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COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF JOHN C. YOCUM

Elected Commander-in-Chief of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War at the 91st National Encampment held in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, August 13-17, 1972.

His grandfather, Jacob H. Yocum, served in Company G, 23rd Pennsylvania Volunteers, during the Civil War, 1861-1865.

Brother Yocum in 1926 became a member of Major M. A. Gherst Camp 51, Darby, Pennsylvania, which in 1955 consolidated with Bradbury Camp 149 of Media. He has served in many Camp, Department and National Organization offices. He was elected Department Commander of Pennsylvania in 1947, and again in 1967; Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief in 1970; and Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief in 1971.

Brother Yocum recently retired from the Scott Paper Company, Chester, Pennsylvania, where he held an executive position for 28 years. He is a Master Mason of Fernwood Lodge #341, F. A. & M., Germantown Council #53, Royal and Select Masters of Pennsylvania; Abington Royal Arch Chapter #245; Philadelphia Lodge of Perfection; Dejoinville Council Prince of Jerusalem; Kilwinning Chapter Rose Croix; Benjamin Franklin Consistory; LuLu Temple; Delaware County Shrine Club; Past President of Scott Travelers Club; Past Sachem of Menokin Tribe #381, Improved Order of Red Men; Past Master of Bartram Assembly #55, Artisans Order of Mutual Protection.

NATIONAL PRESIDENT MISS VIOLA L. BREMME

Elected National President of the Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War at the 86th National Encampment held in Philadelphia, August 13-17, 1972.

During the Civil War her grandfather, Sergeant Charles Bremme, served in Company A, 2nd Regiment Artillery, Pennsylvania Volunteers; her great grandfather on her mother's side, Frederick Bross, was a private in Company C, 75th Pennsylvania Volunteers.

Sister Bremme joined the Auxiliary in 1924, became President of her local auxiliary in 1931, and later served as Department Inspector, Chief-of-Staff, Treasurer, and Patriotic Instructor before she was elected Department President of Pennsylvania in 1951. On the national level she has been Patriotic Instructor, Acting Chaplain and Chief-of-Staff.

Sister Bremme is a member of Zion Lutheran Church, Olney, Penna., where she teaches Sunday School and is a member of the Choir and Altar Guild.



THE PHILADELPHIA ENCAMPMENT

The 91st Annual National Encampment was held August 13-17 at the Marriott Motor Hotel in Philadelphia, Penna. Registration was as follows: SUVCW—93; Auxiliary—171; and Ladies of the G.A.R.—125. Those in attendance enjoyed a rewarding week as evidenced by well-conducted meetings of the respective organizations, interesting reports of national officers and committee chairmen, purposeful and meaningful discussions, patriotic emphasis and enjoyable entertainment and fellowship.

A joint opening of the Sons and Auxiliary Encampments was held on Monday at 9:30 a.m. in the Brandywine Room, under the direction of Mrs. Pauline Herron, National Chief of Staff, Auxiliary, and C. LeRoy Stoudt, National Chief of Staff, Sons. After National President Davis and Commander-in-Chief Furman extended greetings, the Sons retired to their meeting room for the opening of their business sessions, which continued on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday.

Candidates for membership into the Sons' Organization were initiated on Monday evening in an impressive manner before a large audience by a degree team comprised of representatives of the Departments of Connecticut, Massachusetts, Ohio and Pennsylvania.

On Tuesday evening an enjoyable banquet, with National Chief of Staff C. LeRoy Stoudt serving as toastmaster, was held in the Commonwealth Ballroom and was followed by a reception honoring National Officers of the Sons and Auxiliary, with Brother Stoudt presiding. Wednesday was a free day, which provided the opportunity for visitation of historic sites in the Philadelphia area, shopping and relaxation. In the evening, an enjoyable complimentary show was presented for everyone's pleasure in the Brandywine Room.

Other social events during the week included the Past Commanders-in-Chief and Past National Presidents banquet on Monday evening and numerous State delegation dinners on Wednesday evening.

The Encampments concluded on Thursday with final business sessions and election and installation of National officers for 1972-1973.

Past Commanders-in-Chief present were: Albert C. Lambert, N. J.; C. LeRoy Stoudt, Penna.; Cleon E. Heald, New Hamp.; Harold E. Arnold, Rhode Island; Chester S. Shriver, Penna.; Joseph S. Rippey, N. Y.; William W. Haskell, Mass.; Frank M. Heacock, Sr., Penna.; Fred H. Combs, Jr., N. J.; and George L. Cashman, Ill.

BUSINESS SESSIONS

Began at 11:00 a.m. on Monday. Convention appointments were as follows: Guide, Charles W. Hooper, Mass.; Color Bearer, James Y. Ledwith, Conn.; and Guard, George W. Long, Penna. The following committee chairmen were appointed: Credentials, Kenneth Wheeler, New Hamp.; Officers' Reports, Albert C. Lambert, N. J.; Constitution and Regulations, Joseph S. Rippey, N. Y.; Ritual, William Haskell, Mass.; Resolutions, Harold E. Arnold, Rhode Island; Visiting Committees, Norman R. Furman and Albert C. Lambert.

Greetings and baskets of attractive flowers for the embellishment of the meeting rooms of the Sons, Auxiliary and Ladies of the G.A.R. were presented by the Convention Committee, who also placed flowers in the suites of the National Heads of the three Organizations. Greetings from President of the United States Richard E. Nixon

were extended by Noel Koch, a member of the President's administrative staff; by Joseph S. Rippey, Chester S. Shriver and John Stark, representing the Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States; and by William W. Vanderhoof, representing the National Organization of the Disabled American Veterans. Visiting Committees were received from the Auxiliary and the Ladies of the G.A.R.

Excellent reports were submitted by National Officers and were referred to the Committee on Officers' Reports for consideration prior to presentation of recommendations to the Encampment.

Interesting and informative Committee Reports were received with much appreciation for the outstanding accomplishments that were made. The respective committee chairmen—Thomas L. W. Johnson, Legislative; Harold E. Arnold and Chester S. Shriver, Military Affairs; George W. Long and Ivan E. Frantz, Gettysburg Remembrance Day; and Thomas L. W. Johnson and Wayne C. Temple, Lincoln Tomb Ceremony—were complimented for their conscientious effort and the quality of their reports.

The enlightening reports of National Historian Herman Black and National G.A.R. Highway Officer Robert J. Wolz were received with much interest and appreciation.

All reports will be recorded in the permanent files at National Headquarters.

Contributions to the fund raised by National Patriotic Instructor Dr. James E. Martie, of the Department of California, for patriotic activities, totaled \$766.55. Included among the activities subsidized by this fund are the presentation of an annual scholarship award of \$250, given to a worthy student of Gettysburg College selected by the Commander-in-Chief; ceremonies at the Lincoln Memorial in Washington, D. C., and the Lincoln Tomb in Springfield, Ill.; the Remembrance Day observance at Gettysburg; and the presentation of a wreath at the annual Memorial Day observance at the Cathedral of the Pines, Rindge, New Hamp.

Commander-in-Chief John C. Yocum reported that donations to the Fund for our 100th Anniversary in 1981 amounted to \$288.00.

The P.C. in C.U.S. Grant III loving cup for the largest percentage increase in membership was awarded to the Department of Colorado and Wyoming.

The plaque given annually by P. C. in C. Harold E. Arnold to the Department showing the largest number of new members obtained during the year was awarded to the Department of Ohio.

Newly-elected officers were installed by Past Commander-in-Chief LeRoy Stoudt. The Past Commander-in-Chief's badge and a personal gift of a gold lapel pin were presented to Brother Norman R. Furman by Past Commander-in-Chief and National Secretary-Treasurer Chester S. Shriver.

Other approved actions include: increase of Per Capita Tax, to be paid to National Headquarters by Departments, to \$3.00 per member annually, payable 75c quarterly, effective with the Quarter ending December 31, 1972; change in the National Regulations to provide that a Department Commander must be a Past Camp Commander and a Commander-in-Chief must be a Past Department Commander; amendment of the Constitution, subject to ratification by 50% of the Departments, that: (a) reduces requirement for eligibility for membership from 16 years of age to 14 years of age and (b) provides that the number of associate members cannot exceed one-third (1/3) of the regular membership of any Camp.



Scenes from the Philadelphia Encampment

Also approved: reaffirmation of our previously-stated opposition to the proposed erection of a 307-foot observation tower on the Civil War Battlefield at Gettysburg, Penna.; expansion of the responsibilities of the National G.A.R. Highway Officer to include the U.S. Grant and the Lincoln Highways; continuance of the award of a \$250 scholarship to a worthy student at Gettysburg College to be selected by the Commander-in-Chief with the assistance of officials at the College; recommendation that members request their State and National legislators to support proposed legislation which would provide for the return of Memorial Day and Veterans Day to May 30th and November 11th, respectively.

Also approved: endorsement of the annual observances, conducted by the Sons and Auxiliary of the New York Department, at the Grant National Memorial, New York City and Grant's Cottage at Mt. McGregor, New York, with no cost to accrue to the National organization; authorization of the National Secretary-Treasurer to request the National Capital region officials of the National Park Service to protect the area of the Parapets, Fort Stevens, Washington, D. C., by the erection of a suitable enclosure around the installations, restored some twenty years ago, that defended the Capital against General Early's attack; approval of Palm Springs, California as the location of the 1973 National Encampment.

COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION

Designated the 114th Regiment, Illinois Volunteer Infantry (reactivated) as the official military escort at the annual Lincoln Tomb ceremony and authorized the issuance of a certificate to that effect.

Suggested a goal of \$1,200 for the National Patriotic Instructor for 1972-73.

Authorized the Editor of the Banner to return to the printing format used prior to the first three issues of 1972. (Several Departments submitted resolutions to the National Encampment recommending this.)

Empowered the Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief to follow up on interest appearing to be evident among certain eligible candidates for membership living in several southern states in the development of a Camp or Camps and possibly a Department of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED

From the Department of Pennsylvania: We request the President of the United States and the Congress to enact legislation re-establishing November 11th of each year as the anniversary date to honor the dead veterans of all wars.

From the Department of New Hampshire: We protest the changing of holidays to Mondays and recommend that Memorial Day and Veterans' Day be restored to their original dates.

From the Department of Pennsylvania: We oppose proposed Federal legislation that would offer amnesty under certain conditions to persons who have failed or refused to register for the draft or who have failed or refused induction into the Armed Forces of the United States, and for other purposes.

From the Department of Rhode Island: We oppose the granting of amnesty to draft dodgers and/or deserters from the Vietnam War.

From the Department of New Jersey: WHEREAS it is the responsibility of every American to understand and maintain the American way of life, and to pass it on so that it may be enjoyed by succeeding generations, and WHEREAS, the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War are pledged to teach patriotism, the duties and privileges of citizenship, the true history of our country, and the love and respect for our flag, BE IT RESOLVED that we support:

1. The most basic principle in the foundation of this nation, which is that the will of the people is the ultimate source and justification of all law.
2. Objection to action by the Supreme Court and the acts of Congress wherein traditional rights of the American people have been destroyed.
3. Objection to abuse by the Federal Government of the doctrine of "implied powers," and the fact that "rights retained by the people" are not defined in the Ninth Amendment, which results in abuse by interpretation of the courts.
4. The right of the people of the States to the exclusive control over the policies of their respective educational institutions. Nothing in the Constitution should be construed to empower the Federal Government to determine the policies of the institutions of education of the people of the various States.
5. Maintenance of a government set up by the majority which abuses no minority and is abused by no minority.
6. Maintenance of the George Washington Foreign Policy of friendship with all nations, trade with all nations, entangling alliances with none.
7. The principle that everyone can enjoy more abundance under the true American system than any alien system now being proposed by foreign propagandists.
8. Strong action to expose, fight and outlaw communism within the United States of America.



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1. Having been elected and installed as Commander-in-Chief at the 91st National Encampment, command is assumed and headquarters established at the above address, to which all correspondence should be directed. Every possible effort will be made to acknowledge and reply to communications quickly and properly.
2. All appointees of the previous administration, whose services have not otherwise been terminated are hereby relieved of their duties with the sincere appreciation and gratitude of the organization. Any books, papers and/or properties not already turned over to the appropriate officers or committee chairmen should be done so without delay.
3. The following are National Committee appointments. The first-named person will act as chairman. All members of our organization are encouraged to cooperate fully with the chairmen and their committees:

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4. May I as your Commander-in-Chief urge your full support of and cooperation with our National Patriotic Instructor, Brother Harry E. Gibbons, in reaching his goal of \$1,200.00, as proposed by the Council of Administration for the G.A.R. Memorial Fund of 1972-73 to provide adequately for the financing of numerous activities and projects conducted in memory of the Union Soldiers and Sailors of 1861 to 1865.
5. May I remind the Secretary of each Camp to make certain that your Department Secretary has the accurate addresses of all members so that there will be no question about members receiving their copies of the Banner.
6. Your National Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief is a most active person who would like to hear from you regarding prospective members that you may have. Why not contact him so that he can tell you how your Department can win the two special trophies awarded annually for gain in membership.
7. In the past, recognition has been given to all members who have, during the term of the Commander-in-Chief, signed new members into their respective Camps. This practice will be continued during my term. I shall be pleased to name any member, who signs *three new* members, a National Aide. Camp secretaries are requested to notify me when a member is eligible for this award.
8. As your Commander-in-Chief I pledge to do all that is humanly possible to encourage the growth and development of our organization. I offer congratulations and best wishes to Miss Viola Bremme, National President of the Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, and to Mrs. Margaret Orr, National President of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, who were also elected at their respective national conventions in Philadelphia. I pledge to both my full support and cooperation and express the hope that each of us will be able to serve our respective organizations effectively and productively. To the National Organizations of the Women's Relief Corps, the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War and the Military Order of the Loyal Legion and their newly-elected officers, I extend best wishes for a happy and successful year.

JOHN C. YOCUM
 Commander-in-Chief

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JOINT MEMORIAL SERVICE PROGRAM

AUGUST 13, 1972 - 3:00 P. M.

Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War and Auxiliary

- 1. Musical Prelude by Mrs. Emma Wheeler, P.N.P.
2. Processional Hymn
3. Lighting of Candles by Commander-in-Chief Furman and National President Davis
4. Invocation by National Chaplain Rosella Vanac
5. Reading of Scriptures—National Chaplain John B. Davis
6. Hymn—"Abide With Me"—Sung by Mrs. Martha Wilson and Mr. and Mrs. A. Kern
7. Tribute to Grand Army of the Republic by Cleon E. Heald, P.C. in C.
8. Eulogy to Past Commander-in-Chief Frank Woerner by Fred H. Combs, Jr., P.C. in C.
9. Eulogy to Past Commander-in-Chief W. Earl Corbin by Joseph S. Rippey, P.C. in C.
10. Tribute to Past Commanders-in-Chief by Frank M. Heacock, Sr., P.C. in C.
11. Tribute to Past National Presidents by Mrs. Bea Riggs, P.N.P.
12. Dedication of Memorial Bell in memory of Mrs. Eva Blackman, P.N.P. by Mrs. Margaret Schroeder, P.N.P.
13. Solo—"In the Garden"—Sung by Mrs. Hazel Moushey, P.N.P.
14. Tribute to Deceased Officers and Members, SUVCW, by John C. Yocum, Sr. Vice Commander-in-Chief
15. Tribute to Deceased Officers and Members, Auxiliary, by Flora L. Bates, P.N.P.
16. Roll Call and Placing of Flowers by Department Commanders and Department Presidents
17. Hymn—"Beautiful Isle of Somewhere"—Sung by Mrs. Martha Wilson and Mr. and Mrs. A. Kern
18. Benediction by National Chaplain John B. Davis
19. Recessional Hymn—"Battle Hymn of the Republic"
20. Extinguishing of Candles by Commander-in-Chief Furman and National President Davis

TAPS

W. Earl Corbin, Ohio Dept.
Commander-in-Chief 1965-66
Died May 27, 1972
Frank Woerner, California Dept.
Commander-in-Chief 1966-67
Died February 27, 1972
"Rest in Peace"

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Life Membership — Martin R. Battey of McClellan Camp 91, Alliance, Ohio \$50.00

THE LEGISLATIVE REPORT

APPROVAL OF SALT TREATY—With little debate, the Senate on August 3 agreed to ratification of the strategic arms limitation treaty which would limit the United States and the Soviet Union to two anti-ballistic missile sites in each country. As this report is written, the Upper Chamber is debating the interim arms agreement, a companion measure. Passed overwhelmingly by the House by a vote of 329 to 7 on August 18, the measure was side-tracked in the Senate prior to the mid-August recess due to questions raised by Sen. Henry Jackson of Washington State. Sen. Jackson had proposed an amendment that would instruct U. S. negotiators to seek an equality of numbers of strategic offensive weapons in any permanent agreement to be worked out during the negotiations slated to begin this fall.

On September 7 the Senate approved an amendment offered by Sen. Mike Mansfield that would favor a policy of mutual restraint and equality in relations between the two super-powers. This move was seen as an effort to dilute the force of the Jackson proposal which will soon be considered.

PROGRESS OF MILITARY PROCUREMENT ACT — On August 3 the Senate passed the Military Procurement Act (H. R. 15495) after beating down several attempts to reduce or substantially eliminate funds for new weapons sought by the Defense Department. But in approving the measure, a proviso was added that called for the withdrawal of American troops from Vietnam within four months subject only to the satisfactory release of our prisoners of war. This amendment was adopted on a vote of 50 to 47. Since the House had already passed the measure without the end-the-war clause, the \$20.5 billion measure was sent to a joint Conference Committee. On September 8 the conferees agreed to strike the end-th-war amendment and compromised on a spending level of \$20.9 billion. Quick final action on the conference report is expected.

PROGRESS OF WAR POWERS ACT — On still another issue related to defense and national security, significant differences exist between the two houses of Congress. Earlier this year (April 13) the Senate passed S-2956 designed to prohibit the President from committing troops in a foreign conflict for more than 30 days without specific authority of Congress. On August 14 the House rejected the Senate approved measure and enacted its own version by a vote of 344 to 13. House Jt. Res 1 would simply require the President to make a full report to Congress of his reasons and authority for committing troops to an armed conflict. Rep. Clement J. Zablocki of Wisconsin, author of the House measure, expects a Conference Committee to attempt a compromise. One possibility would declare that it is the sense of Congress—not law—that the President should ask for congressional backing within 30 days of committing U. S. troops to an armed conflict. In Zablocki's view, this would preserve the inherent power of the President to take military action he deems necessary for the safety of the nation and still provide a reasonable check on the use of arbitrary power.

STILL ANOTHER HOLIDAY—Americans may yet enjoy another holiday in this election year if Sen. Hubert Humphrey has his way. In early August when the Senate passed a funding measure for the National Bicentennial Commission, it included an amendment sponsored by Humphrey that would designate the General Election Day every two years beginning with 1972 as a national holiday. If agreed to by the House, November 7 would be a holiday for federal employees and perhaps for millions of other Americans as well. The Bicentennial Commission has become a source of some controversy, and the funding measure is now stalled in the House where its fate is uncertain.

THOMAS L. W. JOHNSON
Chairman

AUXILIARY CONVENTION NEWS

The 86th National Encampment of the Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War was held the week of August 13th with headquarters at the Marriott Motel in Philadelphia, Pa. All business and social affairs were held in the Motel. Delegates started arriving on Friday, August 11th and by Sunday everyone was entering into the spirit of the convention.

Registration of delegates began on Sunday and continued through Tuesday. Each member who registered received a lovely Liberty Bell Wind Chime as a souvenir.

Joint Memorial Service of the Sons and Auxiliary was held on Sunday afternoon and was under the direction of National Chaplains Brother John B. Davis and Sister Rosella Vanac. On Sunday evening a Band Concert by the Fourth Naval District Band followed by the Campfire was enjoyed by all. Full details concerning both these affairs will be given in another part of this Banner.

On Monday morning the official joint opening of Sons and Auxiliary was held and was under the direction of National Chiefs of Staff Roy Stoudt of the Sons and Pauline Herron of the Auxiliary. National Aides, each carrying a small flag, entered the room to form an aisle through which the National Officers and Past National presiding Officers of both Organizations were received. National Officers of the Sons and Auxiliary entered first and were introduced to the members assembled. They were followed by Past Commanders-in-Chief and Past National Presidents who were presented to the assembly.

National President Agnes Davis and Commander-in-Chief Norman Furman were then escorted to the platform and presented with their gavels to preside over their respective organizations. Following the opening ceremonies the Sons retired to their meeting room for their business sessions.

The Auxiliary meeting was called to order at 11:00 A.M. by National President Davis. After the Encampment appointments were made, the Altar was arranged by the Chaplain, the pass was taken up by the Guides and the Patriotic Instructor, Guides and Color Guards took their place at the Altar for the pledge to the flag and the singing of the Star Spangled Banner and America. The recitation of the American Creed followed. The beautiful bell and gavel which was purchased with the money given to the National Organization in 1971 by Brother James Blackman in memory of PNP Eva Blackman was then officially received by National President Davis and was used throughout the entire convention.

Roll call of National Officers, Past National Presidents, sitting Department Presidents, immediate Past Department Presidents, Encampment Appointees and the Convention Committee was made and as each group was introduced to the assembly they were presented with a remembrance from National President Davis. We recessed at 11:45 A.M. for lunch and reconvened at 1:30 P.M. to continue the business of the convention. The National President read the report of her year's work. It was obvious from the report that she had given many days through the year in fulfilling her obligation to our National body. The reports of the remainder of the National Officers followed in sequence and were turned over to the Committee on Officers' Reports.

During the afternoon we received into our meeting Mr. Lawrence Schloss, Assistant Administrator of St. Christopher's Hospital for Children in Phila. The National Organization presented Mr. Schloss with a check in the amount of \$350.00 to be used for their work in the hospital. This presentation was made by the National Patriotic Instructor. Mr. Schloss explained that the hospital was planning two more Tracheotomy Units for the treatment of children and that the money would be used for that purpose. He also told us that the hospital was established in 1875 and was non-sectarian. He expressed great thanks to the National Organization for their wonderful gift.

Following Mr. Schloss' visit the National testimonial was presented to National President Davis by PNP Dorothy Hilyard. More National Officers reports followed, and these were interspersed with reports of Departments. The session was recessed at 4:15 P.M.

Tuesday morning's session was called to order at 9:20 A.M. Standing Committee reports were given. The Credential Committee reported 142 voting delegates and 29 guests registered. PNP Eileen Coombs reported on having the Charter preserved in a protective covering to prevent any further deterioration of this important document. The final decision of the convention was to have the Charter laminated. Following noon recess nomination of officers was the first order of business. As there were no contests for any National office it was voted to elect by acclamation. A complete listing of National Officers with addresses appears in another section of this publication. The

Resolutions Committee gave their report, and this was followed by the Report on Officers' Reports. You will be informed of the recommendations presented by the National Officers and the action of the convention on same in the first National Order.

Greetings Committees from the Ladies of the G.A.R. and from the Sons of Union Veterans were enthusiastically received by the delegates. PNP Eileen Coombs responded to the Ladies and PNP Edna Lambert to the Sons. Mr. Wm. Doran, Convention Manager, and Mrs. Patricia Stickler, Convention Service Manager, were escorted into the room and extended a cordial welcome to the delegates. Our thanks was expressed for the many courtesies received by us.

Through all the day's session, from time to time, Department reports were read by the Department Presidents. The Tuesday session was recessed at 3:45 p.m.

Wednesday was a free day — a day to rest, sight-see or shop, whatever the delegates desired. Many State dinners were held on Wednesday early evening and at 8:00 P.M. a floor show, compliments of the Pennsylvania Department, was thoroughly enjoyed by the delegates of all three Organizations.

Thursday morning's session was called to order at 9:10 a.m. The convention stenographer read the minutes of the previous meetings which were approved. Unfinished business held over from Tuesday was disposed of before the reading of the financial reports of the National Patriotic Instructor and National Chief of Staff. Natl. Patriotic Instructor Jessie G. Wells of Mass. reported a total of \$1725.05 after expenses, and the total, after expenses, for the National Chief of Staff Pauline Herron of Iowa was \$2403.04 Both of these sisters received standing ovations for their splendid reports.

This completed the business of the convention except for Installation of Officers. PNP Margaret McKinney and PNP Anna Stoudt shared the honors of Installing Officer, and the newly-elected and appointed National Officers were installed in a most impressive manner. Commander in Chief John Yocum was received into our meeting and spoke to us asking the cooperation of the Auxiliary in their work. This was, of course, freely given along with our congratulations on his election. National President Viola Bremme then announced that her motto for the year would be "Save America — Plant a Tree." The sessions of the 86th National Encampment were declared officially closed with instructions to the Old and New Council to convene at 1:00 P.M. for the final audit.

Many social affairs were held during the week. Monday evening the P.C. in C. and P.N.P. dinner was held. Exemplification of the Ritual by both the Auxiliary and Sons followed by the Courtesy Hour was enjoyed. Tuesday evening the annual Banquet and Reception was held for the two Organizations — the Auxiliary and Sons and was most enjoyable. During the banquet National President Davis presented to Commander in Chief Furman a check for \$500.00 which is our love token to the Sons each year. A check for \$60.00 was presented to Commander Furman at the same time as a personal gift from the National Organization of the Auxiliary.

Many club groups met for either breakfast, luncheon or dinner. These clubs are to be commended for their constant loyalty to the National Organization by their financial contributions to the money officers. Many of the delegates left the motel on Thursday afternoon — some left on Friday for their trip back home. The National Encampment of the Sons and Auxiliary in 1973 will be held in Palm Springs, California — details to be announced later.

INVITATION
15th Annual G.A.R.
Remembrance Day Observance
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 1972

at
WOOLSON STATUE
on the Gettysburg Battlefield

Parade to form at Gettysburg Recreation Field at 1:30, will move promptly at 2:00 p.m. In addition to Sons of Veterans Reserve Units there will be Reactivated Confederate Units. Music will be provided by the Lancaster, Pa. Fencibles and by Abe's Pride, a Drum and Bugle Corps from the Ithaca, N.Y. area. The program at Woolson Statue will begin immediately following the parade. The 43rd Annual Past Commanders and Past Presidents Dedication Dinner will be held in the Holiday Inn, Gettysburg, at 6:30 p.m. at which time our Annual Student College Grant will be presented. Reservations for the dinner should be sent to George W. Long, 222 Lincoln Street, Lancaster, Penna. 17603.



Department News



INDIANA

We regretfully announce the sudden passing of Thomas Lock, Commander of Joseph E. Reynolds Camp 25 of Lafayette and Past Department Commander from 1962-1967 and again in 1969.

The first annual Rally for Old Tippecanoe was held on May 29, 1972, at the Tippecanoe Battlefield, Battle Ground, Indiana. The day's activities included band and fife and drum corps music, historical exhibits, musket shooting, cannon shoots, tomahawk throwing, and pony rides. Dr. Philip Tiesh, of Purdue University, spoke on the development of the Battlefield.

IOWA

Mrs. Grace Hanson of Iowa Falls was elected Department President at the well-attended 52nd Annual Encampment. A gift of \$50.00 was presented to Dr. Fisk of the Blank Children's Hospital for the purchase of a wheelchair. On September 10, the Department picnic was held at the home of Ethel Jones in Des Moines with 40 persons present. We are sorry to report that illness has confined past National Chief of Staff Pauline Herron in Memorial Hospital, North Little Rock, Ark.

MAINE

The 81st Annual Department Encampment of the Auxiliary and the Sons was held in Portland, Maine, June 9, 10, and 11, 1972. Open House of the Allied Orders of the G.A.R. was held on the evening of June 9. A joint meeting of the Sons and Auxiliary was held on Saturday. National officers, Past Department Presidents and Department officers were introduced and Officers' reports and Consolidated Auxiliary Reports were given. At the business session ritualistic work was exemplified by the Portland Auxiliary assisted by Waterville and Oakland Auxiliaries. A banquet of the Allied Orders of the G.A.R., followed by a program, was held on Saturday evening. The Encampment concluded on Sunday morning with a joint Memorial Service and installation of new officers of the Sons and Auxiliary.

MARYLAND

Department President Mrs. Anna B. Heacock was tendered a delightful reception on September 30, 1972, at the Holiday Inn, Wilmington, Delaware by Appomattox Auxiliary No. 2.

MASSACHUSETTS

Leon H. Palmer, age 101, the oldest member of the Massachusetts Department and Department Secretary for better than 27 years, was laid to rest on August 21. Ritualistic services were conducted by Past National Chaplain John Davis, assisted by Joseph Casey, Louis Winchell, Charles Hooper, William Rule, with several Auxiliary members in attendance.

NEW JERSEY

A well-attended Testimonial Dinner was held September 23 in Nassau Inn, Princeton, honoring Department Commander John Junge and Department President Jean Kandrac. Our Annual Lincoln Dinner will be held February 10th in Nassau Inn, Princeton.

P.D.P. G. Patricia Donahue of Auxiliary 9, a primary grade teacher in the Montrose School, South Orange-Maplewood, has been honored nationally by being selected as one of the Outstanding Elementary Teachers of America for 1972, in recognition of her professional service and leadership in the field of elementary education and her civic achievements.

NEW HAMPSHIRE

The State of New Hampshire has accepted the gift of a unique, unmarked monument, from Mr. and Mrs. Mellen Benson of Conway, N. H., which has been erected in the Hon. Cleon E. Heald Cemetery on the grounds of the New Hampshire Home for the Elderly, Glencliff, N. H. Cut from a huge glacial boulder by the Potter Bros., well-known stone cutters, this monument was believed to have been intended to mark the grave of Gen. John Stark, whose family lived in the Conway area during the colonial era and whose family cemetery is located there. Gen. Stark, however, was not interred in Conway but in Manchester, N. H.

OREGON AND WASHINGTON

At a flag-lowering ceremony held September 10, 1972, six veterans of the Civil War, all grandfathers of members of Owen Summers Camp 4, were honored by placement of their names on the permanent Roll of Honor kept at the Portland Memorial Gardens. Participating, in addition to members of the Sons, were a Civil War Reserve unit and the Oregon Blue Brigade Fife and Drum Corps.

PENNSYLVANIA

On Saturday, February 10, 1973, the 105th Philadelphia Lincoln Dinner, and joint reception for Department Commander Thomas Monohan and Department President Edith Chase, will be held at Beck's Restaurant on Roosevelt Blvd., Philadelphia. Reservations may be sent to Frank M. Heacock, Sr., P.C. in C., 421 S. Sycamore St., Wilmington, Del. 19805.

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ANNOUNCEMENT

Joint Testimonial Dinner

for

COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF JOHN C. YOCUM

and

NATIONAL PRESIDENT VIOLA BREMME

to be held on

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 1972

at the

HOLIDAY INN, KING OF PRUSSIA, PA.

(Valley Forge Exit from Pa. Turnpike)

Reservations to be sent to:

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NATIONAL PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR'S MESSAGE

Having been appointed National Patriotic Instructor, I accept the appointment realizing the importance of the office, and will do everything possible to fulfill the obligations.

I urge all Department and Camp Patriotic Instructors to promote the observance of all patriotic holidays and the teaching of patriotism and love of Country, thereby perpetuating the memory of the Grand Army of the Republic.

I shall need the help of each member, Camp and Department to reach the suggested goal of \$1,200 for the National G.A.R. Fund. It is with this Fund that many patriotic projects in memory of the Union Veterans are financed.

Please send contributions in the form of checks or money orders made out to the National Organization, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, to me, Harry Gibbons, National Patriotic Instructor, 554 LaSalle Ave., Buffalo, New York 14215.

CONGRATULATIONS

P. C. in C. ALBERT C. LAMBERT

Sincere and heartfelt congratulations and appreciation are extended to Past Commander-in-Chief Albert C. Lambert upon his retirement from the post of Editor of the Banner after 20 years (1952-1972) of unselfish and dedicated service. Members of our Organization and all subscribers and readers of the Banner will long be grateful to Brother Lambert for his tireless and conscientious effort in producing an outstanding publication which has regularly provided appropriate and interesting information and which, because of its excellence, has been a consistent credit to our Organization.