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#### Sixiy-Sevemih NATIONAL ENCAMPN

The \$2nd Annual Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic convened in the city of Grand Rapids, Mich., Sept. 28. Much of the convention pomp and inspiration of former Encampments was not in evidence and the lack of Flags displayed, and the usual Encampment decorations was noticed with sadness by many who had attended former Encampments.

Six grand old men comprised the G. A. R. delegation this year. They were:

Theodore A. Pentland, Portland, Oregon, 99 years; John Grate, Atwater, Ohio, 103 years; Albert Woolson, Duluth, Minn., 102 years; Wm. H. Osborne, Joplin, Mo., 105 years; Comrade Chapple, Long Beach, Calif., 102 years; James A. Hard, Rochester, N. Y., 107 years [who came to the Encampment by plane as a guest of civic organization in his home city].

At their business session they decided to hold one more Encampment, at Indianapolis, Indiana, in August, 1949. Unless plans are changed at that Encampment that will be their last meeting.

For the Sons this was the sixty-seventh annual meeting, and for the Auxiliary their sixty-first. There were good delegations present from each of these organizations, as was also the case for the other affiliated organizations belonging to the Grand Army Fam-

The usual exercises incident to Encampment began with divine services in the churches Sunday morning. That afternoon occurred the Memorial Service for the departed Grand Army members, participated in by officers of the affiliated bodies. The annual meeting of the Federated Societies was held at 4:00 o'clock, followed by their banquet. There were held as well various meetings, receptions and dinners by Past Officers and groups of the affiliated or-ganizations during the afternoon and evening.

At 8:00 o'clock in the Civic Auditorium, was given the annual concert by the United States Ma-

Grand Rapids, Mich., Host to Encampment for Fifth Time — Six G. A. R. Comrades Present, Aged 99 to 107 Years

## OFFICERS FOR 1948-49

COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF - PERLE L. FOUCH, Allegan, Mich.

SR. VICE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF - ROY J. BENNETT, 4 Loomis Ave., Des Moines, Iowa.

JR. VICE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF-ALLEN F. SPINK, 238 Sigourney St., Hartford, Conn.

SECRETARY-TREASURER—ALBERT C. LAMBERT, 2772 South Broad St., Trenton 10. New Jersey.

COUNCIL-IN-CHIEF-GEORGE E. BAILEY, 4040 Columbus Ave., Minneapolis 7, Minn.

COUNCIL-IN-CHIEF-JOHN A. RUGGLES, 331 West North St., Carlisle, Penna.

COUNCIL-IN-CHIEF — RUDOLPH M. GENTHNER, 47 Thorndale Terrace, Rochester, N. Y.

#### APPOINTEES

PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR - FRANKLIN S. HUBBARD, 18th Ave., Kenosha, Wis.

CHAPLAIN-CLEON E. HEALD, Keene, New Hampshire. ACTING CHIEF-OF-STAFF-P. C.-IN-C. LEROY STOUDT, 1410 Mulberry St., Reading, Penna.

COUNSELOR - CECIL J. RANDALL, 1989 W. Broad St., Columbus 4, Ohio.

PERSONAL AIDE - P. C.-IN-C. URION W. MACKEY, 417 Ardmore, S. E., Grand Rapids 7, Michigan.

rine Band, under the direction of the spirit of the occasion and the their popular leader, Wm. T. San- audience gave vociferous ap-This popular band or plause. ganization, attendant at Nationand enthusiastic attendance, who fine music rendered by sincere apthe song. The band entered into ren. Floral tributes were placed

Following this concert, in anal Encampments for several years other room in the Auditorium past, are one of the Encampment building the Sons and Auxiliary features, always drawing a large held their memorial service for departed members, in charge of show their appreciation for the the National Chaplains of both organizations. Eulogies were given plause. Their selections include in behalf of deceased members of popular as well as classical ren- the Grand Army of the Republic ditions used to bring out the de- by P. C.-in-C. Ralph R. Barrett; lightful harmony. An unusual to the late National Chaplain, feature during one of the old Rev. U. G. Lacey, and deceased Civil War songs being played oc- members of the Sons by P. C.-incurred when G. A. R. Comrade C. Allan S. Holbrook; to the de-Grate arose to his feet, faced the ceased members of the Auxiliary audience and sang the words of by Past Nat. Pres. Maude E. War-

by the Dept. Presidents and Dept. Commanders.

The usual preliminary meetings held previous to business sessions, Credential Committees, Auditing officials, etc., started Monday morning, along with breakfasts and lunches for past officials and present officers and continued through the three days. On Monday evening occurred the banquet and reception to the Commander-in-Chief of the G. A. R; the dinner of the Past Coms .in-Chief and Past National Presidents of the Sons and Auxiliary; and the exemplification of the Ritual for the Sons by Michigan

Dept. officers.
On Tuesday evening occurred the banquet and reception honoring Com.-in-Chief Moran and Nat. Pres. Joyce; the semi-official meeting in the Civic Auditorium, where all visiting delegations are welcomed and where the heads of all organizations spoke.

On Wednesday evening occur-red the annual parade, partici-pated in this year only by a small number of our organization, partly in uniform, the remainder in civil dress. The weather was inclement, but the Grand Army Comrades were not to be denied and appeared in cars. Several units of the National Guard were in the line. The annual G. A. R. Camp Fire was held at 8:00 o'clock in the Civic Auditorium, addressed by state and local offi-

#### SONS FIRST SESSION

The first business session of the Sons was opened in the Wolverine Room of the Rowe Hotel, at 1:45 o'clock. The regular opening routine was followed. All officers were present except Nat'l Secretary Hammer, who was confined to his home because of sickness. After declaring the Encampment open for business Com.in-Chief Moran read a letter from Nat'l Sec.-Treas. Hammer, offering his resignation from office to take effect Sept. 30.

Past Com.-in-Chief Locke offered the following resolution, which was accepted:

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## GENERAL ORDERS NO. 6

Series 1948

Headquarters

COMMANDERY-IN-CHIEF SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR

> Office of Commander-in-Chief 562 Ely Street ALLEGAN, MICHIGAN

> > November 1, 1948.

THE BANNER

On the 29th day of September, this year, at Grand Rapids, Michgan I was elected and installed Commander-in-Chief of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. I hereby assume command and establish headquarters at 562 Ely Street, Allegan, Michigan.

The officers elected, appointed and installed at the Sixty-seventh Annual Encampment of the Commandery-in-Chief at Grand Rapids, are as appear on page one of this issue. They will be obeyed accord-

#### LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

Chairman, Frank H. Heacock, 134 South 5th Street, Perkasie, Pa.; Vice Chairman, Richard F. Locke, 526 Crescent Boulevard, Glen Ellyn, Ill. Members; Major U. S. Grant 3rd, 7013 Interior Building, Washington, D. C.; Major General Amos A. Fries, 702 Albee Building, 15th and G Streets, Washington, D. C.; Charles F. Sherman, 46 South 4th Avenue, Mt. Vernon, N. Y.

#### COMMITTEE ON G. A. R. HIGHWAY

J. Clark Mansfield, Chairman, 1213 Milton Avenue, Regent Square, Pittsburgh 18, Pa.; John G. Spielman, P. D. C., Chief Engineer, 207 Roswell Ave., Long Beach, Cal.; William F. Nemitz, Jr., 85 Warwick Ave., Stratford, Conn.; John A. Ruggles, P. D. C., 331 Evans Place, Chester, Pa.; Roy J. Bennett, 924 Lcomis Ave., Des Moines, Iowa; W. R. Coffey, 1127 West Colorado Ave., Colorado Springs, Col.; Dr. Ralph R. Barrett, P. C.-in-C., 7118 Rita Ave., Huntington Park. Cal.

#### AMERICANIZATION COMMITTEE

Past Commander-in-Chief Ralph R. Barrett, Chairman, 7118 Rita Ave., Huntington Park, Cal.; Dewey B. Mead, 116 South 12th Street, Minneapolis, Minn.; Parker E. Thornburg, R. No. 3, Muncie, Ind.; Henry Towle, P. C .- in-C., 13 Free Street, South Portland 7, Maine; Michael Casey, Burke, Fairfax, Va.; Julius Isaacs, 2225 Municipal Building, New York, N. Y.; Thomas L. Bufter, 2625 Liberty Heights Ave., Baltimore, Md.

#### MARKING GRAVE COMMITTEE

Bertrand O. DeForrest, Chairman, 27 Homestead Ave., Derby,

## CAMP ELECTIONS AND INSTALLATIONS

These will be in accordance with the provisions of the Regulations. Installation of Camp Officers may be public or private. Joint installation with Auxiliaries or other affiliated Orders is urged where

Installing Officer will immediately report, on Form 22 to Department Headquarters.

#### QUARTERLY REPORTS—PER CAPITA TAX

Commandery-in-Chief books close on the following dates:

October 31st

January 31st.

April 30th July 31st

Reports on Forms 37 and 38 must be forwarded by Department

Secretaries to the National Secretary before these dates. Departments not reporting are subject to suspension.

Camps reinstated, dropped or disbanded must be reported on

All reports must be accompanied by payment of per capita tax. enclosed in the same envelope, addressed to Albert C. Lambert, National Secretary, 2772 S. Broad St., Trenton 10, New Jersey,

Departments will pay per capita tax of ten [10] cents on each member reported in good standing. In ADDITION to the per capita. tax, pay fifty [50] cents membership fee on every new member initiated during the quarter

Camp Commanders, Secretaries and Treasurers will see that their reports, Forms 27 and 28 with per capita tax are forwarded to their Department Headquarters immediately after the end of each quarter.

#### PASSWORD

Upon receipt of Reports, Per Capita Tax, and Membership Fees, Department Secretaries will at once supply Camps with Form 0000-Password-effective January 1, 1949. Do not overlook or delay sending this form to Camps.

#### SUPPLIES

All supplies can now be furnished by National Headquarters with the exception of War Medals which are on order. Revised price lists will be published in the near future.

#### FINANCIAL STATEMENT NO. 1 Report of National Treasurer-October, 1948 GENERAL FUND

October 1, 1948, Balance	.\$1,527.14
Receipts: Per Capita Tax\$ 281.70	
New Members 6.50	
Charter Fee—Ohio 5.00	
Supplies 73.23	
National P. D. C. Association150.00	
Gift from Auxiliary	
One from Adamary	1,016.43
	1,010.43
Disbursements:	\$2,543.57
General Expenses\$1,821.06	
Office Expenses 56.25	
Commander-in-Chief Expense [Chas. Moran] 218.32	
Balance October 30, 1948	
	\$ 447.94
G. A. R. FUND	
October 1, 1948, Balance	\$1,405.19
Edgar M. Linsley, National Patriotic Instructor	684.85
Y	*0.000.04
Dishursements:	\$2,090.04
J. C. Mansfield-Highway Committee Expense\$185.50	
Gift to Grand Army of the Republic 500.00	
Annual Donation to Arlington Hall	
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## 67th ENCAMPMENT

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Whereas, Horace H. Hammer, for fortythree years the National Secretary, and for many years National Treasurer of the Commandery-in-Chief, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, has tendered his resignation effective as of September 30, 1948.

It is, therefore, resolved by the Commandery-in-Chief, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, in regular Encampment assemhereby accepted, with regret.

This resolution was accepted.

The name of Past Com.-in-Chief Albert C. campment. This was accepted by unanimous Arthur W. Robinson, P. D. C., Vt. vote of the Encampment.

Sherman, Mabie and Locke,

Com.-in-Chief Moran announced Encampnent Committee as follows:

Credentials - Allan H. Howland, D. C., Mass., Chairman; Daniel Oblinger, D. C., N. .; John M. Aretz, D. C., Minn.; Allan Spink, P. D. C., Conn.; Robert L. Brown, D. C., Ind.

Resolutions-Henry Towle, P. C.-in-C., Me., Chairman; Perle L. Fouch, P. D. C., Mich.; William O. Fuller, P. D. C., Mass.

Officers' Reports-Richard Locke, P. C.-in-C., Ill., Chairman; John C. Yocum, P. D. C., bled, that the said resignation be and it is Pa.; Cleon Heald, P. D. C., N. H.; Fred Combs,

Constitution and Regulations-H. H. Hale, P. D. C., Mass. P. C.-in-C., Mass. Chairman; Michael G. Lambert was offered as temporary Secretary- Heintz, P. D. C., Ohio; Homer L. Atkins, D. Treasurer, to fill such position during En- C., N. H.; Julius Isaacs, Dept. Sec., N. Y.; man; Urion W. Mackey, P. C.-in-C., Mich.;

Com.-in-Chief Moran named a Committee to P. C.-in-C., N. H., Chairman; Charles L. Mes. C., Mass. draw up suitable resolution on the resignal ser, D. C., N. Y.; L. G. Manoly, D. C., Md.; Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the

tion of Nat. Sec.-Treas. Hammer-P. C.-in-C.'s Walter A. Smith, D. C., Calif. & Pac.; George E. Keech, D. C., Colo. & Wyo. Press-Allan S. Holbrook, P. C.-in-C., Ill.,

Chairman; H. H. Lindsey, N. P. I., Mich. Greetings Committees:

Grand Army of the Republic-Neil D. Cranmer, P. C.-in-C., N. Y., and all Past Commanders-in-Chief.

Woman's Relief Corps-Dr. Ralph R. Barrett, P. C.-in-C., Calif., Chairman; Frank S. Hubbard, D. C., Wis.; Charles B. Martin, P. D. C., Kan.; Roy J. Bennett, P. D. C., Iowa.

Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic -Henry Towle, P. C .- in-C., Me., Chairman; W. F. Hathaway, D. C., Iowa; L. E. Winchell,

Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War-C. LeRoy Stoudt, P. C.-in-C., Pa. Chair-John A. Ruggles, P. D. C., Pa.; James B. Ritual and Ceremonies-J. Kirkwood Craig, Blackman, P. D. C., Ill.; J. W. Emery, P. D.

November, 1948

Civil War-Walter C. Mabie, P. C.-in-C., Pa. Chairman, and all members of the Pennsylvania delegation.

Guide-Wm. C. Rule, Delegate, Mass. Color Bearer-Wm. H. Haskell, P. D. C.

Guard-R. R. Wood, P. D. C., Mich. Musician-P. D. C. Frank Heacock.

The Commander-in-Chief next read his report, which was listened to with interest, was referred to proper committee and a rising vote of thanks given this officer. The printed ed pamphlets were also referred to Committee on Officers' Reports. Extracts from these manner.

reports herewith follow:

REPORT OF COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF

Thirteen months ago, in the City of Cleveland, you elected me to the office of Commander-in-Chief of this organization. I accepted the office, realizing the great responsibilities devolving upon me and my own limitations. I promised you that I would, to the best of my ability, carry out the duties of the office. This I have tried to do.

#### Membership

Our membership continues to decline, and the reason is very apparent-inactivity. If our present organization is to continue to exist, our membership must get back into the harness and work for the Order. I realize that a large majority of our members have reached that age when they no longer have the urge to be as active as they were some years ago. But we have now reached as emergency, the very existence of the Order is at stake, and in memory of him whose record and service for our Country permits us to be members of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, we must renew our activities in behalf of the organization.

At the outset of my year, I spearheaded my articles in The Banner with the motto-"ACTION-NOT WORDS," and that is just what we need and must have Action, the inbring to the front our Order. We do not take part in the civic affairs of our communities When celebrations are being held to commemorate some civic anniversary, we stand on the side lines, instead of being an active participant. You cannot build up the organization unless you can show those outside our ranks that we are an organization that does its part; that we are an organization in reality, not merely on paper.

The following Brothers have reported to me as having secured five or more new members, and entitled to be placed on our Honor Roll. There may be others, if so we were not advised of them:

Rex Allen, Commander Camp 55, Department of Massachusetts.

L. R. E. Johnson, Commander, Camp 15. Department of Massachusetts.

Truman Vincent, Commander Camp 77, Department of New York. Floyd E. Doland, Past Commander Camp

77. Department of New York. C. Edward Wetzel, Commander Department

H. S. Siggelko, P. D. C., Dept. of Wisconsin. Dr. J. O. Smith, P. D. C., Dept. of Wisconsin. My thanks are extended to these Brothers

### Visitations

It would have been nice to have been able to visit all of our Departments, especially their Encampments, but that was impossible. Too many of our Departments meet at the same time, rendering it a physical impossibility to cover them all. If it were possible for Departments in a certain area to arrange that their Encampments be held, not at the same time, but close together, more could be visited.

#### Finances

THE BANNER

The condition of our finances are bad, and that is not due to your officers. We have kept our expenses to a minimum. The finding of money necessary to pay the expenses of the Commandery-in-Chief, has been one of the real troubles of our National Secretary-Treasurer. Something must be done to lower our expenses or raise our income.

#### Officers

I am, deeply grateful to you, for the selection of the Officers that have been my asso-Officers' Reports were then distributed, and clates during the year. Interested, active and by motion the remaining reports in the print- enthusiastic, they performed the various duties assigned to them in a very satisfactory

I would be ungrateful, if I did not speak a few words of our Secretary-Treasurer, Brother Horace H. Hammer. I realize how true the statements made by my predecessors of the assistance he gave to them. In ill health his thoughts have been always for the Order appreciated.

On July 5th the Supreme Commander called our Chaplain home. Brother U. G. Lacey was his associates.

## Junior Order

In my visits to the various Encampments I have been asked why the idea of a Junior Order has been sidetracked. It seems to me that if some of the Departments believe such a Junior Order would help them, they should be permitted to try it, and I would therefor recommend that we establish a Junior Order, to us: and that a committee be appointed by the incoming Commander-in-Chief to make the necessary rules for its operation.

#### The Banner

Past Commander-in-Chief Allan S. Holbrook, Editor of The Banner, has been of ma- Richart, P. D. C. terial assistance to me. It has been proven to my satisfaction that our members do read The Banner. When I asked for the members to advise me of certain monuments erected jection of which into our Camps, will again prior to a certain date, I received replies from considerable number of them. The Banner is a necessity and it is our only way of contact with the membership.

#### The Reserve

It was my pleasure to attend the Encampnent of the Pennsylvania Reserve at Camp H. H. Hammer, in Reading, Pennsylvania, I found their enthusiasm of the highest, and morale fine. I believe that it is a help in keeping the younger members in the Order. Colonel Stoudt and his associates are doing a fine job for the Order.

## Grand Army of the Republic

What can we say of this noble organization that hasn't been said in the past-the organitry is an example for us to follow. Their deeds and services in time of war and in peace are history, and today with their ranks the words of Past Commander In-Chief W. T. Church at our 36th Annual Encampment:

he American people."

Cora E. Gillis, Secretary to the Grand Army sistance. She has done a lot of work for us.

### Allied Ordders

Corps; Mrs. Irene Mangle, of the Ladies of of the Republic. the Grand Army of the Republic, and Mrs. I will soon turn over the command to my very diligent in their work, and rendered to our beloved Order. I appreciate the oppor-

me considerable assistance. The many courtesies they extended to me and the Order are appreclated.

#### Our Auxiliary

No Commander-in-Chief ever had a finer co-worker than I have had in Mrs. Katharine L. Joyce, National President of our Auxiliary. She has been a real leader and an incessant worker for her organization and ours No mere words of mine can express my appreciation for her assistance.

The Grand Army of the Republic Highway Capt. J. Clark Mansfield and his associates have performed a very fine piece of work for the Grand Army of the Republic Highway. There are only two states left to have legislative approval, in naming this highway; then from the Atlantic to the Pacific it will be the

#### Legislative Committee

Grand Army of the Republic Highway.

When it was brought to my attention that the War Department had decided to dispose he loves. His assistance and co-operation to of Forts Sumter and Moultrie as surplus, I me have been gratefully received and deeply heartily agreed with the Sons of the Confederacy to oppose such a plan. Our Departments and Camps were instructed to contact the various members of both Houses of Cona real enthusiastic member and is missed by gress, and voice their disapproval. The result will be given in the Legislative Committee's report. Our thanks are due to the Sons of the Confederacy in bringing it to the attention of our organization.

#### Necrology

A large number of members of the Commandery-in-Chief have passed to the Great Beyond. The following have been reported

Rev. U. G. Lacey, National Chaplain. Connecticut Department-H. E. Gage, P. D.

C.; Robert Alcorn, P. D. C.; L. B. Gregory, P. D. C. Indiana-A. W. McDaniel, P. D. C.; F L.

Jowa-Denver T. Howe, P. D. C.

Maine-Clarence H. Cram. Past Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief.

Maryland-Druid Evans, P. D. C.; Charles Colfax Long, P. D. C.

Massachusetts-Chester A. White, P. D. C. Michigan-F. J. McMurtrie, P. D. C. New Hampshire-Bert L. Craine, P. D. C. Pennsylvania - J. M. Smith, P. D. C .; J. Edward Seipp, P. D. C.; Walter E. Smith, P.

D. C.; Andrew J. Hascher, P. D. C. Ohio-E. Howard Gilkey, Past Grand Division Commander.

Oregon-L. S. Hopfield, P. D. C. Vermont-C. J. Smith, P. D. C.

All were true members of the Order whose passing will be missed.

My Brothers, the need of our organization is greater today than ever before. The condition that confronts our Country is such that zation of our Fathers. Their loyalty to Coun- requires the efforts of every person who believes in the American form of Government.

Communism is not a fallacy, but a reality; fellow travelers and communists have infildepleted, they are almost a memory I repeat trated into our government. Candidates for high office openly admit that they want their support, and to get that support they accept "The Grand Army of the Republic can the ideology and dogmas of the Soviet Union. never die, but will live on through all the fu- It is our duty as descendants of the men who ure, raised in immortality in the hearts of saved the Union in the days of 1861 to 1865, to oppose by every means the traitors who I wish to extend my appreciation to Miss would sell out our Country and tear down our Government, as did their associates in the Euof the Republic, for her co-operation and as- ropean Countries in World War Number II.

We can do this only by building up our organization; have the numerical strength It has been a pleasure to work with the that will count, and when we accomplish that National Presidents of the Allied Orders: Mrs. we can truly state that we have builded a Grayce L. Vedetta, of the Woman's Relief memorial to the memory of the Grand Army

Anna B. Dolan, of the Daughters of Union successor, and return back to the ranks, with Veterans of the Civil War. They have been renewed vigor to work for the upbuilding of of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. Printed by Dustin & Holbrook, Dwight, Ill.

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tunity you gave me for service. If I have been able to do anything towards the rekindling of the fire of devotion to the service of our Order, I am content. My appreciation to all members who have assisted in any way, towards the advancement of the Order. -Chas. H. E. Moran, Commander-in-Chief.

#### REPORT OF SR. VICE COM. IN CHIEF

When I left my home in Baltimore, Mary land, on August 10, 1947, little did I realize that I would today be giving an account of my stewardship as Senior Vice Commanderin-Chief of our beloved Order, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, of America.

It was an honor to the Maryand Department, and to me personally, to be elevated to this National Office, which I now hold, and which I soon will pass on to my successor. I regret that I have accomplished so little.

Having been installed into office by Past Commander-in-Chief, Brother John E. Sautter,, our thoughts were turned toward our

On Sept. 8, 1947, I visited my own Camp and was received as a National Officer; on to assist wherever possible. Sept. 30, 1947, I visited the James A. Garfield Auxiliary No. 1, Baltimore, Maryland; on Nov. 27, 1947, we celebrated Veterans' Night senting a 50-year Membership Badge to Past Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief Harry L. Strieb, of Garfield Camp No. 1. On Jan. 6, 1948, I accepted an invitation to Appointation Camp No. 2, Wilmington, Delaware, Here I acted as Installing Officer. Nov. 28, 1947, I had the pleasure of mustering a new member into William B. Cushing Camp No. 30. Washington, D. C.

On Feb. 14, 1948, I was honored by attending the Lincoln Day Dinner in Philadelphia, Pa., which I enjoyed very much. At this dinner I met our Commander-in-Chief, Charles United States located in the State of Ohio on H. E. Moran, also the National President of the anniversary of their birth. There are five the Auxiliary, Mrs. Katharine Joyce, of Pitts of these in Ohio and the custom is still being

On April 19, 1948, I accepted an invitation to attend the 50th Anniversary of Appomattox Camp No. 2, Wilmington, Delaware,

It was a pleasure to represent my Commander-in-Chief, Charles H. E. Moran, at our 62nd Department Encampment of the Maryland Department, held in Washington, D. C., May 7-8, 1948.

Now that my term of office is nearing a close, I wish at this time to express my thanks to all for your confidence in me and electing me to the office of Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief of our Order.

Moran, it has been a pleasure to have worked partment. The Camp would bill the cost of with you in this office. This year that has the floral tribute to their Department. The now past memories will long last as the day exercises in each instance should be covered and years come and go and reminding us of with proper publicity. our association together. To you- I trust In closing, I desire to express my sincere able Encampment, and may God in his great wisdom bless you and keep you in the great ed me to serve our beloved Order in this cawork that lies ahead. - Thomas L. Bufter, pacity. - W. C. Thobaben, Junior Vice Com-Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief.

### REPORT OF JR. VICE COM.-IN-CHIEF

As nearly a year has passed since my ele vation to the office of Junior Vice Command. er-in-Chief, it becomes my duty to submit a report of my activities during that term.

My first official visit was at Alliance, Ohio. on Oct. 25, 1947, where I attended a recention tendered to the Department Officers of all of My Dear Commander-in-Chief: the allied organizations, headed by Comrade John H. Grate, Department Commander of the Grand Army of the Republic. This occasion was also attended by the National President of our Auxillary, Sister Katharine Joyce give you the vital statistics, to be presented of Pittsburgh, together with her Personal to the National Encampment. Alde, Miss Clara Lewis.

On Jan. 10 and 11 I attended the Mid-Win ter Conference of the Ohlo Department at Co lumbus. Ohio. A well attended and enthr siastic meeting

In accordance with your request I attend ed the Encampment of the Department of Ir. diana, held at Elkhart, June 4, 5, 6 This was a fine gathering and a credit to our Order.

June 20 to 24, I attended the Encampmen of the Ohio Department, held at Columbus, C I am highly pleased and proud to be able t report that this Encampment was the best i attendance in recent years.

At both the Elkhart and Columbus Encomponents. In addition to attending the sea sions of our Order. I visited each of the affile ated organizations, extending your persona greetings and expressing the very best wishes of the Commandery-in-Chief.

The thought that I attempted to carry to all was, that with the passing of the Grand Army of the Republic and the resulting loss of their noble leadership, the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War stood ready and willing to assume the responsibility of co-or dination of their efforts and of our readiness

Knowing as I do of many worthwhile ac complishments of some of the Camps, but little known by the public. I attempted to im in a joint meeting. I had the pleasure of pre- press upon the brothers, the need for increased publicity and urged them to let the world know that they are proud of their heritage and of their membership in the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War,

> As we mingle with our daily associates, let them know that we are proud to be a memher of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil General Fund [Checking Account]

In 1930, while serving as Department Commander of the Department of Ohio, I established the custom of placing a wreath annually upon the tomb of each ex-president of the observed. Publicity has been very good, even to the point of having received recognition in the New York Times. As a patriotic move it has served the purpose of impressing upon the public the birthdays of our Presidents.

I desire to offer the following recommenlation:

That the Commandery-in-Chief, through the National Patriotic Instructor, assume the re sponsibility for establishing the foregoing pro gram on a national basis, delegating the task to each Department. The Department in turn would assign the duty of executing same to the Camp or Camps nearest to the burial place of the departed President. Said Camp To my Commander-in-Chief, Charles H. E. to place a wreath in the name of their De-

that you will have a very pleasant and profit- thanks and depest appreciation for the honor bestowed upon me, and the opportunity afford- ful Encampment in Grand Rapids.

#### REPORT OF NATIONAL SECRETARY. TREASURER

[As given at Encampment] September 20, 1948.

Mr. Charles H. E. Moran. Commander-in-Chief.

Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

Herewith is presented a condensed report of the National Secretary-Treasurer for the 1947-1948 Term. A detailed report is not presented because of serious illness; but this will

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Receipts and disbursements cover the entire term August 7, 1947, to September 10,

	Balance in checking account as per
	letter of Reading Trust Co. [ See
	1947 Proceedings, Page 98]\$1,241.19
	Total Receipts for year [as per bank
	deposits] 8,060,80
i	\$9,301.99

Disbursements for period from Aug. 7, 1947 to Sept. 10, 1948 .... \_. 7,776.85

Balance in checking account Sept. 10. 1948 \$1.525.14 [As per bank statement, and letter

from bank-two checks outstand-

#### G. A. R. Fund [Savings Account] Balance in account, June 30, 1947 ..... \$1,173.07 Total Receipts \_\_\_\_\_ 232.12 Balance, June 30, 1948\_\_\_\_\_\$1,405.19 U. S. Government Bonds:

Balance, June 30, 1947 .... Balance-June 30, 1948 [the same amount, as there were no additions to or deductions from this account.

To the National Officers, the respective Department Officers and members, I express my appreciation for their courtesies, favors and co-operation; and wish for you a very success-

> Respectfully submitted in F. C. & L., H. H. HAMMER, National Secretary-Treasurer.

#### REPORT OF NATIONAL PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR

I have the honor to submit to you the following report, based upon the material forwarded to me by the Department Patriotic Instructors of the various Departments.

I was loath to accept the office of National Patriotic Instructor but was encouraged to do so by Past Commander-in-Chief U W. Mackey, and he has been of great assistance to me in concluding the work, and I greatly appreciate his heln.

The most of my time has been spent in supplying articles for The Banner, and answering correspondence. My effort has been placed Frank P. Gentieu, Richardson Park; Frank C. upon increasing the membership, encouraging the observance of Patriotic Days, raising money for the G. A. R. Fund, and accomplishing the objectives outlined in the Patri- printed by Hambleton Printing Co., and disotic Instructors Report Blanks.

The G. A. R. Fund has not come up to my desire, but there is a fairly good amount, and we must abide by the result.

The Reports have been interesting and encouraging, and I thank the Camp Patriotic rate graves of Civil War Veterans. They also Instructors and Department Patriotic Instructors, for their interest and co-operation in preparing them. While there has been much work done, the Reports show a falling off of the Sons organization, and there should be a strong effort made to build up the Order.

I have carefully perused all of the Reports, and I consider our organization is in a fairly good condition. Of course, there is much room for improvement, but under the conditions that attend our organization we should be very thankful to the faithful who work so hard to better our Order.

After consolidating the Department Patri otic Reports, I can sympathize with Secretary Hammer in the extensive and splendid conduct of his work,and with Editor Holbrook in editing The Banner. I do appreciate Brother Holbrook's help in editing my articles for The Banner - Edgar M. Linsley, National Patriotic Instructor.

#### Reported Activities in Departments

California & Pacific - J. Sidney Bechtel. Days observed: Washington's and Lincoln's Birthdays, Memorial Day, Flag Day. Suggestions: There is a religious sect known as Jehovah's Witnesses who presumptiously class the Flag as an idol and refuse to salute it, yet demand all the rights under its protection. I would be glad to inform anyone interested in the Scriptures how to expose their presumptions.

Colorado & Wyoming-S. S. VanBuskirk. Memorial Day, Lincoln's and Washington's Birthdays, Veterans Night.

Connecticut-Pearl L. Chamberlain. Days observed: Lincoln's and Washington's Birthdays, Appomattox Day, Dedication Day, Speakers: Lt. Col. Arthur C. Bennett, Maj. Charles H. Sprague, P. D. C. Earnest E. Barnum, C. Harry Curtiss, O. Curtiss, P. C. C. M. K. Blackwell, Judge Paul L. Miller, Judge Frank L. Wilder, Judge Carl Foster, Peter J. Ring, Jr., P. D. C. Robert C. C. Smith, 133 Hawthorne Ave., Hartford, school speaker and radio program Suggestions: Have Police Dept, refuse any permits to venders, and keep all such venders and peddlers away from the line of march on Memorial Day; this was done in Bridgeport with great success, which made the Day a day of reverence, in stead of a gala day as in the past; also have interesting programs by teaching true Ameri can history in the schools, and what it means to them. Hold interesting meetings, with speakers, etc. Having an up-to-date paper printed, such as the American Legion, even at an extra cost to the members, and having mailing lists rechecked.

Washington's Birthdays, Memorial Sunday, Grant's Birthday, Memorial Sunday, Columnand Memorial Day, Speakers: P. D. C. Wil. bus Day, Constitution Day, Veterans Night,

liam H. Cressey, Westbrook; Dept. Com. Clar- Army Day, V-J Day, Union Defenders Day, ence P. Renell, Portland; P. D. C. Charles C. Webster, Sanford, and P. D. C. Albert De-Haven, Sanford.

Maryland - William N. Suter. Days observed: Lincoln's and Washington's Birthdays, Memorial Day, Appomattox Day, Veterans Day, and Armistice Day. Speakers: Sr. V. Com.-in-Chief Thomas L. Bufter, Baltimore; P. D. C. Gurnon R. Scott, P. D. C. Samuel J. Darrah, P. N. Chap Miss Bertha Rannels, and Jas. E. Handy, Wilmington; S. F. Hubert, E. W. Mason, Edward Neal, Delaware City; Conner, Wilmington. Suggestions: Frank P. Gentleu wrote an article which currently appears in "Spare Time," a small publication tributed to hotels, restaurants, theatres, etc. This article is two and one-half pages long, with several appropriate pictures, and tells of the history of Memorial Day, The school children are asked to supply flowers, and decohave a representative group in the parade. and furnished an escort for other floats. In for other organizations, and served as messengers whenever needed. All of the high school bands were very co-operative and turned out in full force.

The Memorial Day activities were excellently covered by radio stations with the following carrying part or all of the ceremonies: WDEL, WAMS, WILM.

Michigan - Fred Hammond, Speakers: P C.-in-C. U. W. Mackey, Dept. Com. Walter H. Brooks, N. P. I. Edgar Linsley, Grand Rapids; S. R. Hammond, Jackson. Days observed: Lincoln's and Washington's Birthdays, Memorial Day.

Missouri-Perry A. Brubaker. Days observed: Lincoln's and Washington's Birth. days, Memorial Day, July 4th, Armistice Day

New Hampshire-Ralph R. Dudley. Days observed: Memorial Day, July 4th, Armistice Day. Speakers: P. D. C. Wm. T. John, P. C. in-C. J. Kirkwood Craig, D. D., Manchester: P P. I. William H. Rittenburg, D. D., Canadia. New Jersey-Willard S. Bryan. Days ob-

served: Memorial Day, Dedication Day. Speakers: P. D. C. Herman Schroeder, Fred Williams, P. D. C. Fred Hansen, Henry Lowe, Benjamin Hook, William T. Pierson, Willard S. Bryan, William T. Bryan, John Broemel, Wm. B. Wharton, Russell F. Black, P. D. C. Harrison Williams, Hon, Fred Hartley, Hon William Huck, P. C .- in-C. Albert Lambert, P. D. C. Edward R. Shaw, Dept. Com. Vincent Hayden, Robert L. Gerks.

Ohio-Campbell M. Voorhees. Days observed: Lincoln's and Washington's Birthdays, Memorial Day, Dedication Day, Veterans Night. One discourtesy to Flag reported

Oregon-Frederick K. Davis. Days observed: Feb. 12th and Nov. 14th. Speakers: E. W. Buchanan, Frederick K. Davis, Eugene; E. W. Madison, Portland, Many good recommendations appear in The Banner from time to time. Without two or three enterprising leaders in a Camp it is likely to dwindle in numbers and activity, and many Camps lack such leaders. The vigor of the Auxiliary is a big factor in keeping Camps lively.

Modern conditions plus recent wars make t almost impossible to interest young people in a Civil War organization. The death of members therefore inevitably brings distressing decrease in our membership.

Pennsylvania-George W. F. Hohe. Days observed: Memorial Day, Lincoln's and Washington's Birthday, Armistice Day, Flag Day, Maine - Lewis G. Morris. Lincoln's and Appomation Day, July 4th, Dedication Day,

Citizen's Day, I Am An American Day, Speakers: Francis A. McWilliams, Herman Poehler, Jacob P. M. Steiger, W. M. Romick, Fred Edelman, Lewis C. Riebel, Sr., Francis E. Larkin, V. Rev. F. Boney, John E. Larkin, Bary School, Wm. S. Adkins, Rev. Elmer H. Finger, Richard C. Partington, Dept. Chap., Col. Edwin J. Prittie, Walter C. Mabie, Edgar C. Clymer, James Donegan, William Kearney and George W. S. Johnson, Sr., Philadelphia; Com. H. G. Hulson, P. D. Jeremiah Johnson P. D. C. Maynard C. Huber, Arthur W. Noll, P. D. C., Allentown; John P. Hollman, Frank Hemminger, John C. Runkle, Coleman B. Mark Charles B. Crossley, John H. Runkle, Charles H. Honich, Harrisburg; Hon, Harvey Gross, P. C., York, P. D. C. John A. Ruggles, David R. Perry, P. C. Merrill F. Hummel, P. C. Clarence D. McGregor, Carlisle; P. C.-in-C. John E. Sautter, Sharpsburg; P. D. C. Frank M Heacock, Wm. E. Roberts, Hon. A. D. MacDade, Wm. E. Griffith, Media; Edgar M. Post, A. M. Bredhenner, Wilkes-Barre; George W. F. Hohe, D. P. I., Emmaus; Hon. Herbert F. Laub, Rev. Hugh Kempar, Geo. F. Coffin, Jr., Hon. Carlton Woodring, Easton; Carl The Boy Scouts of America entered a float Ruhe, Wm C. Elliott, Jr., Charles A. Locke, Harry W. McClure, A. R. DeLancey, Hon. A. addition, they entered several Color Guards L. Wolk, Hon. W. Heber Dithrich, W. J. Blakeley, Oscar Taylor, J. Clark Mansfield, Willie Reutzel, Pittsburgh. It was reported that a parochial school refused permission to give a Memorial Day talk in, stating that it was unnecessary, that the Civil War was too far back to remind the children and that the dead should be allowed to rest. It is unfortunate that people of that character are in charge of our schools system. At a recent commencement a girl refused to stand during the rendition of the "Star Spangled Banner." It is unfortunate for children to be made the victim of such religious fanaticism. Suggesions: More publicity, patriotic rallies, and public meetings, get-together meetings between Camps, radio addresses from time to time, public gatherings, band concerts, picnics of Camps, organization of Boys' Clubs including non-eligible members to combat juvenile delinquency, organization of a Sons of Veterans Naval Reserve. Make The Banner a real magazine, even if a subscription price is necessary, get the Camp membership into the traditional and organize the Reserve in each Camp, and make the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War an organization functioning 52 weeks of the year. Rhode Island - Kenneth T. Morgan. Days

observed: Nov. 19th, Feb. 12th, John Barry Day. Speakers: Rev. I. F. Haven, P. D. C. Frank P. Reavy, Com. Charles Senior, Providence; P. D. C. Harry J. Geer, Hoxie; Fred Shreves, Pawtucket.

Wisconsin - Edward Frederick. Memorial Day, Lincoln's and Washington's Birthdays, and others.

#### Complete Report of National G. A. R. Fund Department of California & Pacific.....\$ 7.00 Department of Connecticut Department of Colorado \_\_\_\_\_ Department of Illinois \_\_\_ Department of Indiana \_\_\_ Department of Iowa ..... Department of Kansas \_ 20.00 Department of Maryland -Department of Massachusetts . Department of Michigan \_ 83 00 Department of Minnesota 15.00 Department of New Jersey .... 42.00 Department of New York \_ Department of Ohio \_\_\_ Department of Oregon 10.00 Department of Pennsylvania 119.60 Department of Rhode Island\_ 35.00 Department of Vermont 11 00 1.00 Department of Wisconsin .....

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## REPORT OF NATIONAL COUNSELOR

I herewith submit my report as National Counselor.

During the year I received quite a number of requests from individual members, Camps and Departments asking for decisions or opin-

To many of the above I referred them to the Article and Section of the C. & R. which covered their questions

To those who wanted a ruling on any particular question, I referred them to Article V. Section 8, page 36, of the C. & R., and insisted that no opinion would be given by this office unless first submitted to the Commander-in-Chief, and by him to this office,

Three such opinions have been asked for by you as Commander-in-Chief, and were answered as follows:

#### OPINION NO. 1-

Henry Harnden Camp No. 2, Department of Wisconsin, Proposition No. 1, relative as to when a new member shall start paying dues .....

Answer: This is surely a Camp matter, they can charge what they want and collect it when they want, BUT they must pay per capita tax to their Department on all members reported for the Quarter.

#### OPINION NO. 2-

Henry Harnden Camp No. 2, Department of Wisconsin, Proposition No. 2, relative to Honorary Members .....

Answer: This means a change in the Constitution and can only be acted upon by complying with Article VIII of the Constitution.

#### OPINION NO. 3-

Department of New Hampshire, relative to rights of a Camp in Issuing a Transfer Card. Answer: I would refer you to Article II, Section 5, page 10, of the Constitution and Regulations, Edition of 1939:

"Section 5. A Member holding a Camp or Department Transfer is not entitled to the pass-word nor can he be admitted to any Camp or Encampment during its sessions unless given permission by vote of said Camp or Encampment. He is a member of the Order for the purposes of discipline only, and shall be considered honorably discharged if the card is not DEPOSITED WITH AND ACCEPTED BY SOME CAMP within a year.'

According to this, the ONLY way a member holding a Transfer could come back into his old Camp or any other Camp, is by his DEPOSITING his Transfer and the ACCEPT-ANCE of his Transfer by the Camp in which deposited.

#### DUAL OFFICE HOLDING-

During the year this office answered numerous letters as to when and how the law was passed forbidding dual office holding and my answer in all cases was that only reference to this was in the opinion given by Past Commander-in-Chief Church, acting as National Counselor, at the National Encampment held in Indianapolis, Aug. 27, 1946, page 39. Proceedings, "... we must insist that the office of Camp Commander should be vacated when the incumbent is promoted to the responsible position of Department Command

I can find no record of any action being taken by the Encampment on this opinion

In closing this report may I thank you for tained. the opportunity of again serving as a National Officer and for the many personal courtesies extended .- Walter C. Mabie, National ciation for the honor of the appointment.-C. Counselor.

#### REPORT OF NATIONAL CITIEF-OF-STAFF

The following is a brief report covering my activities as Chief-of-Staff, during the past

The principal source of endeavor was the mit the following report. answering of letters relative to information concerning the procurement of rifles being of the Republic Highway markers in position way into Pennsylvania, informing motorists

## Commander-in-Chief's Message

To the Officers and Members of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War:

First your Commander-in-Chief desires to express his gratitude for having been chosen your Commander-in-Chief and desires to tell you that he will establish his headquarters at 562 Ely St., Allegan, Mich.

We as Sons of Union Veterans surely have not forgotten our promise to our Fathers that we would tell the story when the Boys in Blue were gone; that we the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War would keep green and potent the memory and history of the Grand Army of the Republic, during all the years of our existence as an order. Now when the Grand Army has determined to quit in the coming year. I desire that every one of us do all we can to have that determination changed, and that the GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC remain until the last man. Further that we completely fulfill our promises to them and meet their dying desires of us, in the coming years. Let us not forget our heritage as Sons

of the rank and file of that wonderful army that went forward to the South Land in the sixties with the courage and determination that they would succeed in their undertaking, not only in putting down the Rebellion, but to wipe out traffic in human flesh. I hereby proclaim for each member of our Order the same courage and determination here and now, with the same willingness to serve and gain such heights as did our Fathers, and that we as an Organization will and shall always stand for Country and humanity, free institutions, the home or homes of our American Fam

Therefore I feel sure that none of you will have any objection to my expectations, that we with the same courage and determination as had our Father's go forward this year and do our utttermost for the success of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War Remember, Brothers determination has always won.

To Commander-in-Chief Theodore A. Pentland of the G. A. R., we extend our sincere congratulations. We pledge our utmost loyalty to him and his comrades, not only now but for the rest of their days.

To the newly elected heads of the Allied Orders we extend congratulations and promise to work in harmony with them, with the sincere desire of furthering our common cause.

PERLE L. FOUCH, Commander-in-Chief.

donated to certain designated organizations. by the United States Government, A number of forms were furnished to those interested, and I know of quite a few Camps that have obtained their ten rifles. I likewise know of instances where a Camp and its Reserve Unit each received their allotment of rifles.

I am now in touch with Past Commanderin-Chief Mackey, relative to his obtaining sleeping quarters for men of the Reserve who cannot afford to pay for rooms at a hotel. It is hoped that satisfactory results can be ob-

I wish to take this opportunity to express Department of Highways Seal. to the Commander-inChlef my sincere appre-LeRoy Stoudt, Chief-of-Staff.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC HIGHWAY

the Republic Highway, has the honor to sub-

on U. S. Route 6 from the New York state line to the California state line, except in the State of Ohio. All states have now erected markers except Utah and Nevada with Pennsylvania authorized.

UTAH: In 1947 the Utah Senate passed a Bill designating U.S. Route 6 the Grand Army of the Republic Highway, but too late to obtain similar action in the House. The Legislature will again be in session in 1949 when favorable results are expected.

NEVADA: It was not learned until Nov. 3, 1947, and with some consternation, that the Nevada Legislature had adopted a resolution memorializing the Congress of the United States to change the name of U. S. 6 Roosevelt Highway ... to U. S. 6 Veterans Memorial Highway" in honor of the veterans of all wars. The action of the Legislature directed that "copies of this memorial be sent to all members of the Congressional delegation from the State of Nevada, and to the chairman of the House and Senate committees on military affairs in such Congress."

No mention whatever was made in the resolution of the Grand Army of the Republic Highway. It was feared for a time that the Congress might consider some adverse legislation in the absence of the facts. A visit was made to Washington, D. C., where the subject was placed before the two Senators and Representatives from Nevada with satisfactory results.

Owing to the opposition from the Nevada Legislature, the situation in that state is disturbing. The condition is further complicated because no organization of the Sons of Union Veterans exisits in Nevada. But with favorable action expected next year in Utah, the State of Nevada cannot hold out very long as the only state showing resistance to the Grand Army of the Republic Highway.

PENNSYLVANIA: A Joint Resolution was adopted by the Legislature in 1937, recommending to the Highway Department that U. S. Route 6 be named the Grand Army of the Republic Highway, but no action was taken. Effective June 1, 1945, Act 428 was passed by the Legislature reading in part:

"The Secretary [of Highways] is hereby authorized to designate, by letter or to name or number, State Highways \* \* \* in such manner as, in his discretion, will best accommodate and inform the traveling public using the highways,'

Under the provisions of this act U.S. Route 322 was named and effectually indicated, throughout by signs reading "28th Division Highway.'

For the benefit of the record the following significant order is quoted:

#### Order for the naming of the GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC HIGHWAY

I, RAY F. SMOCK, Secretary of Highways of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, by virtue of the authority of Section 204 of Act No. 428, approved June 1, 1945, do hereby name the State highway legislative routes, or sections of routes, which make up the highway known as United States Route 6 within this Commonwealth, the GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC HIGHWAY.

Witness my hand and the seal of the Department of Highways this 24th day of May, 1948. [Signed] Ray F. Smock,

Secretary of Highways.

The press release from Harrisburg, Pa., dated May 25, 1948, stated that Governor James H. Duff had approved the designation of U. S. Route 6, as the Grand Army of the The National Committee, Grand Army of Republic Highway. According to the newspapers the Secretary of Highways had announced "that signs will be erected at the Three years ago there were no Grand Army New York and Ohio entrances of the highof the designation. On Aug. 5, 1948, Secre- REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MARKING as chairman of this all-important committee, tary Smock stated over the long distance tele phone, that the two signs would be of "conspicuous size" and that he would discuss with your chairman the question of additional markers

the name of U. S. Route 6 was accomplished with the co-operation of the Roosevelt Highway Association of Pennsylvania as attested which has just ended. by the following communication dated, Scranton, Pa., May 25, 1948:

Dear Mr. Mansfield:

November, 1948

At a meeting of officers and directors of the Roosevelt Highway Association held at Wells- the work is well in hand, but that much reboro on Friday, May 21, the enclosed resolution was unanimously adopted.

I am sending this to you and asking you to forward same to the G. A. R. Highway As. partments of Iowa, Kansas, Maine, New sociation Headquarters.

#### Very truly vours

## J. H. BRANDAMORE, Secretary,

"Resolved, that the Officers and Board of Directors of the Roosevelt Highway Association of Pennsylvania have no objection to the designation of U.S. 6 in Pennsylvania as the G. A. R. Highway by the Governor and the Highway Department of the State, in view of the fact that this action has been taken by all but three states through which U. S. 6 passes.

"It is the desire of the Roosevelt Highway Association of Pennsylvania to co-operate in this contemplated naming of the highway."

Hugh W. Dale, President of the Roosevelt Highway Association, informed your chairman in Wellsboro, Pa., July 24, 1948, that the Roosevelt Highway Association would continue to use that name for the time being, as the Association had been in active existence under that name for twenty-three years.

by the united efforts of the Allied Orders, but Civil War Veterans, long since departed, which special and signal recognition must be accorded Anna I. Stoudt, Department President stone whatever. It is on this great unfinishof the Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, and to Lillie E. Lukens, Department President of the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civili War 1861-1865. of the G. A. R., assisted effectively at an sent out from this office to all Department opportune time. The personal influence of Chairmen and other members actively en-Major John A. Ruggles, P. D. C., was a factor gaged in this work. The columns of The Banof great importance. The enthusiasm and en- ner have been utilized to explain to our memcouragement of Dept. Com. John A. Yocum were always in evidence.

The Department Encampments of the American Legion and United Spanish War from this office, answering inquirles, search-Veterans both passed resolution unanimously. requesting the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to designate U. S. Route 6, the Grand Army of the Republic Highway.

The progress in recent years was greatly helped by an article in the Highway Magazine of October, 1946, written by Past Department Commander John G. Spielman, of Caliappointed Chief Engineer of the Grand Army of the Republic Highway by Commander-in-Chief Charles H. E. Moran.

The Grand Army of the Republic Highway is an accomplishment for the ages. It is a has only just been inauguarated and in the ed fire on Fort Sumter, and after a bombardmagnet of magnificent proportions and should be the beacon light to attract and summon co-operation of the entire membership is The attack on Fort Sumter had a galvanic many eligibles to the banners of the affiliated Orders. There are duties to perform; to see that the highway is continually improved that the markers are kept in good condition and that traffic over the highway is stimu lated: that publicity and more publicity is obtained for this great memorial, in honor of our heroic forbears who saved the Union.

The activities of the Committee were electrifled from time to time by the inspiration of the Commander-in-Chief, throughout a busy year .- J. Clark Mansfield, Chairman.

# GRAVES

knowledge of forward progress and actual accomplishment in the great task of marking co-operation for which I am most grateful. leged to submit to you the annual report of of many of our members has made it so.

A survey conducted during the year among the Department Chairmen of Grave Marking and other outstanding members in this field of endeavor, reveals to this Committee that mains to be done until the ultimate completion of the task is realized. Especially encouraging were the reports received from the De-Hampshire, Vermont and Connecticut, where the work is progressing under capable super-There are many phases of this work of reg-

istration and proper marking of veterans' graves, some of which consume time in their fulfillment and require patient and continued attention. The otherwise simple details encounter the slow moving procedure through the regular channels in State or Federal departments necessary for obtaining headstones. for example. This is sometimes true in the taining war service records, where recourse ment records. Thus, it may ofttimes appear that little is being accomplished along the lines of completing this job. There may be too, a trend of opinion that because so few Union Veterans of the Civil War remain, that end. But reports received from many sections The success in Pennsylvania was achieved erally hundreds upon hundreds of graves of are as yet unmarked by any sort of headed task that your Committee has concentrated its efforts during the past term.

Applications for Federal stones, together with full and complete information relative bership the process of registering and marking veterans' graves. And a ream of correspondence has been continually pouring forth ing and providing records, and offering suggestions designed to be helpful in the successful pursuit of our objectives in this work, However, to one who since an early age has made this work a hobby, this busy routine becomes a pleasant occupation.

fornia. In recognition of his service he was graves of the general officers and outstanding was approved April 28, 1948. nationally-known heroes of the great Civil War 1861-1865, and it is expected that this Harbor derives its significance from the imfile will prove to be not only useful, but of portant part it played in the Civil War. On historical importance to our Order. .This file April 12, 1861, the Confederate batteries opencompilation of the data it is to contain, the ment of 36 hours the Fort was surrendered. urged and more, is necessary.

much useful statistical information concerning April 15, 1861, President Lincoln issued a call the work of grave marking throughout the for 75,000 volunteers and declared the coast Commandery-in-Chief is now held by your of the Confederacy under blockade. The peo-Committee Chairman as a part of the prop- ple of the seceded States responded to an aperties of the National Organization for future peal for 100,000 men. study and use by this Committee, its succeeding chairman, and available to our membership in general.

It has been a privilege and an honor to standards established for such areas have been selected to serve our beloved Order | The bill to make Ft. Sumter site a National

and I wish to take this opportunity to thank It is with considerable satisfaction in the you for your confidence in my ability in appointing me to serve as such, and for your and recording veterans' graves throughout Every moment of my work in this position It is pleasing to report that the change in our several Departments, that I am privi- has been a pleasure. The splendid assistance this committee's stewardship for the term And my appreciation is extended particularly to the following brothers, who have helped in a large measure to promote this work in their respective Departments: W. F. Hathaway, Iowa; Charles B. Martin of Kansas; Charles C. Webster of Maine; Jackson C. Carr of New Hampshire; and G. A. LaDuke of Vermont.

I heartily recommend that this important ommittee be continued and be made one of the permanent committees of the Commandery-in-Chief.

The expenditure of \$25.00 has been necesary for postage, ditto-copy work, and typing, Bertrand O. DeForest, P. D. C., National Chairman.

## REPORT OF LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

The undersigned, constituting the Legislaive Committee, respectfully submit the following as their report.

We understand that a report was made to the 52nd Annual Convention of the Sons of Confederate Veterans, held in Chattanooga, case of the methods taken in research for ob. Tenn., on Oct. 8, 1947, to the effect that it was the intention of the War Department to turn is taken to State or Federal military depart- over the sites of old Forts Sumter and Moultrie, in the Charleston Harbor, to the War Assets Administration to be sold to private persons. We also understand that the New England Regional Association of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War acted upon this Committee's labors must be nearly at an a resolution protesting against the proposed desecration of the hallowed grounds of Fort contradict this supposition, as there are lit. Sumter and Fort Moultrie at a meeting held in Boston, Mass., on May 1, 1948.

Chapter 239 of the public Law, page 504, was passed by Congress, this providing that the title to the site of the historic structure known as Fort Sumter, situated in Charleston Harbor, Charleston, S., C., together with such buildings and other improvements as are appurtenant thereto, be turned over, with-Laura Byers, Department President, Ladies to the method of obtaining same, have been out consideration, to the Secretary of the Interior; the property to be acquired by the Secretary of the Interior shall constitute the Fort Sumter National Monument and shall be a public National Monument commemorating historical events at or near Fort Sumter, the Director of the National Park Service under the direction of the Secretary of the Interior to have the supervision, management and control of such National Monument and shall maintain and preserve It for the benefit and enjoyment of the people of the United States subject to the provisions of an Act entitled "An Act to establish the National Park Service for other purposes, approved Aug. 15, A file has recently been created to contain 1916," as amended. This Act providing for the complete details of the location of the making Fort Sumter a National Monument

Fort Sumter situated at the mouth of the effect on the Nation and crystalized sentiment Besides this file, a complete folio containing for war in the North and in the South. On

Fort Sumter is of National significance. Its establishment as a National Monument is most appropriate and in keeping with the high

# memorial park was introduced by Senator

Maybank of South Carolina, and was reported in the Senate on July 3, 1947. It was passed by the Senate on July 16, 1947, reported in the House on April 7, 1948, and passed the House on April 22, 1948. A copy of the Bill to establish Fort Sumter National Monument is attached hereto.

Nothing has been done by Congress in regard to Fort Moultrie. The letter from Thomas L. Peyton, Esq., Director Nonindustrial Division, Office of Real Property Disposal, War Assets Administration, Washington, D. C., dated July 28, 1948, with the Bill introduced by Congressman L. Mendel Rivers, are attached hereto.

Chapter 360, Public Law, page 370, "An Act to provide increase in the rates of pensions payable to Spanish and Civil War Veterans and their dependents," approved July 30, 1947, was passed by Congress. This Act provides that all monthly rates of pensions payable to Veterans of the Civil War and their dependents which are payable under any laws administered by the Veterans Administration are increased twenty percentum.

The Ludlow Resolution, passed by Congress designating November 19 as Dedication Day was amended, making it applicable only to the year 1946. No law has been passed by Congress making Dedication Day, Nov. 19, permanent. Attached hereto is letter from Congressman Kenneth B. Keating, dated July 28, 1948, and letter from Congressman Edward J. Hart, dated Aug. 3, 1948.

We deeply appreciate the honor and privilege of serving with you, Commander-in-Chief Moran. We commend you for your earnest work on behalf of our organization .- Wm. C. course in Law, he was admitted to the Mich-Kronmeyer, Chairman; Louis G. Blair, Julius

#### WAR ASSETS ADMINISTRATION Washington 25, D. C.

Mr. William C. Kronmeyer, Attorney and Counsellor at Law, 1509 Central Ave., Union City, N. J. Dear Mr. Kronmeyer:

Reference is made to your letter dated July 21, 1948, in connection with Fort Sumter and is now one of the active Camps in the Michi-Fort Moultrie, South Carolina.

Public Law 504 80th Congress, 2nd Session, was approved by the President on April 28, 1948. This Resolution authorized the Secretary of the Army to transfer Fort Sumter without consideration, to the Secretary of the Interior for supervision of the National Park Service. This Administration will, therefore, have no jurisdiction over Fort Sumter.

On June 22, 1948, the Department of the Army declared surplus to this Administration the Harbor Defenses at Charleston, South Carolina, which include Fort Moultrie, Congressman L. Mendel Rivers of South Carolina introduced a bill in the House of Representatives [H. R. 2912], providing for the conveyance to the Board of Township Commissioners for Sullivan's Island, as trustees for the State of South Carolina, of the property located at the Fort Moultrie Military Reservation. This legislation passed the House of Representatives on June 16, 1948, but as yet of the Interior title to the site of the historic has had no Senate action.

The State of South Carolina is very much interested in acquiring this property for a er with such buildings and other improvehistorical monument, health and education, public park, and public recreational purposes, and has expressed its interest in connection therewith on numerous occasions.

In accordance with your request, there are enclosed copies of the aforementioned legislation.-Sincerely your, Thomas L. Peyton, Real Property Disposal.

## Our Commander-in-Chief



Perle L. Fouch was born at Burnips Coraer, Allegan Co., Mich., March 30, 1875, the son of Blizure B. and Rosetta Gregory Fouch. Inf., a Volunteer. He was educated in the the Department of the Army. schools of Michigan, Illinois and Indiana. After finishing his high school work he moved with his parents to Allegan in 1892. Having finished his college education, including a menced the practice of law at Allegan, Mich., vears.

He joined Elisha Mix Camp in May, 1898, at Allegan, and most of the members enlisted in the Spanish American War. After some years the Camp went down and another started in Cheshire Township, Allegan County, which later falled. Following this the present Elisha Mix Camp No. 11 was established and gan Department.

Brother Fouch was elected Dept. Commander in 1930. He has served the Commanderyin-Chief as National Counselor, Aide to the Commander-in-Chief, and one year as Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief. He also served two years as Commander of the Central Region and on the National Program and Policy Committee.

#### [PUBLIC LAW 504-80th CONGRESS] [CHAPTER 239-2nd SESSION] [S. J. Res. 94]

JOINT RESOLUTION To establish the Fort Sumter National

Monument in the State of South Carolina. Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America n Congress assembled. That the Secretary of the Army is authorized and directed to transfer, without consideration, to the Secretary structure known as Fort Sumter, situated in Charleston Harbor, Charleston, S. C., togethments as are appurtenant to such site.

Sec. 2. The property acquired by the Secretary of the Interior under this joint resolution shall constitute the Fort Sumter Na tional Monument and shall be a public national memorial commemorating historical events at or near Fort Sumter. The Director Director, Nonindustrial Division, Office of of the National Park Service under the director Dear Bill: tion of the Secretary of the Interior shall

have the supervision, management, and control of such national monument, and shall maintain and preserve it for the benefit and enjoyment of the people of the United States, subject to the provisions of the Act entitled "An Act to establish a National Park Service and for other purposes," approved August 25, 1916, as amended. [Approved April 28, 1948].

80th CONGRESS, 2nd SESSION-H. R. 2912 IN THE SENATE of the UNITED STATES June 17 [legislative day, June 15], 1948

Read twice and referred to the Committee on Armed Services.

AN ACT Providing for the conveyance to the State of South Carolina of that portion of the Fort Moultrie Military Reservation determined to be surplus to the needs of the Department of the Army.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Department of the Army is authorized and directed to convey by quitclaim deed without compensation to the Board of Township Commissioners for Sullivans Island, as trustees for the State of South Carolina, that portion of land constituting the Fort Moultrie Military Reservation, together with the building and other improvements thereto, and the rights and appurtenances thereto belonging or appertaining, determined His father was a Private in Co. F., 57th Ohio by him to be surplus to the requirements of

Sec. 2. Such conveyance shall contain the provision that whenever the Congress of the United States shall declare a state of war or other national emergency and when any of the armed services shall determine the Army, igan Bar and United States Courts, and com- or the Secretary of the Air Force that the property so conveyed is useful or necessary where he has so practiced for the last 50 for military or naval purposes, or in the interest of national defense, the United State shall have a right without paying compensation to re-enter upon such property and use the same or any part thereof for the duration of such state of war or other national emer-

Sec. 3. Such conveyance shall contain the Board of Township Commissioners for Sullivans Island, as trustees for the further provision that if the State of South Carolina shall, at any time, cease to retain fee simple title to the property so conveyed or cease to be used in the public interest, title thereto shall revert to the United States.

Passed the House of Representatives June 6, 1948. Attest: JOHN ANDREWS, Clerk.

#### CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES House of Representatives Washington, D. C.

July 28, 1948. Mr. William C. Kronmeyer, 63 Wall Street, New York 5, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Kronmeyer: This will acknowledge your letter of July 20th in reference to H. J. Res. 82, introduced by me, to designate November 19th as Dedication Day, which was not favorably considered by the Committee on the Judiciary.

A similar resolution was adopted in the last Congress, designating November 19, 1946, as Dedication Day, and was amended, making it applicable only to the year 1946. No further amendment has been adopted to make this law permanent from year to year.

KENNETH B. KEATING.

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES House of Representatives Washington, D. C.

Aug. 3, 1948. William C. Kronmeyer, Esq. Counsellor at Law,

1509 Central Ave., Union City, N. J.

This is to acknowledge receipt of your let-

ter of July 20. I enclose herewith copy of Public Law No. 504 which was approved April 28, 1948, and which established the Fort Sumter National Monument in the State of South Carolina. Also enclosed is copy of Senate Report No. 430 which is by way of further ex-

planation of the Law.

November, 1948

Re your inquiry concerning Fort Moultrie, enclosed find copy of HR2912 which provides for the conveyance to the State of South Carolina certain portions of the Fort Moultrie Military Reservation which are deemed surplus to the needs of the Army. The Intention will give a year of faithful service. She has of this measure was not the same as that applicable to Fort Sumter in that a national memorfal was not contemplated. HR 2912 in the duties the office of National President of the Grand Army of the Republic is rewas passed by the House and is now in Committee in the Senate.

Enclosed is copy of Public Law No. 635 which was introduced by Congressman Ludlow as H. J. Res. 35 and approved August 7, ed at Carlinville, Ill., in Co. A, 122nd Ili. Vol. possible. [Substitute resolution of Commit-1946, and which designated November 19, Infantry, in 1862. He was promoted to the tee adopted]. 1946, as Dedication Day and provided that the rank of Corporal and discharged at the close Gettysburg Address of Lincoln be read on of the war in 1865, at Fort Blakeley. that day throughout the United States. I understand that the Congressman's original Rosecrans Aux. No. 2, Los Angeles, and filled thought was to make it a national holiday but it was so amended that it was only celebrated in 1946. Congressman Keating then introduced H. J. Res. 82 in furtherance of the She is also interested in other patriotic ordiciary Committee of the House and no fur-ther action has been taken on it. I enclose Daughters of Union Veterans, all of Santa copy of Mr. Keating's Resolution. EDWARD J. HART.

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Secretary Lambert read the communications, letters and telegrams received, and apportioned such communications as required action to the various committees.

Chairman Llesee read a preliminary report of the Council in Chief, stating that his body gether with a delegation from the Mass. Dehad received evidence of funds on hand to partment. The committee and delegation credit of National Secretary in the following spokesman extended greetings to "their ed States Navy to locate and raise the battleamounts:

Savings Account ..... General .. 1.552.14

These preliminary reports accepted.

P. C.-in-C. Mabie moved that the business of the Encampment be completed by Thursday, Sept. 29, 11:00 a. m., in order that those who had come by train in special cars, or by bus, might make proper arrangements, get their tickets validated, etc., on return trip. This motion was carried.

Adjournment was taken to 9:30 a. m. Tuesday.

#### TUESDAY MORNING SESSION [9:45 o'clock]

After opening exercises Sec. Lambert read further letters and telegrams. P. C.-in-C. were no units of our organization in either Sherman speaks of absence of several interested members, usually attending Encampments, but absent this year, and moved that greetings be sent Past Coms.-in-Chief Sheldon | Legislative sessions this Fall or Winter. The and Sautter.

New York Dept. Sec. Isaacs presented members from a Camp at Fulton, N. Y., a grandfather, father and son, three generations of one family as members of that Camp-an unusual thing in this or any other organization.

The report of the Legislative Committee. Sons of Confederate Veterans was referred to public will answer the Last Roll Call; and Resolutions Committee. The Report of Com-Encampment accepted, including recommen- heroesdation that said Committee be made one of the permanent Committee of Commandery- the immediate vicinity of each remaining vet- be it in-Chief.

MRS. LENA G. BARRETT

Mrs. Lena G. Barrett, wife of Past Com-nander-in-Chief Ralph R. Barrett, of Huntington Park, Calif., was elected National President of the Auxiliary to the Sons of Inion Veterans of the Civil War at the 62nd National Encampment, held in Grand Rapids,

Mich., the week of Sept. 26. Possessing a charming personality, with a gracious yet dignified bearing, Mrs. Barrett's over a national radio hook-up, said broadcast. courteousness wins many friends. She is well qualified to serve our Order as its head and served her Auxiliary, Department and Naequires.

Mrs. Barrett has a fine, patriotic background. She is the daughter of James Harvey Gulick, a Civil War Veteran, who enlist-

She served two years as President of W. S. other offices. She was Dept. President of California & Pacific in 1940; was Nat'l Special Aide in 1940-'41, and Nat'l Chaplain in 1944-'45. idea but this measure was tabled by the Ju- ganizations, being a member of the Woman's Ana, California,

> Pres., N. Y. Past Com.-in-Chief Cranmer responded to their greetings.

Next came a Committee from the Daughters of Union Veterans, Mrs. Nellie Goodman, P. N. P., Mass.; Miss Oresa Henry, D. P., Maine; Mrs. Della Smith, D. P., W. Va., to-Charlie," and P. C.-in-C. Mable responded.

Grand Army, was escorted in and introduced. The Committee were: Letitia B. Wightman. D. P., N. J.; Marietta Pitcher, D. P., Colo. & Wyo.; Mary T. Anderson, D. P., Calif. They extended greetings and were responded to by P. C.-in-C. Locke.

Recess was declared until 1:30 p. m.

## TUESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Upon resuming business P. C.-in-C. Holbrook moved that \$500 be appropriated from the G. A. R. Highway Fund to the G. A. R. Highway Committee, said Committee to use from appropriated amount such funds as Legislative designation of Route 6, as the G. A. R. Highway, through the states of Utah and Nevada. It was explained that there plies],

State and it might be necessary to send some one to plead our cause while Legislature was in session, both states being slated to hold devoted to National Orders. motion was carried.

P. C.-in-C. Towle reported for the Committee on Resolutions as follows:

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

[1] Resolution from the Department of Indiana relative to the time when the last surwith requested thanks to Cong. Keating and viving member of the Grand Army of the Rethat we should properly and publicly recogmittee on Marking Graves was by order of nize the final passing of our country's noble

[A] That a member of our Order, living in eran of the Grand Army of the Republic, be A Committee from the W. R. C. came to ex- named to keep in close touch with the status

the Commander-in-Chief to compile such information.

Your Committee non-concurs in this section of the Resolution. [No ojections Committee sustained].

[B] That, within two weeks following the receipt of word of the passing of the last veteran of the Grand Army of the Republic, an appropriate Memorial Program be broadcast to have been arranged for prior to the time when it shall be required.

Your Committee offers as a substitute, the following: Resolved, that as soon as conclutional in various capacities and is well versed sive proof of the passing of the last Veteran ceived, our Commandery-in-Chief shall arrange for appropriate Memorial Program to be broadcast over a National radio hook-up; said broadcast to be arranged for as soon as

[2] Resolution from the Department of Ohio, that name, addresses, date of birth, regiments to which they belonged, and deaths of Civil War Veterans still surviving be published in The Banner. Your Committee recommends non-concurrence because it refers to your present Commander-in-Chief, who will not be in office next year. [No objection-Committee sustained].

[3] Resolution from Past Commander-in-Chief C. LeRoy Stoudt, Pennsylvania, offering the position of Encampment Stenographer to the present stenographer annually for so long as she continues to render the same efficient service, or until she no longer desires to serve in that capacity. Your Committee heartily concures in this Resolution. [No objections-Committee sustained].

[4] Resolution from the Department of Minnesota, that the Congress of the United States be memorialized to authorize the Unitship Monitor, and that it further authorize Another Committee, from the Ladies of the that it be put in condition to be a permanent memorial because the battle between the Monitor and the Merrimac in Hampton Roads on March 9, 1862, was one of the turning points of the Civil War.

Your Committee does not concur, neither does it non-concur; but recommend that the matter be laid on the table until after the Navy Department has been consulted as to the feasibility of the project. [No objections -Committee sustained].

[5] From the Department of Pennsylvania: Resolved, That whenever Forms 1 and 11/2 are printed, the prices printed on Form 1 might be necessary in an attempt to secure [Requisition for Camp Supplies] shall be at least 30% higher than the prices printed on Form 14 [Requisition for Department Sup-

And be it Further Resolved, That a condensed Price List of Camp Supplies be printed in each issue of The Banner in the space

The Committee concurs in the first section of the Resolution, but recommends that the second section be changed to once a year instead of each issue of The Banner. [No objections-Committee sustained].

[6] The following Resolution is presented by this Committee:

Whereas, The Sons of Confederate Veterans believing in good citizenship and desiring for patriotic reasons to preserve Forts Moultrie and Sumter as National Memorials, and

Whereas, They have expressed a desire that he Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War join with them to obtain the same; therefore,

Resolved, That we, the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, aid them and their tend greetings, comprising Josephine Park- of said Veterans at all times. Immediately organization in bringing about their objective hurst, P. D. P., N. Y.; Laura Schumerhorn, P. upon the passing of that Veteran, it shall be and purpose; and that we in National En-bis duty to report to someone designated by campment assembled, thank them for bringing the matter to our attention and soliciting our aid. Be it further

Resolved, That we ask them to join with us in keeping this a United Nation. INo objections—Committee resolution adopted l.

[7] Resolution from Department Command er Mansfield, and members of Pennsylvania delegation relative to having the Battlefield of Gettysburg returned to the War Department. Your Committee realizes that this matter was taken up last year but no attention was paid to our appeal; so we concur, and hope something will be done this year. [No objection-Committee sustained].

181 Resolution that we express our sincer thanks and appreciation to the General Chairman of the Encampment Committee, Past Commander-in-Chief Urion W. Mackey and his Committee, to the City Officials of Grand Rapids, to the Rowe Hotel, to Major Santelmann and the U. S. Marine Band, to the Chamber of Commerce of Grand Rapids, to the newspapers and all who have made our stay in Grand Rapids so enjoyable, and for all courtesies extended. [No objections-Committee resolution adopted].

[The report as a whole was adopted]. Henry Towle, Me., Chairman; Perle L. Fouch, Mich.; William O. Fuller, Mass., Committee on Resolutions.

Katharine Joyce, National President of the Auxiliary, visited our session at this time. She was escorted in and introduced by Personal Aide John Emery.

Com.-in-Chief Moran: My Brothers, I am highly honored in that our National President the Auxiliary has taken time to come over ing out of this organization is friendshipto us to attend our Encampment. For thirteen and one-half months, Sister Katharine years to come. We sometimes pay dearly for and I have tried to do the work for which we were elected. I didn't know her thirteen and Please carry back to the members of your orone-half months ago; I had never met her. However, I can assure you that no Commander-in-Chief of this organization ever had a National President of the Auxiliary who Auxiliary be continued indefinitely, that we has done more for our organization. I am may the better carry on our efforts for our sure that none has been more gracious, more co-operative and a better friend than Katharine has been; and it is my pleasure to present to you Sister Katharine Joyce of Pittsburgh, Pa., the National President of our Auxiliary.

Nat. Pres. Katharine Joyce: Brother Commander-in-Chief, and all Officers and Brothers of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, I am indeed most humble after this introduction to you. Believe me. I do not deserve all those nice things which have been said about me, as I am just an ordinary per-

It is a privilege and an honor to visit your Encampment. Our business is completed for today, and we had to vacate the ballroom to make way for reception and banquet this evening. The rest of the members of the Auxillary have gone on their way, but I wanted to come to your Encampment to bring my personal greetings.

I wish for your organization the very best success, that you go forward and keep increasing your membership as you go along. It can be done and it is surprising how easy it is to take new members into our fold, if each of us "talk up" our organization a little more. Sometimes you will find a next door neighbor, or friends in your immediate community who are elligble; I have had the experience and I know. By just telling people we know about the Grand Army of the Republic, the Sons of Union Veterans and the Auxil iary, we can very often increase our membership.

I too have enjoyed serving this organization with your Commander-in-Chief. As he told you, when we were elected we were strangers; but during this year we have become very good friends.

me on to this position for many years, and I cred by action at such Camp meeting. know he would have been glad to welcome me here today.

I want to extend to you, Commander-in-Chief Moran my best personal greetings, my hest wishes for success and good health and may you enjoy many future years as a Past privilege to come to offer my personal greetings and the greetings of my organization, mittee, 351. Again, I thank you for receiving me so nicely-I do appreciate it indeed; and my best wishes to all of you in the future. Thank vou very much.

Com.-in-Chief Moran: I will ask Past Comnander-in-Chief Stoudt to respond.

Past Com.-in-Chief Stoudt; Sister Katherine Commander-in-Chief and Brothers, our Commander-in-Chief has seen fit to visit you in session, our Greetings Committee has been in to see you and our Department Commander of Pennsylvania snoke at great length, so there isn't much left for me to say. I do want you to know that the Commander-in-Chief. and everyone of us, appreciate your taking the time to come here and say hello. One of the most outstanding things is that both you and our Commander-in-Chief barely knew one another when you were elected, and today yours has become a sincere and fine friendship; so that one of the things we are received friendships which will continue for many those friendships, but they are well worth it. ganization the love and good wishes of every one in our Order, and may the close co-operation that has existed between the Sons and ancestors. Thank you.

## WEDNESDAY MORNING SESSION

The Encampment was opened in regular form, after which Credential Committee reported there were 162 members properly accredited for this, the 67th annual meeting.

P. C.-in-C. Hale, for the Committee on C. & R., reported as follows:

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONSTITU TION AND REGULATIONS

Your Committee presents the following re

[A] Camp 66, Syracuse, N. Y., presents matter relative to Salute to the Flag. This matter is properly one for consideration by Committee on Ritual and Ceremonies and, therefore, we recommend that that Committee take this matter for disposition. [No objection—Committee sustained].

[B] Camp 1, Chicago, Ill., by resolution roposes that the Commandery-in-Chief create and authorize a bar with words "Camp Commander" to be attached to the member ship badge, similar in style to the bar recent ly authorized for Department Commanders.

Your Committee finds no substantial merit to the proposal and recommend non-concurrence. [No objection—Committee sustained]

[C] The Department of New Hampshire submits a proposed change on Constitution. Article II. Section 5, page 10, headed "Membership" and concerns status of holder of a Department or Camp transfer during period of twelve months and his obligations to Department or Camp within the period.

As the subject matter appears to be covered by the Regulations, we report non-currence. [No objection—Committee sustained].

Among this body of men are many whom a Committee of three dealing with an addihave known for many, many years such as tion to the By-Laws providing for use of a Past Commanders-in-Chief Walter Mabie, C. proxy, signed by a non-attending member LeRoy Stoudt, and John Sautter. I regret and used at a Camp meeting as effectively as very much that my very dear friend. Horace if he were present for the purpose of com-Hammer, is not present. He has been urging pleting a quorum, and for all purposes cov-

The Committee finds that the authorization and use of a proxy to serve same purposes as actual presence at a Camp meeting would be decidedly detrimental to good service to the Order and, therefore, recommends nonconcurrence. [Recommendation of Committee Commander-in-Chief. This is an honor and adopted by rising vote. For concurrence with Committee, 57; for non-concurrence with Com-

> [E] The Department of Pennsylvania, at its recent Department Encampment, presented a resolution that a paragraph be added to Article II, Section 1, page 22, Department Regulations, providing that a Camp Secretary or Treasurer holding office for ten [10] consecutive years be given service recognition by the bestowal on him of rank of Past Camp Commander.

> Your Committee is conscious of the merit of the objective in the resolution, but feels that this Encampment deal with the proposal as it may deem best and, therefore, recommends that it be referred back to the Commandery-in-Chief.

> IIt was moved by Past Commander-in-Chief Mabie, Pa.; seconded by Past Commander-in-Chief Locke, Ill., that the resolution be adopted. Motion carried, and resolution adonted 1.

> [F] Resolution for Registration Fee for Delegates at National Encampment, to be used for entertainment purposes. [This resolution, together with all discussion and reference thereto withdrawn from the recordsl.

[G] Dual Membership proposed amendment, as published in The Banner.

The Committee approves of said proposition, and action.

[Report of Committee laid on table by motion of Past Commander-in-Chief Sherman, seconded by Past Commander-in-Chief Lambert, and carriedl.-H. Harding Hale, Mass., Chairman; Julius Isaaes, N. Y.; A. W. Robinson, Vt.

P. C.in-C. Locke, for the Committee on Officers Reports, reported as follows:

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON OFFICERS REPORTS

Your Committee on Officers Reports submits the following:

The report of Commander-in-Chief Moran reflects the earnest and conscientious efforts of our chief officer during his term. Under adverse conditions he has done his best and he well deserves the appreciation of his fellow members. The Commander-in-Chief makes but one recommendation-that the efforts be made to revive the "Junior Order" first proposed several years ago. In this recommendation, your Committee concurs, and recommends that a Committee of three be appointed by the incoming Commander-in-Chief to prepare and present the necessary rules, regulations and procedure for a "Junior Order" to be presented to the next annual Encampment, with the suggestion that a resume of the Committee's report be published in an issue of The Banner prior to its presentation to the Encampment. [No objection-recommendation of Committee adopted].

The report of the Senior Vice Commanderin-Chief Thomas L. Bufter evidences loyal service during his term of office. The report contained no recommendation.

The report of W. C. Thobaben, Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief is complete and explicit and shows a keen and intimate knowledge of not only the needs but the purposes of our organization. Brother Thobaben recommends [D] On the recommendation passed at Fond | that we establish the practice of placing a du Lac, Wis., on June 7, 1948, and signed by wreath upon the burial place of all former

Presidents upon the anniversary of their birth. Your Committee concur in the spirit how greatly he will be missed, how his spirit of the recommendation, but feel that this is will linger long with us, though absent in a project which should be assumed by the body. several Departments rather than by the Commandery-in-Chief, and recommends its adoption to such change. [No objection-recommendation of Committee adopted].

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It is unnecessary for your Committee to make any report upon the National Secretary-Treasurer's Report: all matters contained therein being covered by the report of the Council-in-Chief. The long and faithful service of Horace H. Hammer will never be forgotten and we will always hold in grateful appreciation the many kindnesses, the sage advice and the friendly interest which he has always shown for our membership.

The report of Edgar Linsley, National Patriotic Instructor, is a splendid report and shows careful attention to the many details of his office. This report is a credit to him and his office. He deserves the thanks of the entire membership.

The reports of Walter C. Mabie, National Counselor, and C. LeRoy Stoudt, National Chief-of-Staff, are O. K. and are exactly the type of reports we would expect from two able and capable members. We are fortunate in having had the benefit of their abilities and experience. - Richard F. Locke, Chairman, Ill.: Cleon E. Heald, N. H.: Fred H. Combs Sr., N. J.; John C. Yocum, Pa., Committee on Officers Reports.

[Committee report adopted as a whole].

P. C.-in-C. Sherman, Chairman of a Committee to draft suitable resolution upon National Secretary-Treasurer's resignation, the committee comprising besides Brother Sherman, P. C.-in-C.'s Locke and Mabie, reported

For more than half a century, the Sons of benefit of the vast experience of Horace H. | Session and found six Comrades present. Hammer, and now the Order is called upon to accept the resignation of Brother Hammer as National Secretary-Treasurer.

Therefore, it is fitting, nay it is an obligation that we, the Sons of Union Veterans give formal expression of our sincere regret at the said resignation and deeply deplore the state of ill health which made it necessary.

Brother Horace H. Hammer became connected with General George G. Meade Camp of Reading, Pa., long before the beginning of this century, and served that Camp with a degree of fidelity seldom equalled and .never excelled.

Likewise, he gave of his time and ability to promote the best interests of the Department of Pennsylvania, sons of Union Veterans. But it was in his relation to the National organization that he rendered the most efficient service as National Secretary. In fact, very few of our members can remember any other National Secretary than Brother Hammer. At a later date, he assumed the additional office of National Treasurer, combining in one person the two offices.

His acquaintance of members of the Order throughout the length and breadth of this broad land was of invaluable advantage to every Commander-in-Chief. His knowledge of Sons of Veterans law and procedure was most timely. His integrity and faithfulness won the commendation of every Commanderin-Chief since his first election. His wise counsel helped to keep the Order on an even keel and headed towards its destined goal. His loyal patriotism, his love of the Union Veterans of the Civil War, his devotion to the Grand Army of the Republic, and all of its allied organizations helped in no small way to give standing to our organization.

'Tis but little we can do to show our appreknow how much we loved him, how much we the amount of \$500.00. [Applause].

appreciate all of his services in our behalf,

No words of ours can pay adequate tribute to his loval service, and the only compensation we can give to him is our heartfelt love. assured that he who has been so faithful in many ways shall not go unrewarded. There will be laid up for him a crown of righteousness and joy without limit. Such examples cannot have been lived in vain, and we who are here shall treasure in our hearts the spirit he manifested at all times. Our lives are enriched because Horace H. Hammer lived, and mingled with us. The God of our Fathers will look with infinite kindness upon him and give him peace while he remains and an abundant entrance to that Heavenly Kingdom, that house not made with hands when he passes through that little green door that never outward swings.

Dated at Grand Rapids, Mich., in Encampment assembled. Sentember 29, 1948.—Charles F. Sherman, P. C.-in-C.; Richard F. Locke, P. C.-in-C.; Walter C. Mabie, P. C.-in-C.

[Motion by Past Commander-in-Chief C LeRoy Stoudt, seconded by Past Commanderin-Chief Albert C. Lambert that the resolution be adopted. Adopted by rising vote [unanlmous] and applause by Encampment.

A Committee from the Auxiliary, consisting of P. N. P. Margaret Waters, Mass.; Ella Ruggles, P. D. P., N. J.; Anne Clayton, P. D. P. N. J.: Marian Woerner, P. D. P., N. Y., togeth er with a large delegation from the Mass. Department came in to extend greetings. All members of the Committee proper spoke, as well as one or two from the Mass, delegation, P. C.-in-C. Sherman responded.

The Chairman of the Committee to carry greetings to the Grand Army of the Republic, Union Veterans of the Civil War have had the reported that they visited the Grand Army

They expressed the love and good wishes of the entire membership of the Sons of Union Veterans with the promise to continue in an effort to carry on the ideas and ideals of their fathers.

Recess was taken to 1:30 that afternoon.

## WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Nat. Pres. Katharine Joyce was presented a second time to our Encampment, and spoke as follows:

Commander-in-Chief Moran: Brothers, it is again my pleasure to present to this Encampment my National President of the Auxiliary, Sister Katharine Joyce.

National President Katharine Joyce: Com mander-in-Chief, officers and members of the national body, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, I came to pay my respects yesterday. I wasn't treated too nice by my own Department, Past Commander-in-Chief Mabie, so I thought I would come over today and get an apology from Walter. But, since he Isn't in the room at present that will have to wait until later, and after all, it's all in fun.

Seriously, it gives me great pleasure to come again and wish you the very best as you go along in future years. These years are going to mean a great deal to our organizations, and what you do will greatly affect our Auxiliary. As we have told you before, we are back of you 100% in every way, shape and form.

In my report, I had a recommendation similar to that of my predecessor Past National President Edna Lambert, who favored the Sons so graciously last year; and today it is an honor and privilege to bring not only greetings from my national body, but also something a little more substantial than greetings and it is a great pleasure to present to you Commander-in-Chief Moran for your ciation; but while he lives we want him to organization a check from your Auxiliary in

Commander-in-Chief Moran: I am going to

ask Brother Stoudt to respond. Past Commander-in-Chief Stoudt: Sister National President, sincerely we thank you.

Past Dept. Com. Emery, Mass., as President of the newly formed National Past Dept. Commanders Association, moved that the newly formed Association be allowed to flnance an evening of fun and entertainment at the next Encampment at Indianapolis, in lieu of charging a registration fee from all attending that Encampment, as was proposed by some, and on which objections to such proposal were made by some brothers. The Encampment voted to accept Brother Emery's offer with thanks.

Past Dept. Com. Heacock moved that \$50.00 be taken from the G. A. R. Highway Fund, said amount to be presented to Arlington Hall, the Home for Boys, in Des Moines, as a nemorial to the Grand Army of the Republic. Such amount had heretofore been appropriated from the General Fund of the Commandery-in-Chief. Brother Heacock also moved that \$500 from the same G. A. R. Highway Fund be presented to the National G. A. R. body, as usual, if requested and needed. The Encampment voted approval in both.

Chairman Llesce, for the Council-in-Chief, ead the report for that body, including proposed budget and recommendations. It fol-

REPORT OF COUNCIL-IN-CHIEF Council-in-Chief Liesee: Your Council-in-Chief submits the proposed Budget, and our ecommendations:

#### Proposed Budget for 1948-1949 Term Receipts

Balance on hand, Sept. 10, 1948\_ Membership Fees, 500 Members at 50 cents Per Capita Tax, 13,000 Members at 40 cents \_ Charter Fees-5 New Camps at \$5.00 Premium on Bonds .... 1.500.00 Supplies \_\_\_\_\_ 35.00 Miscellaneous -Fransferred from G. A. R. Highway 14.05

Total Receipts -\$8,591.19 Dishursements

\$9.219.53

\_\$1,050,00 Supplies The Banner . 2 250 00 Encampment Expenses \_\_ 1,000,00

Shipping Supplies 30.00 Secretary-Treasurer's Salary, \_\_ 1.600.00 including rent -15.00 Premium on Bonds \_\_\_

16.00 Federal Tax \_\_ discellaneous, including P. 200.00 C.-in-C. Badge ... Printing, Stationery, Postage,

Com.-in-Chief's Expenses \_\_\_ 1,000.00 Inpaid Bills \_\_ 1.858.53

.\$ 628.34 Received from Nat. Association of Past Dept. Commanders..\$150.00

Love Token from Nat. Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War\_\_\_\_ 500.00 650.00

Total Disbursements ...

BALANCE ..... Recommendation:

[1] That the Per Capita Tax be continued at 40 cents per annum.

[2] That The Banner be renewed at 18 ents per member per year-six issues.

[3] That the compensation of the stenographer be \$200.00 for her services at this Encampment.

[4] That the salary of the National Secre-

tary-Treasurer be \$1,600.00 per year, including office rent.

JOHN H. LIESEE. CHARLES C. WEBSTER, GEORGE E. BAILEY, Council-in-Chief.

[The Report, and all recommendations therein adopted as a whole by the Encampment].

The Credential Committee made a final report, covering total enrollment for the Encampment-163. This enrollment was made up of 12 Past Commanders-in-Chief; 50 Past Department Commanders; 15 Department Commanders, and 86 Delegates; all Depart ments being represented except Missouri, Ne braska and Oregon.

## NOMINATION OF OFFICERS

The business of the Encampment having been disposed of, nominations for officers was called for, and the officers as listed on page one of this issue were nominated and elected. Past Commander-in-Chief Allan S. Holbrook was selected as Installing Officer by the Commander-elect, and P. D. C. Cloy V. Smith of Michigan as Installing Guide.

At this point a large number of women, representing delegations from all the affiliated organizations in the Dept. of Michigan were admitted to the room, filling same to overflowing, to witness installation of Brother Fouch as Commander-in-Chief.

The installation then proceeded and the newly-elected officers were inducted into office, each assuming his station. The new Commander-in-Chief took charge of the meeting and addressed the gathering briefly.

P. C.-in-C. Moran presented Com.-in-Chief Fouch with the badge he had proudly worn for the past year as the emblem of authority for position held, and P. C.-in-C. Lambert presented Brother Moran with his Past Com. in-Chief's badge and button-hole decoration.

The Encampment then closed to meet again in Indianapolis, Ind., some time in August, 1949, the usual number of printed proceedings of the Grand Rapids Encampment having been ordered printed and promulgated.

## An Important Question! R U A P. D. C.?

Well,, are you a P. D. C .- a Past Department Commander? Are you a Past Department Commander of your particular Department by name only-or are you a Past Department Commander because you have earned that rank and continue to plug for your Camp, your Department and the organization as a whole?

During the recent Encampment of the Commandery-in-Chief, a group of Past Department Commanders met and organized the this group. It was a wonderful meeting, and PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS NA- the good derived from the exchange of ideas TIONAL ASSOCIATION. Meetings are to be by the representatives present will greatly held at the same time and place as the Com- benefit our order throughout the Region. A mandery-in-Chief. Dues are \$2.00 per year, spirit of co-operation and helpfulness prevail-HOWEVER, the initial fee, that is the fee ed from the time we said "Hello," until the contributed by the individual P. D. C.'s at time we said "Good Bye" to each other. All Grand Rapids, ranged from five to ten dol- are looking forward to the meeting next year. lars, and those who were not financially able, I hope more of the boys and our Auxiliary donated as much as they could. The sum and girls will attend future meetings of this group. substance was, that we helped keep the or- I was the lone Missourian. ganization out of the red by contributing to the Commandery-in-Chief \$150.00, and are a very fine program arranged. The food, ar-

Organization financially or otherwise, but we led for their efforts in behalf of those present. must have each and every P. D. C. behind us Too bad more do not attend these Regional to accomplish our aims. We have also un. Meetings and get the benefit of the enthusideriaken the objective of arranging for the asm, fellowship, and the good derived from necessary funds for a real get-together at the the ideas and thoughts exchanged by those 1949 Encampment for not only the P. D. C.'s, but all the members who attend.

Tomorrow or next week or next month may new life in the Camps, and if we can get more

do is to send your contribution of whatever amount you feel you can afford to the Secretary-Treasurer of the Association, P. D. C. Frank M. Heacock, Sr., Post 2 Grand Army of the Republic Memorial Hall, 667 North 12th Street, Philadelphia 23, Pa. In the next issue of The Banner [space permitting] we will endeavor to keep you informed as to our pro-

Who will be the first P. D. C. to respond to his call FROM YOUR DEPARTMENT? It could be you!

For general information: John W. Emery, P. D. C., of Massachusetts, is President, and W. F. Hathaway, P. D. C., of Iowa, is Vice President.

Pennsylvania heads the list with five names on the Roster of the organization. Will Pennsylvania continue to head the list, or will our Department replace it? The Secretary-Treasurer of the Association being a Pennsylvanian issues the challenge. Let's go, you P. D. C.'s of Pennsylvania!]

## Cordell Hull and the Civil War

Michael G. Heintz, P. D. C., Ohlo

Former Secretary of State Cordell Hull was ooin in Overton County, Tennessee, six years after the close of the Civil War. That county s in the Piedmont section and it sent many recruits into the Union Army.

In the "Memoirs of Cordell Hull" it is told how his father was shot in the eye by a "yankee guerilla." A woman covered the head of and said "Don't shoot again, he is dead." But his assailant to Monroe County, Kentucky, and shot and killed him. Mr. Hull was not prosecuted.

In the "Memoirs," the war of 1861-5 is called by its true historical name- to-wate: "The Civil War." The term "Civil War" occurs nearly a score of times in the first few pages of the book. The authority of Cordell Hull should convince Southern historians that there was never a "War Between the States." Our country was then as it is now "one nation indivisible."

## MISSOURI

Theodore H. Mohr, Sec.-Treas., 3907 Ashland Ave., St. Louis 7, Mo.

#### Attends Central Regional

I attended the Central Regional meeting in Milwaukee on Oct. 16 and 17, and it made me feel very sorry that I did not take time out and attend all of the previous gatherings of

The Sons and Auxiliary of Milwaukee had rangements, etc., at the banquet was excel-Our main objective is to help the National lent, and the committee must be complimentpresent.

Missourl Dept. membership campaign is Here is what we would like you as a P. D. progressing very nicely, and results are be-C. to do. JOIN UP, and join up right now ginning to show. The campaign has created

be too late. Join right away. All you need members to realize that it can be done, we will put it over. Our order is just as big and important as each individual member thinks it is. We must have the full co-operation of every blooming soul. Let us not hide our light under a bushel. Who will tell the story when the boys in blue are gone?

We were sorry to hear that Com. Osborn [Missourl Dept. G. A. R.] was injured in an accident in his home. We wish him a speedy and full recovery. He was elected Sr. Vice Com.-in-Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic at the Grand Rapids Encampment. Only two veterans are left in Missouri.

Past Dept. Com. Wm. B. Scharr is confined to his home by sickness. Past Dept. Com. A. J. Albrecht is making his home at the Union Printers Home, in Colorado Springs, Colo.

Our next Dept. Encampment will be held in Joplin, Mo., during May. Start to make your plans to attend. We need to revive the Camp at Jonlin. Any assistance from ours, and kindred organizations will be appreciated.

Missouri extends her congratulations and best wishes to our new Commander-in-Chief, Perle Fouch and pledge their whole hearted support.-Theo. H. Mohr, Sec.

## **NEW YORK**

Nell Dow Cranmer, Dept. Press Correspondent, 518 Robinson Bldg., Elmira, N. Y.

## Western N. Y. P. C. Association

The quarterly meeting of Western New York Past Camp Commanders Assn. was held with Upton Camp 118 at Legion Hall, Batathe wounded man as he lay on the ground via, Saturday evening, June 1. A fine attendance was enjoyed, members from Fredonia, he recovered and after the war, he tracked Buffalo, Niagara Falls, Friendship and Rochester being present. July meeting took the form of the usual picnic at Kibbe Park, Baavia, Sunday, July 25.

#### \* \* \* \* Monroe County Council

The Monroe County Council sponsored the usual public reception at Hotel Seneca, Rochouter, July 15, in honor of the 10th birthday anniversary of Comrade James Hard, Past Dept. Com. of the Grand Army. The Council has taken charge of this event commencing with his 100th birthday anniversary. Comrade Hard is one of the two Civil War Veterans now surviving in the State of New York.

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Camp 64, Mount Vernon

Nordquist Camp mourns the death on Aug. 29 of one of its prominent members, Major William F. S. Root, U. S. A., retired, age 73. He attended the U.S. Military Academy at West Point and served with the Army Engineers in World War One, participating in the major battles of the Somme and Ypres. He was a member of the Camp many years and also of Emil Hubisch Post 596, V. F. W., and John Stewart Lodge of Masons.

#### MAINE

Martin E. Tilley, Press Correspondent, P. O. Box 224, Biddeford

The Committee on publishing new Department By-Laws have completed their duties and copies have been sent to all on the Department mailing list. Any Past Department Commander who wishes copies please write to Dept. Sec.-Treas. Leonard C. Holston, 11 Law-

## EARN \$25.00

Sell 50 Boxes, Christmas, Birthday and Everyday Greeting Cards. Cost 50c, sell for \$1.00. Samples on approval.

VANDERVEER GREETING CARD CO. 733 East 31st Street Brooklyn 10, N. Y. rence St., Cumberland Mills, and one will be sent.

November, 1948

The Past Dept. Commanders and Past Dept. Presidents Banquet and Fall get-together was held at the Greymore Hotel, Portland, Me., Saturday evening, Oct. 9. As this was a guest night a large number were present.

Your Dept. Press Correspondent suffered a bad head injury Monday eve., Aug. 30, when he was run down by a fast driving automobile. Bro. Tilley was confined in the hospital two weeks

The Department Fair was held in Bosworth Hall, Portland, Saturday, Oct. 16, with a good crowd, plenty of fun, etc.

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#### Camp 57, Biddeford

The Camp suffered a severe loss in the accidental death of Past Com. Wm. B. Sullivan, who was struck by an automobile Saturday evening, Oct. 2. Brother Sullivan had served as Camp Commander and was Camp Secretary for over twenty years. His funeral was held Oct. 12, four past Camp Commanders attending the service.

Our Camp will hold its inspection Tuesday evening, Nov. 9. Past Dept. Com. Chas. C. Webster will be inspecting officer.

## ILLINOIS

A. S. Holbrook, Press Correspondent, Dwight.

## Judge Wilkerson Passes

Federal Judge James H. Wilkerson, who sent Al Capone to Alcatraz and presided over the case which broke the hold of gangdom on Chicago and the middle west, died Sept. 30 of a heart attack in Evanston hospital.

Judge Wilkerson, 78, retired from the Federal District Court bench seven years ago after a distinguished career of 18 years. He had been in ill health for three years but apparently was recovering satisfactorily from an operation for a cataract, performed three months ago.

The Judge was born Dec. 11, 1869, in Sa-University, Greencastle, Ind., in 1889. After serving as principal of the Hastings, Neb., High School he taught at DePauw for two years. He began the practice of law in Chicago in 1893. DePauw honored him with a doctor of laws degree in 1930 and he received an honorary doctor of civil laws degree from Illinois Wesleyan University in 1931.

Surviving are the widow, Mary R.; two sons, Conrad of Glencoe and George of Muskegon, Mich., and a sister, Mrs. E. Van Dyke Wight, of Princeton, N. J.

Judge Wilkerson was an Interested and valued member of Camp 100, Chicago, Although his business interests kept him from entering actively many of the routine duties of Camp or Department, he kept posted on what was contemplated and his purse was always open to the activities that were carried on in the Department.

## KANSAS

C. B. Martin, Correspondent, 122 South 32nd Street, Parsons, Kan.

#### P. D. C. Perry Passes

BrotherTracy E. Perry, of El Dorado, who had been Dept. Commander four times, passed away from pneumonia in El Dorado, Sunday evening, Oct. 3. At the time of his passing he was Chairman of the Dept. Council and also Dept. Patriotic Instructor. Brother Perry was also the lifeblood of his Camp, No. 93, in which he had been Secretary-Treasurer for many years.

made all arrangements to attend the meeting the Camp making largest gain in new mem- the Community building. Two new Camp

Rapids, when he was taken suddenly sick, and rushed to the hospital. Brother and Sister Perry lost a son in a Jap prison camp, where the body was cremated. They had just received word that his Urn was in Kansas City, and arrangements were made by phone double service of Father and Son was held Thursday, Oct. 7. Interment was made in the family lot, with Brother Perry's father and mother, at Rosalia, about 15 miles east of El Dorado.

Many members of the Sons and Auxiliary attended the services from different parts of the Department. The sympathy of the entire membership of our organization goes out to Sister Iva Perry and the other members of heir family. We have lost a true and staunch member who will always be missed.

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The Department Council at once elected Past Dept. Com. Charles E. Katterman, Jr. to fill the unexpired term on the Council made acant by the passing of Brother Perry.

Dept. Com. Fairchild has started to call on all the Camps in the Kansas Department. His first call was made on Burnside Camp No. 45 it Salina, Oct. 15. The Dept. Encampment will be held in Salina on the first Sunday Monday and Tuesday of next May, and it is very necessary that that Camp be up and gong before the Encampment. It is hoped that the calls of the Dept. Commander will do a world of good and stir up a lot of real enthusiasm among the members upon which he calls.

## **NEW JERSEY**

Fred H. Combs, Sr., Dept. Press Correspondent, 105 Slack Ave., Trenton.

#### Congratulations, Albert

Congratulations of the Department are extended to Brother Albert C. Lambert upon his election to the office of National Secretaryvannah, Mo. He was graduated from DePauw Treasurer. Brother Lambert has submitted his resignation as Department Secretary-Treasurer of the New Jersey Department, and the Department Council has selected P. D. C. Fred Combs, Sr., to fill the office. All Department business should be referred to Brother Combs at 105 Slack Ave., Trenton, N. J. The regular meeting of Woerner Camp No. 1 of Hoboken will be held on Friday, Nov. 26, as their regular meeting night falls on Thanksgiving Day. The Department will hold a midwinter meeting in Lambertville on Nov. 13.

## WISCONSIN

Herbert S. Siggelko, Press Correspondent, 220 N. Murray Street, Madison 5.

## Leadership

No movement or cause succeeds, really, Camps, Sons of Union Veterans Civil War. We know of Camps held together, even mov-So, if a leader falls or is incapacitated, the standard may be grasped by another, or oth- He will spend the winter at Portland. ers of, practically equal ability. Unless this follows the demise or incapacity of a leader spells the downfall of the Camp. We have seen just that take place. Moral: Develop more than one leader, play safe-H. S. S.

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## With the Camps

The Hancock Camp is on the march. They P.D.C. Brother Perry and his good wife Iva had are after that traveling plaque, to be won by

use of movies at public meetings, Bureau of Visual Instruction, U. W.

Thorp Camp, already referred to, also intends to use movies. Good.

Madison Camp, adding four members quarter ending Sept. 30, put on a public meeting and the Urn was shipped at once, so that a Sept. 13. Chief Justice Rosenberry, Supreme Court, a member, gave the address; to him was presented a fine pen and ink likeness well worth at least \$50. And, yes, we showed movies, good meeting. Oct. 30, Auxllary and Sons met jointly, Hallowe'en, music, dancing, card playing, eats, the treat on a brother of our Camp. Brother Lyall T. Beggs of this Camp is Commander-in-Chief, V. F. W., while Brother Henry Lunz was elected President of the North Central States Seed Control Officials Assn. He is an expert on weed control,

> Brother Edward Biering, Chairman, Department Council, Commander of the Plymouth Camp, has partially removed to Milwaukee, is working there. He gets back home every week so as to preside at meetings of the Sons and help keep them moving. Well, whatever may be Plymouth's loss will be Milwaukee's gain. Brother Blering is faithful to our Cause

## COLORADO & WYOMING

B. E. Vorn Kohl, Press Correspondent, 3230 Arapahoe St., Denver, Colo.

## Present Flag to Scouts

The Sons and their Auxiliary journeyed to Henderson, Colo., Sunday, Oct. 24, about 16 miles out of Denver, to present a Flag to Boy Scouts Troop No. 105. Com. Chas. Charlee presented the Flag, talks were made by Bros. Fuller, Keech and McBeth, also by Sisters Levin, Edison and Chaffee. The Boy Scouts Proop is a fine looking bunch of boys; they are the boys of today and the men of tomorrow, and we hope with the fine training they are receiving that when they are old enough to go out in the world on their own, they will be better men for having been Scouts.

On the evening of Oct. 26 the Camp and Auxiliary entertained Sister Rose Keech, Dept. Pres., at the beautiful home of Sister May Levin. It was her official visit to the Auxiliary. A wonderful banquet was served, after which inspection of officers was held by Dept. Pres. Rose Keech, as the Dept. Inspector, Nellie Chaffee, was of this Auxiliary.

#### OREGON

E. W. Madison, Dept. Sec., 3733 South East 69th Ave., Portland 6, Oregon

#### Eugene Camp 17

Theodore A. Pentland, Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, who is 100 years old, visited the Sons of Union Veterans and Auxiliary at their business meetwithout leadership. The same holds true of ing during week of Oct. 27. A dinner in his honor was given jointly by the two organizations Monday evening at the Veterans' Memoing forward, under the guidance and inspira- rial Building. Com. Pentland related some of tion of one leader. So far so good, but the his experiences and said he expected to prepoint we wish to stress is that not only should side next fall at Indianapolis at what unthere be one leader but several leaders. doubtedly will be the last National Encampment of the Union soldiers of the Civil War.

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#### Empire Camp 18

Dept. Com. John H. Starr visited our Camp at its last meeting and installed Com. Zinn and a new staff of officers. Others coming from Eugene for the occasions were Dr. W. E. Buchanan, P.D.C., and Frederick K. Davis,

The Auxiliary served an excellent dinner in of the Commandery which was held in Grand bers and reinstatements. They plan to make members were also initiated at the meeting.

# AUXILIARY to SONS of UNION VETERANS of the CIVIL WAR

Mrs. Lena G. Barrett, National President, 7118 Rita Ave., Huntington Park, Calif. Jean M. Thole, National Press Correspond-

ent, Dwight, Ill.

## THE NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT

The 62nd National Encamp. of the Aux. to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War was held the week of Sept. 26 in Grand Rapids, Mich., in conjunction with that of the Grand Army and allied patriotic orders.

Although this was the fourth time our Encamp, had met in Grand Rapids, the welcome was none the less hearty on the part of Michigan Dept. and the Grand Rapids Auxiliary girls. It was a very successful Encamp, and a general good time was enjoyed by all. Headquarters for the Sons and Aux, were at the Hotel Rowe, where all the sessions of both orders were held.

Some of the "early ones" arrived the Thursday, Friday and Saturday before convention week, and by Sunday delegates from all the patriotic orders allied with the Grand Army were coming to Grand Rapids from all parts of the country.

On Sunday morning many attended services in Grand Rapids churches, special services being held at the First [Park] Congregational Church.

Sunday afternoon at 2:30, G. A. R. Memo rial Services were held in the Black and Silver Room of the Civic Auditorium. These were largely attended by representatives from all the patriotic orders and others. Beautiful music by the United States Marine Band, Major Wm. P. F. Santelman, conducting; a fine Memorial address by Chaplain Lester Doerr; the placing of floral tributes by heads of allied patriotic organizations, in which our own Nat. Pres. Katharine L. Joyce participated; tributes to deceased members of the Grand Army of the Republic, Nat. Chaplain Mary M. Mandeville, of our Aux, participating, were all outstanding features of this impressive service.

Sunday evening, commencing at 8 o'clock, a delightful concert was given in the Civic Auditorium by the U.S. Marine Band, which was enjoyed by many, not only from the patriotic groups, but by the public at large, who also were permitted to attend. Selections played by this nation-famous organization ranged from the classical to the popular pieces of the day and the concert was one never to be forgotten by the large audience who showed their appreciation by warm and enthusiastic applause. The patriotic orders were greatly privileged to have this great organization present at the national encamp, sent from Washington in tribute to the Grand Army of the Republic, and probably next year will be the last time the band will appear at our encampments, as the closing of the Grand Army is to take place at the Nat. Encamp. in Indianapolis at that time.

The annual meeting of the Allied Orders of the G. A. R. with Nat. Pres. Edna S Lambert, presiding, was held Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock in the Red Room of the Civic Audimembers from the allled orders were in at-

The joint Memorial Service of the Auxiliary and Sons were held Sunday evening, following the Marine Band concert. This beautiful service was in charge of Nat. Chaplains Mary M. Mandeville, of the Aux., and P. C .in-C. Neil Cranmer, of the Sons, and was well attended by members of both orders. Musision and a tribute to deceased members of the presented with a gift from the Nat. Pres. G. A. R. was given by Past C.-in-C. Dr. Ralph

ceased members of the Sons, was given by P. than in former years. C.-in.C. Allan S. Holbrook; a tribute to deceased members of the Aux. by P. N. P. Ida B. Lange, and a tribute to P. N. P. Flora S. Whitney, who had passed away during the year, by P. N. P. Maude B. Warren. Floral and visiting every Department in our Order, tributes were placed in memory of deceased Sister Katharine gave a year of fine service, members in the various Departments by Dept. Sacrificing home interests that our order Commanders and Dept. Presidents. The invocation was given by Nat. Chap. Mary M. Mandeville of the Aux., and the benediction by P. C. in-C. Neil D. Cranmer, Nat. Chap. of the Sons.

Monday morning was spent in registration with the Credential Committee, Sister Nat. Sec. Hellen C. Newbright, chairman. The Nat. Council also met to audit the books of the Nat. Sec. and Treas. The members of the Nat. Council were: P. N. P. Edna S. Lambert, N. J.; Mae L. Bush, Mass., and Pauline M. Keller, Ohio.

The Opening Session of the 62nd Nat. Encamp, of the Aux, took place at 1:30 o'clock Monday afternoon in the ball room of the Rowe Hotel. This was a colorful and beauti-Olive M. Haynes, who had planned and arranged it. The Officers' March took place, at which time the National officers, who had previously been presented with a yellow chrysanthemum corsage, marched in by twos, and took their stations.

With the Penna. delegation holding lighted vellow candles, forming the letters "K. J.," the initials of our beloved Nat. Pres., Katharine Joyce, and the Dept. Presidents. Past P. N. P. Clara Gallagher, of Pa., to her station, after which Sister Mary Gordon, of Mass., sang an appropriate selection in honor of Katharine. Those forming the aisle then marched to Katharine's station and handed her the sprays of "glads," which formed a beautiful bouquet for her. She was intro-Nat. Chief-of-Staff and all others participat- zations. ing for the lovely opening ceremony, Sister Katharine declared the 62nd National Encampment officially opened.

She then appointed her Encamp. officers and committees, after which the Nat. Officers were duty presented and each given a lovely gift from her. The officers were: Nat. V. P. May A. Gibney, Conn.; Council: Edna S. Lambert, N. J.; Mae L. Bush, Mass.; and Pauline M. Keller, Ohio. Sec., Hellen C. Newbright, Ohio; Treas., Helen H. McGowan, Wis.; Chap., Wackerhauser, Md.; Press Cor., Jean M. Thole, Ill.; Chief-of-Staff, Olive Haynes, Ill.; Per-Alde, Clara E. Lewis, Pa.; Spec. Aide, Gertrude Salisbury, Calif.; Counselor, Clara Gallagher,

The Past Nat. Presidents were next introduced, the following being present: Blanche Beverstock, N. H.; Margaret Patterson Stephens, Ohio: Emma Stuart Finch, Ind.; Martorium. This was an important meeting and garet Waters, Mass.; Ida B. Lange, N. Y.: Celeste Gentieu, Md.; Anne Lockyer, Ohio; Eva Blackman, Ill.; Clara Gallagher, Pa.; Margaret Schroeder, N. J.; Mary Stapleton, N. Y.; Maude Warren, Mass.; Edith Nile, Ohio; Edna Lambert, N.J.-14 in all, a very fine representation. These too were each present ed with a gift from Sister Katharine.

the Sons, Rev. U. G. Lacey, and to other de- gin Encamp, sessions one half day earlier

Nat. Pres. Joyce read her annual report, which was a very fine, comprehensive one, and was received with vigorous and enthusiastic applause. Traveling from coast to coast might have her closest attention in every detail possible, rounding out a year of devotion to our organization. Later printed pamphlets of reports of all the other Nat. officers were handed out, thus saving time in reading them. These reports, together with such supplementary reports as given, will appear in he printed Encamp, proceedings,

The Encampment recessed until Tuesday morning. Following the Monday afternoon session, the presentation of three Tomac overbed tables were presented to the Mary Free Bed Hospital at Grand Rapids. The presentation was in charge of Nat. Pat. Inst. Minnie Wackerhauser, who raised the money with which to purchase the valuable gift, which was greatly appreciated by the hospital ful ceremony, in charge of Nat. Chief-of-Staff personnel. Sister Wackerhauser raised \$342 for her fund, a most outstanding amount. She too was given an appreciative vote of thanks.

Monday evening the Past National Presidents and the Past Coms.-in-Chief had their annual banquet. This is always a pleasant affair and one enjoyed by all participating. There were many other banquets, luncheons, breakfasts and other social activities held by Departments and the various "clubs" in our Order, all of which were delightful occasions. Dept. Presidents and Nat. Aides forming an One of these was the Past Dept. Presidents' aisle, each holding a spray of gladloli, Sister dinner, Tues, noon, at which time your Nat. Katharine was escorted through the aisle by Press Correspondent had the honor of being made an honorary member. She appreciates this courtesy very much and herewith extends her thanks and appreciation.

Another event of Monday evening was the reception at the Pantlind Hotel honoring Com.-in-Chief Robt. M. Rownd and staff of the Grand Army. This reception was attendduced by Sister Clara, and after thanking ed by many from the allied patriotic organi-

Mention must also be made of the fine exemplification of the ritual by the Grand Rapids Aux., and the exemplification of their ritual by the Sons of the Dept. of Mich. Both exemplifications were well given and took place Monday evening in the ball room at the Hotel Rowe, which was crowded with members of both orders to witness the ceremonies, which were followed by stunts and frolics.

The Courtesy breakfast for Nat. Officers and Past Nat. Presidents Tuesday morning at one Mary M. Mandeville, N. Y.; Pat. Inst., Minnie of the near-by churches, with the girls of the Mich. Dept. Aux. as hostesses, was another lovely affair that deserves special mention. A delicious and bounteous breakfast was served by the ladies of the church, proving without doubt that there are good cooks in Grand Rapids. The breakfast was presided over by Dept. Pres. Elsie Sprague, of Detroit. At the close of the breakfast a vote of thanks was given the Mich, girls for their fine hospitality.

Highlights of the Tuesday sessions of the Encamp, included the presentation of the customary gift to the Nat. Pres. from the Nat. body-this year a check for \$200 to Nat. Pres. Katharine, with which she may buy what she pleases. P. N. P. Clara Gallagher presented the gift which Sister Katharine so richly deserved and for which she expressed her Next came the sitting Dept. Presidents, 22 thanks and appreciation. The manager of the of them, and then the Dept. Presidents of last Rowe Hotel was escorted in and presented to cal selections were in keeping with the occa- year, who in turn were introduced and each the convention and made a fine speech, welcoming, he said, the group of Aux. members Because of having to release the convention for the third Encamp, as guests at his hotel. Barrett: a tribute to the late Nat. Chap, of room by Thursday noon, it was voted to be- He assured the convention body of his desire and willingness to make each and everyone Gowan, together with a financial statement, ed by the installation ceremonies of the newcomfortable while staying at the hotel.

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of flowers that graced the President's station throughout the Encamp. P. N. P. Emma Finch, "mother" of the Mich. Dept. of the Aux., responded to the greetings and told of her havthe Mich. Dept. when she was Nat. Pres., in General Orders, together with Recomback in 1923-24. She considers it her "child," of which she is very proud; proud of its growth and important place in the bright gal- to enumerate them. axy of Departments that comprise our beloved Order

The Nat. Council, P. N. P. Edna Lambert, Helen] who manage the business end of our Order so capably and efficiently.

Greetings Committees from the allied patriotic orders-the W. R. C., Ladles of the G. A. R., Daughters of U. V. and from other pacamp, and extended best wishes. Our Order lied patriotic organizations and were well re-

Many letters and telegrams of greetings until 1:30 p.m. to enable her to make the visit, from absent P. N. P.s and other members of. our Orders, were read by Nat. Sec. Newbright a report from the Com. on C. R. & R., P. N. P. at various periods throughout the convention. Emma Finch, chairman, who reported that It was moved, seconded and carried that a the Committee had recommended revision of telegram be sent to each absent P. & P., to the C. R. & R. be followed later by a badge.

The Tuesday afternoon session was accentthe money from these stamps being used for ually be given by our Order. the purchase of Sound Projectors for Vetera hobby of her's, at the same time it means | Senior ranks, our Order will be strengthened. spending many tedious hours counting the money raised in this way by Sister Keller.

Nat. Commander of the Sons, Charles H. E. for the gifts, and Mary sang a song. Moran, honored our Encamp, by a visit and made a fine talk, stressing the great assistmembership of our Order; it now is too small the huge membership of other later patriotic thus adding to our strength, we will by that very strength be recognized. P. N. P. Edna Lambert responded to C.-in-C. Moran's splendid talk, stating that our Order stands behind the Sons and with them, in all their undertakings, and that we pledge them our fealty, our allegiance and our loyalty.

Nearly all of the clubs formed at the close of a Nat. President's year, raised money for Press Cor., Jean M. Thole, Ill. the Nat. Chief-of-Staff Fund, the Nat. Pat. Instructor's Fund and the Arlington Home, but the amount of money the Loyal Anns [P. N. P. Anne Lockyer's Club] raised was so out last Encamp. of the Grand Army of the Restanding that special mention is given to public for all time will be held. The reason them; they raised \$85 for the Nat. Chief-of- for the selection of Indianapolis is because Staff's fund in memory of P. N. P. Katie H. the first Encamp, of the G. A. R. was held in Carr. Nat. C.-of-S. Olive Haynes was simply Indianapolis and the old comrades wish to end overwhelmed but managed to express her sin- their affairs there, if any are still alive to be cerest thanks and appreciation for this won there. Only three were present at the Grand derful gift. But then, Sister Olive was very Rapids. Although we met in Indianapolis only grateful to all who contributed to her fund; two years ago and the Ind. girls worked hard large or small donations were equally well to show us all a good time, nevertheless Pres.

A comprehensive report on supplies at her them again next year.

glad to sell.

port showing the numerical strength of our nendations in Officers Reports and Resolutions adopted, so space will not be taken here

A most pleasurable event Tuesday afternoon was a visit from the Greetings Committee of the Sons of Union Veterans-all memchairman, made a report, stating all books bers of the Pa. Dept., headed by P. C.-in-C. and papers of the Nat. Sec. and Treas. had Walter Mable, who extended greetings in his been found in excellent condition and compli- own inimitable way, and presented a gift to mented them on their fine work. We are Nat. Pres. Joyce from the entire Pa. Dept. proud of these important officials [Hellen and P. N. P. Clara Gallagher responded to the greetings and Nat. Pres. Katharine thanked the group for their good wishes and gift.

The important event of Wednesday morning was the nomination of Nat. Officers for the coming year; Reports of the Resolutions triotic orders of later years, visited our En- and Officers' Reports Committees and other committees. One of the resolutions was that in turn sent Greetings Committees to the al- Nat. Pres. Joyce should present the love gift of \$500 to the Sons of Union Veterans in person and this was done, the Encamp, recessing

The Wednesday afternoon session included

P. N. P. Celeste Gentleu reported on the G A. R. Memorial Fund and P. N. P. Clara Galed by recognition of the outstanding work of lagher spoke concerning it and urged all member of the Nat. Council Pauline Keller, members to help earn money for the fund in of Ohio, on collecting state sales tax stamps, order that a suitable memorial might event-

P. N. P. Edith Nile spoke on Junior Auxilans Hospitals, thus giving pleasure to sick faries and the importance of their organizaand incapacitated veterans. While Sister Kel- tion and our interest and encouragement in ler is greatly interested in the work, which is order that by the Juniors later joining our

"Tiny" Perkins and Sister Mary Gordon, many stamps, as it takes one million one cent both of Mass. Dept., were presented and it sales tax stamps to buy just one projector. was voted to give each one a love token of Two bedside tables were also presented to the \$25 each, in appreciation of their talents and Children's Hospital at Grand Rapids from efforts to amuse the Aux, and Sons on social occasions. Both responded, thanking the Aux.

Chief-of-Staff Olive Haynes read her report, which was received with hearty applause. ance the Aux, has been to the Sons. He also Sister Haynes reported \$2,849.71 for her fund emphasized the importance of increasing the and since then has received additional sums, making a total of \$2,867.21. That she worked an organization in numbers to cope with hard to attain this amount, goes without saying. It was a splendid report and Sister Olive organizations, but by galning members and received a rising vote of thanks. She was assisted by her National Aides in raising this Encamp, next year. amount, also by others.

Election returns were heard, same being as follows: Nat. Pres., Lena Barrett, Calif.; V. Joyce, Pa.; Clementine Vanasdal, Ind.; Zellah E. Lindgren, Mich.; Pat. Inst., Bertha Longfield, Minn.; Chap., Marie D. Luedders, Mich.;

Dept. Pres. Chrystel Powell, of Ind., announced that the Nat. Encamp. for 1949 will be held in Indianapolis, at which time the Powell extended a warm invitation to visit

showing all finances in good, sound condition. ly elected Nat. Officers. P. N. P. Eva Black-The Mich. delegation extended greetings to She also announced she has a number of man, of Ill., was the Installing Officer, assistthe Nat. body and presented a lovely basket copies of the Proceedings of the Cleveland ed by her Installing Staff, all doing a beauti-Nat. Encampment on hand which she will be ful job. Past C.-in-C. Dr. Ralph Barrett had the honor of escorting his wife to the station Nat. Scc. Hellen Newbright also gave a re- of Nat. Pres. Nat. Pres. Barrett was presented with a lovely old-fashioned nosegay by P. ing had the privilege and honor of instituting Order. All of these reports will appear later N. P. Emma S. Finch, in behalf of the Eva's 'I Wills." The Nat. Pres. pln was presented to Sister Barrett by the Junior Past Nat. Pres. Katharine Joyce, who had previously been presented with the Past Nat. Pres. pin by P. N. P. Clara Gallagher, who also presented her with a Recognition pin, a gift from the Past Nat. President's Club. Pres. Barrett was also presented with a gift from her own Aux, and previously had been presented with a beautiful spray of red roses from the Calif. girls.

Installed at the same time with the Nat. elective officers were the appointive officers. as follows: Chief-of-Staff, P. D. P. Ethlyn Tucker, N. H.; Per Aide, Beatrice S. Riggs, Calif.; Spec. Aide, Sadle Dix, Kan.; Counselor, P. N. P. Mamie Deems, Calif.

A visit from the newly-elected C.-in-C. of the Sons, Brother Perle Fouch, of Mich., was enjoyed by the Aux. girls. He was accompanied by the new Sr. Vice C.-in-C. Bennett, of Iowa, and by P. C.-in-C. Lambert, the new Nat. Sec.-Treas, of the Sons. All made splendid talks.

The Encamp, closed in due form at noon Thursday, to meet next year in Indianapolis.

#### ENCAMPMENT NOTES

One of the most enjoyable features of the Encamp, along social lines was the banquet and reception Tuesday evening honoring Nat. Pres. Joyce and C.-in-C. Moran, in the ball room of the Rowe Hotel. Nat. Chief-of-Staff Olive Haynes presided and P. C.-in-C. Urion Mackey was toastmaster. Two old Comrades were present, also heads of the allied patriotic organizations. The tables were beauitfully decorated and favors were key rings in colors of red, white and blue. The dinner was delicious. Orchestra music was furnished by members from the U.S. Marine Band, and during the intermission radio stars entertained. During the dancing that followed the reception, punch and cookies were served.

A familiar face missed was that of Nat. Sec.-Treas. H. H. Hammer, of the Sons, who was unable to be present because of illness. One of the most faithful members of the Sons and a loyal supporter of the Auxiliary to the S. U. V. for many years, he is held in high esteem in both Orders and his councils and guidance recognized and adhered to. At this writing we are most happy to hear Bro. Hammer is making a fine "comeback" and we hope he will be able to be with us at the Nat.

The Courtesy Hour on Wednesday evening was a most enjoyable affair, planned by Nat. Chief-of-Staff Haynes. The ceremonies were P., Edith Paulding, N. Y.; Council: Katharine pleasing and the many beautiful and useful gifts to Nat. Pres. Joyce attested to the love and esteem all hold for her. Other officers received a share of gifts also.

The parade held Wednesday evening was a colorful affair and witnessed by a large num! bers of spectators.

Nat. Press Cor. Jean M. Thole was ably assisted in the press work by Dept. Treas. Edith Snider, Ind.; P. D. P. and Dept. Press Cor. Ruth Daly, N. J., and P. D. P. Ethelyn Tucker, N. H. They gave splendid assistance, all of which was greatly appreciated.

## MESSAGE FROM OUR NAT. PRESIDENT

Greetings: First of all-Congratulations to Commander-in-Chief Perle Fouch and Staff. May your year prove all you have wished and may you have health and strength and all office was given by Nat. Treas. Helen Mc. Thursday morning's session was highlight. Union Veterans of the Civil War. nappiness in this year's work in the Sons of To the Auxiliary staff and members: Our year is just beginning—our responsibility is great, but with each Department co-operating we are sure to have a grand outstanding year.

Thank you all for honoring the California & Pacific Department with great honors. We officers living in the West will know the officers in the East better than ever and are just as near as the telephone, telegraph or air mail can make us.

Let us work with a fervent wish, and faith like that of our Fathers, full of Patriotism and a will that will not let us falter as we see our duty to country and home, as they did.

We are not forgetting that we are the Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, and we are only too willing to cooperate and assist in their patriotic duties.

Our best wishes are extended to all members of the Grand Army of the Republic. May you have health and strength to continue the good work you started eighty odd years ago.

To the Woman's Relief Corps, the Ladies of the G. A. R., and the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, our continued interest and good wishes go with you. May you all have a very successful and happy year.—Sincerely yours, Lena G. Barrett, National President, Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

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#### KANSAS DEPARTMENT

The 58th annual Encamp, of Kansas Dept. was held in Eldorado May 2-4. Dept. Pres. Violet Grimes presided graciously and a profitable and enjoyable time was had by all. Sunday evening members of the Allied Orders attended a memorial Service for the Grand Army.

Monday's sessions were devoted to reading of reports of the Dept. Pres., Officers and Aux. Presidents. Greetings Committees were received and a beautiful Memorial Service was held jointly with the Sons, under the direction of Dept. Chaplain Kate Fairchild.

Preceding the Camp Fire the Sons were guests of the Aux. at a banquet. Clever paper caps and bibs made by Eva McGee and Irene Smither of Salina, added a festive touch and created merriment. A Love Gift of \$35.00 was presented to the Sons.

Tuesday, final reports were read, Convention Committees gave an account of their work and election of officers was followed by a joint installation with the Sons. P. D. C. Tracy Perry was installing officer.

Elective officers installed were: Pres., Sadie Dix, Newton; V. P., Kate Falrchild, Kansas City, Kan.; Council: Violet Grimes, Emporla; Iva Perry, Eldorado: Rosa Reese, Gypsum; Treas., Amy Miller, Wichita; Pat. Inst., Alice Johnson, Salina; Chap., Edith M. Trax, Salina; Insp., Myra Briley, Kansas City; I. & I. Officer, Irene Smither, Salina; Press Cor., Lncy Hearne, Eldorado.

Kansas mourns the death of one of her dearly beloved Past Presidents, Emma Jo La Paz, of Wichita, on July 31, 1948, aged 86 years. She was a charter member of Aux. 46 and a member of the Order for 55 years. She served three terms as Dept. Pres., during the years 1895, 1912, 1913; two years as Dept. Sec. and two years as Dept. Treas. A sincerely patriotic person her first interest was for the Aux. which she loved dearly. She was the author of several patriotic songs and many poems, a number of them with Kansas as the

Her gracious and kindly manner endeared her to many and the depth of her patriotism inspired all who knew her. She leaves, besides her aged husband, an only son born on Feb. 12 whom she named Lincoln, a nationally known scientist with the Atomic Energy Commission. She will be sadly missed by those who knew her and our Order has lost a loyal member.

On June 27 Dept. Pres. Sadie Dix and Aux. 30 at Newton sponsored a Dept. picnic for Sons and Aux. Despite excessive rains and high waters, about 40 attended. Plans and projects for the winter months were discussed. It is hoped that this picnic will be made an annual affair.—Eula M. Brannen, Dept. Sec.

#### NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT

Paterson—Aux. 3 celebrated their 60th anniversary with a dinner on Oct. 2. That being the day a very tired delegation arrived home from the Nat. Encamp. in Grand Rapids,, some of the sisters who usually attend these affairs were missing.

Our Chief-of-Staff Jean Kandrac, of Trenton Aux. 5 is very busy with her fund and has several affairs planned. Her first affair was a covered dish supper and doggle roast, which was held at the home of P. N. P. Edna Lambert with Bro. Al Lambert as "chief cook," roasting the doggles. Sister Anna and Bro. Roy Stoudt, came all the way from Reading, Pa., to attend. Aux. 5 were happy to initiate and welcome into their Aux. Joan E. Lambert, daughter of Edna and Al Lambert.

Our Dept. Pat. Inst. Genevieve Orme, of Orange Aux. 9 is working very hard raising money for her fund, whereby the veterans in the various hospitals will get a great deal of happiness and pleasure from her efforts and the generosity of the Sisters. Sister Orme held a card party and game night on Oct 7, which was well attended and a huge success.

The members of the Rehabilitation Committee who work in conjunction with our Dept. Pat. Inst., have plans completed for a Hallowe'en Party, to be given to a group of Veterans at Halloran Hospital on Sunday afternoon, Oct. 31. The Trenton Scotch Group will entertain with songs and dances. The refreshments will be doughnuts and coffee. Candy, cigarettes and Hallowe'en favors will be distributed to the boys. P. D. P. Rose Volker and Sister Lena Williams are Co-Chairladies of this Committee.

On Saturday evening, Nov. 6, Trenton Aux. 18 will tender a reception and dance to our Dept. Pres. Ella G. Reeger and Lambertville Camp No. 10 will also tender a reception and dance to our Dept. Com. Daniel H. Oblinger at the Contemporary in Trenton. The Committee have plans completed for a very enjoyable evening and are looking forward to greeting a great many visitors from various Departments as well as the Brothers, Sisters and friends of our own Dept.

A delegation of 16 members from N. J. attended the Nat. Encamp. P. N. P. Katharine Joyce presided beautifully and we offer our heartiest congratulations to you, Katharine, for a grand job well done.

To our Nat. Pres. Lena Barrett and her staff, we offer our sincere good wishes for a very successful and happy year.

To our Comrades of the G. A. R. we wish good health and strength to meet again in Indianapolis next year. We are deeply sorry that it will be your last Encamp. May God be with you all to meet again.

To the newly elected Nat. Sec. and Treas. of the Sons, Bro. Albert Lambert, congratulations and best wishes in your new office.

P. D. P. Katherine Bolan will celebrate her golden wedding anniversary on Nov. 23 and P. D. P. Amy Bell will celebrate her 56th wedding anniversary on the same date. Congratulations and best wishes to these sisters and we wish them good luck and good health to celebrate many more.—Ruth Daly, Dept. Press Cor., 1039 Anna So., Elizabeth, N. J.

#### NEW YORK DEPARTMENT

Many activities are planned for this Nov. tady, were present. A reception followed the month to honor Dept. Pres Adeline Schleit presentation.—Florence R. Parsons, Dept. and staff, also Dept. Com. Chas. L. Messer Press Cor., 91 Ravine Ave., Yonkers 2, N. Y.

and staff Saturday, Nov. 6, Aux. 30, Albany, will honor our Dept. Officers and will also celebrate their 50th anniversary as an Aux. On Sat., Nov. 13, Aux. 57 of Troy will hold a dinner and reception for our Dept. Officers.

The Past Dept. Presidents' Club of Greater New Work held their semi-annual luncheon Monday, Oct. 18, at the Hotel Bradford, New York City. Pres. Mary Kryger presided and introduced our honored guests, Nat. Pres. Lena Barrett and Nat. Vice Pres. Edith Paulding, also Past Dept. Pres. Myrtle Phillips, of Schenectady. Business meeting followed and gifts were presented to members from their 1947-48 "Victory Friends," Election of officers was held and the following were unanimously elected: Pres., Edith M. Paulding; Vice Pres., Marian Werner; Sec.-Treas., Ruth Dellinger; Chap., Maude Halpin.

Syracuse—Aux. 25. A dinner and reception was tendered to Dept. Pres. Adeline L. Schleit and her official staff by her own Aux. 25, Syracuse. on Saturday, Aug. 21, P. D. P. Winnie Durst was in carge and reported 110 in attendance. In the receiving line, besides Sister Schleit and her staff were the Dept. Com. Charles Messer and members of his staff. Other guests were Dept. heads of various patrictle orders of the state, the Nat. Chap. Mary Mandeville, Past Nat. and Past Dept. Officers and visitors from many parts of the State. Sister Schleit received many gifts and well wishes for a happy and successful year as Dept. Pres. A fine entertainment followed the reception.

Yonkers-Aux. 71 held a memorial service and draped the charter in memory of Sister Florence C. Barger, a Past Pres. and active member of our Aux., who passed to her heavvenly rest on Aug. 8, 1948. Sister Barger died very suddenly of a heart attack. The service was held at the regular meeting of the Aux. Because the G. A. R. Memorial Room at City Hall is required for official purposes, the Geo. B. McClellan Aux. 71 held its last meeting there. The Aux, was notified of the required change through their Camp 74, which with other patriotic organizations connected with the Civil War have met there since City Hall was built. The City of Yonkers has given the Aux. permission to use a room at the Health Center for their meetings. A house warming is being planned for the near future. The Aux. Color Guard will take part in the 19th annual military ceremony of Veterans of Foreign Wars.

New York City—Aux. 24 Gen. U. S. Grant. One of the most successful events of the season, both financially and socially, was the Military Bridge given by Aux. 24 of New York on Thursday, Sept. 16. Sister Mary Lowenstein was chairlady and is to be congratulated on the success of the affair. The Aux. entertained Nat. Pres. Sister Barrett and her husband, Past C.-in-C. Dr. Barrett, from Los Angeles, Cal., at their regular meeting. Sister Barrett commented on the fine floor work done in this Aux. A corsage of money was given to Sister Barrett. A reception followed and was attended by many Dept. officers and guests.

Schenectady—Aux 45. On Sept. 9 Aux. 45 had as their guest of honor, Edwin Van Vorst, Dept. Pat. Inst. of the S. U. V.. On this occasion, Dept. Com. Charles Messer, of Albany, presented Bro. Van Vorst with a 50 year badge as a member of King Camp 42. Troy, and also of Long Beach, S. U. V. This honor of love and appreciation was bestowed on Bro. Ed for the loyal support and encouragement he has given the N. Y. Dept., especially the Capitol District. Guests from Troy, Albany, Amsterdam, Camp 61, and Aux. 32, Schenectady, were present. A reception followed the presentation. — Florence R. Parsons, Dept. Press Cor., 91 Ravine Ave., Yonkers 2. N. Y.