander O. G. MacPherson, Dept. Pres. Mrs. Daisy Haddock, Dept. Secy.-Treas. Chester S. Shriver, Miss Margarette M. Ruch, Mrs. Flora Ullom, Dr. Willard M. Stevens, and Marlan O. Walter. Music was furnished by the Scotland School Band and "Taps" were sounded by Corp. James Nataldi, Company F, 2nd Batt., S.V.R. Reading.

## 100 YEARS AGO

- May 3—Gen. Geo. B. McClellan commissioned. Lincoln urges 500,000 3 year men be called.
- May 6—Arkansas secedes.
- May 10—Robert E. Lee appointed to command Confederate forces in Virginia.
- May 13—Baltimore occupied by Union troops. Britain recognizes Union blockade, bars British ships from breaking it.
- May 14—Robert E. Lee appointed Brig. General in Confederate States of America.
- May 16—Arkansas joins Confederacy.
- May 20—North Carolina secedes. Kentucky votes "neutrality."
- May 21—Richmond, Va., chosen as Confederate capitol.
- May 23—Virginia votes to secede from the Union.
- May 24—Union Col. Ellsworth killed in Alexandria, Va.
- May 29—Newport News, Va. occupied by Union forces.
- June 3—First use of telegraph in war by Union forces in West Virginia.
- June 8—Tennessee votes in favor of secession.
- June 11—Wheeling: Western counties of Virginia reject secession.
- June 15—Harper's Ferry, W. Va. evacuated by Confederates.
- June 23—Union Gen. McClellan takes command of Union forces in Western Virginia.

Most of us know how to say nothing—few of us know when.

Also, Natl. Pres. of the Ladies of the G.A.R., Winona Kahl, West Virginia.

P.D.C. Joseph G. Randall having joined in April, 1901 has been a continuous member for 60 years. His father was a Civil War Veteran.

Gladys Lawton is the new Department President, having been installed by National President Edith Paulding.