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## GETTYSBURG » » the Silent Battlefield



"What I don't understand," said the lady standing next to me on the observation tower, "is how all those men could bear to fight in country as beautiful as this."

I wondered, too, as I drove over the winding roads of the Gettysburg Battlefield on the first days of July, the anniversary of the famous Civil War

battle. It seemed unbelievable to me that hundreds of cannon could ever have echoed over these quiet hills. On every July 3rd an impressive event takes place. I watched as two blue-clad soldiers, wearing the authentic Union uniforms, marched smartly down the road in the battlefield south of Gettysburg, turned right before the High Water Mark



Monument, and mounted guard over the area, marching silently back and forth, rifles on their shoulders. These were members of the Gettysburg Camp, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War and I could see their real-life predecessors doing sentry duty on the same spot on July 2, 1863, the night before Pickett's Charge.

Another outstanding ceremony will be held at the Gettysburg National Cemetery on Saturday, November 16th to be sponsored by the Pennsylvania Department Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. This will commemorate the anniversary of Abraham Lincoln's "Gettysburg Address," delivered there on November 19, 1863, and also the dedication of the Grand Army of the Republic Memorial which was dedicated by our Auxiliary on September 12, 1956.

The eventful day will start with a presentation of a Juke Box to the Scotland Home for Veterans Orphans at 11 A. M. Then, in the afternoon the First Annual Memorial Service to the passing of the Grand Army of the Republic will be held at the statue of Comrade Woolson in Ziegler's Grove, Gettysburg National Park. The annual Dedication Day dinner of the Past Commanders and Past Presidents Association will be held in the evening at the Hotel Gettysburg.

### DETROIT RESOLUTION

The Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, in their 76th Annual National Encampment assembled hereby resolve and declare their attitude on certain public questions as follows:

(A) We recommend and urge the earlier and more comprehensive teaching of American history in our schools and colleges. Many American heroes and great and inspiring moments in our history have been fading out of text books used in our public schools and colleges. Our children are being denied the inspiration of these true stories of American courage and love of Country which did so much to keep American backbones stiff and chins up in time of national crisis. The Centennial of the Civil War offers a special opportunity to emphasize its lessons. It would be unfortunate and a dismal commentary if the meaning and achievements of the Civil War are forgotten, if the flag no longer flew from Canada to the Gulf of Mexico, from the Atlantic to the Pacific oceans, if there were no appreciation of what the Grand Army of the Republic did and stood for—namely Union and Freedom in all that the word means in its best sense.

(B) That we oppose any amendment or alterations in the McCarren-Walter Act that would violate the quota system or weaken the provisions against admission of subversive or otherwise undesirable immigrants.

(C) We endorse and commend the efforts of the President to secure international agreement with necessary guarantees for the limitation and control of atomic and nuclear tests and weapons.

(D) We oppose any change in the date of Memorial Day, which has been May 30th for nearly ninety years, and we invite the cooperation of all patriotic organizations to prevent such change.

Strong and bitter words indicate a weak cause.

### Pres. Eisenhower Signs Bills for Lincoln Sesquicentennial and Civil War Centennial

President Eisenhower has signed a bill setting up the machinery for celebrating the 150th anniversary in 1959 of Abraham Lincoln's birth. It authorizes an initial expenditure of \$10,000 and creates a 28 member Lincoln Sesquicentennial Commission. Representative Nimitz, Republican of Indiana, author of the act, has indicated the celebration will be financed for the most part by private contributions with some Government assistance. The forms of celebrating the event are expected to range from Lincoln research to television programs about the Civil War President. The commission will consist of the President, the Vice President, the Speaker of the House, 12 members appointed by the President, six Senators, six House members and a representative of the National Parks Service.

The American Civil War Centennial bill has been signed by President Eisenhower and enacted into law. Highlights of the bill are:

1. A National Civil War Centennial Commission is established composed of twenty-five members, which include the President of the United States, President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives, four members of the Senate and four members of the House of Representatives. The remaining fourteen members are to be appointed by the President of the United States, two of whom shall be from the Department of Defense, and one each from the National Park Service and the Library of Congress. Their names are to be announced before December 7, 1957.

2. The Commission may appoint honorary members and may establish an Advisory Council to assist it in its work.

3. The Commission is to prepare an overall program for commemorating the 100th anniversary of the Civil War.

4. The National Park Service is designated to provide all general administrative services.

5. The Commission shall call at a place of meeting generally convenient and not later than January 15, 1958, a National Assembly of representatives of civic, patriotic and historical groups to consider and make recommendations to the Commission. The governors of the several states and Territories shall be invited to appoint representatives to the assembly.

6. A report shall be submitted to the Congress presenting the preliminary plans of the Commission not later than March 1, 1958.

7. The sum of \$100,000.00 has been authorized to carry out the provisions of the bill.

The real tragedy of life is not in being limited to one talent, but in the failure to use the one talent.

#### COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF



Albert B. DeHaven, Sanford, Maine

Elected Commander-in-Chief of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War at the 76th National Encampment, Detroit, Michigan, August 21, 1957.

C. in C. DeHaven is a Fifty Year member of Lt. Wm. H. Miller Camp No. 44, Sanford, Maine, having served as Camp Commander in 1911 and as Division Commander of the Maine Department 1925-26. He served as National Patriotic Instructor in 1938, 1940 and 1952 and was Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief last year. At present he is the Department Secretary-Treasurer of the Maine Department.

He retired in 1956 from the Postal Service after 45 years, and was a member of the local Board of Civil Service Examiners for 44 years.

His wife, Nellie, is the popular National Treasurer of our Auxiliary. They have two children, Bernard H. DeHaven of Alfred, Maine and Mrs. Eldora Wainwright of Sanford. They have five grandchildren.

His father, Philip P. DeHaven served as a Sergeant in Company I, 83 Penna. Volunteers. Commander DeHaven was born in Pottstown, Penna. but came to Maine with his folks in 1897.

#### NATIONAL PRESIDENT



Miss Anne O. Clayton, Trenton, New Jersey

Elected National President of the Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War at the 71st National Encampment, Detroit, Michigan, August 22, 1957.

National President, Sister Clayton is a life long resident of Trenton, New Jersey where she makes her home with her mother. She joined General James A. Garfield Auxiliary No. 18 on March 4, 1929 where she is a Past President and is active in Auxiliary affairs. Her father, William Clayton was an enthusiastic member of Garfield Camp No. 4 for many years prior to his death.

Sister Clayton has held many offices in the New Jersey Department, and served as Department President in 1943. She has also filled the office of National Chief of Staff and as a member of the National Council.

She is employed as bookkeeper and cashier at the Trenton, N. J. branch of the Y. M. C. A., and is a member of Central Methodist Church.

Her Paternal Grandfather, Joseph Clayton served as a Corporal in Company F, 3rd Regiment, New Jersey Volunteers.

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## General Order No. 1 Series 1957-1958

Headquarters  
COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF  
Sons of Union Veterans  
of the Civil War  
P. O. Box 550  
Sanford, Maine

November 1, 1957

1. Having been elected to the office of Commander-in-Chief, headquarters are hereby established at 35 Berwick Street, Sanford, Maine. Mailing address is P. O. Box 550, Sanford, Maine. Telephone 926-M.

I humbly realize and deeply appreciate the honor of the office and will try to the best of my ability to merit the confidence placed in me.

2. The 77th National Encampment will be held in Boston, Mass. the week of August 17, 1958 at the Sheraton-Plaza Hotel. More information will be given in future issues of The Banner.

3. I hereby announce the following appointments:

**Grand Army of the Republic Highway**  
Chairman, W. Earl Corbin, 527 Stetler Ave., Akron 12, Ohio.

### Legislative

Chairman, Fred E. Colwell, 517 University Ave., Rochester 7, N. Y.

### Americanism and Education

Chairman, Leonard A. Wyman, 45 Dover Street, Keene, New Hampshire.

### 1958 National Encampment Committee

Honorary Chairman, P. C. in C. Chas. H. E. Moran; Active Chairman, P. D. C. John L. Day, 868 Huntington Ave., Boston, Mass.; P. D. C. William O. Fuller, P. D. C. Roy C. Call, P. D. C. Addison Quinn, P. D. C. Harold P. Shepardson.

This committee to appoint such sub-committees as they deem best.

### Membership Committee

Chairman, Jr. Vice C. in C. Harold E. Arnold, Box 41, Coventry, R. I.; P. D. C. Charles L. Messer, N. Y.; Ernest G. Wells, Mass.

This committee to study loss of Camps and members and report their findings with recommendations.

### Centennial Committee

Chairman, P. C. in C. U. S. Grant 3rd, 1135 21st St., N. W., Washington, D. C.; National Patriotic Instructor Earl F. Riggs, Upland, Calif.; National Historian Allen F. Spink, West Hartford, Conn.

### National Aides

National Special Aide, William O. Fuller, New Bedford, Mass.

### Citations

Camp Commander John M. Caylor, Indianapolis, Indiana for procuring members. Department Aide Jack F. Suer, Fort Dodge, Iowa for procuring members. Past Camp Comm. Howard E. Bunker, Sr. (age 90), Brooklyn, N. Y. for meritorious service.

These brothers are authorized to wear a special yellow ribbon decoration during the present administration.

4. Department Commanders will please appoint a Department Historian who will report to National Historian, Allen F. Spink, 175 Ridgewood Road, West Hartford, Conn.; a Graves Registration Officer who will report to National Graves Registration Officer, Bertrand O. DeForest, 1381 Dartmouth St., Baldwin, L. I., New York; and an Americanism and Education Officer to report to the National Chairman, Leonard A. Wyman, 45 Dover St., Keene, New Hampshire. Also, if the G. A. R. and Grant Highways pass through your state, please appoint a member who will report to the Chairman of the Highway Committee, W. Earl Corbin, 527 Stetler Ave., Akron 12, Ohio.

5. Camp elections shall be held between the first meeting in October and the first meeting in December. Installations shall be held between the first meeting in November and the first meeting in January. Joint and public installations are of great benefit.

6. Department Secretaries please report the Date, City and Headquarters of your next Department Encampment as soon as possible. This is important in arranging of dates for visitations by your National Officers.

7. I wish to express to the National President of our Auxiliary, Miss Anne O. Clayton, my sincere congratulations and best wishes that you will have one of the finest administrations.

I also wish to express to Natl. Pres. Twanette Paul of the Ladies of the G. A. R.; Natl. Pres. Ylvaune Howard of the Daughters of Union Veterans; and Natl. Pres. Bessie Coughlin of the W. R. C., my heartiest congratulations and wishes that our Allied Orders will work in harmony to carry on the Principles and Objects of our fathers.

8. To each and every one of you, it is my warmest heartfelt wish that your Christmas will be Joyous and that your coming year will be filled with happiness and prosperity.

Albert B. DeHaven,  
Commander-in-Chief.

## PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTION

It is requested that all Patriotic Instructors be informed of the new forms for their annual reports, as approved by the 75th National Encampment. These forms are intended to be used as guides to our Patriotic Instructors in the preparation of their own personal reports on their activities during their term of office, and should be attached to said reports upon submission to their Camps or Departments upon retirement from office.

Distribution of these forms are now being completed. The Camp Patriotic Instructor will read his report to his Camp at the last regular meeting of his term of office and will then immediately forward it to the Department Patriotic Instructor. The Department Patriotic Instructor will read his Consolidated Report of Camp Patriotic Instructors to his Department at its Annual Encampment and will then forward them to the National Patriotic Instructor.

The office of Patriotic Instructor is one of great importance in our organization. Too little thought is given these days by the citizens of our Nation to the wonderful inheritance which we are enjoying, at no cost to us as free people, given to us by men who gave the most to our Nation, and who carved the greatest era in our National History.

It is the duty of our members to keep alive the memory, principles, and objects of those men, and to teach these same principles to our sons and grandsons. It is the sacred duty of every Son of a Union Veteran to see that they

become interested in our Order, that they not only join, but that they take an active part. We should encourage them to bring new ideas that would be of benefit to us.

If you will pardon a personal reference, I learned from my father, Charles Riggs, who was a member of our Order for more than 55 years at the time of his death, the true meaning and worthwhile objects of our Organization. I also learned the need of patriotic orders. Twenty one years ago, my father took me into his Camp in the California Department. He had been a member of the Department of Illinois where he had served as Captain.

This year let's make it a talking year. Talk, talk, but always constructive talk, about our organization. Mention it everytime you have a chance. You will find new members and people will soon learn that there is such an organization as the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

The foundation of our organization is solid, the only "ism" that we allow is Patriotism. Publicity is needed. Each Camp Patriotic Instructor should attend meetings of Veterans Councils in your City. Projects which are timely and will do much to publicize and help our Order include:

**LITTER BAGS**—These can be furnished, made of cheap brown paper, with printing "Provided by the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Camp No. \_\_\_\_\_ City." Place these bags in your local Auto Clubs and Service Stations. They will be appreciated by the traveling public and will serve a dual purpose. They will help keep our highways clean, and at the same time inform the travelers of our Order.

**WELCOME SIGNS**—Place these at the entrance to your City. An excellent way for publicity.

**BARRELS**—painted red, white and blue with printing "Provided by the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War." along your main highways. The County Street Department will tell you where to place them and they will empty them.

**LIFE MEMBERSHIP**—An important way to keep our organization alive is a check for \$100.00 for a Life Membership. You pay but once, your Camp receives the interest during your life, and after we are gone the organization will have a permanent operating fund.

**HONOR ROLL FUND**—Won't you make a \$10.00 donation to the Honor Roll Fund in memory of some Union Veteran, Son of a Veteran, friend or outstanding member? Let's make this an outstanding year with \$10.00 from every member.

**G.A.R. MEMORIAL FUND**—Will your Department make a donation of \$10.00 or more this year to the G.A.R. Memorial Fund? Will your Camp make a donation of \$5.00 or more this year? From this fund we furnish a scholarship to Lincoln Memorial University, and also pay expenses of the G.A.R. Highway Committee, the Grave Marking Committee, and the Historical Committee.

You will be hearing from me soon again. In the meantime, Fly our Colors, Talk our Organization, and build for a wonderful future.

Earl F. Riggs,  
National Patriotic Instructor.

## Plan to Attend Both

77th NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT  
BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS  
AUGUST 17-21, 1958



78th National Encampment  
Long Beach, California  
August 16-20, 1959

(Arrangements are being made for a special train to include stops for sight seeing.)

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September 9, 1957

ROBERT L. KINCAID  
PRESIDENT

Mr. Albert G. Lambert  
Post Office Box 457  
Trenton 3, New Jersey

Dear Mr. Lambert:

It is most encouraging, as we prepare to open for another school year, to receive your good letter enclosing the scholarship gift of \$300 from the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War to help finance some worthy student enrolled with us next year. We have quite a list of students approved for grants of this type for the coming year, and you may be sure we will follow your wishes in making the award. In order to determine whether or not the student is a descendant of a Union Veteran, it will be necessary to make an investigation. It may be some weeks before we know to whom your scholarship is awarded.

Again, let me express our deepest gratitude for the interest and support which your wonderful organization is giving to our institution. We are pleased that you have chosen our college as a medium for one of your services. I can think of nothing more appropriate than this maintenance of the scholarship from the Sons of the Union Veterans of the Civil War in an institution dedicated to the ideals and principles of Abraham Lincoln. We hope we can continue to merit your support.

More and more of your valiant members are becoming intimately acquainted with us. We count Colonel Bauer and General Grant as members of our official family now that they have visited our college and have become deeply interested in our service. We hope that someday we may have the privilege of welcoming you to our campus.

Thanking you again for your kindness, and with warmest personal regards,  
I am

Sincerely yours,

*Robert L. Kincaid*

RLK:mp

Enclosure

## From Our National President

It is with gratitude and humility that I start my year as your National President. I shall be ever mindful of the responsibilities of my office, and shall, at all times, endeavor to advance the policies of our Organization.

My motto for the year is "Service Above Self." It is my ardent hope that by placing service to our Organization uppermost in our minds, we can go forward and attain the objectives we desire. What we accomplish is dependent upon how much we do. I cannot emphasize too strongly the importance and necessity of increasing our Membership. If we truly dedicate ourselves to this goal of increased Membership we can make the coming year an outstanding one.

Thanksgiving and Christmas are two of the most sacred days in the year, and a time when each of us should count our blessings. On this Thanksgiving Day, let us give thanks for the privilege of serving our Organization, as well as for the great privilege of living in a Country such as ours.

As we draw near the most joyous season of the year, I offer you my sincerest wish for a most enjoyable holiday. May your Christmas be a merry one, and the New Year one of satisfaction and happiness.

Anne O. Clayton,  
National President.

Ideas are like children—our's are wonderful.





## Department News



Note: Mrs. Margaret Gehret, Auxiliary National Press Correspondent has been a patient in the Alliance, Ohio hospital. Best wishes are extended for a speedy and complete recovery from her illness.

Copy for the January-February issue must be received no later than December 24th.

### CALIFORNIA

On October 12th, Sister Beatrice Riggs suffered a shoulder fracture during an automobile accident in Los Angeles, and will be confined to her home for at least four weeks. Beatrice and Earl in the company of Mr. and Mrs. John Gately, of Pomona, were en route to Fresno to attend a district meeting of the Sons and Auxiliary. The Riggs car collided with another auto on Mission Blvd. in Los Angeles. Sister Riggs, the only person in both cars who was injured, was taken to White Memorial Hospital for emergency treatment.

A reception was tendered to Dept. Vice-Pres. Gertrude Sessions on Sept. 21 in San Jose. The affair was sponsored by Phil Sheridan Camp and Auxiliary No. 12. Many of Gertrude's family were present, as well as many Department Officers including Dept. Commdr. Snow; Dept. Treas. Cheney; Dept. Pres. Mrs. Louis Story; Mrs. Elizabeth Moon, Dept. Secy.; and P.N.P. Lenore Glass. After a beautiful musical program, refreshments were served under direction of Mann-ig Green, James Holmes and Hannah Dabel.

### ILLINOIS



Pictured left to right are: Bessie Goodermont, National Vice President; Eva Blackman, P.N.P.; and Vivian Moore, Illinois Department President. The picture was taken at a reception honoring Dept. Pres. Vivian Moore and her staff of officers on Sept. 28 in the Y.M.C.A. with a large group attending. Many officers and past officers attended the fine reception which was given by John Hanks Auxiliary No. 50 of Decatur. Ivy M. Lyman, treasurer of the local Auxiliary and Council Member of the Daughter's was general chairman.

### KANSAS

The Kansas Department Sons and its Auxiliary held their annual picnic in Kenwood Park, Salina during September. Mrs. Eva McGee, Dept. Pres. was mistress of ceremonies. Present and past officers were introduced and included four Past Department Commanders and seven Past Department Presidents. A report of the National Encampment was given by Bro. Charles Katterman of Wichita. It was announced that the Kansas Department Encampment will be held in Newton May 4-6, 1958. At the close of the meeting Mr. and Mrs. Dix were presented a bouquet of yellow mums honoring their 43rd wedding anniversary and Mr. Dix's birthday.

### MAINE

Hyde Camp 146 had their first fall meeting on September 16 with 18 members present and two new members mustered in. Members of the Camp visited Bridgeton on Sept. 28 and Camden on Oct. 5. The Maine Department Sons and Auxiliary held their Fair in Camden on Oct. 12.

### MASSACHUSETTS

The North Metropolitan District Assoc. held their annual meeting at Beverly in September with Dept. Commdr. Everett Atwood as a guest.

A well attended reception for Dept. Comdr. Atwood was held at Abington on Oct. 19. Gen. Meade Camp 67 and Aux. along with McPherson W.R.C. were hosts.

The first meeting of the Roxbury Council for United Patriotic Action under sponsorship of Lowell Camp 9 was held recently with Ernest G. Wells presiding. The project to urge the wider display of "Old Glory" particularly on holidays, was further developed and the future presentation of "Good Citizenship Awards" was placed on the agenda for consideration.

The Past Commanders Assoc. and the Past Presidents Assoc. will meet on Dec. 14 at 2 P. M. in G.A.R. Hall in Beverly. The purpose of the meeting is to look into the future of the G.A.R. Hall which is fast deteriorating.

Camp 17 of Brockton is doing something about securing "young blood" in the Order. Arthur Shaw, age 19, is Commander; Thos. McGuire, age 19, is Sr. Vice Commander; and William Shaw, age 16, is Jr. Vice Commander.

Dept. Commander Atwood announces that P.D.C. William O. Fuller has been appointed Department Secretary to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Brother Leon Palmer. Bro. Fuller can be reached at 104 Middle St., New Bedford, or at Department Headquarters. Commander Atwood also announces the appointment of P.D.C. Henry F. Weiler to the office of Department Treasurer to fill the vacancy caused by the death of George Hunt.

November 16 is Pioneer Valley's big day, the Annual Dedication Day Dinner, to be held in Holyoke.

Massachusetts will be well represented at Commander-in-Chief DeHaven's reception at Portland on November 23rd.

The Seventieth Anniversary of Winthrop Camp 81 of Chelsea was appropriately celebrated on June 22 with a banquet and program. The committee included Addison A. Quinn, George W. Kimball, John B. Davis, George C. Clarke, Francis J. Geary, Charles L. Simington, George A. Raino, Robert B. Simington and Gilbert S. Raino.

### MICHIGAN



Edward N. Barnard, prominent attorney and well known in Michigan in the legal profession and Bar Association, passed away suddenly with a heart attack two days after entering Harper Hospital on October 10th, at the age of 72.

Bro. Barnard was a charter member of Gen. Carl Schurz Camp No. 2, which was instituted by Maj.-Gen. U. S. Grant 3rd, in April, 1956. His father, Bertram Barnard, served in the Union Army as a Volunteer in the Massachusetts 5th Infantry.

Bro. Barnard had been very active in the Sons up to the time of his death. He was Senior Vice Commander of his Camp, and was looking forward with keen anticipation to the possibility of becoming Camp Commander for 1958. He played an outstanding part in the successful arrangements made for the National Encampment held in Detroit last August, and during the Encampment presented his check for \$100.00 to become a life member. He is believed to be the first Life Member in the Michigan Department. He had discussed some definite plans for the future of the Sons in the Michigan Department, some of which may start to be realized in the near future. One thing that Bro. Barnard did say previous to his death, was to thank the National Organization for the Certificate of Merit that he received for his effectiveness and

assistance in preparation of arrangements for the National Encampment.

He was a 32nd Degree Mason, a Knight Templar, and a Shriner in Detroit's Moslem Temple, and was prominent in their 1956 National Convention held in Detroit. He was a member of just about all civic and service organizations in and around Detroit and the State of Michigan.

The Detroit Sons were requested by his brother, Bertram and his brother's wife, through P.D.C. Charles F. Dexter to conduct the organization funeral service. Members of Camp No. 2 along with members of Camps No. 1, No. 4, and No. 5 gathered at the Hamilton Funeral Parlors and held the Sons service at 2:30 P. M. October 12, which was followed by the service conducted by Rev. Warner Cole, pastor of the Covenant Baptist Church. Members of Gen. Grant Auxiliary also attended.

Members of Albert Woolson State Camp No. 1, Gen. Schurz Camp No. 2, Gen. MacArthur Camp No. 4, Gen. U. S. Grant Camp No. 5 and their Auxiliary will sponsor an observance of the 94th anniversary of Lincoln's Gettysburg Address at 2 P. M. on November 17th at the Veterans Memorial Building. The Michigan Department sincerely thanks the National Encampment for its action in conferring the Certificate of Merit on twelve members of the Detroit Encampment Committee, and upon Camps No. 1, No. 2, No. 4, No. 5, and Gen. Grant Auxiliary. "in commendation of effective and considerate cooperation in connection with preparations for the annual National Encampment of the Sons, its Auxiliary and the Ladies of the G.A.R."

### NEW JERSEY

On October 13th Uzuul Dodd Auxiliary of Orange honored Dept. Pres. Genevieve Orme with a testimonial dinner and reception at the Bow and Arrow Inn. Representatives were present from many Camps and Auxiliaries to express their congratulations and best wishes. We were delighted that our own National President, Anne O. Clayton could be present.

The New Jersey State Camp will hold its semi-annual dinner meeting on November 9th in Union, N. J. Sr. Vice Commander Edward Bolan is in charge of arrangements.

The New Jersey Department Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War will honor National President Sister Anne O. Clayton on Saturday evening, December 7th with a testimonial dinner to be held in the ballroom of the Hotel Hildebrecht in Trenton. The committee consists of all of the Past Department Presidents of the New Jersey Department, with P.N.P. Edna S. Lambert as Chairlady. Reservations can be made by writing to Miss Ella G. Reeger, 320 S. Cook Ave., Trenton, N. J. We look forward to greeting many members and friends both from New Jersey and nearby Departments.

### NEW YORK



Shown above are four generations of the Bunker family. Seated is Bro. Howard Bunker, age 90; to his left is Howard W. Bunker his son; to his right is William H. Bunker, his grandson and the new great-grandson Craig.

DuPont-Eiseman Camp 2 honored its oldest member, P.C. Howard E. Bunker at its last meeting. Bro. Bunker has been a member of the Order for more than 70 years. A huge

birthday cake, and many letters of congratulations were received. Among them were letters from President Eisenhower; P.C. in C. U. S. Grant 3rd; Com-in-Chief DeHaven; Gen. Douglas MacArthur; and Dept. Comm. Truman Vincent.

### BLUE AND GRAY MEET AGAIN

Oliver Tilden Camp 26 of New York City held a joint meeting with a delegation from the Sons of the Confederacy on October 9. It was a most inspiring meeting of the two kindred organizations acting in close harmony. Lt. Commander Dan Cusack gave a short resume of his recent visit to Gettysburg and the work of his organization. Adjutant Wm. F. Cundiff also gave a short talk on the SCV. Camp Patriotic Instructor Sol Goldfish responded. Among other guests present was Commander Aronld Stern of the Spanish War Veterans who spoke about the Spanish American War and how sons of both the north and south fought together.

### MOUNT VERNON, OHIO DRUM CORPS



The man with flag is P.D.C. Warfield Dorsey. The man on his left is James Beam whose grandfather was President Lincoln's bodyguard. The man on his right is Leroy Slutter whose grandfather lived on the farm where General Lee surrendered at Appomattox Court House, Va.

This is the Drum Corps that traveled to Duluth, Minn. to play at the funeral of Comrade Woolson, the last survivor of the Grand Army of the Republic.

### PENNSYLVANIA

PHILADELPHIA—The 64th Annual Lincoln Dinner of the Sons of Veterans Club and the Lincoln Social, will be held jointly this year at BECK'S, Rising Sun Avenue and Roosevelt Boulevard, Saturday, February 8th. Commander-in-Chief De Haven, National Auxiliary President Clayton as well as Department Commander Gutekunst and Department Presidents Lewis, Hawk, Wolfe and Christy of the Auxiliary, Ladies of the G.A.R., Relief Corps and Daughters, respectively, have been invited. The speaker will be one known to all. Charles H. Dern, Jr., Member of Department Council who is president of the Club will be toastmaster. Mrs. Caroline Riddell, Past Department President, is President of the Lincoln Social. P.D.C. Chas. H. Dern handles reservations.

HARRISBURG—The annual Lincoln Dinner sponsored by Camp 17 and Auxiliary 7 will be at the Penn Harris Hotel, Saturday, February 1st, 1958. P. C. in C. John Runkle will be glad to have you make your reservations to him.

PITTSBURGH—The Annual Lincoln Dinner of the Allegheny County Association will be held at the Soldiers' Memorial Hall, Pittsburgh, Saturday, February 15th. Mrs. Anna Clevenhous, Secretary of the Association will accept the reservations.

MEDIA—Bradbury Camp No. 149, will hold their 50th anniversary dinner on Saturday, March 1st, 1958, in Media. Details are not as yet complete but it is probable that the affair may be held at the Media Republican Club. Circular



letters and invitations will be in the mail in the near future. Wm. E. Hosmer and A. B. Hemminger are handling the reservations. All are welcome.

**PHILADELPHIA**—Camp 9 Ellis, of Germantown, will hold a Dedication Day program, Friday evening, November 8th at their Hall, 5251 Germantown Avenue, Philadelphia. This is the night that Department Commander Carl Gutekunst will make his official visit to the Camp.

**PHILADELPHIA**—Philadelphia Camp 200, will hold their reception to Department Commander Carl P. Gutekunst, Saturday evening, February 8th, at Beck's immediately following the Lincoln Dinner. It was thought best to have it at this time to eliminate cross state traveling for the officers and Department Presidents from the far corners of the Department. All members of all the Allied Orders and their friends are welcome to attend both the dinner and the reception.

**PITTSBURGH**—Department Commander Carl Gutekunst, Department Secretary-Treasurer, Chester S. Shriver, Department Counselor, Frank M. Heacock, Department Chief of Staff, O. G. MacPherson, Past Commander-in-Chief C. L. Stoudt, and A. Bruce Heminger, constituted the "Sons" from the eastern half of the Department who attended the testimonial honoring Ruth Hawk, Department President Ladies of the G.A.R. at the Elks Hall, New Kensington, Saturday evening, October 19th. P.D.C. Shriver was toastmaster. Several were in attendance who were members of Camp No. 130 which was instituted in New Kensington in 1941 and which was compelled to disband prior to the end of World War II. An effort is being made to re-organize the Camp. Fair Hawk, husband of the guest of honor of the evening was the first commander of the Camp and served as Junior Vice Department Commander 1942-1943.

## VERMONT

We are most happy to announce that a new Camp has been formed in Vermont. It will be known as Burnt Town Camp No. 93, Brandon, Vt. It took a great deal of leg work on the part of our Department Organizer, Archie Aldrich and others to bring this about, but we think we shall have a fine Camp there. We think we have finally hit upon a method of getting new members into a new Camp that will prove successful elsewhere. There is still much work to be done in Brandon in the near future, but they have personnel capable of doing this themselves.

The mid-year meeting of the Vermont Department will be held at the D.A.V. Hall in Rutland November 2. We are real proud of our accomplishments during the past few months, therefore this should be a lively meeting.

District No. 5 held its most successful picnic in many years on July 28 at Tiny Ranch in Chester. In spite of inclement weather, about seventy five attended. Thomas Chadwick and Mrs. Florence Scovell were the hosts. Entertainment was furnished by the Funsters.

A joint reception for our Department Commander A. G. DeWitt and our Department President, Katie Pierson was held in Springfield on October 19. Entertainment was provided by Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Green.

To—Albert C. Lambert, National Secretary-Treasurer,  
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Ernest G. Wells.

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## Season's Greetings To All

