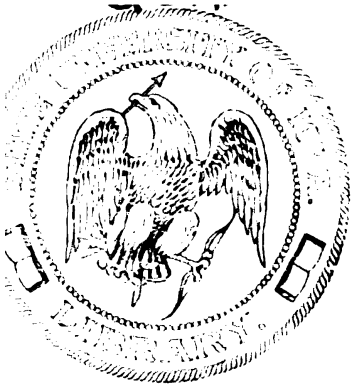


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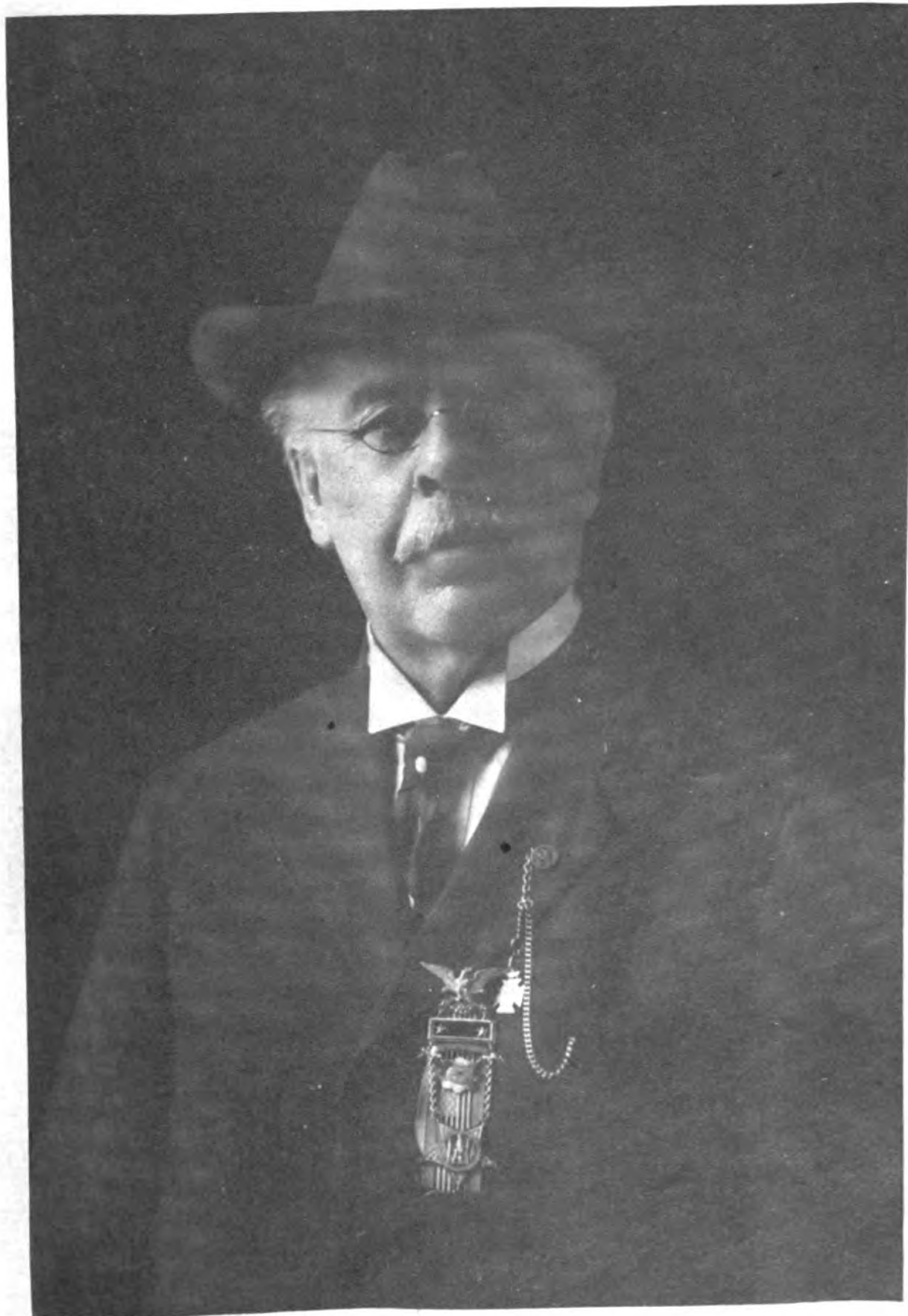
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HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN,
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC.
LANSING, JUNE 30, 1915.

HON. WOODBRIDGE N. FERRIS, Governor of the State of Michigan.

Sir—I have the honor, in compliance with law, to transmit to you such portions of the transactions of the Grand Army of the Republic as have taken place in this Department during my administration as its Commander from June 20, 1914, to June 19, 1915, as I deem of interest to that organization and the people of the State of Michigan.

Respectfully yours in F. C. and L.,
RILEY L. JONES,
Department Commander.

THIRTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT
DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN

GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC

HELD AT KALAMAZOO, MICH., JUNE 16, 17, 18, 1915.

The thirty-seventh annual encampment of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic, was called to order by Department Commander Riley L. Jones in the armory at Kalamazoo June 16, 1915, at 2 o'clock p. m.

Department Commander: This is the thirty-seventh annual encampment of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic. Officer of the Day, are you sure that every person on this floor is entitled to remain?

Officer of the Day: I am.

Department Commander: Comrades, once more we have assembled for the transaction of such business as may properly come before us. The Chaplain will invoke the divine blessing.

INVOCATION BY CHAPLAIN HERBERT.

Almighty Father, our Guide and our Protector, may Thou guide us in our destinies by land or by sea,—by night or by day. We realize our indebtedness to Thee and bow before Thee in great admiration at this time, asking that Thou preserve peace for the Nation. We know that Thou art our God. We thank Thee for the preservation of our lives hitherto. We ask that the glory of God may be the paramount object. We ask that as men go forth from their families that the presence of God may go forth with them; sustain them in all trials and bring them safely to the bosoms of their families. Hear these petitions. Also we pray for the officers of this institution. Bless them at this time and in the time to come. Gather us with the Redeemer at the close of life's labors. For Christ's sake we ask. Amen.

Department Commander: I declare the thirty-seventh annual encampment of the Department of Michigan opened in due form. The Assistant Adjutant General will call the roll of the encampment.

Comrade Graves: I move that the call of the roll be dispensed with. We have a committee on credentials and they will make a report in due time.

Assistant Adjutant General: There is a quorum present.

Department Commander: It has been moved and supported that the roll call be dispensed with. Carried.

Department Commander: If there are no objections the rules governing the previous encampment will be the rules of this encampment. The rules will be as reported. Is the Committee on Credentials ready to report?

The Assistant Adjutant General: A partial report is received. We do not know just the number but in the neighborhood of 175 at last report. Farther report will be made later.

Department Commander: The Committee on Credentials reports progress and will report farther later.

ROLL OF THE THIRTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

DEPARTMENT OFFICERS.

Comrades present are marked thus—*

*Department CommanderRiley L. Jones, Post 38, Saginaw
*Senior Vice Department CommanderF. L. Manning, Post 48, Jackson
*Junior Vice Department CommanderM. C. Barney, Post 145, Flint
*Medical DirectorRobert LeBarron, Post 147, Pontiac
*Department ChaplainWilliam H. Herbert, Post 18, Traverse City

OFFICIAL STAFF.

*Judge AdvocateR. A. Parker, Post 17, Detroit
*Department InspectorL. H. Ives, Post 441, Mason
*Chief Mustering OfficerL. T. Houk, Post 67, Bay City
Department Patriotic InstructorCharles Kleckler, Post 20, Hartford
Chief of StaffCharles A. Coolidge, Post 384, Detroit
*Senior Aide-de-CampRobert C. Blair, Post 382, Lake Odessa
*Ass't Q. M. GeneralAlbert Dunham, Post 48, Jackson
*Ass't Adj. GeneralHenry Spaulding, Post 20, Hartford

COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION.

*E. F. LambPost 17, Detroit
*H. A. ChapinPost 31, Paw Paw
*Frank LesterPost 441, Mason
*Charles BrowningPost 32, Battle Creek
H. F. YarrickPost 358, Cadmus

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Russell A. Alger, deceasedDetroit, 1867
Wm. A. Throop, deceasedDetroit, 1868
William Humphrey, deceasedAdrian, 1870
C. V. R. Pond, deceasedLansing, 1878-9
A. T. McReynolds, deceasedGrand Rapids, 1880
Byron R. PierceGrand Rapids, 1881-2
*Oscar A. JanesDetroit, 1883
Rush J. Shank, deceasedLansing, 1884
Charles D. Long, deceasedFlint, 1885
John NorthwoodNew Lothrop, 1886
L. G. Rutherford, deceasedHart, 1887
*Washington GardnerAlbion, 1888
Michael Brown, transferred to Department of Montana.....Big Rapids, 1889
Henry M. Duffield, deceasedDetroit, 1890
Charles L. Eaton, deceasedPaw Paw, 1891
*Henry S. DeanAnn Arbor, 1892-3
James H. Kidd, deceasedIonia, 1893-4
Louis KanitzMuskegon, 1894-5
S. B. Daboll, deceasedSt. Johns, 1895-6

Wm. Shakespeare, deceased	Kalamazoo, 1896-7
Aaron T. Bliss, deceased	Saginaw, 1897-8
Alex. L. Patrick, deceased	Detroit, 1898-9
*Russell R. Pealer	Three Rivers, 1899-1900
Ethel M. Allen, deceased	Portland, 1900-1
James Van Kleeck	Bay City, 1901-2
*Edward C. Anthony	Negaunee, 1902-3
D. B. K. Van Raalte, deceased	Holland, 1903-4
Geo. H. Hopkins, deceased	Detroit, 1904-5
*E. C. Cannon	Evart, 1905-6
Joseph B. Griswold, deceased	Grand Rapids, 1906-7
Wm. Jibb, deceased	Adrian, 1907-8
Chas. E. Foote, deceased, died in office	Kalamazoo, 1908-9
Geo. L. Holmes, deceased, to fill vacancy	Detroit, 1909
*James M. Greenfield	Flushing, 1909-10
*Saml. J. Lawrence	Detroit, 1910-11
*Geo. W. Stone	Lansing, 1911-12
*John T. Spillane	Detroit, 1912-13
*Frank R. Chase	Smyrna, 1913-14

PAST SENIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

H. M. Bigelow	Montague, 1878-9
	No record 1880
	No record 1881
G. R. Wright, deceased	Benton Harbor, 1882-3
M. A. Merrifield, deceased	Union City, 1884
Geo. L. Fisher	Fowlerville, 1885
S. A. Hosmer	1886
*W. W. Cook	Lansing, 1887
True Hart	Midland, 1888
Wm. H. Russell	Clio, 1889
*E. L. Negus	Chelsea, 1890
C. L. Brundage, deceased	Muskegon, 1891
Jas. A. Crozier	Menominee, 1892
L. M. Ward, deceased	Benton Harbor, 1893
Herman C. Frieseke	Owosso, 1894
Norm G. Cooper, deceased	Sturgis, 1895
Lucian W. Lyon, deceased	Saginaw, 1896
*L. W. Sprague	Greenville, 1897
Moses F. Carlton	Port Huron, 1898
J. C. Bontecou, deceased	Petoskey, 1900
*Theo. C. Putnam	Grand Rapids, 1901
*M. C. Barney	Flint, 1902
L. D. VanKleek, deceased	Pontiac, 1903
S. A. Aldrich, deceased	Muskegon, 1904
John J. Cornwill, deceased	Battle Creek, 1905
M. D. Morgan	Traverse City, 1906
*Riley L. Jones	Saginaw, 1907
Edward B. Nugent	Bay City, 1908
Jay J. Drake	St. Joseph, 1909
*Henry P. Shutt	Kalamazoo, 1910
A. J. Ward	Holland, 1911
*H. C. Rankin	Ypsilanti, 1912
*John A. Wardell	Lansing, 1913

PAST JUNIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

S. B. Kitchel	Coldwater, 1878
W. A. Palmer	Grand Rapids, 1879
	No record, 1880
Dallas Johnson	Montague, 1881
*O. A. Janes	Hillsdale, 1882

J. M. Keller, deceased	Saginaw, 1883
M. H. Bumphrey	Three Rivers, 1884
H. F. Higgins	Petoskey, 1885
Thos. H. Williams	Jackson, 1887
*Geo. W. Stone	Harrison, 1889
William Jibb, deceased	Adrian, 1890
Wm. H. Marston	Grand Rapids, 1891
Thomas M. Wiley	Owosso, 1892
*E. C. Anthony	Negaunee, 1893
*James M. Greenfield	Flushing, 1894
Oscar Palmer	Grayling, 1895
*Jos. O. Bellaire	Grand Rapids, 1896
Ren Barker	Reed City, 1897
*D. C. Spears	Azalia, 1898
S. H. Mallery	Lake Odessa, 1900
*Sam. J. Lawrence	Wyandotte, 1901
*M. D. Richardson	Lake City, 1903
*Dan J. Willson	Jackson, 1905
S. M. Kent	Grand Rapids, 1906
O. Palmer	Grayling, 1907
*Henry Spaulding	Hartford, 1908
Geo. W. Wheeler	Boon, 1909
*Albert Dunham	Jackson, 1910
*Geo. I. Nash	Marcellus, 1911
*J. J. Holmes	Eaton Rapids, 1912
Chas. A. Coolidge	Detroit, 1913

JOHN A. LOGAN POST NO. 1, SOLDIERS' HOME.

Chartered December 9, 1887.

Membership 38.

*Commander, J. B. Firman.

Delegate.

*Chas. E. Redner.

Alternate.

Geo. W. Wilber.

Past Commanders.

Roda O'Mara.
Hiram McCreery.

John S. Danks.
Wm. H. Thompson.

C. O. LOOMIS POST NO. 2, QUINCY.

Chartered January 22, 1876.

Membership 49.

Commander, Geo. W. Dey.

Delegate.

*Ward Noble.

Alternate.

Cornel Myers.

Past Commanders.

Wm. G. Whitney.
Chas. F. Potter.
A. C. Warner.
O. D. Curtis.

L. D. Reynolds.
D. H. Wood.
Albert Terpening.
William Wymer.

N. H. FERRY POST NO. 3, WHITEHALL.

Chartered May 27, 1877.

Membership 20.

*Commander, Francis Hiscutt.

Delegate.

*Eli M. Ruggles.

Alternate.

Joseph Pike.

Past Commanders.

Frederick Norman.
Allen F. Casselman.

Francis Hiscutt.
Geo. J. Moog.

THIRTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

PHIL SHERIDAN POST NO. 4, READING.

Chartered June 12, 1878.

Membership 7.

Commander, H. H. Weaver.

Delegate.

Albert Arnold.

Alternate.

John Cahow.

Past Commanders.

*R. D. Lane.

CUSTER POST NO. 5, GRAND RAPIDS.

Chartered September 27, 1878.

Membership 98.

*Commander, E. F. Snyder.

Delegates.

*Thos. Dixon.

Alternates.

John Ulberg.

*E. J. Horton.

Dayton S. Peck.

Past Commanders.

Byron R. Pierce.
 *Wm. D. Frost.
 *Chas. P. Coffin.
 *Jos. O. Bellaire.
 W. B. Bostock.
 G. H. Chappel.
 *A. D. Porter.
 *E. H. Cummings.

G. B. Schwab.
 *Theo. C. Putnam.
 *Jas. R. Stephenson.
 *L. C. Read.
 Thomas Peacock.
 *Robert Finch.
 Samuel White.
 W. H. Stokes.

C. J. DICKERSON POST NO. 6, HILLSDALE.

Chartered February 26, 1879.

Membership 63.

Commander, C. S. Green.

Delegate.

*Frank Hoover.

Alternate.

Fred Wolf.

Past Commanders.

Geo. E. Porter.
 D. F. Austin.
 J. M. Fink.
 W. M. Taylor.
 C. S. Green.

*A. H. English.
 O. C. Nash.
 N. R. Masters.
 L. B. Wolcott.
 John L. Frisbie.

PHIL KEARNEY POST NO. 7, MUSKEGON.

Chartered July 31, 1879.

Membership 77.

*Commander, Porter P. Misner.

Delegates.

*J. I. Mathes.

Alternates.

Henry Hughson.

*Dennis Rafferty.

A. H. A. Eckerman.

Past Commanders.

William R. Jones.
 *John Sturgeon.
 William F. Wiselogel.
 *Chas. Miller.
 Frank Noble.
 *Howard C. Bond.
 E. H. Nichols.
 P. P. Misner.
 *A. D. Flint.

Henry G. Bigelow.
 Louis Kanitz.
 John W. Eddy.
 *John G. Allport.
 E. P. Watson.
 Horace Lovejoy.
 B. H. Krebs.
 J. R. Bennett.

CHAS. H. TOWNE POST NO. 8, ISHPERING.

Chartered September 17, 1889.

Membership 13.

Commander, Thos. D. Nelson.

Delegate. James B. Wilbur. *Alternate.*
Past Commanders.
 O. B. Robinson. John Scott.

JOHN A. DIX POST NO. 9, HESPERIA.

Chartered September 12, 1879. Membership 27.
 Commander, H. E. Waterman.

Delegate. R. Robbins. *Alternate.* T. Hayner.
Past Commanders.
 Chas. Robbins. C. R. Reynolds.
 Chas. Wilber. H. E. Waterman.
 A. S. Mulliken. Wm. Gilbert.
 W. I. Bulson. W. R. Mathews.
 A. L. Cobb. J. D. Gowell.

WILLIAM BELL POST NO. 10, DUNDEE.

Chartered October 16, 1879. Membership 48.
 Commander, Frank Miller.

Delegate. A. T. Hecock. *Alternate.* Jas. J. Jackson.
Past Commanders.
 *D. C. Spears. Chas. M. Duston.
 Geo. W. Hurd. F. H. Miller.
 *Horace Pulver. *L. B. Smith.
 *James Knowles. M. V. Fox.
 Wm. Lafler. N. J. Carney.

ROBERTS POST NO. 11, BANCROFT.

Chartered March 16, 1880. Membership 15.
 Commander, F. Gorton.

Delegate. Chan Warner. *Alternate.* Wm. H. Blair.
Past Commanders.
 P. Pelton. C. F. Coles.
 T. W. Hemenway. G. H. Fellows.

RYDER POST NO. 12, DEERFIELD.

Chartered April 9, 1880. Membership 21.
 *Commander, E. E. Burnham.

Delegate. E. E. Burnham. *Alternate.* Byron Stanbery.
Past Commanders.
 Byron Stanbery. E. E. Burnham.
 *N. A. McQuarie.

I. B. RICHARDSON POST NO. 13, HARBOR SPRINGS.

Chartered May 11, 1880. Membership 20.
 Commander, N. Therry.

Delegate. C. Tanner. *Alternate.* L. A. Clark.

THIRTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

Past Commanders.

Charles E. Judd.	Lorenzo A. Clark.
Fred F. Main.	Jos. N. Bradley.
Benj. F. Whitaker.	Chas. Tanner.
Chas. C. Newkirk.	C. S. Barton.

GEO. H. THOMAS POST NO. 14, BENTON HARBOR.Chartered May 24, 1880. Membership 94.*Delegates.*O. Boice.
J. W. Norrington.**Commander, C. Chorpensing.**Alternates.*F. W. Zaph.
C. H. Burbank.Past Commanders.*L. Hemingway.
**Chas. A. Warner.*
John Seel.
C. Chorpensing.
A. H. Rowe.M. J. Vincent.
O. O. Nutting.
A. A. Covell.
F. L. Bradford.**PAP WILLIAMS POST NO. 15, LUDINGTON.**Chartered May 26, 1880. Membership 39.*Delegate.***J. S. Harrington.**Commander, S. H. Gleason.**Alternate.*

Oren E. Barber.

*Past Commanders.*H. C. Ransom.
**A. C. Hawley.*
H. B. Smith.
G. M. Chase.
S. H. Gleason.R. B. Patterson.
C. G. Wing.
Thomas E. Davies.
Wm. H. Kimball.**SEDGWICK POST NO. 16, EVART.**Chartered August 24, 1880. Membership 25.*Delegate.*

Andrew Hayling.

Commander, E. C. Cannon.Alternate.*

C. A. Butters.

*Past Commanders.*W. A. Lewis.
O. M. Bush.
E. C. Cannon.
S. E. Kirby.
R. S. Covert.
S. E. Skutt.Frank Bone.
A. A. Smith.
Chas. Coppins.
**J. R. Foster.*
Jos. H. Powell.
D. E. Waite.**FAIRBANKS POST NO. 17, DETROIT.**Chartered May 9, 1881. Membership 266.*Delegates.***Chas. A. Bartlett.*
Henry Burbank.
Harland N. Strong.
Wm. C. Stillwill.
F. A. Pierce.**Commander, Allen H. Cady.**Alternates.***Robt. Morris.*
**W. H. Hibbard.*
**Henry Alfeltes.*
**Walter Calhoun.*
**Elisha J. Reese.*

Past Commanders.

E. O. Durfee.	J. Reid.
A. V. Phister.	*J. T. Spillane.
C. K. Radcliff.	J. A. Lanc.
J. Gill.	C. J. Pierce.
*T. Davey.	Edward E. Thayer.
*D. S. Kimball.	H. B. White.
*E. F. Lamb.	Ed. H. Hill.
D. S. Crotty.	John L. Wild.
*Sam'l B. Dixon.	D. W. Osborn.
*A. L. Sawyer.	H. F. Serrine.
M. Green.	Thos. F. Payne.
Carl Engle.	Isaac E. Springer.
Theodore Lamy.	Lyman E. Stowe.
F. R. Bruner.	

M'PHERSON POST NO. 18, TRAVERSE CITY.

Chartered May 21, 1881.

Membership 76.

Commander, F. D. Marvin.

Delegate.

J. Schlosser.

Alternate.

H. M. Foss.

Past Commanders.

M. D. Morgan.	N. W. Herrington.
C. S. Vader.	L. K. Cleveland.
D. G. Sharter.	O. P. Carver.
F. D. Marvin.	Chas. H. Johnson.
J. W. Hilliker.	*W. H. Herbert.
Levi Soule.	B. F. Newhouse.
Walter Furgeson.	W. W. Dean.
*H. J. Curtis.	

A. LINCOLN POST NO. 19, BANGOR.

Chartered May 20, 1881.

Membership 38.

Commander, W. H. Ashley.

Delegate.

*Henry Delong.

Alternate.

Hurlbert Bowen.

Past Commanders.

*C. C. Phillips.	J. P. Goss.
*Thomas Horton.	*O. A. Reynolds.
J. G. Todd.	*C. H. Schermerhorn.

ELLSWORTH POST NO. 20, HARTFORD.

Chartered June 20, 1881.

Membership 34.

Commander, D. W. Sias.

Delegate.

James Weston.

Alternate.

*Wm. N. Worth.

Past Commanders.

*Henry Spaulding.	*R. G. Burlingame.
William Bennett.	*John S. Heald.
Wm. N. Worth.	*W. A. Palmer.
Jesse Thomas.	John Carter.
*Francis Barclay.	*E. C. Rice.

A. W. CHAPMAN POST NO. 21, ST. JOSEPH.

Chartered July 18, 1881.

Membership 36.

*Commander, W. A. Preston.

THIRTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

Delegate.

*Horatio M. Rowe.

Alternate.

James Morrow.

*Past Commanders.*J. J. Drake.
Chas. Moulton.
W. A. Preston.
John Lane.Albert S. Roe.
*L. J. Merchant.
Aug. Morlock.

WILLIAM PERROTT POST NO. 22, BUCHANAN.

Chartered July 11, 1881.

Membership 15.

*Commander, Marion Huff.

Delegate.

C. F. Preston.

Alternate.

John C. Dick.

*Past Commanders.**O. F. Richmond.
*Steve Scott.
Samuel Bunker.
*John C. Dick.I. N. Bachelor.
*John Graham.
H. E. Bradley.
J. E. Barmore.

EDWIN COLWELL POST NO. 23, BLOOMINGDALE.

Chartered August 29, 1881.

Membership 12.

*Commander, James McDowell.

Delegate.

*J. E. Culver.

Alternate.

John Decker.

*Past Commanders.*James McDowell.
*Franklin Cooley.
J. E. Culver.John Decker.
*J. N. Edwards.

COL. FENTON POST NO. 24, FENTON.

Chartered August 19, 1881.

Membership 26.

Commander, Chas. W. Sadden.

Delegate.

*Hiram Hodges.

Alternate.

*Edgar Durfee.

*Past Commanders.**V. C. Smith.
E. T. Winters.William Butcher.
Chas. W. Sadden.

DAVID BECKER POST NO. 25, OGDEN CENTER.

Chartered August 20, 1881.

Membership 18.

Commander, Geo. W. Wilt.

Delegate.

*L. C. Drake.

Alternate.

G. W. Heckert.

*Past Commanders.*J. F. Wotring.
G. W. Scott.
C. T. Cheney.
Amos Wilt.
C. L. Blake.
Geo. W. Wilt.G. W. Heckert.
William Emmons.
A. S. Beardsley.
W. C. B. Smith.
David Pifer.
John Locke.

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JOE HOOKER POST NO. 26, HART.

Chartered August 16, 1881.

Membership 32.

Commander, A. O. Aldrich.
Delegate. *Alex. Fletcher. *Alternate.* M. I. Luther.
Past Commanders.
 *J. A. Collier. Geo. F. Dennison.
 W. J. Montgomery. B. F. Archer.
 Henry H. Feight. *Alex. Fletcher.
 Phineas Carter. A. O. Aldrich.

BURNSIDE POST NO. 27, DECATUR.

Chartered September 19, 1881.

Membership 23.

*Commander, L. G. Rafter.
Delegate. *George Steele. *Alternate.* G. Mead.
Past Commanders.
 *G. W. Lusk. L. G. Rafter.
 *W. H. White. *I. D. Roberts.
 R. Colbetzor.

A. L. CARVER POST NO. 28, HEMLOCK.

Chartered August 2, 1894.

Membership 10.

Commander, Jedd Bennett.
Delegate. *Past Commanders.* *Alternate.*
 T. M. Champlin. Calvin Sylvester.
 Charles Burnham. Jedd Bennett.
 A. T. Cooper. J. D. Smith.

GARFIELD POST NO. 30, COLOMA.

Chartered October 10, 1881.

Membership 11.

*Commander, L. N. Clark.
Delegate. Wilson Bridges. *Alternate.* David Muth.
Past Commanders.
 *W. A. Baker. A. S. McCuen.
 L. Clark. Geo. A. Brown.
 A. Newton. J. Lewis.
 *L. F. Earl.

BROADHEAD POST NO. 31, PAW PAW.

Chartered October 21, 1881.

Membership 41.

*Commander, M. C. Wheaton.
Delegate. *Albert F. Hulbert. *Alternate.* Geo. L. Tuttle.
Past Commanders.
 *H. A. Chapin. John Reed.
 O. W. Rowland. J. C. Warner.
 William Killifer. *W. R. Serrine.
 *M. C. Wheaton. I. P. Bates.

THIRTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

FARRAGUT POST NO. 32, BATTLE CREEK.

Chartered November 31, 1881.

Membership 115.

*Commander, W. E. Dockry.

*Delegates.*W. R. Burch.
*T. C. Duffy.*Alternates.*T. G. Wilder.
*A. S. Parker.*Past Commanders.*A. W. Alvord.
A. Griswold.
*J. W. Taylor.
Wm. A. Vickery.
*J. G. Bohnett.
S. M. Holton.
Wm. Dowsett.
*C. J. Shoemaker.
*John Easey.
*Stephen L. Cooper.
*R. M. Bellinger.
*A. E. Thayer.*Enos Short.
*G. M. Hodges.
*Chas. H. Browning.
E. Cunningham.
H. B. Hayes.
*Geo. E. Wallace.
*Lewis Flint.
*Wm. Pratt.
E. W. Bardo.
D. L. Merrill.
H. R. Wood.
*J. H. Stephens.

COL. MYRON BAKER POST NO. 33, MORENCI.

Chartered December 29, 1881.

Membership 38.

Commander, James Haynes.

Delegate.

*Geo. B. Oldfield.

Alternate.

John S. Dennis.

*Past Commanders.*V. Smith.
Loren W. Chapin.
James N. Chappell.
Fred B. Sheffield.James Haynes.
Wm. Onweller.
Wm. H. Chappell.
J. W. Sheffield.

W. G. EATON POST NO. 34, OTSEGO.

Chartered November 10, 1881.

Membership 12.

*Commander, Oliver Wise.

Delegate.

John J. Bise.

Alternate.

Chas. Stratten.

*Past Commanders.*John D. Kelley.
David Y. Cook.*Geo. W. Taylor.
*Oliver Wise.

ZACH. CHANDLER POST NO. 35, SOUTH HAVEN.

Chartered November 30, 1881.

Membership 77.

Commander, Jas. H. Holsworth.

*Delegates.**Robert Payne.
W. C. Nichold.*Alternates.**A. E. VanPelt.
H. G. Koons.*Past Commanders.**T. Biddle.
*W. S. Bradley.
J. S. Hicks.
Geo. O. Chapman.
*Thos. E. Bishop.*Henry P. Gillespie.
S. F. Hill.
H. J. Dodge.
*James Martin.
O. A. Dean.

GEORGE L. MEAD POST NO. 36, BERRIEN CENTER.

Chartered December 29, 1881.

Membership 4.

Commander, B. H. Rutter.

Past Commanders.

B. H. Rutter. S. L. Snavley.
M. J. Nelson. *P. E. O'Brien.

STANTON POST NO. 37, STANTON.

Chartered November 30, 1881. Membership 16.

Commander, T. M. Smith.

Delegate.

J. H. Tishue.

Alternate.

John Hall.

Past Commanders.

H. H. Hinds. F. M. Warner.
J. A. Crocker. T. M. Smith.
John Steele.

SAGINAW POST NO. 38, SAGINAW.

Chartered December 14, 1881. Membership 58.

*Commander, Fred Gill.

Delegates.

*M. A. Griffin.
Cris Wasserman.

Alternates.

*John Balentine.
Ira J. Ward.

Past Commanders.

W. G. Gage. Henry Naegley.
James T. Hale. J. W. Vance.
*Riley L. Jones. *Jos. Seeman.
E. B. Metcalf. B. A. Osborne.
Robert Dederick. Chas. Ziem.
Hugh McLean. Watson J. Clark.
*Gordon T. Converse. V. D. Starr.
L. W. Wilcox. J. H. Cowell.
M. E. Keller. F. D. Keeler.
F. C. Crowell.

KILPATRICK POST NO. 39, BERRIEN SPRINGS.

Chartered February 15, 1882. Membership 24.

*Commander, Henry Moyer.

Delegate.

*Harrison Newton.

Alternate.

Abram Heaton.

Past Commanders.

*J. Hallenbeck. S. E. Hadlock.
*A. W. Haskins. Mandell Wells.
*W. H. Miller. John W. Hill.
Henry Moyer.

A. S. WILLIAMS POST NO. 40, CHARLOTTE.

Chartered February 8, 1882. Membership 105.

Commander, Evander Dunning.

Delegates.

Geo. Sattler.
R. Prindle.

Alternates.

*Chas. Riddle.
Chas. Tanner.

Past Commanders.

J. D. Butler. Joseph Shaw.
Wm. Jordan. Wm. M. Beckman.
Asa Smart. *Thos. J. Snow.
J. D. Parkhurst. *Fred G. Warren.
S. W. Harmon.

THIRTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

R. P. CARPENTER POST NO. 41, CHELSEA.

Chartered February 13, 1882.

Membership 20.

Commander, J. F. Watrous.

Delegate.

*John Strohle.

Alternate.

J. G. Schmidt.

Past Commanders.

T. E. Wood.
 J. F. Harrington.
 E. Gorman.
 Rush Green.
 *J. F. Watrous.

C. E. Bowen.
 E. L. Negus.
 L. Reilly.
 A. N. Morton.

CHAS. T. FOSTER POST NO. 42, LANSING.

Chartered February 2, 1882.

Membership 210.

Commander, C. E. Phelps.

Delegates.

John A. Reed.
 *W. L. Mosher.
 *John Davidson.
 J. W. Braden.

Alternates.

Chas. L. Lord.
 *Eugene Humphrey.
 F. L. Henderson.
 Fred Shipp.

Past Commanders.

Wm. L. Reed.
 *Frederick Schneider.
 *Edwin R. Havens.
 Frank M. Howe.
 Wm. C. Nesen.
 *W. P. Treadway.
 I. N. Ashley.
 Chas. Turrell.
 *Thos. Blosser.
 *J. A. Wardell.
 A. H. Tibbits.
 W. N. Stocker.
 J. H. Lymon.

*Franklin Paine.
 *Uriah Lazell.
 *Albert Spink.
 *Allen S. Shattuck.
 *Wm. W. Cook.
 Geo. J. Foster.
 Seymour Foster.
 *Geo. W. Stone.
 *Lewis A. Miller.
 W. A. Bolter.
 *Lester J. Kenney.
 *John Oatley.
 B. Carlton.

SCOTT POST NO. 43, BLISSFIELD.

Chartered February 16, 1882.

Membership 36.

Commander, N. T. Stoner.

Delegate.

Harrison Williams.

Alternate.

Geo. Miller.

Past Commanders.

Frank A. Sperry.
 Geo. F. Ford.
 W. H. Colyer.
 H. H. Wilber.

*Fred Bay.
 H. R. Wood.
 Edwin Youngs.
 N. T. Stoner.

ANSON SANFORD POST NO. 44, SANFORD.

Chartered September 23, 1889.

Membership 5.

Commander, John M. Howe.

Delegate.

John W. H. Brooks.
 H. G. Thorington.

Alternate.

John W. Howe.
 John F. Briggs.

Past Commanders.

GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC.

WOODBURY POST NO. 45, ADRIAN.

Chartered February 13, 1882.

Membership 135.

Commander, N. D. Chew.

Delegates.

- *Chas. M. Cone.
- *H. H. Howes.
- *Horace Palmer.

Alternates.

- Geo. W. Rogers.
- Thos. Curtis.
- William Tidswell.

Past Commanders.

- *B. F. Graves.
- *B. F. Mattern.
- Geo. Irving.
- Hope Welch.
- *Clark W. Decker.
- *Oliver H. Beach.
- S. E. Graves.
- D. B. Morgan.
- Geo. Southwick.
- J. Bailey.
- R. P. Butrick.
- *C. G. Drake.

- Jas. L. Drake.
- Morris Long.
- Luther Fry.
- *Geo. Williams.
- John B. Allen.
- *Squire Johnson.
- John H. Purdy.
- *A. Dobbins.
- M. C. Ross.
- Richard Bailey.
- *R. B. Davis.

JACOB G. FOY POST NO. 46, GANGES.

Chartered February 27, 1882.

Membership 10.

Commander, W. N. Breidenstein.

Delegate.

- Wm. H. Dunn.
- *H. H. Goodrich.
- Geo. T. Clapp.
- S. W. Eddy.
- Geo. G. Dean.

Alternate.

- J. P. Eddy.
- W. H. Hess.
- *H. C. Dow.
- C. W. Holmes.
- W. N. Breidenstein.

Past Commanders.

EDWARD POMEROY POST NO. 48, JACKSON.

Chartered March 9, 1882.

Membership 157.

*Commander, F. L. Manning.

Delegates.

- *Byron Winchester.
- *W. E. Howard.
- *Elias Pierce.
- Geo. Kinney.

Alternates.

- Geo. W. Allen.
- Geo. H. Bigelow.
- W. F. Reed.
- *Dean LaBanta.

Past Commanders.

- A. D. Welling.
- O. F. Kaywood.
- *Albert Dunham.
- *J. L. Sample.
- *D. J. Wilson.
- J. D. Jewell.
- *Oristus Blake.
- B. F. Lair.
- Frank White.
- Dewitt C. Faxon.

- Wm. H. Porter.
- *Thos. Daniels.
- S. B. Davis.
- Thos. Moloney.
- *A. G. Miller.
- *Lewis Pelton.
- *H. F. Higgins.
- *W. W. Crocker.
- *Delos Ells.

WADSWORTH POST NO. 49, LAWRENCE.

Chartered March 16, 1882.

Membership 20.

*Commander, John H. Shoemaker.

Delegate.

Alternate.

THIRTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

Past Commanders.

*Thomas C. Tyner.
Charles Cook.
John H. Shoemaker.
George A. Cross.

*Francis Branch.
*Geo. W. Hillyard.
Geo. W. McFern.
Rufus M. Rowe.

JOHN T. REYNOLDS POST NO. 52, PENTWATER.

Chartered November 18, 1887.

Membership 21.

Commander, C. C. Inman.

Delegate.

Geo. Hill.

Alternate.

L. Slocum.

Past Commanders.

F. O. Gardner.
W. A. Clark.
D. I. Davis.

Geo. Houseman.
J. H. Beach.

PHIL M'KERNAN POST NO. 53, MASON.

Chartered April 8, 1882.

Membership 45.

*Commander, Theo. Bortle.

Delegate.

*Jos. Jewett.

Alternate.

Isaac M. Morse.

Past Commanders.

*G. L. Barnaby.
Theo. Bortle.

*S. C. Parker.
*H. C. Freeland.

O. P. MORTON POST NO. 54, MANTON.

Chartered April 15, 1882.

Membership 8.

Commander, W. W. Byer.

Delegate.

James Ivins.

Alternate.

Joseph Bersey.

Past Commanders.

Xera Ellsworth.
Chas. Read.
Thos. Solly.

Ellis Bradburn.
A. A. Clawson.
R. A. Cory.

CAPT. H. BARROWS POST NO. 55, ARMADA.

Chartered June 4, 1895.

Membership 12.

Commander, Marion Bates.

Delegate.

Jas. P. Curtis.

Alternate.

Frederick Kipp.

Past Commanders.

Homer G. Sperry.
Marion Bates.
L. J. Compton.
A. S. Hathaway.

William Hamlin.
Wm. B. Hamilton.
A. B. Weston.
E. A. Gibson.

C. J. BASSETT POST NO. 56, ALLEGAN.

Chartered April 25, 1882.

Membership 52.

*Commander, N. W. Houser.

Delegate.

*James Kent.

Alternate.

Past Commanders.

*W. W. Warner.
N. W. Houser.
Geo. W. Cady.
J. W. Eley.
John S. Curtis.

*L. W. Bellinger.
Sam'l F. Murphy.
*L. Y. Cady.
James C. Leggett.

THOMAS MANNING POST NO. 57, MARCELLUS.

Chartered May 19, 1882.

Membership 49.

Delegate.

*Charles Hall.

*Commander, Edward W. La Barre.

Alternate.

Bruce Lewis.

Past Commanders.

J. B. Fortner.
*G. I. Nash.
*W. R. Snider.
Levi Dennis.
E. W. La Barre.

*C. H. Beardslee.
*Frank T. Woolfe.
C. Lounson.
J. B. Gartner.

A. COLVIN POST NO. 59, GOBLEVILLE.

Chartered May 22, 1882.

Membership 19.

Delegate.

*J. C. Parsons.

*Commander, C. B. Hart.

Alternate.

J. D. Houskeneicht.

Past Commanders.

Phil Bush.
O. S. Brown.

*Richard Hill.
*G. W. Lewis.

DEWEY POST NO. 60, LESLIE.

Chartered May 25, 1882.

Membership 34.

Delegate.

*H. H. Small.

Commander, A. H. Laberteaux.

Alternate.

C. Carpenter.

Past Commanders.

L. C. Rice.
J. B. Scovel.
*W. D. Longyear.

A. H. Laberteaux.
R. C. Bishop.
*E. E. Stone.

JEWELL POST NO. 62, CEDAR SPRINGS.

Chartered June 3, 1882.

Membership 21.

Delegate.

E. L. Boynton.

Commander, Chas. R. Sneather.

Alternate.

H. Morningstar.

Past Commanders.

*John T. Pomeroy.
Silas T. Church.
G. W. Fullington.

Sam'l H. Smith.
J. D. Jackson.
Miles Mulford.

G. K. WARNER POST NO. 63, EAST TAWAS.

Chartered June 20, 1882.

Membership 15.

Delegate.

Commander, F. E. Hayes.

Alternate.

THIRTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

Post Commanders.

Theo. Hills.	J. M. Walker.
B. F. Oakes.	S. C. Williams.
F. E. Hayes.	John Youngs.
Wardwell Chase.	C. F. Adams.

FRANK GRAVES POST NO. 64, NILES.

Chartered November 7, 1913. Membership 21.

Commander, W. Hillis Smith.

*Delegate.**Alternate.**Past Commander.*

W. Hillis Smith.

W. J. MAY POST NO. 65, JONES.

Chartered July 24, 1882. Membership 17.

Commander, S. P. King.

*Delegate.**Alternate.*

D. Haven.

D. Trottles.

Past Commanders.

D. Trottles.	S. P. King.
A. P. Beeman.	H. H. Bowen.
I. S. Pound.	N. G. Stanard.
T. P. Ayers.	

STEVENS POST NO. 66, EAST JORDAN.

Chartered December 4, 1882. Membership 19.

Commander, J. W. Rogers.

*Delegate.**Alternate.*

J. H. Kocher.

I. C. Madison.

Past Commanders.

J. W. Rogers.	J. H. Kocher.
L. C. Madison.	A. Bush.
Geo. J. Bowen.	F. L. Smith.

U. S. GRANT POST NO. 67, BAY CITY.

Chartered June 12, 1882. Membership 68.

*Commander, W. H. Lacey.

*Delegates.**Alternates.*

Wm. McMullen.

Frank Leroy.

Geo. Keating.

Daniel Chapman.

Past Commanders.

H. C. Green.	Wm. Lacey.
C. L. Collins.	Sol Wilhelm.
James Van Kleeck.	O. F. Kellogg.
J. P. Day.	L. A. L. Gilbert.
August Meisel.	J. Van Buren.
*Griff Lewis.	*L. T. Houck.
Chas. Gossler.	W. Hubbard.
J. E. Hill.	*Hiram Russell.

SHIELDS POST NO. 68, SHELBY.

Chartered July 27, 1882.

Membership 24.

Delegate.

Edwin S. Randall.

Commander, C. M. Butterfield.

Alternate.

A. B. Wilkenberg.

*Past Commanders.*Wm. H. Barry.
Samuel Wright.
F. A. Pitts.J. D. Randall.
L. D. Wildey.**DWIGHT MAY POST NO. 69, MIDLAND.**

Chartered June 29, 1882.

Membership 22.

Delegate.

C. W. Sinclair.

Commander, W. A. Finney.

Alternate.

A. Butters.

*Past Commanders.*T. B. Main.
*Alfred See.
W. A. Finney.Wm. L. Stearns.
Henry D. Northway.
*I. H. Richardson.**JAMES D. MORGAN POST NO. 70, ONAWAY.**

Chartered April 2, 1914.

Membership 18.

Delegate.

*Wm. Harmon.

Commander, S. S. Tower.

Alternate.

Geo. H. See.

Past Commander.

S. S. Tower.

ED. M. PRUTZMAN POST NO. 72, THREE RIVERS.

Chartered September 7, 1882.

Membership 47.

Delegate.

Lester B. Place.

*Commander, J. D. Wolf.

Alternate.

*C. A. Hill.

*Past Commanders.*M. H. Bumphrey.
*S. M. Snyder.
*Jeff. P. McKey.
W. C. Porter.*Russell R. Pealer.
*Bishop E. Andrews.
*Geo. A. B. Cooke.
J. D. Wolf.**STERLING POST NO. 74, WAYLAND.**

Chartered August 31, 1882.

Membership 12.

Delegate.

V. P. Fales.

Commander, Chas. B. Brown.

Alternate.

Peter Ross.

*Past Commanders.*Peter Ross.
John N. Peck.
Frank E. Pickett.
James M. Potts.
C. B. Brown.Jerry H. Sargent.
Albert W. Nash.
Varsol P. Fales.
Isaac N. Hoyt.
David Knowles.

THIRTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

WETHERWAX POST NO. 75, GRAND HAVEN.

Chartered September 13, 1882.

Membership 30.

Commander, Antone Boet.
Delegate. John Luikens. *Alternate.* A. S. Granger.

Past Commanders.

C. E. Soule. Orson Vanderhoef.
 C. N. Dickenson. Antone Boet.

JOSEPH R. SMITH POST NO. 76, MONROE.

Chartered September 12, 1882.

Membership 41.

Commander, Adam Lehr.
Delegate. Adolph Rupp. *Alternate.* Adam Michaels.

Past Commanders.

Geo. Spaulding. Wm. F. Haight.
 Burton Parker. A. Lehr.
 F. B. Nelson. Justus Sorter.
 J. Callum.

FRANK HICKS POST NO. 78, DANSVILLE.

Chartered September 18, 1882.

Membership 8.

*Commander, A. L. Crossman.
Delegate. *Merritt Hicks. *Alternate.*

Past Commanders.

Andrew Beers. C. F. Patrick.
 O. L. Lathrop. A. L. Crossman.

ORCUTT POST NO. 79, KALAMAZOO.

Chartered September 20, 1882.

Membership 115.

*Commander, Alex. Robbins.
Delegates. G. E. Dunbar. *Alternates.* *M. Kent.
 *Prosper Lawrence. *W. Allen.
 *W. B. Steenburg. R. P. James.

Past Commanders.

Geo. M. Buck. J. D. Turner.
 *Wm. F. Sherman. *G. W. Tuttle.
 *Freeman Hall. *E. S. Bissell.
 *F. P. Muhlenberg. *Chas. Prang.
 *Aaron Miller. *Geo. Clark.
 *Geo. F. Larned. *Geo. W. Doane.
 John D. Sumner. *Eli Strong.
 *H. P. Shutt. *C. W. Davenport.
 *J. E. White. *J. H. Johnson.
 *W. A. Keyser. *W. H. Van Orman.
 *S. H. La Porte.

HARLOW BRIGGS POST NO. 80, HOPKINS STATION.

Chartered September 25, 1882.

Membership 16.

*Commander, E. P. Arnold.
Delegate. *John W. Linsley. *Alternate.* Ruel Nash.

Past Commanders.

*John Hoffmaster.	Chas. Tiefenthal.
Geo. Ruchle.	Fred Hodges.
*Arnold Brockway.	W. W. Clark.
E. P. Arnold.	

WM. A. KENT POST NO. 83, GREENVILLE.

Chartered October 6, 1882. Membership 24.

Commander, A. J. Cole.

Delegate.

*George Atwood.

Alternate.

A. H. Johnson.

Past Commanders.

O. B. Green.	L. W. Sprague.
A. J. Cole.	O. W. Green.
C. O. Jennison.	A. T. Bliss.
O. J. Cary.	John W. Finch.

COL. BAKER POST NO. 84, KALKASKA.

Chartered October 9, 1882. Membership 25.

Commander, Chas. Woolpert.

Delegate.

Geo. Simonson.

Alternate.

Henry Wright.

Past Commanders.

James Greacen.	W. J. Wilson.
Jas. M. Flagg.	Chas. Woolpert.
John Lewis.	

GEN. LYON POST NO. 86, MANCERLONA.

Chartered October 10, 1882. Membership 15.

Commander, Albertus Symonds.

Delegate.

H. S. Fenner.

Alternate.

James Mills.

Past Commanders.

J. O. Lyons.	Davis S. Davis.
James J. Ayers.	Albertus Symonds.
Jno. W. Wallace.	

JOS. WILSON POST NO. 87, LOWELL.

Chartered October 16, 1882. Membership 35.

Commander, W. R. Andrews.

Delegate.

*John Hetch.

Alternate.

Chas. Althen

Past Commanders.

S. P. Hicks.	D. O. Shear.
J. H. Godfrey.	W. R. Andrews.

CORBIN POST NO. 88, UNION CITY.

Chartered October 17, 1882. Membership 40.

*Commander, William W. Fenno.

Delegate.

*J. H. Olney.

Alternate.

Thos. C. Knapp.

THIRTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

Past Commanders.

*L. L. Harsh.
M. F. Buell.
O. N. Dennison.
*J. W. Blackwell.
*J. M. Wells.
Henry Seymour.

W. W. Fenno.
C. M. Hall.
M. E. Blair.
J. D. Parks.
*Geo. D. Eberhard.

RANSOM POST NO. 89, FLUSHING.

Chartered October 18, 1882.

Membership 13.

*Commander, Jas. M. Greenfield.

Delegate.

Henry H. Kahl.

Alternate.

Chas. Freeman.

Past Commanders.

J. M. Greenfield.
S. H. Thomas.
W. J. Ottaway.
Cyrus Phelps.

J. M. Caldwell.
Chester Felton.
W. V. Banning.

J. N. PENOYER POST NO. 90, SAGINAW, W. S.

Chartered November 14, 1882.

Membership 44.

Commander, John Mahoney.

Delegate.

John McArthur.

Alternate.

E. M. Warner.

Past Commanders.

O. T. Mosier.
Fred Wellington.
J. F. Brand.
N. B. Kinsey.
Frank McPhillips.
J. P. Schwann.
Daniel Crane.

John Mahoney.
F. Entikin.
Frank Sinnger.
H. S. Averill.
J. H. Leavenworth.
John W. Foote.
A. Typher.

WM. D. WILKINS POST NO. 91, ST. LOUIS.

Chartered October 25, 1882.

Membership 44.

Commander, J. G. LaClear.

Delegate.

John Hagerman.

Alternate.

George Wilcox.

Past Commanders.

A. B. Darragh.
L. W. Beach.
C. H. Crandall.
Henry Davison.
H. E. Histed.
J. G. LaClear.

L. B. Longwell.
Willard Gay.
L. L. Cornell.
Henry O. Totten.
R. Root.

WALLACE POST NO. 95, FLAT ROCK.

Chartered December 9, 1882.

Membership 15.

*Commander, John R. Brown.

De'legate.

David Valrance.

Alternate.

Henry M. Smith.

Past Commanders.

J. M. Van Riper.	Sherman Rice.
S. F. Smith.	C. Strewing.
*Albert W. Wagar.	F. Ferstel.
E. Beach.	J. R. Brown.
F. M. Reid.	H. W. Moses.

CARTER POST NO. 96, UNION.

Chartered December 21, 1882. Membership 9.

Commander, C. C. Parker.

Delegate.
Benj. Probst.

Alternate.
L. Q. Hitchcox.

Past Commanders.

*H. F. Garman. C. C. Parker.

JOHN J. BAGLEY POST NO. 97, HERSEY.

Chartered December 27, 1882. Membership 6.

Commander, L. F. Corey.

Delegate.
I. N. Owens.

Alternate.
Henry Rose.

Past Commanders.

L. F. Corey. B. F. Corey.

WILLIAM SANBORN POST NO. 98, PORT HURON.

Chartered December 30, 1882. Membership 59.

*Commander, John Hill.

Delegate.
Jas. F. Wagar.

Alternate.
Robt. Balmer.

Past Commanders.

Geo. W. Howe.	*Wm. O. Lee.
W. H. Brown.	J. W. Burns.
J. D. Kinney.	G. B. Windover.
N. D. Brown.	A. H. Welsher.
C. W. Higgins.	Harvey Hyde.
	Edwin S. Petit.

M. W. DRESSER POST NO. 100, LYONS.

Chartered January 10, 1883. Membership 19.

*Commander, Chas. W. Lung.

Delegate.
*Alfred S. Bunnell.

Alternate.
John Ashley.

Past Commanders.

B. H. Stevens. Chas. W. Lung.
Geo. W. Terry. T. A. Steadman.

MOSES WISNER POST NO. 101, ITHACA.

Chartered January 13, 1883. Membership 23.

Commander, Abial S. Loomis.

Delegate.
N. M. Showers.

Alternate.
N. Church.

THIRTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

Past Commanders.

W. H. Beasley.	Wm. Stahl.
E. B. Killee.	K. P. Peet.
James Donaldson.	A. J. Brown.
Thomas Crafford.	J. Gidley.
J. B. Zarbaugh.	A. S. Loomis.

ELI P. ALEXANDER POST NO. 103, WILLIAMSTON.

Chartered January 16, 1883.

Membership 23.

Commander, A. H. Kinnie.

Delegate.

*W. L. Robson.

Alternate.

M. S. Baker.

Past Commanders.

Mathias Coad.	M. Vannetter.
Hiram Haire.	A. H. Kinnie.
R. Wiggins.	Chas. E. West.
W. L. Robson.	*Leroy Satterlee.

WORTH POST NO. 105, TEKONSHA.

Chartered February 15, 1883.

Membership 12.

Commander, Willard Whitney.

Delegate.

R. E. Eldred.

Alternate.

L. R. Estes.

Past Commanders.

Willard Whitney.	*Wm. H. Davis
C. H. Miller.	

TIM LEWIS POST NO. 107, DIMONDALE.

Chartered March 17, 1883.

Membership 21.

*Commander, N. P. Bateman.

Delegate.

Samuel Leseney.

Alternate.

Isaac Hess.

Past Commanders.

Andrew Pray.	S. Rumsey.
N. P. Bateman.	O. G. Andrews.
John M. Spitler.	E. D. Butler.
Albert Shotwell.	Frank Melbourne.
A. P. Goodwin.	J. A. Bell.
Jay M. Henderson.	

EARL HALBERT POST NO. 108, GRAND LEDGE.

Chartered March 15, 1883.

Membership 40.

Commander, D. G. Kennedy.

Delegate.

Edwin R. Whitney.

Alternate.

Orren L. Moore.

Past Commanders.

D. G. Kennedy.	W. R. Pierce.
John C. Clark.	

BUTTERWORTH POST NO. 109, COLDWATER.

Chartered March 9, 1883.

Membership 88.

*Commander, Jefferson T. Burns.

Delegates.

*Samuel I. Treat.
*W. J. Smally.

Alternates.

L. L. Hawley.
Wm. Myers.

Past Commanders.

N. A. Reynolds.
*Henry Firth.
Alfred Milnes.
B. K. Robbins.
Frank Eaton.
*C. W. Bennett.

L. S. Daniels.
T. S. Osborn.
H. H. Benson.
E. E. Lewis.
B. R. Amsden.
M. A. Aldrich.

DE GOLYER POST NO. 110, HUDSON.

Chartered March 12, 1883.

Membership 32.

*Commander, J. A. Dillon, Sr.

Delegate.

*George Swift.

Alternate.

Russell Brooks.

Past Commanders.

Fred Barkway.
Edwin Camp.
*A. H. Boies.
Chas. H. Eastman.
J. A. Dillon.
S. S. Church.

O. W. Haynes.
R. A. Beach.
Mathew Burt.
J. K. Periman.
Wm. A. Barnard.

J. B. BRAINARD POST NO. 111, EATON RAPIDS.

Chartered March 14, 1883.

Membership 102.

*Commander, John M. Putnam.

Delegates.

*C. L. Evans.
*N. H. Davis.

Alternates.

B. K. Crandall.
C. D. Gifford.

Past Commanders.

*G. W. Norton.
*H. B. Olmstead.
*Eli Cook.
*Geo. Nobel.
*Roswell West.
*John Thompson.
*A. Cheney.

L. W. Ramsey.
*D. M. Beman.
*H. J. Milbourn.
*C. B. Fowler.
*J. J. Holmes.
N. J. DeBar.
W. D. Fuller.

JOHN GILLULY POST NO. 114, FOWLerville.

Chartered March 22, 1883.

Membership 37.

Commander, D. D. Sabin.

Delegate.

John G. Copeland.

Alternate.

Sanford C. House.

Past Commanders.

Wm. M. Horton.
G. D. Hamilton.
*Louis Coble.

D. D. Sabin.
A. H. Smith.
C. E. Dunstan.

ELLIOTT POST NO. 115, WHITE PIGEON.

Chartered March 23, 1883.

Membership 11.

Commander, Daniel Saunter.

Delegate.

Ezra Reed.

Alternate.

Sam'l Boyer.

Past Commanders.

Martin Luther.

Daniel Saunter.

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D. G. ROYCE POST NO. 117, BYRON.

Chartered March 22, 1883.

Membership 10.

Commander, L. C. Kanouse.

Delegate.

Jos. Schweikert.

Alternate.

Albert Campbell.

Past Commanders.

G. LaDue.

L. C. Kanouse.

J. Goff.

M. D. Comstock.

WADDELL POST NO. 120, HOWELL.

Chartered April 5, 1883.

Membership 37.

Commander, George Barnes.

Delegate.

Alva Ellis.

Alternate.

Edgar Noble.

Past Commanders.

Frank Jordan.

Asa Parshall.

Marshall Borden.

M. W. Dickinson.

Geo. Barnes.

H. H. Collins.

John McGivney.

A. F. Peavey.

R. D. W. Woodworth.

PAP THOMAS POST NO. 121, CHESAING.

Chartered April 6, 1883.

Membership 24.

Commander, Harvey T. Weaver.

Delegate.

E. B. Frink.

Alternate.

M. J. Hulbert.

Past Commanders.

H. T. Weaver.

Hyman Lee.

David O. Quigley.

O. W. Damon.

A. J. Wilson.

CARVER POST NO. 123, FRANKFORT.

Chartered April 7, 1883.

Membership 13.

Commander, C. C. Forney.

Delegate.

*A. B. Benton.

Alternate.

J. B. Doan.

Past Commanders.

C. C. Forney.

J. A. Conklin.

FITZGERALD POST NO. 125, HASTINGS.

Chartered April 11, 1883.

Membership 50.

Commander, B. F. Taylor.

Delegate.

Norman Latham.

Alternate.

Gideon Sylvester.

Past Commanders.

H. Marble.

J. W. Bronson.

Travers Philips.

W. H. Garrison.

H. Palmieter.

Caleb W. Moore.

*Jos. C. Wardell.

B. W. Shriner.

Wm. S. Langston.

Wm. Ream.

Oliver H. Greenfield.

*Frank Pierce.

D. E. Birdsall.

*D. H. Grow.

B. F. Taylor.

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DAN S. ROOT POST NO. 126, BELDING.

Chartered April 14, 1883. Membership 46.

Delegate. *Matthias Kohn. *Commander,* Frank R. Chase. *Alternate.* E. L. Berry.
Past Commanders. B. F. Tower. Frank R. Chase.
W. R. Olds. H. A. Waldron.
C. M. Slayton.

"BILLY" BEGOLE POST NO. 127, MAPLE RAPIDS.

Chartered April 15, 1883. Membership 11.

Delegate. Robt. Anderson. *Commander,* J. E. Jones. *Alternate.* J. E. Jones.
Past Commanders. Robert Anderson. J. A. Knickerbocker.
Thomas Anderson. J. E. Jones.
M. D. Winsor. John Bennett.

B. G. HUTCHINSON POST NO. 129, FOWLER.

Chartered April 21, 1883. Membership 11.

Delegate. Peter Pung. *Commander,* W. M. Young. *Alternate.* Jesse Evarts.
Past Commanders. F. A. Stowe. Wm. M. Young.
Jesse Evarts. Edward Case.

HENRY M. LIDDLE POST NO. 131, COLON.

Chartered April 21, 1883. Membership 23.

Delegate. William Burns. *Commander,* John L. Lytle. *Alternate.* Bruce C. Wilcox.
Past Commanders. John L. Lytle. John A. Mosher.
Charles Clement. E. P. Wellsley.
E. Kemerling. N. H. Way.
W. H. A. Godfrey.

JOHN MEGARRAH POST NO. 132, PORTLAND.

Chartered April 27, 1883. Membership 43.

Delegate. Seth N. Munger. *Commander,* J. W. Klotz. *Alternate.* *James Jourdan.
Past Commanders. H. W. Holcomb. R. P. Baldwin.
Vinson Taylor. Geo. E. Friend.
*John W. Van Horn. M. J. Whitney.
*Wm. G. Miner. Jabez Blacksten.
*E. C. Fox. J. D. Woodbury.

THIRTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

SAMUEL JUDD POST NO. 133, NEWAYGO.

Chartered April 27, 1883.

Membership 10.

Delegate.

Warren Stone.

Commander, S. B. Gibe.

Alternate.

Peter Race.

Past Commanders.

J. H. Edwards.

W. H. Ostrom.

FRED W. WALKER POST NO. 134, MT. MORRIS.

Chartered April 27, 1883.

Membership 10.

Delegate.

John Hughes.

Commander, Dexter Douglas.

Alternate.

John Mitchell.

Past Commanders.

J. C. C. Stephens.

M. W. Fairbanks.

Geo. W. Clute.

John Mitchell.

John Hughes.

Geo. Schiebel.

Dexter Douglas.

BARTHOLOMEW POST NO. 136, NUNICA.

Chartered May 11, 1883.

Membership 8.

Delegate.

A. H. Vanampworth.

Commander, E. R. Porter.

Alternate.

F. W. Greene.

Past Commanders.

John Castle.

John Eckhoff.

H. E. Plant.

E. R. Porter.

John Howard.

WELCH POST NO. 137, ANN ARBOR.

Chartered May 8, 1883.

Membership 47.

Delegates.

*John A. Cushing.

Alternates.

Chester S. Elmer.

*Hiram A. Swee.

Past Commanders.

*Henry S. Dean.

R. L. Warren.

J. Q. A. Sessions.

Robt. Campbell.

J. M. Perkins.

*Harrison Soule.

W. H. Jackson.

H. J. Pierson.

Chas. H. Manley.

Silas P. Hill.

*W. K. Childs.

W. A. Clark.

Hiram Kropf.

HORACE S. ROBERTS POST NO. 139, ALPENA.

Chartered May 23, 1883.

Membership 22.

Delegate.

Frank Hasell.

Commander, Frank Hasell.

Alternate.

Irwin E. Scott.

Past Commanders.

J. J. Potter.

Frank Hasell.

C. M. Demming.

John C. Viall.

BEERS POST NO. 140, TECUMSEH.

Chartered May 18, 1881.

Membership 43.

Delegate.

G. H. Rathbon.

Commander, Geo. J. Keyser.

Alternate.

H. H. Smith.

Past Commanders.

*Elwill Camborn.
 J. W. Wightman.
 A. W. Mills.
 John D. Shull.
 H. J. Sweet.
 H. C. Daniels.

*J. M. Ingersoll.
 *H. W. Stevens.
 Geo. J. Keyser.
 Elmer A. Wilson.
 Wm. Smith.
 Henry Wagner.

A. MACOMBER POST NO. 141, LAKEVIEW.

Chartered May 25, 1883.

Membership 19.

Delegate.

Commander, Hiram Cornwell.

*Alternate.**Past Commanders.*

O. A. Adams.
 John W. LaRue.
 C. S. Vining.
 August Wilcox.

Leonard Rossman.
 B. S. Vest.
 C. M. Moon.
 Hiram Cornwell.

WHITESIDE POST NO. 143, CARO.

Chartered May 25, 1883.

Membership 12.

Delegate.

Chas. L. Wright.

Commander, L. C. Grady.

Alternate.

J. P. Westfall.

Past Commanders.

D. M. Macomber.

J. P. Westfall.

TURRILL POST NO. 144, LAPEER.

Chartered May 29, 1883.

Membership 41.

Delegate.

George Barber.

Commander, G. W. Cramton.

*Alternate.**Past Commanders.*

Robt. King.
 O. S. Church.
 G. W. Cramton.

Geo. B. Farquharson.
 David R. Laing.
 Stuart Gorton.

GOV. CRAPO POST NO. 145, FLINT.

Chartered June 7, 1883.

Membership 90.

Delegates.

John M. Hart.
 *Chas. Pomroy.

Commander, Joseph Rush.

Alternates.

Wm. Pratt.
 A. Vanaerman.

Past Commanders.

O. F. Lockhead.
 *M. C. Barney.
 Paul Countryman.
 John W. Begg.
 Frank E. Willets.
 Ed. C. Marsh.
 Milo Sweers.

Joseph Rush.
 Geo. E. Newell.
 *Geo. Raab.
 James H. Failing.
 Jas. W. Van Tassel.
 Thos. A. Willits.
 E. A. Jennings.

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CAP WILSON POST NO. 146, WALDRON.

Chartered June 8, 1883.

Membership 4.

Delegate.

Nathan Foglesang.

Commander, Albert Gibbs.

Alternate.

H. A. Stevens.

*Past Commanders.*Albert Gibbs.
C. H. Garsuch.H. Weaver.
W. B. Moore.

DICK RICHARDSON POST NO. 147, PONTIAC.

Chartered June 11, 1883.

Membership 54.

Delegate.

*George Hopkins.

*Commander, Edward C. Smith.

Alternate.

Thos. Wycoff.

*Past Commanders.*Wm. H. Morgans.
D. Judson Hammond.
*D. S. Howard.
*Samuel Giles.
Chauncey Brace.
*James Sherman.B. F. Miller.
S. J. Cloonan.
Wm. Cheals.
E. S. Whitcomb.
*Thomas P. Banks.

DAHLGREN POST NO. 149, HOLTON.

Chartered June 13, 1883.

Membership 11.

Delegate.

H. Morston.

Commander, Jos. Zerlaut.

Alternate.

Charles Robinson.

*Past Commanders.*H. W. Crawford.
James T. Henry.
J. B. Ruggles.
Aaron Kitchen.
Chas. L. Buzzell.Joseph Zerlaut.
Fred J. Clark.
Geo. H. Buzzell.
Geo. D. Thompson.
W. H. Balcum.

RALPH ELY POST NO. 150, SHEPHERD.

Chartered June 12, 1883.

Membership 15.

Delegate.

Reuben Wellman.

Commander, J. B. Struble.

Alternate.

J. B. Struble.

*Past Commanders.*R. Wellman.
William Suix.J. B. Strubel.
J. B. Northrop.

WILLIAM MOYER POST NO. 152, ALMA.

Chartered July 11, 1883.

Membership 37.

Delegate.

A. O. Davis.

Commander, E. N. Chadwick.

Alternate.

E. R. Griffith.

*Past Commanders.*Ezra Robinson.
E. N. Chadwick.
T. Wilbur.Geo. W. Willard.
Jos. Sartor.
C. A. Walker.

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HIEL P. CLARK POST NO. 153, SARANAC.

Chartered July 2, 1883. Membership 20.

Commander, James Renwick.

Delegate.

Samuel Pickens.

Alternate.

N. T. Hubbell.

Past Commanders.

F. T. Haskin.

Samuel Pinckney.

S. C. Pickens.

N. T. Hubbell.

W. H. Pinckney.

J. A. Aldrich.

GREGG POST NO. 155, HOMER.

Chartered July 11, 1883. Membership 11.

Commander, Nathan D. Budon.

Delegate.

Alternate.

Past Commanders.

C. D. Burt.

D. H. James.

A. P. Wyant.

W. P. Marsh.

N. D. Budon.

CHAS. E. GRISSON POST NO. 156, ST. JOHNS.

Chartered July 5, 1883. Membership 52.

Commander, M. B. Drake.

Delegate.

Alternate.

H. M. Estes.

Past Commanders.

John W. Bradner.

D. S. French.

*O. E. Wilson.

J. L. Ring.

J. P. Minard.

W. M. Leeland.

N. S. Parmalee.

ALBERT ANDERSON POST NO. 157, CASSOPOLIS.

Chartered July 6, 1883. Membership 18.

Commander, H. C. Walker.

Delegate.

Alternate.

Frank N. Reese.

John Bronner.

Past Commanders.

M. A. Abbott.

Jacob McIntosh.

Jas. M. Shepard.

Norris Richardson.

H. C. Walker.

COLONEL ELY POST NO. 158, ELM HALL.

Chartered July 10, 1883. Membership 23.

Commander, R. Schnepf.

Delegate.

Alternate.

Chas. D. Hills.

R. Schnepf.

Past Commanders.

Seneca Sly.

Henry A. Clow.

Geo. Rockafellow.

*Augustus Wiser.

C. M. Guild.

R. Schnepf.

A. W. Morton.

*Geo. Oliver.

A. E. Winters.

John B. Wood.

C. Button.

Chas. D. Hills.

*William Parks.

L. A. Carmer.

HENRY F. WALLACE POST NO. 160, CORUNNA.

Chartered July 12, 1883.

Membership 33.

Commander, James J. Peacock.

Delegate.

*E. C. Williams.

Alternate.

Chas. Twitchell.

Past Commanders.

*J. C. Thomas.
A. H. Adams.
Andrew Porter.
James F. Peacock.
Geo. Morreau.

Wm. Morrison.
Wm. E. Jacobs.
E. D. Babcock.
E. Conely.

F. U. FARQUHAR POST NO. 162, DETROIT.

Chartered July 20, 1883.

Membership 14.

Commander, John McCredie.

Delegate.

John McCredie.

Alternate.

John D. Conlon.

Past Commanders.

John Kidder.
Louis Kramer.
John D. Conlon.

John McCredie.
Julius Keagle.

EDWARD DWIGHT POST NO. 163, VERMONTVILLE.

Chartered July 30, 1883.

Membership 27.

Commander, David Young.

Delegate.

J. B. Stone.

Alternate.

*I. Boyer.

Past Commanders.

J. N. Hawkins.
D. M. Purchis.
*C. F. Fuller.

*Wm. Wright.
C. S. Snell.
Edwin Tyler.

C. COLGROVE POST NO. 166, MARSHALL.

Chartered August 4, 1883.

Membership 45.

Commander, Stanley C. Brooks.

Delegate.

Wm. Hunt.

Alternate.

Fred. Waltz.

Past Commanders.

*Arthur Philips.
*David Walkinshaw.
John R. Roe.
*Henry A. Clute.
John Cuzzins.

H. H. Miller.
Stanley C. Brooks.
*S. W. Thompson.
S. B. Shotwell.
*R. Z. Case.

LUMBARD POST NO. 170, PETOSKEY.

Chartered August 11, 1883.

Membership 78.

*Commander, John E. Warren.

Delegates.

W. F. Lawton.
V. A. Baker.

Alternates.

W. H. Ranson.
W. H. Converse.

Past Commanders.

V. A. Baker.
Melvin Burch.
Horace Pardee.
A. F. Ruch.
Jos. A. C. Rowan.
Edwin A. Dunton.
H. A. Crull.
Thos. McCabe.

Edward N. Tracy.
Wilbur F. Lawton.
Louis A. Labadie.
W. R. Montgomery.
Jos. B. Jordon.
H. Berdan.
John E. Warren.

JULIUS T. BASSETT POST NO. 173, CARSON CITY.

Chartered August 22, 1883. Membership 28.

Commander, Geo. D. Van Dusen.

<i>Delegate.</i> B. Frank Sweet.	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	<i>Alternate.</i> W. A. Dehart.
	E. M. Howell. Jas. F. Fillmore. Geo. R. Gibbs.	G. D. Van Dusen. W. A. Sweet.

E. R. STILES POST NO. 174, HANCOCK.

Chartered August 30, 1883. Membership 23.

Commander, Wm. H. Mason.

<i>Delegate.</i> W. A. Childs.	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	<i>Alternate.</i> Chas. Smith.
	A. J. Scott. W. H. Mason. Chas. Smith.	Geo. Johnson. H. B. Rogers.

C. F. SMITH POST NO. 175, ESCANABA.

Chartered September 1, 1883. Membership 15.

Commander, Emil Glaser.

<i>Delegate.</i> John Doetsch.	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	<i>Alternate.</i> H. G. Squires.
	A. H. Rolph. Norman A. Eddy.	John Power. Emil Glaser.

MONTCALM POST NO. 176, STANTON.

Chartered December 6, 1895. Membership 6.

Commander, John C. Grooms.

<i>Delegate.</i> *Thos. E. Dunn.	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	<i>Alternate.</i> Geo. E. Barber.
	*Henry M. Hempstead. John C. Grooms.	Geo. E. Barber.

TOM CUSTER POST NO. 178, SHERIDAN.

Chartered August 29, 1883. Membership 9.

Commander, Chas. D. Harris.

<i>Delegate.</i> Richard Carl.	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	<i>Alternate.</i>
	Lorenzo Allen. G. H. Minard. C. D. Harris.	Franklin Forbes. A. J. Greenho.

DEWITT C. RUSSELL POST NO. 179, BRIGHTON.

Chartered August 30, 1883. Membership 15.

Commander, Wm. W. Pentlin.

<i>Delegate.</i> J. W. Fulton.	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	<i>Alternate.</i> Chas. Jacobs.
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Past Commanders.

Wm. W. Pentlin.
L. H. Westphal.
James Shanks.

H. P. Martin.
Daniel Smith.

CARPENTER POST NO. 180, YPSILANTI.

Chartered August 30, 1883.

Membership 32.

*Commander, H. C. Rankin.

Delegate.

John H. Callender.

Alternate.

James Kimball.

Past Commanders.

S. B. Mereness.
Eugene Holbrook.
H. C. Rankin.
S. A. Ferguson.
D. W. Shipman.

S. L. Shaw.
E. W. Bowen.
J. C. Tuttle.
Frank Joslyn.
Henry Nieman.

HEBER LE FAVOUR POST NO. 181, MILFORD.

Chartered September 3, 1883.

Membership 45.

Commander, Asa Prior.

Delegate.

*L. D. Lockwood.

Alternate.

Major Cowper.

Past Commanders.

Alex. J. McCall.
J. F. Beaumont.
Walter Crawford.
Geo. W. Sturdevant.
Joseph Allen.
Judson Fielden.
J. D. Rowe.
*Oliver Cronk.

H. Walter Nichols.
Spencer D. Lee.
Samuel W. McCall.
Albert Manypenny.
N. B. Babcock.
S. D. Childs.
*C. E. Everetts.

HENRY DOBSON POST NO. 182, FREMONT.

Chartered September 18, 1883.

Membership 26.

Commander, F. A. Bacon.

Delegate.

John Williams.

Alternate.

S. P. Odell.

Past Commanders.

E. E. Giddings.
F. A. Bacon.
C. J. Rathbone.

Daniel Squires.
Fred M. Nay.

J. B. McPHERSON POST NO. 183, HOLLY.

Chartered September 20, 1883.

Membership 8.

Commander, D. E. Hathaway.

Delegate.

Chas. Woodworth.

Alternate.

Joseph Halstead.

Past Commanders.

Edwin J. Eisenberg.

D. E. Hathaway.

HACKETT POST NO. 185, BRONSON.

Chartered September 25, 1883.

Membership 36.

Commander, J. B. Foote.

Delegate.

Edwin Moses.

Alternate.

Daniel Himebaugh.

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Past Commanders.

Charles Hamilton.
Henry Lilly.
David Gibbs.
Jerome Whipple.
A. E. Butler.

Geo. Bolton.
Daniel Rich.
John Taggart.
S. P. Goodrich.
D. Hurst.

FRANK POWELL POST NO. 187, OXFORD.

Chartered September 27, 1883.

Membership 37.

Commander, D. C. Neil.

Delegate.

*James K. Burt.

Alternate.

Vincent Brown.

Past Commanders.

C. H. Crawford.
L. L. Hoffman.
L. H. Van Antwerp.

W. O. Davis.
O. H. Dunning.

GEO. C. WHITNEY POST NO. 188, HADLEY.

Chartered October 5, 1883.

Membership 9.

Commander, Lucius Sanborn.

Delegate.

Frank Bowles.

Alternate.

John Paslean.

Past Commanders.

J. P. Suiter.
N. N. Green.

F. W. Goodale.
Lucius Sanborn.

WALLACE BROWN POST NO. 190, BIRCH RUN.

Chartered October 12, 1883.

Membership 10.

Commander, Wm. H. Ferguson.

Delegate.

Frank Merrow.

Alternate.

Richard Dewey.

Past Commanders.

W. H. Ferguson.
Milton Hadsell.

Austin Sheley.
John Irish.

O. J. FAST POST NO. 193, MENDON.

Chartered October 19, 1883.

Membership 15.

Commander, D. M. Payne.

Delegate.

*S. D. Samson.

Alternate.

Wm. Heiney.

Past Commanders.

*Henry Huff.
John C. Jones.

D. M. Payne.
John Larkin.

JAMES BRADLEY POST NO. 194, CLIO.

Chartered October 28, 1883.

Membership 22.

Commander, William A. Wood.

Delegate.

E. D. Ormsby.

Alternate.

Leander Allen.

Past Commanders.

W. H. Sargent.
John Sloan.
Wm. A. Wood.
Chas. Beeman.

J. W. Buffinn.
Geo. Van Nest.
*Cyrus Perigo.

THIRTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

L. C. WOODMAN POST NO. 196, LAWTON.

Chartered October 28, 1883.

Membership 28.

Commander, James Wood.
Delegate. *Harvey Harper. *Alternate.*

Past Commanders.

Jerome Stone. Samuel Maxam.
 *Chas. D. Hooper. James Wood.
 Wesley Longcoy. *C. W. Prine.

JOHN TUCKER POST NO. 197, ORTONVILLE.

Chartered November 2, 1883.

Membership 15.

Commander, Wm. H. Moore.
Delegate. Frank Thayer. *Alternate.* Geo. Bowen.

Past Commanders.

Delos Adams. F. M. Jones.
 Wm. H. Moore.

JAMES STEDMAN POST NO. 198, REED CITY.

Chartered November 5, 1883.

Membership 8.

Commander, Chas. W. Beecher.
Delegate. Allen Smith. *Alternate.* Aaron Bowman.

Past Commanders.

Chas. Randall. W. W. Corbett.
 Adolph Florida.

PERRY BAKER POST NO. 200, CARLETON.

Chartered November 15, 1883.

Membership 14.

Commander, Geo. H. Post.
Delegate. Samuel Brown. *Alternate.* John Parrish.

Past Commanders.

H. D. Smith. Walter Viles.
 Geo. H. Post.

McGINLEY POST NO. 201, MANISTEE.

Chartered December 6, 1883.

Membership 27.

Commander, E. W. Muenscher.
Delegate. J. R. Lee. *Alternate.* C. W. Babcock.

Past Commanders.

Geo. A. Hart. J. L. Manseau.
 Allen McKee. E. W. Muenscher.

ALBERT NYE POST NO. 202, ROMEO.

Chartered December 13, 1883.

Membership 14.

Commander, Freeborn H. Price.
Delegate. M. C. Crawford. *Alternate.* Robt. Austin.

Past Commanders.

Freeborn H. Price. George A. Hines.
S. Vandecar.

L. B. QUACKENBUSH POST NO. 205, OWOSSO.

Chartered December 21, 1883. Membership 99.

*Commander, Gotlab Reese.

Delegates.

Gideon Whiting.
Stephen A. Crane.

Alternates.

Geo. H. Brock.
Wm. F. Letts.

Past Commanders.

Chas. Freeman.
Julius Frieseke.
Chas. L. Paris.
M. C. Dawes.
Willard Knapp.
*W. R. Smith.
J. W. Smith.
John Q. Adams.

Thos. M. Wiley.
Wm. Guipe.
S. W. Sadler.
*Leonard S. Bowles.
Gilbert L. Osborn.
*S. Z. Watson.
*David F. Collins.

MAJOR WEBER POST NO. 206, BELLAIRE.

Chartered December 21, 1883. Membership 25.

Commander, Roswell Leavitt.

Delegate.

John Bush.

Alternate.

C. S. Smith.

Past Commanders.

Henry W. Stewart.
Roswell Leavitt.

James C. Abbott.
C. S. Smith.

GEORGE A. CUSTER POST NO. 208, GALIEN.

Chartered December 28, 1883. Membership 14.

*Commander, D. W. Swem.

Delegate.

David Salisbury.

Alternate.

John Allen.

Past Commanders.

Henry Keefer.
Wm. H. Beach.
Alonzo Goodenough.
Dan W. Swem.

B. R. Sterns.
*M. J. Morley.
Wm. F. Swem.
Samuel Jackson.

ELI ALVORD POST NO. 209, MONTGOMERY.

Chartered December 27, 1883. Membership 12.

Commander, E. R. Fitzsimmons.

Delegate.

A. D. Noble.

Alternate.

J. O. Hewes.

Past Commanders.

E. R. Fitzsimmons.
C. W. Hall.

Jonathan Fast.

E. H. HOLLINGSWORTH POST NO. 210, ALBION.

Chartered January 4, 1884. Membership 64.

Commander, Everett G. Knapp.

Delegate.

*Hiram Herrick.

Alternate.

Joseph Sampson.

THIRTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

Past Commanders.

O. G. Hubbard.
 *J. H. Perine.
 O. S. Stevens.
 *W. M. Loder.
 Levi S. Warren.
 Chas. Pocket.

F. E. Palmer.
 H. F. Gilbert.
 Robt. R. Robinson.
 *Washington Gardner.
 *Jas. A. Sherwood.
 Chas. F. Adams.

WM. H. BORDEN POST NO. 211, IONIA.

Chartered December 28, 1883.

Membership 58.

Commander, W. E. Normington.

Delegate.

*Edgar S. Shattuck.

Alternate.

A. J. Weaver.

Past Commanders.

M. M. Currier.
 O. H. Perry.
 C. A. Cornell.
 J. H. Lادن.

J. L. Fowle.
 C. C. Eyster.
 E. Bensinger.

JOS. B. MASON POST NO. 213, BELLEVUE.

Chartered January 4, 1884.

Membership 14.

Commander, Frank Hughes.

Delegate.

R. B. Bishop.

Alternate.

Josiah Burchard.

Past Commanders.

J. A. Burchard.
 Wm. Hawley.
 F. Hughes.
 R. B. Bishop.

Geo. P. Stevens.
 S. W. Gibson.
 Geo. Wooley.
 L. B. Cook.

WM. RICHARDSON POST NO. 214, MILLINGTON.

Chartered January 4, 1884.

Membership 20.

*Commander, Irving Van Wagnen.

Delegate.

*Elijah Howard.

Alternate.

Daniel Storms.

Past Commanders.

Samuel Atwood.
 John A. Case.
 Edward Caine.
 Ruben Wilber.
 Sheldon Webster.
 Isaac T. Damon.

F. W. Titsworth.
 Asa M. Davis.
 Ira A. Sprague.
 Wm. N. Storms.
 *Wm. J. Marks.
 W. J. Haines.

JOSEPH SMITH POST NO. 215, FULTON.

Chartered January 12, 1884.

Membership 15.

*Commander, A. A. Holcomb.

Delegate.

Peter Dir.

Alternate.

Jonathan Weaver.

Past Commanders.

*U. C. Case.
 Arthur Longman.
 S. C. Rosenberry.

Warren Mullen.
 *O. M. Gates.
 L. V. Lyon.

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H. D. TERRY POST NO. 216, MT. CLEMENS.

Chartered January 7, 1884.

Membership 28.

Delegate.

Isaac Williams.

Commander, Edwin Tharrett.

Alternate.

Louis N. Grant.

Past Commanders.

Judson S. Farrar.
Samuel Trew.
Rozell Widrig.
J. F. Cotton.
Geo. W. Robertson.
*James A. Price.

M. L. Skillman.
Edwin Tharrett.
August Steitzer.
Gilbert Lecroix.
Samuel Fuller.
A. R. Knight.

W. B. WELLS POST NO. 218, LUTHER.

Chartered January 8, 1884.

Membership 16.

Delegate.

Henry Cutler.

Commander, C. B. Streeter.

Alternate.

Past Commanders.

A. A. Miner.
G. Gundrum.
Chas. B. Streeter.

A. Ferris.
N. R. Menold.
Dulecene Stoughton.

RUDDOCK POST NO. 224, CHEBOYGAN.

Chartered February 8, 1884.

Membership 15.

Delegate.

Commander, Henry A. Blake.

Alternate.

Past Commanders.

Geo. P. Humphrey.
John Baker.
Robt. Braham.
E. A. Bouchard.

C. S. Ramsey.
Henry A. Blake.
Wm. N. Cross.

GEO. MARTIN POST NO. 227, EASTPORT.

Chartered February 22, 1884.

Membership 12.

Delegate.

Commander, J. McPherson.

Alternate.

Past Commanders.

J. S. Arnold.
John McPherson.
O. K. Whitney.
H. H. Chamberlain.

J. O. McEwan.
Geo. O. Glazier.
A. W. Hartwell.

FAIRCHILDS POST NO. 228, GRASS LAKE.

Chartered February 22, 1884.

Membership 16.

Delegate.

B. F. Alger.

*Commander, John P. Mount.

Alternate.

E. G. Mills.

Past Commanders.

E. L. Cooper.
Morris Kimball.
John P. Mount.

John Erwin.
Thomas Durbin.

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HARVEY TUCKER POST NO. 229, MARINE CITY.

Chartered February 22, 1884. Membership 22.
 Commander, Wm. H. Scott.
Delegate. *Alternate.*
 Aug. Horn. Chas. Basney.
Past Commanders.

John W. Ackley.	Alex. Stearns.
Chas. F. Farman.	W. H. Scott.
Geo. Hornbustle.	

.EDDY POST NO. 231, PLYMOUTH.

Chartered February 22, 1884. Membership 25.
 *Commander, Asa Joy.
Delegate. *Alternate.*
 Wm. Smitherman. J. C. Peterhance.
Past Commanders.

T. V. Quackenbush.	Asa Joy.
Ephraim Partridge.	Abram Pelham.
William Smitherman.	O. P. Showers.
Henry Robinson.	J. C. Peterhance.

OSCAR BARTLETT POST NO. 233, WALES.

Chartered February 4, 1884. Membership 20.
 Commander, Wm. Grunwell.
Delegate. *Alternate.*
 Thos. Bancroft. Jacob Bernell.
Past Commanders.

William Grunwell.	Henry Maurer.
Elihu Ackerman.	H. C. Mudge.
Wm. Smith.	Newell Bowen.
B. M. Jenne.	Wm. Baldock.
A. A. Haskell.	

O. H. READ POST NO. 234, HUBBARDSTON.

Chartered March 4, 1884. Membership 12.
 Commander, Alba S. Harris.
Delegate. *Alternate.*
Past Commanders.

A. A. Moore.	H. W. Hitchcock.
J. A. Churchill.	A. S. Harris.

WALTER CLIFFORD POST NO. 235, BOYNE CITY.

Chartered March 20, 1884. Membership 15.
 Commander, John A. Newville.
Delegate. *Alternate.*
Past Commanders.

John A. Newville.	Wm. Mears.
John Jones.	Van R. Newville.
F. M. Gates.	

PETER A. WEBER POST NO. 237, ROCKFORD.

Chartered March 20, 1884. Membership 30.
 Commander, Martin De Glopper.
Delegate. *Alternate.*
 *Ezra M. Chaffee.

Past Commanders.

D. L. Reynolds.
A. L. Picket.
Chas. A. Jaqua.

J. McBane.
C. A. Underhill.
Chas. Haner.

MARVIN POST NO. 240, GRAYLING.

Chartered March 20, 1884.

Membership 15.

Commander, W. Batterson.

Delegate.

Lewis E. Parker.

Alternate.

Jno. E. Failing.

Past Commanders.

O. Palmer.
*A. L. Pond.
A. C. Wilcox.

Adelbert Taylor.
*Dell Smith.
W. S. Chalker.

FRANK MASON POST NO. 242, ATHENS.

Chartered April 5, 1884.

Membership 12.

Commander, W. H. Wilson.

Delegate.

*James H. Paul.

Alternate.

Henry Kahler.

Past Commanders.

B. F. Taylor.
*Jas. E. Mason.
*Henry Kahler.
Jas. Lee.

James H. Paul.
Wm. H. Wilson.
James Oldacre.

JOSEPH MASON POST NO. 248, WACOUSTA.

Chartered April 25, 1884.

Membership 10.

Commander, Chas. T. Andrus.

Delegate.

William Musten.

Alternate.

Henry P. Cutler.

Past Commanders.

Henry M. Burns.
A. Dickenson.

Chas. T. Andrus.

WA-BU-NO POST NO. 250, MT. PLEASANT.

Chartered April 24, 1884.

Membership 53.

Commander, Samuel R. Morrison.

Delegate.

Chas. P. Jeffords.

Alternate.

*L. F. Hall.

Past Commanders.

John A. Harris.
H. E. Deuel.

*Warner Churchill.
Samuel R. Morrison.

J. T. JONES POST NO. 252, HOWARD CITY.

Chartered April 29, 1884.

Membership 20.

Commander, James H. Haskins.

Delegate.

*Andrew Heminger.

Alternate.

James Losinger.

Past Commanders.

Geo. M. Doty.
B. C. Moore.
M. H. Hallock.

F. A. Norwood.
*J. H. Engels.

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LONSON POST NO. 255, MAYVILLE.

Chartered May 29, 1884.

Membership 18.

Delegate.

Ad. Minard.

*Commander, A. L. McNinch.

Alternate.

Wm. Turner.

Past Commanders.

J. R. Perry.
 *F. C. Michael.
 Eli Brooks.
 A. L. McNinch.
 *Nathan Goodfellow.

Geo. Kenney.
 *J. W. James.
 *A. L. Bryant.
 R. A. Fox.

WM. M. FENTON POST NO. 258, ST. IGNACE.

Chartered June 21, 1884.

Membership 8.

Delegate.

Commander, P. D. Bissell.

*Alternate.**Past Commanders.*

Jesse Warren.
 H. B. Cornell.
 A. J. Gennell.

P. D. Bissell.
 S. A. Snyder.
 Frank S. Walker.

A. STEWART POST NO. 259, LITCHFIELD.

Chartered June 24, 1884.

Membership 16.

Delegate.

*Wm. Dobson.

*Commander, L. A. Howard.

Alternate.

A. Crandall.

Past Commanders.

*Frank W. Barber.
 E. A. Shattuck.
 Henry Burns.
 G. W. Clark.

L. A. Howard.
 Henry Smith.
 W. R. Shepard.
 J. C. Hadley.

CORY POST NO. 261, WAYNE.

Chartered July 12, 1884.

Membership 16.

Delegate.

Commander, Henry Loss.

*Alternate.**Past Commanders.*

F. Walden.
 A. J. Hill.
 S. R. Kingsley.
 Henry Loss.

Robert Bird.
 Curtis Brace.
 A. W. Thompson.
 Duffey Duquett.

A. C. VAN RAALTE POST NO. 262, HOLLAND.

Chartered July 17, 1884.

Membership 36.

Delegate.

*D. H. Clark.

*Commander, Gerrit Van Schelven.

Alternate.

Louis deKraker.

Past Commanders.

*Benj. Van Raalte.
 P. H. McBride.
 Peter Wilms.
 John Neis.

John Kramer.
 G. W. Edgler.
 John Zwemer.

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GEN. HARKER POST NO. 263, VANDERBILT.

Chartered July 7, 1884.

Membership 13.

Commander, W. H. Claspill.
Delegate. *Alternate.*

Past Commanders.

N. C. G. Ashley. John G. Berry.
T. C. Woodin. Wm. Karlake.
W. H. Claspill. Royal Stone.
A. Van Buren.

LYON POST NO. 266, MENOMINEE.

Chartered August 2, 1884.

Membership 18.

Commander, Gilbert N. Taylor.
Delegate. *Alternate.*

Andrew Gram.

J. K. Pangborn.

Past Commanders.

A. Whitehorn. P. W. Armstrong.
Andrew Gram. A. W. Bill.
A. B. BeDell. Norwood Bowers.
James E. Lyons. M. Durocher.
J. C. Sherman. Ira Carley.
H. O. Fifield. B. T. Phillips.
M. Caughey. Jesse Hubbard.
C. H. Jones. J. K. Pangborn.

F. A. BUHL POST NO. 270, ECORSE.

Chartered February 27, 1890.

Membership 19.

Commander, H. Palmer.
Delegate. *Alternate.*

*Sylvester Thomas.

Moses Reno.

Past Commanders.

Lewis Monty. Peter W. Reeves.
Julius Bailey. John Todd.
Joachim Theeck. Euphrates Ross.

LUCIUS TAYLOR POST NO. 274, MILAN.

Chartered September 1, 1884.

Membership 33.

Commander, Peter Swick.
Delegate. *Alternate.*

*E. P. Hawks.

Ezekiel Johnson.

Past Commanders.

John Steidler. James Delaforce.
Wesley Robison. S. H. Evans.
Chas. A. Heath. Peter Swick.
*James E. Johnson.

LEWIS CLARK POST NO. 275, OLIVET.

Chartered September 8, 1884.

Membership 16.

*Commander, N. D. Lamphear.
Delegate. *Alternate.*

*Henry Remalia.

Seth S. Stults.

THIRTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

Past Commanders.

Geo. Galusha.	M. H. Hance.
Lester B. Taggart.	Fred Ellis.
N. D. Lamphear.	J. A. Sloan.
James H. Bosworth.	

H. S. BURNETT POST NO. 278, WEST BAY CITY.

Chartered September 12, 1884. Membership 9.

<i>Delegate.</i>	*Commander, Wm. Barrett.	<i>Alternate.</i>
Worthy Perry.		Alexander King.

Past Commanders.

*A. W. Dorland.	Geo. A. Allen.
Jesse Rosebush.	William Barrett.

AMOS E. STEELE POST NO. 280, NORTH MUSKEGON.

Chartered September 17, 1884. Membership 9.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, Samuel M. Croft.	<i>Alternate.</i>
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Past Commanders.

Joseph Avery.	Geo. R. Kinsman.
B. L. Andrews.	Sam'l M. Croft.
Zoar H. Bates.	

MORGAN PARKER POST NO. 281, PETERSBURG.

Chartered October 18, 1884. Membership 9.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, J. M. Elder.	<i>Alternate.</i>
A. C. Johnson.		T. Brenenstall.

Past Commanders.

*H. J. Brenenstall.	*Ferdinand Reinhart.
Josiah M. Elder.	Peter Buruchnen.
*Jos. H. Proctor.	

SAMUEL W. GRINNELL POST NO. 283, SUNFIELD.

Chartered October 23, 1884. Membership 15.

<i>Delegate.</i>	*Commander, William Edwins.	<i>Alternate.</i>
T. B. Van Buren		Z. B. Slater.

Past Commanders.

E. W. Taylor.	A. Kreamer.
Geo. Richards.	I. A. Eldred.
B. Peabody.	R. J. York.
Wm. Edwins.	

HENRY H. KNAPP POST NO. 284, DAVISON.

Chartered October 16, 1884. Membership 20.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, John Cottrell.	<i>Alternate.</i>
Jno. F. Cortright.		Josiah Langley.

Past Commanders.

L. S. McAllister.	J. Cooley.
Wm. M. Knapp.	Alex. Campbell.
L. G. Adams.	C. B. Smith.
A. A. Elmore.	Wm. N. Monroe.
B. F. Sanford.	John Reeser.
J. Cottrell.	M. H. Hewett.

COL. STEWART POST NO. 285, TUSTIN.

Chartered October 28, 1884. Membership 6.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, J. W. Loomis.	<i>Alternate.</i>
H. M. Lamb.		D. T. Jaques.

Past Commanders.

R. H. Jones.	J. W. Loomis.
John Stansell.	

B. F. CHAPIN POST NO. 287, CHESHIRE.

Chartered November 9, 1884. Membership 8.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, C. V. Nash.	<i>Alternate.</i>
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Past Commanders.

W. G. Rowe.	G. W. Lewis.
James H. Barkhead.	C. V. Nash.
D. W. Hall.	

HENRY C. PRATT POST NO. 289, MACKINAC ISLAND.

Chartered December 2, 1884. Membership 11.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, Benoni LaChance.	<i>Alternate.</i>
Geo. E. Rogers.		

Past Commanders.

Wm. P. Preston.	Wilber F. Long.
Theodore Reiths.	Patrick Kerrigan.
Andrew Chapman.	Geo. W. Marshall.
Benoni LeChance.	Gregory Lambert.
John A. McWebster.	Daniel B. Mills.

ANDREWS POST NO. 294, BIG RAPIDS.

Chartered January 15, 1885. Membership 61.

<i>Delegate.</i>	*Commander, W. A. Northrup.	<i>Alternate.</i>
*Frank Rice.		*B. Mosher.

Past Commanders.

D. E. Stearns.	S. G. Webster.
Geo. G. Jenkins.	Geo. M. Gotshall.
W. A. Northrup.	E. C. Moore.
W. A. Whitney.	M. D. Ford.
A. B. Knapp.	L. T. Loveless.

SIMON MALLISON POST NO. 298, PIERPORT.

Chartered March 7, 1885. Membership 14.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, J. I. Bradford.	<i>Alternate.</i>
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Past Commanders.

J. L. Bradford.
C. W. Perry.

L. C. Long.
Dean A. Hull.

ALBERT JACKSON POST NO. 300, MARQUETTE.

Chartered March 7, 1885.

Membership 19.

Commander, C. E. Moore.

Delegate.

John L. Van Horn.

Alternate.

Patrick Ryan.

Past Commanders.

R. R. French.
A. O. Kruger.
John Dooley.

P. C. Beanston.
*E. C. Anthony.
C. E. Moore.

ORIN WHITCOMB POST NO. 302, BYRON CENTER.

Chartered March 30, 1885.

Membership 15.

Commander, John B. Morse.

Delegate.

Geo. Moorman.

*Alternate.**Past Commanders.*

*Lyman Havens.
L. L. Hickox.
A. M. Green.

W. Colley.
R. F. Hanes.
J. B. Morse.

BURSON POST NO. 303, SCHOOLCRAFT.

Chartered April 16, 1885.

Membership 16.

Commander, J. W. Caton.

Delegate.

*M. S. Burson.

Alternate.

J. Gilchrist.

Past Commanders.

*John Gilchrist.
Albert Cornell.
M. S. Burson.
Chas. Cronk.
*Wm. Faulkner.

E. B. Monroe.
*W. H. Snyder.
Frank W. Carlton.
*Horace Wheaton.
Robert E. Johnson.

M. R. ROGERS POST NO. 308, IMLAY CITY.

Chartered May 9, 1885.

Membership 10.

Commander, W. Harwood.

Delegate.

Wm. Harwood.

*Alternate.**Past Commanders.***G. J. HUDSON POST NO. 317, MATTAWAN.**

Chartered August 17, 1885.

Membership 9.

Commander, Peter Benwire.

Delegate.

*Albert Newkirk.
*L. G. Hunt.
*Henry Freeman.

Alternate.

Ford Murch.
Peter Benwire.

Past Commanders.

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ALLEN M. HARMON POST NO. 318, NORTHVILLE.

Chartered August 22, 1885. Membership 40.

Commander, Geo. F. Goodell.

Delegate.

*Thomas Shaw.

Alternate.

Past Commanders.

M. E. Johnson.

*E. K. Starkweather.

*Daniel Croft.

Andrew Houk.

M. E. Nichols.

Geo. F. Goodell.

*H. O. Waid.

*J. E. Morse.

J. B. SACKETT POST NO. 320, PRAIRIEVILLE.

Chartered August 31, 1885. Membership 11.

Commander, F. A. Blackman.

Delegate.

John Ashby.

Alternate.

Ira D. Brooks.

Past Commanders.

N. H. Orr.

Mark Norris.

F. A. Blackman.

GEO. J. LEIGHTON POST NO. 321, SPRINGPORT.

Chartered September 1, 1885. Membership 10.

Commander, G. E. Harris.

Delegate.

Geo. Linegar.

Alternate.

Adam Craver.

Past Commanders.

Adam Craver.

Geo. Lininger.

Geo. E. Harris.

H. B. Yoxheimer.

WILLIAM KERBY POST NO. 323, ASHLEY.

Chartered September 14, 1885. Membership 11.

Commander, David Duncan.

Delegate.

Thos. Brown.

Alternate.

Albert Shaw.

Past Commanders.

N. B. Bowker.

David Duncan.

B. F. Pease.

W. B. STUART POST NO. 324, CRYSTAL.

Chartered September 12, 1885. Membership 8.

Commander, Chas. Swartout.

Delegate.

Alternate.

Past Commanders.

C. P. Pickle.

Chas. Swartout.

C. N. Hunt.

W. G. Griswold.

Wm. Steer.

Wm. Rodgers.

MYRON HAWLEY POST NO. 328, NAPOLEON.

Chartered October 1, 1885. Membership 9.

Commander, W. R. Fuller.

Delegate.

W. H. Savage.

Alternate.

*John Garlingham.

THIRTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

Past Commanders.

Murry Hess. *Wm. Drew.
J. L. Hawley.

COL. H. H. JEFFORDS POST NO. 330, DEXTER.

Chartered November 5, 1885. Membership 8.

Commander, D. M. Litchfield. *Alternate.*
Delegate.

Past Commanders.

L. C. Rodman. C. F. Bates.
H. H. Wilson. L. S. Miles.
M. E. McNeil.

MATHEW ARTIS POST NO. 341, CASSOPOLIS.

Chartered March 10, 1886. Membership 9.

Commander, Abner R. Byrd. *Alternate.*
Delegate. S. Griffin. A. B. Anderson.

Past Commanders.

B. E. Curtis. Abner R. Byrd.

E. H. LISCUM POST NO. 343, SAULT STE. MARIE.

Chartered March 10, 1885. Membership 9.

Commander, James A. Troutt. *Alternate.*
Delegate. Homer W. Hodge.

Past Commanders.

Wm. P. Spalding. Jas. A. Troutt.

BILLY CRUSON POST NO. 347, BRECKENRIDGE.

Chartered March 16, 1886. Membership 27.

Commander, Joseph Brumbly. *Alternate.*
Delegate. Simon Darling. A. A. Root.

Past Commanders.

*W. H. Weed. J. B. Halbert.
Thos. P. Staley. C. K. Fox.
P. P. Vannorman. Barney Swope.
Joseph Brumbly.

S. D. HAIGHT POST NO. 348, SCOTTVILLE.

Chartered March 27, 1886. Membership 26.

Commander, J. N. Clark. *Alternate.*
Delegate. Fred J. Buck. Chas. Wolfe.

Past Commanders.

Thomas Barnes. H. S. Jenks.
N. I. Kinnie. J. C. Rosenberger.
J. W. Griswold. J. N. Clark.
H. M. Ruddy. J. A. Mead.
Fred Buck.

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M. H. WHITNEY POST NO. 350, SAND LAKE.

Chartered April 9, 1886. Membership 15.

Commander, Geo. H. Godfrey.

Delegate.

*Reuben Farnum.

Alternate.

Past Commanders.

Geo. H. Godfrey.

James Schutt.

COMSTOCK POST NO. 352, MANCHESTER.

Chartered May 18, 1886. Membership 19.

Commander, T. F. Rushton.

Delegate.

Addis Gillett.

Alternate.

John L. Jackson.

Past Commanders.

James Kelley.

*G. H. Putnam.

George Nisle.

R. M. Teeter.

A. A. Stringham.

G. B. Sherwood.

T. F. Rushton.

JAMES F. COVELL POST NO. 354, PALO.

Chartered May 16, 1886. Membership 8.

Commander, S. Livingston.

Delegate.

David Steers.

Alternate.

Benj. Comstock.

Past Commanders.

B. S. Everest.

Stillman Livingston.

Chas. M. North.

Martin Greenwalt.

ROWLEY POST NO. 358, CLAYTON.

Chartered July 12, 1886. Membership 19.

Commander, H. F. Yarick.

Delegate.

E. E. Hinds.

Alternate.

James Connover.

Past Commanders.

D. H. Warren.

Jno. B. Kessler.

A. E. Terwilliger.

John Wirtz.

B. F. Rockwell.

H. F. Yarick.

J. H. Badgley.

William Hinds.

W. Hawkins.

John Murty.

KILBOURN POST NO. 361, SHERWOOD.

Chartered September 27, 1886. Membership 19.

Commander, Henry Runyan.

Delegate.

Henry Runyan.

Alternate.

Samuel Frye.

Past Commanders.

Henry Runyan.

Samuel Frye.

James Locke.

Wm. Farrand.

E. W. Watkins.

Geo. B. Hass.

C. B. HUBBELL POST NO. 364, COLEMAN.

Chartered October 28, 1886. Membership 6.

*Commander, Fred Hanley.

Delegate.

Siloam Plus.

Alternate.

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Past Commanders.

F. Hanley. E. W. Carley.
D. A. Curtice.

GORDON POST NO. 366, WHITE CLOUD.

Chartered July 18, 1886. Membership 6.
 Delegate. Commander, Wm. Kimball. Alternate.
Past Commanders.
 Wm. Kimball. Sam Agan.
 F. M. Doty.

F. VEENFLEET POST NO. 368, REESE.

Chartered November 18, 1886. Membership 4.
 Delegate. Commander, Thos. Gulliver. Alternate.
 John M. Weaver. Clark Randall.
Past Commanders.
 D. Cole. Thos. Gulliver.

NOBLE POST NO. 369, GLADWIN.

Chartered January 3, 1887. Membership 20.
 Delegate. Commander, Henry Madill. Alternate.
Past Commanders.
 Wilson Haynes. Chas. VanVolkenburg.
 John H. Robinson. Henry Madill.
 W. H. Kellogg. David D. Foutch.
 Enoch Robbins.

W. B. HAZEN POST NO. 370, WEST BRANCH.

Chartered January 18, 1887. Membership 10.
 Delegate. Commander, Jas. E. Horton. Alternate.
Past Commanders.
 B. B. Priest. Thos. J. Warren.
 Jas. E. Horton. S. D. Shaffner.
 John Smith.

A. H. FENN POST NO. 371, FENNVILLE.

Chartered February 3, 1887. Membership 8.
 Delegate. Commander, Isaac Lameroux. Alternate.
Past Commanders.
 A. Turrell. W. H. McCormick.
 John Sherman. Isaac Lameroux.

E. P. CASE POST NO. 372, BENZONIA.

Chartered March 5, 1887. Membership 23.
 Delegate. Commander, C. C. Judson. Alternate.
 E. Linkletter. I. H. Gokey.

Past Commanders.

L. P. Judson.	I. P. Covey.
Roswell P. Reed.	Z. E. Clark.
John W. Van Deman.	S. A. Davidson.

S. R. DOWNES POST NO. 374, PARMA.Chartered March 9, 1887. Membership 10.

<i>Delegate.</i>	*Commander, A. M. Helmer.	<i>Alternate.</i>
Elijah Soule.		Wm. Hammill.

Past Commanders.

Frank Hoag.	Levi Alton.
Geo. Schwal.	E. O. Rogers.
H. C. Anderson.	

WM. P. EVERETT POST NO. 377, ROCHESTER.Chartered April 1, 1887. Membership 12.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, J. J. Snook.	<i>Alternate.</i>
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Past Commanders.

J. W. Eastman.	J. J. Snook.
W. J. Fraser.	H. L. Wood.
A. O'Brien.	L. M. Peters.

JOHN STOCKTON POST NO. 380, NEW HAVEN.Chartered April 23, 1887. Membership 3.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, Geo. W. Dingman.	<i>Alternate.</i>
Geo. W. Dingman.		W. H. Sutphin.

Past Commanders.

Geo. W. Dingman.	James Campbell.
W. H. Sutphin.	

U. O. BRETZ POST NO. 382, LAKE ODESSA.Chartered April 27, 1887. Membership 25.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, O. V. Showerman.	<i>Alternate.</i>
*C. Fair.		S. M. Leigh.

Past Commanders.

Wallace Lovewell.	A. A. Walters.
Edwin Terman.	S. H. Mallery.
*Robt. Musgrove.	Abel Bywatter.
Martin Cox.	

C. B. WHEELER POST NO. 383, MARTIN.Chartered May 19, 1887. Membership 5.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, Justus Barrup.	<i>Alternate.</i>
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Past Commanders.

Justus Barrup.	Sidney Baird.
Rheuben Terry.	Samuel Fisk.

THIRTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

DETROIT POST NO. 384, DETROIT.

Chartered May 21, 1887.

Membership 81.

Commander, Geo. A. Winslow.

*Delegates.**Chas. R. Everts.
*John McVicar.*Alternates.*Chas. Creusere.
Wm. F. Hauxhurst.*Past Commanders.*Thos. A. Wadsworth.
Marvin Preston.
Sidney R. Dixon.
Oscar R. Looker.
Wm. S. Green.
Wm. T. Gage.
Arba M. Seymour.
Chas. A. Coolidge.
Jacob Bristol.
L. H. Chamberlain.
Theo. Francois.
Gus F. Smith.
W. H. Mitchell.Frank C. Trowbridge.
Chas. G. Hampton.
Thos. S. McGraw.
Alex. W. Blain.
*Oscar A. Janes.
W. H. Gail.
Nicholas Woods.
Byron See.
Robert Gibbons.
Gil R. Osmun.
Felix A. Lemkie.
J. H. Woodman.

CHAS. GRIFFIN POST NO. 386, FARWELL.

Chartered July 21, 1887.

Membership 20.

Commander, Chas. H. Clark.

Delegate.

J. H. Wood.

Alternate.

Herbert Glass.

*Past Commanders.*J. H. Wood.
H. Glass.
Chas. H. Clark.S. Coon.
Elisha White.

MICHIGAN POST NO. 393, DETROIT.

Chartered April 4, 1888.

Membership 11.

Commander, John Boylan.

Delegate.

A. L. Booth.

Alternate.

John Deustedt.

*Past Commanders.*John Griswold.
*John H. Hendley.
Julius Forkel.Fred Kraft.
John Boylan.
John Deustedt.

A. B. WATSON POST NO. 395, GRAND RAPIDS.

Chartered November 15, 1888.

Membership 125.

Commander, Geo. L. Antisdell.

*Delegates.**O. P. Coleman.
Sylvester Edson.
*John P. Miller.*Alternates.*Amos L. Cole.
G. L. Wilcox.*Past Commanders.*J. M. Wood.
C. H. Fox.
*D. Z. Kline.
C. M. Runyan.
Geo. D. Barden.
John E. L. Miller.
J. S. French.
C. A. Green.C. S. Wilson.
Jas. H. Keeney.
*Isaac Provost.
*Edwin H. Stein.
*Jacob Maus.
*G. W. Osborn.
R. H. Lee.

GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC.

GEO. WARD POST NO. 398, BRANT.

Chartered January, 1889. Membership 11.

Commander, Geo. Rivenburg. *Alternate.*
Delegate. P. P. Miner. N. Crampton.

Past Commanders.

Michael Cummings. D. J. Webb.
N. P. Richardson. P. P. Miner.
Geo. Rivenburg.

WOOLSEY POST NO. 399, NORTHPORT.

Chartered January 19, 1889. Membership 12.

Commander, W. H. Porter. *Alternate.*
Delegate.

Past Commanders.

Wm. H. Porter. James Mason.
*John Thomas. W. B. Green.
Geo. J. Krebs. John Comstock.

BURLINGAME POST NO. 402, AKRON.

Chartered April 23, 1889. Membership 10.

Commander, E. G. Mathews. *Alternate.*
Delegate. *Wm. Sherwood. Wm. Partlo.

Past Commanders.

E. G. Mathews. L. C. Wilbur.
John Paul. Z. T. Hess.
*Geo. J. Dart. E. A. Dickey.
Leonard James.

J. AND A. RYDER POST NO. 404, NEWBURG.

Chartered May 18, 1891. Membership 10.

Commander, Chas. Westfall. *Alternate.*
Delegate. W. D. Toles. P. Perkins.

Past Commanders.

Chas. Westfall. Willard Sherman.
E. C. Bassett.

CHAS. A. PRICE POST NO. 405, PERRINTON.

Chartered May 13, 1903. Membership 15.

Commander, Chas. Hooker. *Alternate.*
Delegate. Rudolph Luscher. Sam Helms.

Past Commanders.

T. B. Musser. R. S. Cushman.
J. L. Richard. Chas. Hooker.

GEN. W. T. SHERMAN POST NO. 410, VASSAR.

Chartered June 29, 1891. Membership 24.
Commander, Chas. E. Murray.

Delegate. J. W. Ridgman. *Alternate.* Joel Dean.

THIRTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

Past Commanders.

Chas. E. Murray.	John H. Burgess.
R. Hawley.	S. H. Camp.
O. B. Randall.	Jas. Taylor.

A. W. BRINDLE POST NO. 413, WYANDOTTE.Chartered August 1, 1891. Membership 8.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, W. W. Bishop.	<i>Alternate.</i>
Wm. Hall.		Wm. Goodwin.

Past Commanders.

W. W. Bishop.	John Wayman.
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ROBT. ERWIN POST NO. 416, BROOKLYN.Chartered October 30, 1891. Membership 16.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, Erastus Furguson.	<i>Alternate.</i>
*Dewitt Cobb.		Wm. Taylor.

Past Commanders.

Melvin Crane.	John Worden.
Geo. Worthington.	Martin Ruoff.
Brayton Wright.	Erastus Ferguson.
James McKinney.	

H. P. MERRILL POST NO. 419, BAY CITY.Chartered February 19, 1892. Membership 12.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, Geo. W. Butterfield.	<i>Alternate.</i>
F. L. Wilson.		H. B. Landon.

Past Commanders.

M. M. Andrews.	J. W. Knaggs.
Israel Youngs.	Geo. W. Butterfield.

WM. H. DUMPHY POST NO. 424, YALE.Chartered January 27, 1893. Membership 21.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, Chas. Montney.	<i>Alternate.</i>
M. Simmons.		Hugh Moore.

Past Commanders.

Chas. Montney.	Miles Simmons.
Elmore Putney.	

STEPHEN MUNGER POST NO. 425, FREELAND.Chartered August 2, 1893. Membership 10.

<i>De'legate.</i>	Commander, Henry Manwell.	<i>Alternate.</i>
*Ambrose Purchase.		E. G. Allen.

Past Commanders.

Henry Manwell.	W. E. Morris.
A. McGuire.	J. B. Alexander.
Peter Doran	

GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC.

PLEASANTON POST NO. 429, IRONWOOD.

Chartered July 18, 1896. Membership 6.
 Delegate. Commander, Curtis Buck. Alternate.
Curtis Buck. Past Commanders.

JOHN RITCHIE POST NO. 430, BURT.

Chartered July 14, 1896. Membership 8.
 Delegate. Commander, James W. King. Alternate.
James McKay. David Kenyon.
Past Commanders.
David McNalley. James W. King.
W. W. Webster. Thomas Boodger.

O. M. POE POST NO. 433, DETROIT.

Chartered November 18, 1896. Membership 84.
 Delegates. Commander, H. A. Davis. Alternates.
James Gilvey. Jno. M. Tucker.
*Joseph Fuller. *M. G. Whitney.
Past Commanders.
*John Devlin. *S. A. Widrig.
E. H. Davis. A. T. Strong.
H. A. Davis.

McCOOK POST NO. 434, McBRIDE.

Chartered February 24, 1897. Membership 7.
 Delegate. Commander, M. J. Christian. Alternate.
Almer Kelly. Frank Roush.
Past Commanders.
Louis Perkins. Frederick Neff.
M. J. Christian.

STEELE BROS. POST NO. 441, MASON.

Chartered December 31, 1897. Membership 20.
 Delegate. *Commander, H. J. Northrup. Alternate.
John Staley. *Joel Dunn.
Past Commanders.
*Frank Lester. John Sayre.
J. C. Squires. H. O. Call.
*L. H. Ives. *J. G. Snook.

WASHINGTON POST NO. 444, CADILLAC.

Chartered April 14, 1898. Membership 25.
 Delegate. Commander, David E. Cook. Alternate.
*J. C. Vanliew. R. L. Dalzell.
Past Commanders.
D. E. Cook. *M. D. Richardson.
Chas. C. Dunham. *A. J. Teed.

THIRTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

R. H. GIBSON POST NO. 445, GOWEN.

Chartered April 29, 1898.

Membership 8.

Commander, C. A. Peasley.
Delegate. A. S. Watson. *Alternate.* C. Terry.
Past Commanders.
 C. A. Peasley. W. H. Allen.
 V. W. Leland.

J. B. SWEETLAND POST NO. 448, EDWARDSBURG.

Chartered July 21, 1899.

Membership 9.

Commander, L. A. Allen.
Delegate. *Alternate.*
Past Commanders.
 *B. F. Thompson. John Jones.
 Calvin A. Steuben. William Funk.
 L. A. Allen.

GEN. I. C. SMITH POST NO. 451, REED CITY.

Chartered April 28, 1900.

Membership 20.

Commander, Livingston Hall.
Delegate. D. J. Randall. *Alternate.* Andrew Ritter.
Past Commanders.
 Isaac Grant. Geo. H. Gilbert.
 David J. Zook. David J. Randall.
 John H. Freeland. Livingston Hall.
 Ren Barker. C. D. Woodruff.

H. W. LAWTON POST NO. 452, SAMARIA.

Chartered June 23, 1900.

Membership 32.

*Commander, A. J. Teall.
Delegate. *E. G. Hungerford. *Alternate.* H. W. Nieswander.
Past Commanders.
 A. J. Teall. J. S. Hilton.
 Philander Karr. *Chas. L. Clary.
 Jasper Smith. A. J. Shepherd.

HARLOW PELTON POST NO. 453, KINGSTON.

Chartered July 21, 1900.

Membership 9.

Commander, Walter B. Nedrey.
Delegate. Lewis Lanway. *Alternate.* V. Graves.
Past Commanders.
 Walter B. Nedrey. Russell King.
 W. C. Lockwood.

JAMES A. SEXTON POST NO. 454, CENTRAL LAKE.

Chartered July 17, 1900.

Membership 15.

Commander, W. H. Easton.
Delegate. James Carney. *Alternate.* George Smith.

Past Commanders.

O. Burnett.	L. Williams.
W. H. Greenman.	W. H. Easton.
J. H. Hemphill.	D. W. Sage.

JOHN HUNTER POST NO. 455, MONTROSE.

Chartered November 21, 1900. Membership 10.

Commander, Benj. Fisher.	
<i>Delegate.</i>	<i>Alternate.</i>
Thomas Ramsey.	Geo. Sholes.

Past Commanders.

David Cross.	John W. Barber.
James H. Persons.	L. A. Bronson.
James E. Barnes.	E. C. Eldred.
W. C. Bouck.	

STANSELL POST NO. 456, SOUTH LYON.

Chartered February 22, 1901. Membership 13.

Commander, L. S. Allen.	
<i>Delegate.</i>	<i>Alternate.</i>
D. H. James.	

Past Commanders.

L. S. Allen.	C. Calkins.
L. A. Sayles.	A. C. Washburn.

J. M. POND POST NO. 460, SAUGATUCK.

Chartered February 9, 1903. Membership 26.

Commander, Ansel W. Walker.	
<i>Delegate.</i>	<i>Alternate.</i>
*W. White.	

Past Commanders.

Judson Doud.	Z. B. Woody.
*R. Baker.	John Brown.
C. Whitney.	W. H. Manning.

GEORGE BOYD POST NO. 461, BOON.

Chartered August 8, 1903. Membership 16.

*Commander, R. C. Norris.	
<i>Delegate.</i>	<i>Alternate.</i>
*David Hill.	Jas. Mansfield.

Past Commanders.

Amos Merrill.	*Wm. McNitt.
R. C. Norris.	*Geo. Beckwith.
Geo. W. Wheeler.	

R. A. ALGER POST NO. 462, RAPID CITY.

Chartered November 2, 1907. Membership 9.

Commander, R. Towers.	
<i>Delegate.</i>	<i>Alternate.</i>
Edward Smith.	W. Turk.

Past Commanders.

Joseph Finney.	J. Riblett.
Peter Desmond.	Geo. Beckwith.
Remus Baldwin.	

Department Commander: As the Senior Vice Commander does not feel very well we will ask the Junior Vice Commander to take the chair.

Junior Vice Commander M. C. Barney: We will now listen to the report of the Department Commander.

REPORT OF THE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER.

To the Department of Michigan, G. A. R.

Comrades: One year ago you elected me to the high office of Department Commander. I assure you that I fully appreciate the great honor conferred and again I thank you. It was my purpose to devote my entire time to the work of the Department, and I notified the Comrades, in general orders, that I would visit any Post expressing a wish for my presence. I have done so in every case, except where calls have come from two places for the same date, making it impossible to accept both. I have everywhere been received with the utmost courtesy and kindness, and with generous hospitality, for which I extend thanks to all Comrades and their ladies.

I have given much thought to the question of recruiting our ranks and have urged the comrades to use all honorable means to that end; I believe they have generally done so. The results have been small. The few honorably discharged soldiers who have never made application for membership appear to be men so obstinate in their opinions that they are not to be reached by any argument or moved by any appeal. I am free to say that I have small regard for the man who will calmly accept all the benefits he has received from the work of the G. A. R. and refuse to so much as lift a finger in return. He may respect himself, but I have my doubts. A large majority of the comrades not on the rolls today are comrades who, largely through carelessness, have allowed their names to be dropped from the rolls. These comrades ought to return to the ranks and leave their records clear for future generations.

FINANCE.

Economy has been the rule, and, while our income has been reduced, the balance in the general fund has been increased. The financial standing of the Department is as follows:

Cash in General Fund	\$3,671 69
Cash in Alger Fund	1,000 00
Cash in Woman's Relief Corps Fund	745 61
Increase in general fund	344 85

Details will be found in the Assistant Quartermaster General's report.

POST INSPECTION.

On account of unfavorable results of inspections in former years your Commander has not deemed it advisable to order any inspections during the past year.

PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR.

Your commander ordered an appropriation of \$30.00 for the expenses of this officer, and his report will show how the money was expended. I believe we should give more attention to this patriotic work than we have in the past, and I recommend that this encampment appropriate not less than \$50.00 for the expenses of the Department Patriotic Instructor during the coming year. But do not leave it all to the Patriotic Instructor—use your personal influence. One of the finest receptions I have had during the year was from the pupils of the Northwestern High School, of Detroit. The ladies of the W. R. C. presented a flag to that school and invited Comrade John McVicar, Patriotic Instructor of Detroit Post No. 384, and myself to be present. We found that the old soldier himself was an object lesson in patriotism and so considered by the pupils. Comrades, your personal influence is great, but your time is short—use it while you may.

SOLDIERS' HOME.

I have not visited the Home during the year, but have been in close touch with the managers and the report of the committee shows very favorable conditions.

I visited the legislature when in session on two different occasions and found our interests in charge of two very efficient comrades—McPhillips, Senator from Saginaw, and Place, Representative from Three Rivers. The legislature was in full sympathy with them and all appropriations asked for were granted with little or no opposition. Past Dept. Commander Stone was on the ground and, as always, efficient and influential. Comrade Havens, the local member of the Legislative Committee, was also active.

The appropriation for hospital dormitory, which was refused two years ago, was granted, and work has begun upon that much needed building.

AUXILIARY AND ALLIED SOCIETIES.

The Woman's Relief Corps have continued their active, energetic work for the benefit of the Grand Army of the Republic, and the teaching of patriotism in our public schools and elsewhere. Our thanks are due to: The Ladies of the G. A. R., the Sons of Veterans, the Daughters of Veterans, and the Spanish War Veterans for active and valuable work along the same lines.

THE NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT

Held in the city of Detroit, was a grand success in every way. The weather was all that could be desired. The city was covered with bunting, flags and flowers. The parade was a grand success, and one hundred thousand people cheered the veterans on their short march down Woodward avenue. It was a day never to be forgotten by those who were there. The citizens of Detroit, by their generous hospitality and kindly courtesy, their unceasing attention to the comfort of the veterans, have earned for them the title of the "Patriotic City."

The Grand Army button was a passport to the hearts and homes of all the people.

We elected our much loved Past Department Commander, Jos. B. Griswold, Senior Vice Commander in Chief. On his untimely death, under the Rules and Regulations, he was succeeded by the Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief, leaving a vacancy in that office to be filled by the National Council of Administration. Believing this Department was entitled to consideration, I nominated Comrade Oscar A. Janes. The Council recognized the claim; he was elected, and I had the pleasure of installing him in that office, which he now holds.

In less than one year this Department has had the Commander-in-Chief, the Adjutant General, the National Encampment, the Senior Vice Commander in Chief, the Junior Vice Commander in Chief, Inspector General, and Chief of Staff, which is certainly very unusual in the history of our order.

MEMORIAL DAY.

From reports received I judge the services were unusually well attended. The part coming under my observation in the city of Detroit was very largely attended. Services in the churches and cemeteries and on the water were very impressive, and the attendance at the afternoon parade and services at the armory almost rivalled the National Encampment.

IN MEMORIAM.

The death of our Past Department Commander and Senior Vice Commander in Chief, Joseph B. Griswold, has caused a vacancy in the Department and National ranks which can never be filled. His genial presence at all of our meetings will be sadly missed. None knew him but to love him, and your Commander feels a sense of personal loss which will never be overcome. He has gone to his reward. Long a member of Custer Post No. 5, of Grand Rapids. Comrade Griswold was born in Vermontville, Mich., June 21, 1842, and died at his home, March 9, 1915. The funeral was March 12, 1915. The death of our comrade marks the passing of a man who not only achieved great distinction in the practice of his profession and of commendable service during the civil war, but he was a nationally known figure in Grand Army circles, active at all times. He became Department Commander of Michigan, G. A. R., in 1906, and was elected Senior Vice Commander in Chief of the G. A. R. at the National Encampment held in Detroit September 1st to 5th, 1914. "A good man gone."

By the death of our past Assistant Adjutant General Fayette Wyckoff the Department has lost an active, capable and energetic worker in our ranks. His services in the past have been valuable and his acquaintance with the comrades more extensive perhaps than any other. We shall all miss him. Comrade Wyckoff was born in New York State in 1842; served in Company H, 1st Michigan Engineers and Mechanics, from September 1861 to October 1864, was secretary of his regimental organization for 47 years, and died January 20, 1915. Funeral January 23, 1915.

Death has been very busy in our ranks during the year and too many of our comrades have answered the last roll call for me to mention them all, but their records are kept in our Post rooms and they will not be forgotten.

I wish to thank our capable Assistant Adjutant General, Comrade Henry Spaulding, for his able, prompt and ever kindly service; Albert Dunham, Assistant Quartermaster General, and the members of the staff and comrades generally for the prompt manner in which they have responded to every call for duty. It has been one of the happiest years of my life. The opportunity to meet so many of my comrades, and to hear their kindly greetings, has been more to me than any earthly honors. I only regret that I was not able to be of more service to you.

My comrades, I thank you.

Yours, in F. C. and L.,
RILEY L. JONES,
 Department Commander.

S. V. C. Barney: If there is no objection I will appoint upon the committee on the Department Commander's address comrades E. C. Anthony, E. C. Cannon and Frank R. Chase.

Department Commander: The Assistant Adjutant General will read the names of the committees.

Assistant Adjutant General: You have just heard the names on the address of the Department Commander. I shall give you the balance.

Committee on Resolutions: H. S. Dean, Post 137; John Devlin, Post 433; Wm. H. Mitchell, Post 384.

Committee on Reports of the Senior and Junior Vice Commanders: Dan. J. Willson, Post 48; Henry Stephens, Post 32; D. H. Grow, Post 125.

Committee on Reports of Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Q. M. General: H. A. Chapin, Post 31; Fred Gill, Post 38; Thos. Davey, Post 17.

Committee on Report of Judge Advocate: Bishop E. Andrews, Post 72; W. W. Warner, Post 56; Lester J. Kenney, Post 42.

Committee on Report of Department Chaplain: W. C. Nesen, Post 42; R. G. Burlingame, Post 20; Wilbur F. Lawton, Post 170.

Committee on Report of Medical Director: John T. Spillane, Post 17; James M. Greenfield, Post 89; E. R. Havens, Post 42.

Committee on Report of Chief Mustering Officer: William Barrett, Post 278; M. D. Richardson, Post 444; M. C. Wheaton, Post 31.

Committee on Report of Department Patriotic Instructor: M. C. Barney, Post 145; John McVicar, Post 384.

Committee to Visit the W. R. C.: George W. Stone, Post 42; D. S. Howard, Post 147; J. O. Bellaire, Post 5.

Committee to Visit Ladies of the G. A. R.: Samuel B. Dixon, Post 17; H. F. Higgins, Post 48; C. A. Warner, Post 14.

Committee to Visit Sons of Veterans: Louis Kanitz, Post 7; Garret Van Schelven, Post 262; George Raab, Post 145.

Committee to Visit Daughters of Veterans: Sam J. Lawrence, Post 384; Frank R. Chase, Post 126; L. J. Merchant, Post 21.

Committee to Visit Spanish War Veterans: E. B. Fenton, Post 384; A. L. Bryant, Post 225; E. L. Negus, Post 41.

Department Commander: Next in order will be the report of the Senior Vice Department Commander.

The Senior Vice Department Commander asked the Assistant Adjutant General to read his report, he being unable to do so owing to sickness. Whereupon the Assistant Adjutant General read the report.

REPORT OF THE SENIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER.

Riley L. Jones, Department Commander:

Sir: A good soldier always obeys orders; therefore, if he receives none he should not be blamed for inaction. At the National Encampment at Detroit, in September last, I reported as ready to obey all orders at any time. You said "all right when needed will call on you." You never called until March 4th last, and then to go to Kalamazoo to make arrangements for 1915 encampment. I met the balance of the state officers of the G. A. R., W. R. C., Ladies of the G. A. R., and Sons and Daughters of Veterans at Jackson; went with them to Kalamazoo and did what I could in arranging for said encampment. On return trip, on my invitation, all stopped off in Jackson and spent a very pleasant evening at G. A. R. room with Pomeroy Post No. 48, W. R. C., Ladies of the G. A. R., etc., you staying all right with me. The Sunday following, March 8th, I was taken very sick and for over two months was unable to get out or go out at all, even to post meetings. Did get out for Memorial Day. Tried to do my duty but it put me on my back again and I have not done much since.

Thanking each and every one of my comrades of the Department of Michigan for the high honor you conferred on me one year ago, I remain,

Most respectfully yours in F. C. L.,

FRANK L. MANNING,

Senior Vice Department Commander of Michigan.

The Department Commander ordered that the report be referred to the committee which had already been announced by the Assistant Adjutant General.

Assistant Adjutant General: Department Commander, it would seem to me to be a better way and would expedite business, when there are no recommendations made, that a motion be made that the report be adopted without reference. The reports of all officers should be referred to a committee, but, by unanimous vote, they can be adopted without reference.

Department Commander: Do you mean that as a motion?

Assistant Adjutant General: I make that as a motion. That covers all reports that have to be made.

Department Commander: But they are to be taken up one at a time.

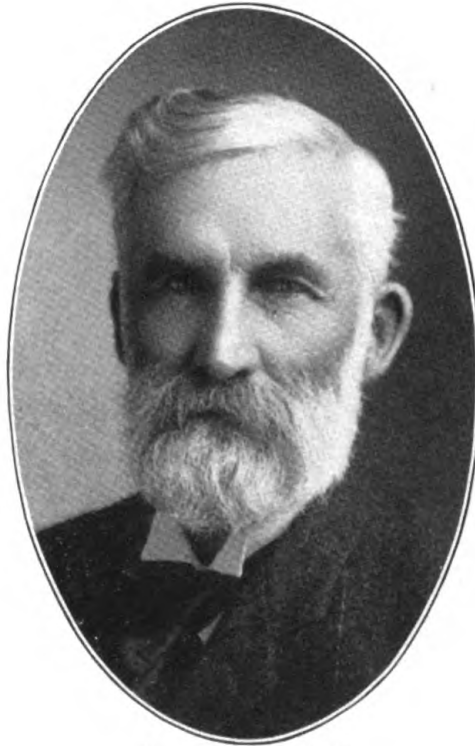
Assistant Adjutant General: Yes.

Department Commander: It is moved and supported that the report of the Senior Vice Commander be adopted. Are you ready for the question?

Whereupon the report of the Senior Vice Commander was unanimously adopted.

Department Commander: Our next business in order will be the report of the Junior Vice Department Commander.

Junior Vice Department Commander M. C. Barney: Comrades, I shall have to be excused until our next session. I am in the same position that the minister was. He left his sermon at home. Mine is over at the hotel.



F. L. MANNING
Senior Vice Department Commander

I hope the comrades will bear with me at this time; I shall have it here at the next meeting.

Department Commander: Under the circumstances we must allow the Junior Vice Department Commander further time.

Department Commander: The next is the report of the Assistant Adjutant General, Henry Spaulding.

REPORT OF THE ASSISTANT ADJUTANT GENERAL.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN,
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,
LANSING, JUNE 16, 1915.

Riley L. Jones, Department Commander:

Comrade: I have the honor to submit herewith my detailed report of the operations of the Assistant Adjutant General's office of this Department for the year ending June 16, 1915.

MEMBERSHIP.

First in importance is that of membership. Reports for terms ending June 30 and December 31, 1914, as consolidated from the semi-annual reports and forwarded to National Headquarters are as follows:

		Posts.	Members.
Number in good standing, December 31, 1913.....		271	7821
Gains—Term ending June 30, 1914:	Posts.	Members.	
By muster in	134		
By transfer	62		
By reinstatement	65		
Total gain for term	261		261
Aggregate		271	8082
Losses—Term ending June 30, 1914:			
By death	268		
By transfer	29		
By honorable discharge	15		
By suspension	90		
By dishonorable discharge	3		
By delinquent reports	19		
By surrender of charters	4	28	
Total loss for term	4	452	4 452
Aggregate		267	7630
Gains—for term ending Dec. 31, 1914:			
By muster	116		
By transfer	58		
By reinstatement	89		
Total gain for term	263		263
Aggregate		267	7893

Losses—term ending December 31, 1914:	Posts.	Members.	Posts.	Members.
By death		251		
By honorable discharge		3		
By transfer		36		
By dishonorable discharge		4		
By suspension		147		
Total loss during term		441		
Number in good standing Dec. 31, 1914.....			267	7452

This gives us a representation in National Encampment of 26 delegates; one delegate at large, and twenty-five delegates.

The gain in membership from all sources during the year is 524 members, and the loss during the year of 4 Posts and 893 members. This makes a net loss during the year of 4 Posts and 369 members, which, with a death loss of 519, gives us a gain of 150 members outside of the death loss.

W. R. C. FUND.

The amount drawn from this fund for per capita tax for delinquent Posts, for the year 1914 is \$21.02.

Four Posts are included in this list.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

Receipts.

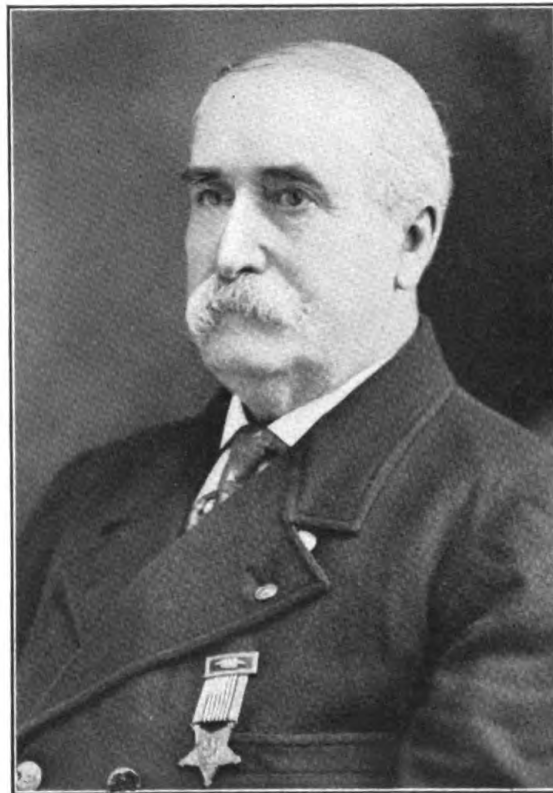
Per capita tax from Posts, first term		\$954 90
Per capita tax from Posts, second term		932 74
Total per capita tax for the year 1914		\$1,887 64
Supplies sold during year	\$147 51	
Other sources	4 88	
		152 39
Total amount received from Posts		\$2,040 03
Rebate—Hotel Brunswick	\$49 50	
Interest on deposits	197 09	
		246 59
Total receipts during year		\$2,286 62

Disbursements.

Amount paid out as per vouchers		1,941 77
Gain during the year		\$344 85

Recapitulation.

Amount on hand Dec. 31, 1913		\$5,072 45
Total receipts during year 1914		2,286 62
Total receipts including amount on hand		\$7,359 07
Disbursements during year		1,941 77
Balance on hand:		
Alger fund	\$1,000 00	
W. R. C. fund	745 61	
General fund	3,671 69	
		\$5,417 30



HENRY SPAULDING
Assistant Adjutant General

Commander Jones: My relations with you and your official family have ever been most pleasant, and I thank you for granting me the honor of serving with you and for you. I tender my hearty congratulations on the success that has attended your efforts, and express the hope that through the balance of your life your pathway may be filled with sunshine and happiness.

And to you, my Comrades: The year has been a successful one for the Department, both financially and socially. From the financial standpoint I am pleased to say that the Department has lived within its income. Socially, I believe, the ties which bind the Comrades are closer than ever before. Harmony reigns and good fellowship prevails. In closing my report I extend my thanks to my Comrades throughout the Department for the many pleasant courtesies they have extended me.

Fraternally yours in F. C. and L.,
HENRY SPAULDING,
Assistant Adjutant General.

EXHIBIT A.

Lansing, Mich., June 14, 1915.

Inventory of supplies:	
3 sets Rituals and cards	\$1 50
5 sets officers cards	50
6 service books	90
17 rules and regulations	85
50 odes	50
160 applications	1 30
14 discharges	35
65 Badges, membership	22 75
46 rank straps	9 66
441 Badge ribbons	13 23
87 buttons	6 09
3 electrotypes 1, 2 and 3	1 05
8 books, Q. M. receipts	2 00
9 books, adjutant's orders on Q. M.	2 25
55 books, adjutant's roll call	5 50
	\$68 43

EXHIBIT B.

Inventory of department property:	
Two Silk U. S. Flags	\$35 00
One Union Jack	8 00
One Department Banner	10 00
One L. C. Smith typewriter	25 00
One letter scale	50
One Department seal	2 00
One numbering machine	5 00
One letter press	50
Two frames for Department Commanders photos	12 00
One registration rack	2 00
Two U. S. bunting flags	3 50
One Silver Loving Cup
	\$103 50

Department Commander: This report being principally of a financial nature will necessarily go to the committee. The committee has already been named—H. A. Chapin, Post 31; Fred Gill, Post 38 and

Thomas Davey, Post 17. The next in order is the report of the Assistant Quartermaster General, Comrade Albert Dunham.

HEADQUARTERS, DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN,
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,
LANSING, JUNE 14, 1915.

Henry Spaulding, Assistant Adjutant General:

Comrade:—As Assistant Quartermaster General, I have the honor to submit the following report for the term about to close:

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand at last report:			
Alger fund	\$1,000 00		
W. R. C. fund	766 63		
General fund	3,305 82		
			\$5,072 45
Assistant Adjutant General	\$2,040 03		
Rebate—Hotel Brunswick	49 50		
Interest	197 09		
			2,286 62
			\$7,359 07

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid Assistant Adjutant General salary	\$800 00
Paid Assistant Quartermaster General salary	50 00
Paid per capita tax, National Headquarters	263 93
Paid expenses National Encampment	239 97
Paid for supplies	115 86
Paid postage, telegrams, express, etc.....	142 07
Paid printing	129 15
Paid R. R. fare—committee to visit Soldiers' Home.....	11 13
Paid premium on Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General bonds	15 00
Paid stenographer, No. 36 Department Encampment	50 00
Paid Past Department Commander's badge	35 00
Paid compiling Journal No. 36 Department Encampment.....	50 00
Paid per capita tax for delinquent Posts	21 02
Paid Chaplain, printing and postage	18 64
	\$1,941 77

BALANCE ON HAND.

Alger fund	\$1,000 00
W. R. C. fund	745 61
General fund	3,671 69
	\$5,417 30

A gain of \$344.85 over last year.

A detailed statement of the receipts and disbursements accompanies this report.

In conclusion I wish to express my appreciation of the high honor conferred upon me by Department Commander Riley L. Jones in appointing me Assistant Quartermaster General, and wish to thank him and the



ALBERT DUNHAM
Assistant Quarter-Master General

Department officers and all the comrades for many courtesies received.
 All of which is respectfully submitted in Fraternity, Charity and
 Loyalty.

ALBERT DUNHAM,
 Assistant Quartermaster General.

DETAILED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS.

1914.	
June 23, from Assistant Adjutant General	\$74 39
June 25, from Assistant Adjutant General	68 81
July 1, from Assistant Adjutant General	90 86
July 2, from Assistant Adjutant General	133 77
July 6, from Assistant Adjutant General	192 68
July 13, from Assistant Adjutant General	170 66
July 27, from Assistant Adjutant General	81 29
July 28, from Assistant Adjutant General	74 55
Aug. 6, from Assistant Adjutant General	75 03
Sept. 16, from Assistant Adjutant General	26 30
Oct. 16, from Assistant Adjutant General	20 45
Nov. 24, from Assistant Adjutant General	31 79
Nov. 25, from rebate, Hotel Brunswick	49 50
Dec. 14, from Assistant Adjutant General	40 00
Dec. 18, from Assistant Adjutant General	20 33
Dec. 28, from Assistant Adjutant General	87 94
Dec. 29, from Assistant Adjutant General	81 37
1915.	
Jan. 2, from Assistant Adjutant General	149 93
Jan. 5, from Assistant Adjutant General	105 77
Jan. 7, from Assistant Adjutant General	124 03
Jan. 13, from Assistant Adjutant General	132 53
Jan. 15, from Assistant Adjutant General	92 08
Jan. 29, from Assistant Adjutant General	95 34
Mar. 10, from Assistant Adjutant General	45 11
Apr. 28, from Assistant Adjutant General	25 02
June 12, from interest	197 09
	\$2,286 62

DETAILED STATEMENT OF DISBURSEMENTS.

1914.	Voucher No.
June 24, paid Henry Spaulding, expenses to Department Encampment	1 \$6 00
June 24, paid C. L. Cook, expenses visiting Soldiers' Home.....	2 6 67
June 24, paid Col. D. R. Stowits, Q. M. G. for supplies.....	3 44 53
June 25, paid Assistant Adjutant General, salary for June	4 66 67
June 25, paid Assistant Adjutant General, postage and express..	5 3 33
July 2, paid Allen Printing Co., printing general order.....	6 2 00
July 9, paid Peter F. Gray, postmaster, postage	7 10 00
July 11, paid Dyer-Jenison-Barry, premium on bonds, Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General	8 15 00
July 17, paid Chaplain, printing and postage	9 6 45
July 24, paid T. J. Daniel, stenographer	10 50 00
July 28, paid Assistant Adjutant General, salary for July	11 66 66
July 28, paid Assistant Adjutant General, postage and express..	12 7 36
Aug. 4, paid Col. D. R. Stowits, Q. M. General, per capita tax...	13 133 52
Aug. 15, paid Allen Printing Co., printing	14 18 40
Aug. 18, paid Peter F. Gray, postmaster, postage	15 5 50
Aug. 26, paid Assistant Adjutant General, postage and printing.	16 9 92
Aug. 27, paid Henderson Ames Co.	17 112 32
Aug. 27, paid Assistant Adjutant General, salary for August....	18 66 67

	Voucher No.	
Sept. 4, paid Hotel Brunswick, Dept. Headquarters during National Encampment	19	\$103 40
Sept. 4, paid Henry Burbank, two days registration	20	6 00
Sept. 4, paid Abner Phelps, two days registration	21	6 00
Sept. 10, paid Jas. K. Davison, badge for Past Dept. Com.....	22	35 00
Sept. 14, paid Assistant Adjutant General, expenses to National Encampment	23	12 25
Sept. 28, paid Assistant Adjutant General, postage and express..	24	5 80
Sept. 28, paid Assistant Adjutant General, salary for September..	25	66 66
Oct. 5, paid Col. D. R. Stowits, Q. M. General, supplies	26	19 50
Oct. 6, paid Allen Printing Co., printing	27	14 75
Oct. 26, paid Peter F. Gray, postmaster, for postage	28	5 00
Oct. 28, paid Assistant Adjutant General, salary for October...	29	66 66
Oct. 28, paid Assistant Adjutant General, postage and express..	30	4 04
Nov. 9, paid Col. D. R. Stowits, supplies.....	31	2 50
Nov. 13, paid Allen, DeKleine Co., printing	32	16 00
Nov. 24, paid Assistant Adjutant General, per capita tax.....	33	11 39
Nov. 25, paid Assistant Adjutant General, postage and express..	34	2 50
Nov. 25, paid Assistant Adjutant General, salary for November..	35	66 67
Dec. 11, paid Peter F. Gray, postmaster, postage	36	26 50
Dec. 14, paid Henry Spaulding, compiling journal	37	50 00
Dec. 17, paid Allen, DeKleine Co., printing	38	9 00
Dec. 29, paid Assistant Adjutant General, salary for December..	39	66 66
Dec. 29, paid Assistant Adjutant General, postage	40	5 08
Dec. 30, paid Col. D. R. Stowits, Q. M. General, supplies	41	16 73
1915.		
Jan. 18, paid Col. D. R. Stowits, Q. M. General, supplies	42	16 70
Jan. 22, paid Peter F. Gray, postmaster, postage	43	5 00
Jan. 29, paid Assistant Adjutant General, postage and express..	44	7 60
Jan. 29, paid Assistant Adjutant General, salary for January...	45	66 67
Feb. 6, paid Allen, DeKleine Co., printing	46	7 25
Feb. 9, paid Col. D. R. Stowits, Q. M. General, per capita tax....	47	130 41
Feb. 25, paid Assistant Adjutant General, salary for February..	48	66 67
Feb. 25, paid Assistant Adjutant General, postage and express...	49	4 28
Mar. 22, paid Allen, DeKleine Co., printing	50	2 50
Mar. 26, paid Assistant Adjutant General, salary for March	51	66 66
Mar. 26, paid Assistant Adjutant General, postage and express...	52	10 27
April 28, paid Assistant Adjutant General, salary for April.....	53	66 66
April 28, paid Assistant Adjutant General, postage and express..	54	9 48
April 28, paid Assistant Adjutant General, delinquent Posts...	55	9 63
April 28, paid Jos. Seeman, R. R. fare to Soldiers' Home.....	56	4 46
May 8, paid Allen, DeKleine Co., printing	57	6 00
May 10, paid Peter F. Gray, postmaster, postage	58	7 00
May 22, paid Peter F. Gray, postmaster, postage	59	3 00
May 26, paid Assistant Adjutant General, salary for May.....	60	66 69
May 26, paid Assistant Adjutant General, postage and telegrams	61	4 41
May 26, paid Assistant Quartermaster General, salary	62	50 00
May 26, paid Allen, DeKleine Co., printing	63	53 25
June 1, paid Chaplain, printing and postage	64	12 19
June 1, paid Col. D. R. Stowits, supplies	65	15 90
		\$1,941 77

Department Commander: The report of the Assistant Quartermaster General will be referred to the same committee that the report of the Assistant Adjutant General was referred to. The next business in order will be the report of the Medical Director.

Assistant Adjutant General: He does not seem to be here.

Department Commander: Is the Medical Director present? (No re-

sponse.) Too much storm. We shall then have to pass on to the Department Chaplain's report.

Comrade W. H. Herbert, Department Chaplain: Comrades, I wish to say that my report is of necessity abbreviated by the fact that I have received only about one-half of the reports from the Posts to this date. I will give you the business as far as I have it up to date. We are getting old, comrades. What we do must be done quickly if at all; so I counsel each one of us here today to resolve to make it our business, so far as it is possible for us to do it, and where a comrade has been elected Commander of a Post since the roster was made out that he see to it that he receives the blanks, that they are placed in the hands of those who should use them, and make them out without laying them to one side and forgetting them. I wish to thank the officers for their loyalty to the Grand Army of the Republic everywhere. Now I shall give you a resume of the business as far as I am able to report it.

GRAND RAPIDS, MICH., June, 1915.

Commander and Comrades: At this the close of the second year of my service as Department Chaplain I have to say that I have not attained the goal at which I aimed; several things have interfered, some of them unforeseen and therefore unexpected. Among the unexpected things is the opposition on the part of the families of some of the deceased comrades—some object to the stone which the government furnishes, on the ground that it is an advertisement of poverty; others say the stone is not good enough. I notice that in many of these cases the grave remains unmarked. At least for the present I am glad to know that the aggregate of such cases is not large.

There is a large increase in the number of stones set the past year, but a heavy death rate keeps the proportion of unmarked graves in a higher rate than I wish.

I wish to call the attention of the comrades to one thing which causes a trouble which, I believe, might be avoided—it is this: When I send the report blanks I have no address except that of the Commander, and if he puts them in a pigeon hole in his desk and forgets to give them to the Chaplain quite likely I will get a notice "no report sent." Now, comrades, I sent out all your blanks the first week in May, with a return request on every envelope. I have thus far received back only three, one of them marked deceased and two of them marked uncalled for. I sent them back addressed to the postmaster asking him to give them to some G. A. R. man to give to some officer of the Post. I verily believe that the report blanks are in the hands of someone in every Post.

I am very pleased to note the increasing interest manifested on the part of the comrades and wish to thank them for their co-operation. We are getting old, our work is nearly done. What we do must be done quickly, and, if we are to succeed, we must work together.

I wish to thank the officers for their unflinching courtesy and assistance, and hope and pray for their success and the prosperity of the G. A. R. everywhere.

Received reports, 146; Graves decorated, 21,058; Graves unmarked, 970; Schools engaged, 326; Pupils taking part, 23,447; Other organizations, 258. This is the present report, with 114 reports not received as yet. I hope the proportion will not vary greatly from the figures given,

and if it does not the showing will be decidedly better than it was last year. I am glad to find that there is greater interest reported on the part of the people than was reported last year. One sad feature of the reports this year is the statement that there is so few members left in the Posts; many say that they fear they will have to disband. I hope that those of us who can will make a strenuous effort to attend every meeting and thus keep up the interest.

Hoping for the best, I am yours in F. C. & L.,
W. H. HERBERT,

Department Chaplain, G. A. R. of Michigan.

Department Chaplain Herbert: I sent out one report and I got a letter from a lady who was the wife of a former Commander and she said she did not see why she had to be pestered with communications from the Department as they all knew that her husband had died six months previously. Needless to say I got no report from that Post. (Applause.)

Assistant Adjutant General: Department Commander, the report is a very able one, and I move that it be accepted and adopted without reference.

Department Commander: It is moved and supported that the Department Chaplain's report be accepted and adopted without reference to the committee. Are you ready for the question? Unanimously carried.

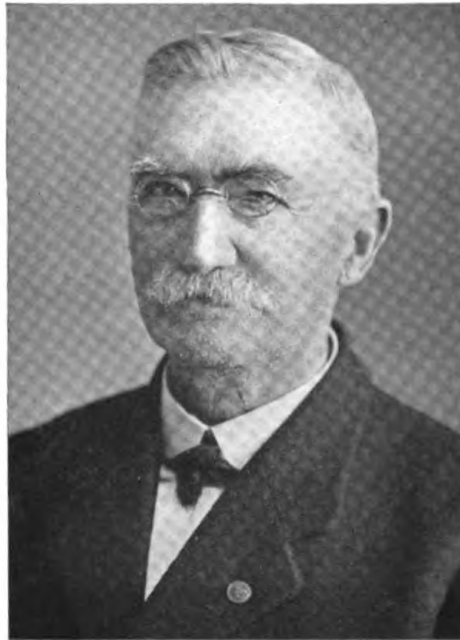
Comrade Miner, Post 142: I wish to ask the Department Chaplain to give an explanation of what constitutes a properly marked soldier's grave. I find in the blank "How many comrades' graves are properly marked?" I want to know if that includes any mark that may be placed on the grave or whether it is exclusively a government mark.

Department Chaplain: The intention was that every grave should be marked with a stone by the government, particularly for the reason that the government furnishes those stones absolutely free of cost to the post. All you have to do is to go to your township clerk or your city clerk, as the case may be, notifying him of the death of the comrade, the name of the regiment to which he belonged. That can be sent from Washington and the county clerk or the township clerk or city clerk makes the application; he pays the freight on the stone, and, by your direction, has it erected.

Department Commander: The Department Chaplain's report is accepted and adopted. I do not think the Chaplain fully understood the comrade's question. The question, as I understand it, is whether the regulation stone at the head of the grave was the only mark or distinguishing mark.

A Comrade: Now, as a general thing, most all the cemeteries, in the southern part of the State at any rate, have what they call an iron marker to put at the head of the grave; that is a little socket in which to place a flag, and every Post in that part of the State furnishes a small flag for each grave. The grave is decorated with a flag whether they have a headstone or not.

Comrade Miner, Post 142: My idea was this, to make it plain: Is a soldier's grave with a monument and a marker furnished by the authorities considered properly marked, or is a government mark the only proper marker for a soldier's grave? In other words, when I report so many graves "not marked" should that include all graves not having the government mark?



REV. W. H. HERBERT
Department Chaplain

Comrade Warner, Post 56: If they put a good marker there they don't want a government stone there. If there is a good marker there there is one there. If any one wants a government marker when they have a private marker, let them have it, but they don't need it.

Department Commander: If the government knows that there is a monument or other stone on the grave it will not furnish a stone for that grave.

Comrade Miner: That is right.

Assistant Adjutant General: Now, comrades, if you had had experience in making up the journals of this encampment you would realize the necessity for every comrade who rises to address the chair giving his name and the number of the Post to which he belongs. You will find, in looking over the journals, that in many and many of them you cannot get the names because you don't give them. Let every Comrade in the Encampment give his name and number of his Post when he rises to address the chair.

Comrade Drake, Post 25: This is the first encampment that I have attended. We have a cemetery close to my farm—it is on my farm. It is eight miles to the nearest Post. There are a few soldiers' graves there. Every year my daughters put some flowers on those graves. I go down into my pocket for some flags. I put some standards there as best I could. I never have known any Post, as a Post, to have anything to do with it. How many such soldiers' graves are there scattered all over. It has never come to my knowledge that any Post, as a Post, has had anything to do with the marking of those graves or the decorating of them. We do it ourselves; nobody else has ever done anything towards it. I did not know anything about a report being made of this kind; you don't get all of the graves. You only get certain ones.

Comrade W. W. Warner, Post 56: I want to say, for the Allegan Post, we look after our graves and furnish flags. We don't send flowers to all the outlying posts, but for six or eight soldiers we look after them. I think that is general throughout Michigan, that the Post which is a little larger than some others, that the central Post looks after these Posts or after the outlying Posts. We do that in Allegan, and I think they do it in other places in Michigan.

Department Commander: No motion has been made. The question of the Comrade over yonder was fully answered, and I will say, in further reply to the Comrade, that we consider that every Grand Army man is bound, whether there is a Post near or not, to see that the graves of his Comrades are decorated at least once a year.

Comrade Hill, Post 72: In our cemetery at Three Rivers we have nearly 200 soldiers buried. A good many of the graves are unmarked in any way, but the officers of the Post have kept track of them, and we apply to our city authorities to stand the expense of putting up markers on those graves. They were unable to do it without action of the legislature, so, this last winter, a bill was introduced to have the legislature authorize the city officers of Three Rivers to pay that expense for us. The Post was too poor to do it, so we went to work and ordered a bronze tablet put upon an iron post which is to be set in cement at the head of every grave.

Comrade Lawrence: Will the Comrade speak so we can hear him?

Comrade Hill: We got a permit through the legislature to allow the

councilmen of the city of Three Rivers to pay the expense of putting up a bronze tablet at the head of every grave. A great many of them were unmarked, and the Post went to work and got iron rods with a socket in which to place a flag and a bronze tablet about that size (indicating) that will not tarnish. This can be seen at a distance so as to easily distinguish a soldier's grave. We are going to place them in cement and make them stationary there, and every year go and put a flag in and remove it. They will not tarnish. In that way we have marked all soldiers' graves. Some of them are marked with government stones, some are marked by individual monuments, and some are not marked. In this way we have marked every grave in the cemetery.

Assistant Adjutant General: Let me say for the benefit of the Comrades here that this was an act, passed by the legislature, which provided that the township board or the city trustees should appropriate money to buy these. There was a penalty attached as to the removal or displacement of them. That is a general law for Michigan. You make your application to your township board or your city trustees, and, through them, they can appropriate for this expense; the money is raised by taxation.

Comrade Hill, Post 72: That bill was introduced by Lester B. Place, of Three Rivers, this last winter.

Assistant Adjutant General: This bill provides a penalty for anyone to remove such marker.

Comrade Hill: I didn't understand it. I thought it was a recent law.

Department Commander: The next business in order is the Judge Advocate's report.

DETROIT, MICH., JUNE 16, 1915.

Henry Spaulding, Assistant Adjutant General, Department of Michigan,
G. A. R.:

Dear Sir and Comrade: I have the honor to make the following report of the matters which have come before me as Judge Advocate of this Department.

First: On Dec. 15, 1914, I was requested to give an opinion upon the following proposition from W. H. Herbert, Department Chaplain, on the request of the Department Commander:

"If a Post disbands, owning a hall which is not paid for, with Post dues (presumably paid for with other monies), does the Department require the Post to turn over the hall as part of the Post property?"

On due consideration, this question was answered, "No;" referring to Blue Book, page 84. I further answered that it had been held by law courts in the State that such property does not become the property of the Department and that, therefore, no rules and regulations made by the Grand Army would have any effect to compel such transfer, even though the highest authority in the Grand Army had not already decided the question in the negative.

Second: On request of Commander Drake, Woodbury Post, No. 45, on Dec. 1, 1914, you referred to me the question as to the right of a Post to conduct burial services for a soldier not a member of the G. A. R. The question asked by Commander Drake was: "Has a G. A. R. Post the right to conduct the funeral of an honorably discharged soldier in accordance with the ritual in services—quoting from Services printed March 4, 1904,

page 3, to the effect that a Post may attend funerals of deceased comrades or of soldiers or sailors honorably discharged when a request shall have been made, etc.? On page 44, VII, it is provided that the last offices of respect due to the defenders of the Republic shall then be paid according to the Ritual." To this request I gave the following opinion and answer:

The request for an opinion and papers accompanying the same are not, apparently, based upon any set of facts, but merely present a moot question which, without any statement of facts and perhaps without any facts requiring a decision of such question, could not be reviewed on appeal.

However, in response to your request and assuming that the circumstances, if they occur or when they occur, are correctly stated, that is to say: first, that the deceased was actually a soldier or sailor of the Union during the war of the rebellion, and, second, honorably discharged, and that an action is taken by the Post, or by its officers, to attend the funeral and perform the ritualistic ceremony provided for, I would say that I find nothing in the Rules or Regulations which forbid such act, nor do I find anything which would permit any charges to be brought against the Post or its officers for so doing. Neither do I find anything in the Rules and Regulations, or the decisions based thereon, which permit such an action. Inasmuch, however, as the Rules and Regulations provide, as one of the essential objects of the organization, that assistance should be given "such former comrades in arms as need help and protection and to extend needful aid to the widows and orphans of those who have fallen," and also to do whatever is necessary generally to create respect and fidelity to the United States of America, that in spirit, at least, it would be proper for Post organizations or officers of Posts in their discretion and under proper circumstances to conduct or participate in conducting even the ritualistic services provided for in the Ritual at the funerals of honorably discharged deceased soldiers and sailors of the rebellion.

The Ritual seems to warrant this action in providing for the last "offices of respect due to the defenders of the Republic." This is not limited by any language which provides that they shall be restricted to any such defenders of the Republic as die while members of the Grand Army. An expressed permission is apparently given in the Ritual in that a Post may attend funeral services of deceased Comrades or of soldiers and sailors honorably discharged when a request therefor has been made, etc. No limitation here appears, and I do not think and do not believe that it was ever intended to restrict any services of respect to such deceased soldiers and sailors or was ever made to depend or intended to be made to depend upon membership in the Grand Army.

Of course, such services and the employment of ritualistic service might not be proper in some cases even though members attended as a matter of respect, when it might eminently be proper in other cases, but this matter should be left entirely to the discretion of the Post, or its officers, as the case may be. The exercise of such discretion, whichever way it may be, cannot be called to account by any authority, and therefore I am constrained to answer your question in the affirmative, that a G. A. R. Post has the right to conduct the funeral of an honorably discharged soldier or sailor according to the Ritual.

These are the only matters which have officially come before me from you during my incumbency in office.

I desire to congratulate you and the Department upon the fact that so few controversies have arisen during the period of your term in office. Years ago, during my former term as Judge Advocate, there were many controversies which arose and had to be settled by reference to that officer. Either all the controversies which might have arisen have been settled and settled satisfactorily, or else there is far less contention among the members of the G. A. R., and as we grow older and wiser we have become more peaceful.

Thanking you for the invariable courtesy which I have received from you, I am,

Yours in F. C. & L.,
R. A. PARKER,
Judge Advocate.

Department Commander: The report will be received and referred to the committee which has already been named.

Officer of the Day: A committee from the Sons of Veterans is waiting at the door.

Department Commander: Show them in.

It was moved and supported that the report of the Judge Advocate be accepted and adopted without reference. Unanimously adopted.

Department Commander: I am informed that there is a delegation from the Sons of Veterans in waiting. Shall we receive them?

Comrades: Yes.

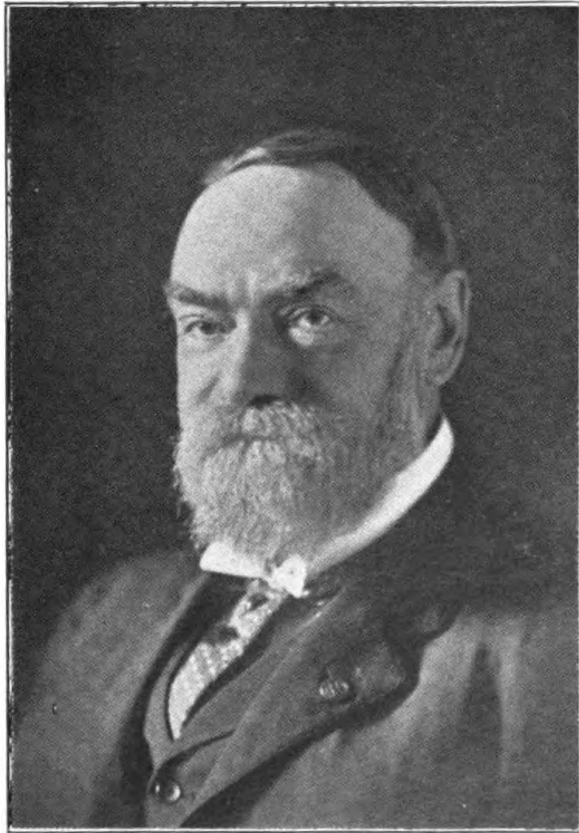
Department Commander: If there is no objection, we will appoint a committee to escort them to the platform. I shall appoint the same committee as was appointed to visit the Sons of Veterans; Louis Kanitz, Garrett Van Schelvan and George Raab. Are the comrades here? (No response.) Then I will appoint as such committee Comrades Warner and Lawrence.

Whereupon the delegation sent over from the Sons of Veterans was escorted to the platform amid great applause.

Comrade Lawrence: Department Commander, I take great pleasure in introducing to you the Commander in Chief of the Sons of Veterans, brother Sherman.

REMARKS BY THE COMMANDER IN CHIEF OF THE SONS OF VETERANS.

Commander and Honored Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic: I consider that in appearing before you this afternoon I am honoring myself and the organization of which I have the privilege to be Commander in Chief. We esteem it a great honor to be permitted to come into the presence of the veterans of the War of the Rebellion, and we say to you, representing as I do more than fifty thousand earnest young men of this country, that we are with you as one in spirit in every purpose which may keep you and your organization. We who are your sons are endeavoring to preserve the traditions of the fathers and we stand for the things for which you fought. The sons of veterans of the State of Michigan, while they may be numerous, have not yet sought friendship in this organization anywhere near as often as they should. I feel quite sure that Michigan met the quota demanded of her by the United States government fifty years ago and that the Michigan boys sent forth



R. A. PARKER
Judge Advocate

did their best. If there is a Comrade before me who is the father of a son or the father of a daughter will you not encourage that son to join the Sons of Veterans; not for anything that he may get out of it but rather for the opportunity of doing something. Comrades, the Sons of Veterans is an organization which will perpetuate your memory. You must admit that soon the day will come when there will be no Grand Army of the Republic and it will exist only as a sacred memory, but the things for which you fought will be preserved by your sons, and who would you rather have preserve them than your own flesh and blood? (Applause.)

I appeal to you. If your descendants are not members of the Sons of Veterans, put your hand on their shoulders, as a father can, and say "My boy, I want you to join the Sons of Veterans." We realize that nothing which we can do will honor you because you have been honored as no other people have been. Your services brought to you great honor and all that the Sons of Veterans can do is to maintain that which has been transmitted by heritage.

Tomorrow there will be a parade in this city. It will be an inspiration and a wonderful opportunity for the people of Kalamazoo; they will have their hearts stirred as perhaps never before as they look at the lines of blue, the Union Veterans, go down the street.

I thank you for this opportunity to be heard.

Comrade Lawrence: Department Commander, the Sons of Veterans have sent another of their members, Comrade Curry, representing the Commander of the Sons of Veterans of Michigan. I am pleased to present him.

Department Commander: We shall be pleased to hear him.

REMARKS BY COMRADE CURRY, OF THE SONS OF VETERANS OF MICHIGAN.

Commander and Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic: It was not my purpose in coming here to make any address whatever to you at this time. I simply came as an escort to the Commander in Chief, by request of our Division Commander. But one thing that the Commander in Chief brought before you perhaps, to my mind, is more important than anything else is reminiscences of the past. He said what better than the blood of your own selves, your own sons, should defend that flag. I want to say to you that in the Spanish-American war, Michigan division of the Sons of Veterans, and I know whereof I speak because, at that time, I had the honor of being Division Commander, offered to the government of this State three companies of the Sons of Veterans alone. Only two were accepted; the third was not accepted because they had not room for it. Two companies went forth from Michigan to participate in the Spanish-American war, and I want to say to you, right now, while I would be very sorry to see this country precipitated into another war, but at this time when our national government is debating the question as to whether there shall be war or peace—God grant that it may be peace, but not peace at a sacrifice—if it be war, that your sons, the Sons of Veterans, will defend that flag under any condition and over any soil. I thank you. (Applause.)

Comrade Lawrence: I want you, Department Commander, to take the hand of these young men here.

Department Commander: Say to your Commander in Chief, Com-

rades, we can hardly express our appreciation of the genuine good will and the desire to assist us in our work, and if possible to take our places and carry on the work which we have carried on so long that is manifest by the words and by the actions of the Sons of Veterans that we have before us today. We all realize more forcibly than ever that you may increase but we must decrease. We thank you for your presence here and we are glad to take you by the hand in behalf of the Department of Michigan and also to present you with one of our badges. We are very much pleased, indeed, to have the opportunity to do it.

Whereupon the badge of the Encampment was pinned on each member of the delegation from the Sons of Veterans by Department Commander Riley L. Jones.

Department Commander: The next business in order is the report of the Chief Mustering Officer.

Assistant Adjutant General Henry Spaulding: I have not received it.

Department Commander: The Chief Mustering Officer is not present, and I will say for him that as he has had no work to do during the past year I presume he thinks he has had no report to make. We will pass that report.

Department Commander: Next comes the report of the Department Inspector. In my address to you I told you that, considering unfavorable results from last year's inspection, the Department Commander did not deem it advisable to order any inspections during this year. That is the reason that the Department Inspector has no report to offer. The next in order is the report of the Patriotic Instructor.

Assistant Adjutant General: Commander, I received a letter from our Patriotic Instructor stating that he could not be here today; did not know as to whether he would be able to be here during the session. He has made no report, and I know that there has been no work done to speak of. I would suggest that it be passed now until later.

Department Commander: We will pass the report of the Patriotic Instructor. Now comes the reports of the standing committees. The first committee is the Executive Committee of the Council of Administration. Have they any report to make? If not now, we will receive it later. We will receive it later.

Comrade McVicar, Post 384: To the Comrade who has spoken a moment ago I will state that I know the Department Patriotic Instructor must have gotten some reports from post officials because I myself made one to him, and I will simply say here, as a part of that report, that on the 9th day of April, when we celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of Lee's surrender, that in the city of Detroit, through the instrumentality of the Patriotic Instructor of Detroit Post No. 384, the superintendent of schools had all the teachers in their rooms in the schools of Detroit devote the last half hour of the school day telling the children what the day stood for, and what the flag stood for, and wound up by singing "The Star Spangled Banner." On the evening of that day we had a meeting in Memorial Hall, in Detroit, of the various Posts, with addresses on the G. A. R., the Sons of Veterans, and also a very fine address from an ex-confederate whom we were all delighted to honor in Detroit, who is an associate member of Detroit Post, Rev. Markley. (Applause.) Now, while speaking, I want to commend what the Sons of Veterans said to us here. I am a veteran myself, am a son of a veteran, my father having lost his life. We want no war, but if



COL. L. H. IVES
Department Inspector

we have to have it there is some of us old fellows young enough to do something yet. (Applause.)

Assistant Adjutant General: Just a word with reference to the work of the Department Patriotic Instructor. I received his letter and he said he would send some report if he were not going to be here. You will probably get it tomorrow. It will cover the Posts that have reported.

Department Commander: We will have to pass the report of the Patriotic Instructor until we can communicate with him or get some report from him. I must say, Comrades, that I am very much disappointed at the result of the work of the Patriotic Instructor, because he has shown an entirely different or, I might say, a more energetic spirit during the previous year. I certainly expected results there. I consider that office to be one of the most important ones that we have in our Department. It is the office where we expect results. We hope we shall hear from our Department Patriotic Instructor. The next is the report of the Committee to Visit the Soldiers' Home; Comrade Joseph Seeman, Post 38, is chairman, and James R. Stephenson, Post 5, is a member of the committee.

Comrade Seeman: I cannot say what I wish right here. My committee is not present. I have my report in my pocket and if the other members of the committee are here and will sanction it I will be pleased to read it. I would like to have them sign the report.

Department Commander: I will state that Comrade Stephenson has signified his intention of signing it, and we will receive the report of Comrade Seeman as the report of the committee. There is no reason why we should delay business because comrades are absent from their post of duty. (Applause.)

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON SOLDIERS' HOME.

KALAMAZOO, MICH, June 16, 1915.

Henry Spaulding, Asst. Adjutant General, Department of Michigan, G. A. R.

Dear Sir and Comrade: The committee appointed by your Department Commander to visit the Soldiers' Home, have performed that duty and herewith renders report.

On the 22nd of April last the committee met in Grand Rapids and visited the Home without any previous notice having been served on the commandant as to the visit. We were cordially received and immediately entered upon our duty under the guidance of Col. McGurkin, Commandant of the Home. We found every department in clean, wholesome and orderly condition, in fact we could not see where it was possible to improve upon any of the various departments—cleanliness and order prevails throughout. Your committee congratulates this Department upon the fact that the Home is in good hands and could not be improved upon in any way that your committee could discern.

To enter more into detail, your committee reports that on the 22nd of April we found present for duty, men, 681, in the hospital, 136, making a total of 817; there were absent with leave, 269, making a total membership of, men, 1,086; this total includes 59 Spanish war veterans. Died from May 1st, 1914, to April 30, 1915, 179. We found a great many of the

members were absent at home assisting on farms and gardens preparatory to planting spring crops.

The total number of men admitted into the Soldiers' Home, (quoting from the Commandant's report) since it first opened in September 1885, up to June 30, 1914, date of last biennial report of Board of Managers, was 6,662, of which, during the period, 2,484 have died. This indicates that over 33 $\frac{1}{3}$ % of the members that have been admitted from that time to the date above given have died. On May 19, 1915, Adj. C. P. Coffin reports only about one-tenth of the membership of the Home are members of the G. A. R.

Average membership of women, including those in hospital, 224, of whom 59 were in hospital. Died during last year, 41.

The quarters occupied by men, as well as women, the bedding, etc., were as clean as in any well regulated private home. The kitchen was polished as bright as a new silver dollar and will average cleaner than the kitchen of an average home. The bill of fare which emanates from this place, its quality and preparation, is good enough for any person to partake—is well cooked, of a wholesome character, with a view to accommodate the digestive apparatus of elderly people. Sanitary conditions prevail throughout. The food purchased is thoroughly inspected, and if not found up to standard is rejected.

The care of the old boys in the hospital is all that could possibly be demanded; sanitation, light, bedding, air, everything are considered and provided for, not the least trace of bad odor from water closets was perceptible. In this connection would say that the Commandant seems to be acquainted with every inmate, man and woman; calls them by their given name and had a word of cheer for each. He succeeded in receiving kindly recognition from both men and women through the department, except in the mortuary room. Here we found three of our dead comrades and a sister, and this is the only place where the Colonel failed to create a smile on the faces of those that he had known and consoled only a few days previous.

After making the rounds of the different departments, through the devious tunnels, up and down elevators, we went back to the offices and there acquired the balance of the data from Major Coffin, Quartermaster Captain Phillips, and the Matron of the Home, Mrs. Sarah L. Brown, all of whom gave us the best attention and exerted themselves in supplying whatever information we asked for, in fact suggested what might be interesting to complete our report.

The Comrades of this Department are undoubtedly well posted as to the Michigan Soldiers' Home, that is, as to entertainment afforded the members and as to the advantages in a general way of the Home, but the fact that all comforts were considered was impressed upon your committee when we were shown a room from which a strong odor of tobacco emanated and which contained nine chairs. We inquired what this room was used for; the Colonel told us this was the women's smoking room—he had nine women who used tobacco for smoking purposes, and he kindly accommodated them by setting aside a room where they could enjoy the weed to their heart's content. This your committee thought was very considerate.

Your committee found that the State Auditor, on the 16th day of April last, had audited the books of the Home and found everything highly

satisfactory. In connection with this we would state that your Soldiers' Home is indeed often and thoroughly inspected. There is a committee on the Soldiers' Home on the part of the Senate and a like committee from the House of Representatives, the Board of Managers or some member thereof frequently look into the affairs of the Home; in short, every citizen of the State, more particularly the officials at Lansing, very often pay the Home visits which are more or less in the nature of an inspection, so that, in this direction, there is nothing lacking as to full publicity of what is taking place there.

On the 15th of January last, the committee on inspection of the Home on the part of the Senate, of which our Comrade Senator Frank McPhillips is at the head, paid the Home a visit and rendered its report to the Senate. Among its recommendations was the appropriation of \$25,000 for a dormitory for female help. This recommendation was formed into a bill, known as Senate Bill 39, introduced on the 26th day of January last, and which, as you know, culminated in the granting by the legislature of \$25,000 for the erection of such dormitory. While your committee was present at the Home we saw evidences of the commencement of this work by being shown test holes which were made for the purpose of ascertaining the condition of the soil for foundation, etc. Said bill by Senator McPhillips also included the appropriation of \$17,000 for the purpose of refunding excess pension money paid by the members of the Michigan Soldiers' Home to the State. Representative Place, of the House, in connection with Senator McPhillips, have looked well after the interests of the Home and the G. A. R. in general, and are deserving recognition by this encampment. We notice that Senator McPhillips' report recommends the employment of 40 girls to wait on tables instead of 61 old soldiers who are now doing the work. There is no doubt that this is a good recommendation, and your committee believes that as soon as the Commandant is satisfied of the necessity of this move he will recommend such employment of girls. In the meantime your committee believes that as long as the old soldier keeps employed at some kind of service it will aid to maintain better health than to cease work entirely. Your committee believes Spanish War members of the Home, who are comparatively young, can help out in this service. The McPhillips' report contains this statement: "There is not another institution in the State that is run at as low cost per capita as the Michigan Soldiers' Home;" all of which is gratifying to know.

The Commandant reports that the cost of maintenance per capita per day for food, during the year ending last June, was 22-88/100c, and the cost for clothing per year for same period was \$17.05, which is certainly a very low rate.

Your Commandant believes (quoting from his last report) that the "present woman's dormitory, when completed, will have sufficient room to accommodate all. * * * We think the attendance at the Home in the case of men is likely to decrease from now on. * * * In the case of women we look for an increase. We have admitted and re-admitted since the biennial report of June 30, 1914, to March 31, 1915, 164 Civil War Veterans, 21 Spanish War Veterans and 62 women."

Noticing that old soldiers were working here and there on the premises and inquiring as to their pay, we were informed that it ranges from 35 cents to 50 cents a day. While this may seem small, it must be con-

sidered that the old boys are superannuated in the line of work, and can no longer render a good day's service.

Your committee found a blind ward at the Home but not an insane ward, and, upon inquiry, were informed that the men and women afflicted with this deplorable condition were sent to the "State Hospital at Kalamazoo and the Commandant is usually made their guardian and pays the Auditor General for their keeping while there an amount varying as to the requirements of their families, where they have one." The Commandant further reports: "We are well satisfied with our treatment by the legislature this year in matters affecting the Home."

JOSEPH SEEMAN,
JAMES R. STEPHENSON,
R. M. BILLINGER,

Committee.

Department Commander: You have heard read the report of the Committee appointed to Visit the Soldiers' Home. What will you do with the report?

Assistant Adjutant General: I move the adoption of the report, as read.

Department Commander: It is moved and supported that the report be accepted and adopted as read. Unanimously adopted.

Judge Advocate Parker: I move that the thanks of the Encampment be given to the members of this committee who have made this investigation and report. Unanimously adopted.

Department Commander: The next committee is the Legislative Committee. Any member of the Legislative Committee present?

Assistant Adjutant General: I do not think there is any present: Comrade Dean was chairman of it.

Department Commander: I suppose we shall have to lay it to this storm for the non-attendance of many of our Comrades. Some have not dared to leave their hotels in such stormy weather. We hope they will be able to be with us in future sessions. I will say, however, regarding this Legislative Committee I presume it will be another case of nothing to report. As I said in my address, I have visited the Legislature twice and found that everything was going on in good shape; everything was going our way and that we were going to get everything that we asked for. Inasmuch as that is so there is really nothing to report. The next is the report of the Committee on Military Museum. Has that committee any report?

Assistant Adjutant General: Comrade W. C. Nesen is chairman of that committee. He said he would be over here if he were able and read it. If not we would get it.

Department Commander: We will defer the report of the Committee on Military Museum. That concludes the committees.

Comrade Pulver, Post 10: I don't believe there ought to be as much noise as there is this afternoon. Those fellows back there are making too much noise.

Department Commander: Officer of the Day, they are making so much noise back there that I can't hear this Comrade. Comrades, I wish to call your attention to the program which calls for a children's campfire at the First Presbyterian Church this evening, at 7:30, and, of course, you are all children and are all invited to attend the children's campfire.

Comrade Higgins, Post 48. We have a Comrade in our Post who has moved from another Department here. He was Past Post Commander in the Post. He has joined Post 48, but he is not entitled to a vote in this Department without a motion, and I move you that the privileges of the Department of Michigan be extended to Past Commander Hortense Blake of Post 48. Supported.

A Comrade: Isn't there a law to that effect? Here about five years ago that was changed entirely so that a man moving from Ohio over here did not lose all rights.

Department Commander: No it is not. We have to pass this motion in order to put him in full standing.

Comrade Thompson, Post 111: I believe in giving every devil his due, but I do not believe any Comrade should be reinstated unless the Post to which he belongs recognizes it. I do not believe, on the instance of any one person, that a Comrade should be reinstated. I know that these things have been slipped through, but I don't think it is right. Let us know what we are doing and then we will do what is right.

Comrade Higgins, Post 48: The Rules and Regulations of the Grand Army of the Republic provide that when a comrade moves from one jurisdiction to another he does not lose his honors as a Past Commander; that the Adjutant of the Post must report him to the Assistant Adjutant General as a Past Commander, but he cannot enter the Department and vote without the consent of the Department. That is just exactly what I made the motion for.

Department Commander: Assistant Adjutant General, has this Comrade been reported to you as a Past Commander.

Assistant Adjutant General: I can't tell without seeing the credentials.

Comrade Higgins: I will give you a copy of them. I have a copy of the credentials.

Assistant Adjutant General: What is the name?

Comrade Higgins: Hortense Blake.

Assistant Adjutant General: This is a copy of the credentials as presented to me. The credentials are in the hands of the committee now. Hortense Blake appears on them. Now, Comrades, in regard to this matter let me say a word. The provisions of the law provide that a Comrade transferring from one Post to another in the Department carries his rank with him; from one Department to another they can't unless by a vote of the encampment; so with past department officers. You will remember that, a few years ago, we lost one of our prominent officers, Comrade Brown, who went to Montana. That Department accepted him with the rank of a Past Department Commander. This is so with all department officers and post commanders. It must be endorsed by the encampment; the post can't do that. They cannot accept him from another Department unless they are authorized by the encampment.

Department Commander: It seems to me in this case, Comrades, they follow the Rules and Regulations principally. It is moved and supported that Comrade Hortense Blake be entitled to his rank as past commander in this Department. Unanimously adopted.

Comrade Lamb, Post 17: It has been the custom of this Department to pay the Assistant Adjutant General \$50 for compiling the report and

reading proof for the Journal. I move that an appropriation of fifty dollars be made for that purpose. Unanimously adopted.

Department Commander: It is very difficult to hear in this Armory, due to the storm, and I move that we take a recess until 9 o'clock tomorrow morning, when we may have more favorable weather. Unanimously carried.

Department Commander: I want to congratulate you, Comrades, that we have gotten along so far with our business. I think this is setting a record for work accomplished.

Adjournment was then taken until 9 o'clock Thursday morning, June 17th.

Thursday, June 17, 1915. 9:00 o'clock a. m.

The meeting commenced by one of the Comrades going to the piano and giving a piano selection: "Marching Through Georgia."

Comrade M. C. Barney: How many who are here were on that march? Raise their hands. The Comrades complied with the request.

Comrade Barney: How many were at Gettysburg? Raise their hands. The Comrades likewise complied with the request.

How many were at Chickamauga? The Comrades again complied with the request to raise their hands.

How many were at Atlanta? Same compliance with request.

Comrade: Who were at New Orleans in 1862, the hotbed, where the women insulted us at every step? The Comrades complied with the request of Comrade Lamb.

A Comrade: How many took part in Sheridan's ride? Again they complied with the request to raise their hands.

Comrade M. C. Barney: I am requested to ask another question; how many were in the court house during the service? Comrades complied with the request.

Comrade Barney: How many were in Libbey prison? Four.

How many were in Andersonville prison? Only three.

Comrade Barney: I was there two years ago last fall and stayed there over night in the house that was built by the Woman's Relief Corps. I must say that it is the most God forsaken place that I ever saw—that Andersonville. Some of you, perhaps, don't know about that monument put there six feet square on the grounds, and it is covered with tobacco spittle by the boys who were there. (Great applause.) They tried to put the monument in Atlanta and in Richmond and they could not have found a more desolate place than that. But you go one-half a mile where our boys are buried and it is one of the nicest places you ever saw. Some of the beautiful monuments are put up by the States. I think the State of New York has a boy kneeling on his knees, and he is pleading in his bare feet, and then there is an older man who comes, and the motto "Relief is Coming." He points up at an angel appearing in the distance. It is one of the greatest lessons I ever saw in my life. I would not miss going to Andersonville and seeing that deplorable place where our boys stood. I want to tell you this, Comrades, if you ever go south go there. Near Macon, where we went through to relieve those boys, I saw the place where they had those cannon which were in range

at our boys, at that time, twenty-two thousand, and they were just ready to let them go in case Sherman got over near Andersonville. Just think of that. When we come to think of that, we had something to fight for. Every school child can tell you why we had that war but no one can tell you why this war is going on across the water. It is the greatest day of my life when I see the school children. I have stood before thousands and thousands of children and I have told them the little stories. Do you know that all the children have in their histories in regard to Kenesaw Mountain is this—that the Confederates made a charge and lost heavily and were repulsed. That is all they got. Every man that was near there knows something about it.

Assistant Adjutant General: Officer of the Day, will you see that the light is turned on here.

Comrade Barney: I want to tell you some more about it. Up at Marietta, over at the left, the railroad in the center and Kenesaw on the right. You will remember that we forced our way right up that mountain; you remember that, too. Then you remember going around the Little Kenesaw and our boys charged to within ninety feet and were just in the rear of holding the breastworks within ninety feet of the Confederates. Then the Confederates rallied again and then threw up the work. Then there was an interim of five hours to bury the dead. Then two more hours were added, and then all they have to give the children is that little paragraph that we made that charge and that the Confederates lost heavily and were repulsed. It is pretty near time, Comrades, that we went out and told the children what we saw down there. Every one of you ought to be patriotic instructors every day of your lives. Comrades, a few years more, and we shall see those boys again. (Applause.)

Assistant Adjutant General: Here are a few copies of last year's Journals. If any of the Comrades want a copy I shall be glad to give them copies rather than take them back with me.

Comrades then went up to the platform and procured copies of last year's report.

Department Commander: The time of our session has arrived. I have allowed plenty of latitude for the stragglers. Officer of the Day, are you sure that every person present in this hall has a right to remain?

Officer of the Day: I am.

Department Commander: The Chaplain will invoke the divine blessing.

INVOCATION BY CHAPLAIN HERBERT.

Almighty Father, we return thanks to Thy holy name that so many of us have gathered at this place to go on with the business of this session of the Encampment. We thank Thee for this beautiful bright day when all nature seems to smile at the objects which we have in mind and in heart. We ask thy blessings upon the officers of this Encampment and the Comrades here assembled in this beautiful city. God help us and bless us for His namesake. Amen.

Department Commander: The first business we will call for this morning will be the report of the Committee on Credentials.

Assistant Adjutant General: I reported up to last evening four hun-

dred and eighty-four delegates. The committee is working on it now. It is a partial report.

Department Commander: They will have further time to make a more complete report. We will now listen to the report of our Junior Vice Department Commander.

Henry Spaulding, Assistant Adjutant General, Department of Michigan
G. A. R.

Dear Sir and Comrades: As Junior Vice Commander I have held myself in readiness for all emergencies; but, as you know, the office of Junior is rightly named and is seldom called to action. You will readily see that my work for the Grand Army has not been up to the standard or as I think it should be. Having been Patriotic Instructor of the Department and loving the work with the children I have continued along that line, so you see that I have been doing patriotic work. I find that a soldier can find work to do all along the line.

I wish to say that while at the National Encampment I was detailed by Comrade John B. Lewis, of Boston, Past National Patriotic Instructor, to give "Sherman's March to the Sea" to two churches in Detroit, the Grand River Baptist and the Presbyterian church.

Work which I have been doing with the schools has been a pleasure to me and I am still doing that work wherever wanted, free of charge. I have given "Sherman's March to the Sea" to more than 100,000 school children and wherever given both teachers and scholars have told me that their history was of much more value to them than before.

I wish to make some suggestions to the next incoming Commander: First, that whenever he goes to visit Grand Army Posts he will give his Senior and Junior an invitation to be with him and keep them in the harness for Old Glory. At our ages the Junior Vice is liable to be at the head of the Grand Army before the close of the year and he should be familiar with the work, as the Department needs a leader as long as it shall exist. Soldiers are like bees, they need a queen, and it means something to the one elected to serve this body of soldiers of Michigan.

May we all, as we finish this journey of life, keep in mind Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty. And now, my dear Comrades, let us rally around the officers of our choice as we did around Old Glory from '61 to '65.

M. C. BARNEY.

Junior Vice Department Commander.

Department Commander: You have heard the report of the Junior Vice Department Commander. What will you do with it?

Assistant Adjutant General: I move that it be accepted and adopted. Unanimously adopted.

KALAMAZOO, MICH., June 16, 1915.

Riley L. Jones, Department Commander, Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic.

Comrade:—We, the Executive Committee of the Council of Administration, beg leave to submit for your consideration and for the consideration of the Encampment the following report:

We have examined the books, receipts, vouchers and other papers pertaining to the offices of Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant



M. C. BARNEY
Jnnior Vice Department Commander

Quartermaster General and find them correct in every detail. We think this Department is to be congratulated upon having such competent and efficient officers, as you have had during the past year.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. & L.,

H. A. CHAPIN,

E. F. LAMB,

C. H. BROWNING,

Executive Committee of the Council of Administration.

Assistant Adjutant General: I have just received this morning a partial report from the Patriotic Instructor.

Department Commander: We will hear the report of the Department Patriotic Instructor.

Comrade Cady, Fairbanks Post No. 17: Before he starts to read can't we move the table on the platform a little nearer. We can't hear very well.

Department Commander: If it will help at all, the Department Commander will take a position at the side of the table. We can't move it very well.

The Department Patriotic Instructor's report was then referred to by the Assistant Adjutant General.

Department Commander: You have heard the reference to the report of the Department Patriotic Instructor. What are you going to do with it?

Comrade M. C. Barney: I do not know that he has all the reports from the State of Michigan.

Assistant Adjutant General: That is all the report: I want to say, in connection with this, that I have five reports that have come to me within the last three days instead of going to the Patriotic Instructor and they are not included here. Now it is the dilatoriness of the Post Patriotic Instructors that made our Patriotic Instructor disgusted with it.

Department Commander: I think the proper thing to do with this is to refer it to the committee which has already been named. Assistant Adjutant General, can you read the names of the committee?

The Assistant Adjutant General then gave out the names of the committee appointed earlier in the sessions of the Encampment.

Department Commander: Are there any of the Comrades here who can be substituted for the name of Comrade Tyner on this committee. We will let the matter go into the hands of Comrade M. C. Barney, there don't seem to be any of the committee here, and let him act as a committee of one. If there is no objection, that course will be followed. That report will be referred to the Junior Vice Department Commander.

Comrade McVicar, Post 384: That is one of the most important positions in the Grand Army organization at the present time, and I think it should go to a committee who can make some recommendations to the incoming Commander to see that some one is put in that position who will see that patriotic instruction is given, throughout this State, to the rising generation. This is the first encampment at which I have been a delegate, although I have attended others, and I am absolutely disappointed in the report made.

Assistant Adjutant General: Comrade Barney was Patriotic Instructor of this Department for three years. He always had a good report

to make and I would suggest now, Department Commander, that Comrade McVicar be placed on the committee with Comrade Barney.

Comrade McVicar: I am satisfied with Comrade Barney.

Department Commander: I was just about ready to appoint Comrade McVicar with Comrade Barney.

Comrade Raab: There are very many of us here this morning who were not here yesterday afternoon and I would like to hear the committees read again, so that we will all know who the committees are that were appointed yesterday.

The Assistant Adjutant General then read the committees.

Department Commander: Comrades, you will understand that quite a number of these reports that were received yesterday were accepted and adopted without reference to a committee, so that a large number of these committees will not have any work to do. Yesterday we passed over one report which we will now have—the Medical Director's.

Comrade Robert LeBarron, Medical Director: I have not anything of any great amount to report upon. The reports of the deaths of veterans were reported by the Medical Director until the last two or three years, and why the change was made I do not know except that, perhaps, it was in view of the fact that the Chaplain has the last words to say and he is the man to whom it was assigned.

Officer of the Day: Department Commander, there are delegations from the Sons of Veterans and Spanish War Veterans waiting at the door, to be admitted.

Department Commander: Tell them to wait just a few minutes.

Medical Director LeBarron: If there is any Comrade here who has belly-ache or any other kind of an ache let him apply and not be afraid. I thank you.

Department Commander: What will you do with the report of the Department Medical Director?

It was moved and supported that the report be received and placed on file. Comrade Devlin, Post 433: Do you want to put it on file.

A voice of one of the Comrades: Certainly.

Department Commander: It is moved and supported that the report be accepted and adopted. Unanimously carried.

Department Commander: The delegation from the Sons of Veterans is waiting at the door. The delegation that we received yesterday of that organization was the National organization. This delegation is from the Michigan Division. What is your pleasure? Will you receive them?

Voice of Comrades: Yes, sure.

Department Commander: We will ask Comrades Lamb and Dunham to go and escort the Sons of Veterans to the platform.

A Comrade: I have a resolution to offer and ask that it be received and referred to the Committee on Resolutions when appointed.

Department Commander: The resolution may be referred to the Committee on Resolutions without being read.

A Comrade: Well, I desire to read the resolution so that the Comrades will all understand it.

Department Commander: You have permission to present your resolution to the Assistant Adjutant General and he will hand it to the Committee on Resolutions if you choose to do so.



DR. ROBERT LeBARRON
Medical Director

Comrade C. W. Bennett, Post 109: I desire to offer a resolution and have the privilege of reading it before it is referred.

Department Commander: I believe the proper course with all resolutions is to refer them to the Committee on Resolutions without being read.

Department Commander: I have the pleasure of presenting to you one of our sons. I think these sons come a little nearer to you than the sons presented yesterday. These are a delegation from the Sons of Veterans of the Division of Michigan, and I have the pleasure of presenting Brother Hartsell, the Chaplain of the Division.

REMARKS BY CHAPLAIN HARTSELL OF THE MICHIGAN DIVISION,
SONS OF VETERANS.

Department Commander and Members of the Grand Army of the Republic: We do not want to take up too much of your time for you are busy and we are busy, but we have come here to express the fraternal relations of the Sons of Veterans. We represent more than one thousand one hundred qualified Sons of Veterans in the State of Michigan, a growing body, and we believe that we have the resources to have two hundred thousand in the State of Michigan. We have been figuring the matter up since we came to Kalamazoo. As we understand it, Michigan produced about ninety thousand soldiers, and if we figure it right we should have therefore more than two hundred thousand sons who will be eligible. (Applause.) Confidentially, you were pretty busy away back there in those days in more ways than one. (Applause.)

We are delighted to be here and wish that we could stay longer and enjoy meeting you. I slipped in last night; left the Sons of Veterans that I might catch the spirit of this body, so that when I came before you to represent our committee of the Sons of Veterans in general I might have an idea of the spirit which you represent on this occasion.

I remember very distinctly that my father, who carried two wounds back from the Civil War, he having been wounded through both lower limbs at Bentonville, N. C. When I was about sixteen years of age he took me to the first Grand Army reunion. Time passed by rapidly and as I became a man and my father became old, and I learned about seven years ago that the Grand Army of the Republic of Ohio was to be at Lima, Ohio, I wrote to father and said "I will come and meet you and take care of you." Arrangements were made, and he, severely affected by one wound which eventually got the better of him, met me at the depot. I said: "Father, you keep your money in your pocket; it is my turn to do the honors." For four days I took him around and let me tell you just one interesting story; my father did not have his badge and I said "Father, you haven't your Grand Army badge," and he said "I have forgotten it." I said: "Well, we will go down to headquarters and see that you get badged thoroughly." We got a badge for Co. A, 33rd Ohio Infantry, and we passed down the street. We had not gone more than two squares and we met a man from the 33rd Ohio Infantry by the name of Davis. He said: "What is your name." My father said: "B. F. Hartsell." He said: "I am the man who found you wounded on the battle field at Bentonville." Father knew and remembered. He said: "The man who gathered you off the battlefield is in town today and we will go right up street and see if we can find him," and sure enough we

found the captain who carried father on his hands and knees—a little man and my father was a large man. He got my father on his back and carried him all the way back. Now I can't express to you the depth of feeling that was manifested by those three men as they talked and talked until they cried over the war times, and I said, "Come, now, and let's get photographed." and we had the men photographed, and then we had a good dinner and I stood still and listened as they talked and cried over bygone days.

I come to you as a full-fledged Son of a Veteran who has had a deep interest in my father, who has since passed away, and we carry the most cordial relations toward you. It seems to me that the story which I have told represents the situation pretty well, when father took me when I was sixteen years old and I took him when he was seventy-four and that was the last Encampment that he ever attended. We Sons of Veterans have come to you to tell you that we want to help you and lead you around (applause) and we will be glad to be your escort today in the parade. I thank you.

Department Commander: I have the pleasure of introducing to you, Comrades, Brother Merritt:

REMARKS OF BROTHER MERRITT OF THE SONS OF VETERANS.

Department Commander and Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic: It is with a great deal of pleasure that I am here today to extend to you the greetings of Michigan Division, Sons of Veterans. I am not going to detain you longer with any talk. Our Chaplain has said about all there was necessary to say, but, as a Son of Veteran, I am pleased to be here and meet you, and if at any time we can be of any service to you in any way, shape, manner or form, then let us know. That is what we are here for. We are here to help, in any way that we can, every member of of the Grand Army of the Republic and every soldier of sixty-one to sixty-five. I thank you.

Department Commander: Our Detroit member is silent. He says he does not care to talk. Comrades, I know that I express the views and wishes of the Comrades of the Department of Michigan when I say that we thoroughly appreciate these kind expressions coming from our sons. Boys, we appreciate you. We know you appreciate your fathers. We know that you are going to make good and that you are going to do what you say you are going to do. You are going to help us from now on as long as we need any help or can receive any help, and then you are going to take our place, step into our footsteps and carry on the work of patriotic instruction for future generations. We thank you. (Applause.)

Assistant Adjutant General: Department Commander, there is a delegation waiting from the Spanish War Veterans.

Department Commander: I am informed that there is a delegation waiting from the Spanish War Veterans. Will you receive them at this time?

Voices of Comrades: Yes, sure.

Department Commander: We will ask Comrades Lawrence and Delaney to escort the delegation from the Spanish War Veterans to the platform.

Comrade Lamb. I desire at this time to make a motion. We have lost, during the past year, one of our best Department Commanders, a

man whom we loved and respected, and I move you that resolutions be drafted and read and printed in the Journal. This has reference to Comrade Griswold. Carried.

Assistant Adjutant General: Department Commander, in your report there was a notice of the death of Past Assistant Adjutant General Fayette Wyckoff, and I would suggest that Comrade Willson be appointed as a committee of one to draft resolutions and refer them to the Committee on Resolutions.

Department Commander: If there is no objection it will be so ordered.

Department Commander: Comrades, I have the pleasure of presenting to you the delegation from the young soldiers of the Spanish War Veterans. I call them young although they begin to be pretty old themselves. They have gone through considerable; still that is pretty good for them. However, they have come to convey greetings this morning. I take pleasure in presenting to you Senator Gansser.

REMARKS BY SENATOR AUGUSTUS H. GANSSEER, MEMBER OF THE SPANISH AMERICAN WAR VETERANS.

Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic: I am sure of one thing and that is that I need no introduction to the delegates to this reunion of the Grand Army of the Republic. It was my privilege to bring you some greetings last year and two years ago, at Jackson last year, and I am pleased to be able to bring you these greetings again this year. I presume the reason why I was selected two years ago was because I was elected Department Commander. Last year, at Jackson, I was Department Commander, and this year I happen to be Patriotic Instructor for the Department of Michigan, Spanish-American War Veterans. What we teach in that department, what we teach in that organization, friends of the Grand Army of the Republic, is that we have a great opportunity, a great responsibility to follow in your footsteps. We are promulgating your spirit, the spirit of Lincoln and the spirit of 1776, and what was accomplished in 1898, seventeen years ago, was inspired by the spirit of the boys of sixty-one. So we appreciate the heritage that has come to us. Let us not forget that. I want to say to you that it was my privilege to be in the legislature of nineteen eleven and twelve with your Comrade Rankin and he worked for everything that was of interest to the national defense, as represented by the national government and the Naval Reserves of Michigan, and it was my privilege this year, in the Senate, to be associated with your Comrade, McPhillips, of Saginaw. He sat two seats away from me, while over in the House we had Representative Place of Three Rivers. I happened to be chairman of the military committee in the Senate, so that all bills that had reference to you, the one relating to Gettysburg, to your monument at Shiloh, everything that was of interest to the Grand Army of the Republic passed through that committee of mine. I mention it because it has been a great joy to me to be where I could be of some service to you boys; so I am thankful to be able to be here. You have in your Comrade Place a good man; everyone seemed interested and tried to do what he could. There was a lot that we could not do as we liked to, but Representative Place is deserving of all credit.

I noticed in the paper last night that you had not accepted any invitation from any city as yet. I want to say that the Department of

Michigan Spanish-American War Veterans was born in Bay City; that No. 1 is in Bay City. The people of Bay City would be glad to entertain the Grand Army of the Republic next year together with all your auxiliaries. We had you there many years ago and we do not think it is presumptuous to ask you to come up there again. Some of the larger cities have had the pleasure of entertaining you, but, mark you, if you will come to Bay City next year we will give you the "time of your life" and it will cost you nothing. From Kalamazoo to Bay City, \$2.86; from Grand Rapids to Bay City, \$2.57; from Detroit to Bay City, \$1.75. Bay City is the "Hub of Michigan."

I am to bring you the greetings of the Department of Michigan to say to you that we are happy to meet you this year, and will be next year and the next and next, and, boys, I am sorry to see the vacant chairs. I want to say that the boys who were in the flesh last year that their spirit is marching on today. President Wilson needs no guaranty from his American citizens that we will do our best to uphold his hand. We require no badge of honor, no certificate. Over there in Europe, that flag, boys, that you preserved, that flag that stands for all there is, that flag that has crossed waters thousands of miles, has been respected. Lincoln said this country can't exist half slave and half free. He believed better than he knew. The world has come to see and realize more this year than ever it did before that what he wanted to say was this: Civilized, Christian world can't exist half slave and half free. There is a place in this world of ours for the brotherhood of man and the fatherhood of God, and over there in Europe they have been forgetting that for the time being.

I am to present to your Department Commander, as a token of our appreciation of your service, of your patriotic instruction for nearly fifty years,—for you have been interested in better citizenship for that length of time,—this badge. Boys, we pledge you our lives and fortunes to carry on those things that you stood for and deliver them undiminished to your children and your children's children. I am pleased to pin this badge on my neighbor, Riley L. Jones, of Saginaw. I believe I am also to pin the badge on the Commander of the G. A. R. of the City of Kalamazoo, as our host.

A voice: Comrade Robbins is the man.

Senator Gansser: I hope I have not tired you boys; you know that where the heart is over full the mouth overfloweth. I thank you.

Officer of the Day: The Ladies of the Woman's Relief Corps are waiting to be received.

Assistant Adjutant General: I would suggest that they be invited into the parlor there and take chairs.

Department Commander: Officer of the Day you will see that they are entertained until we are able to receive them.

Department Commander. I am going to ask Comrade Janes to respond to this eloquent, beautiful patriotic address which we have received from the Spanish War Veterans. I don't feel competent to reply to it.

Senator Gansser: I want to say to the comrades of Kalamazoo that they certainly have every reason to be proud of their representative and Senator Taylor. They were both on the job all the time. (Applause.)

Comrade Janes: Department Commander, Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic and Veterans of the Spanish American War: I am called upon to express the sentiments of this Encampment upon the

very eloquent tribute which Senator Gansser, of Bay City, has paid to this organization, and also what the Spanish American War Veterans will do to perpetuate what you and others did from sixty-one to sixty-five to preserve the flag and the unity of this Nation. These boys of the Spanish American war, as he says, caught the spirit in 1898, and when, on a little island near our coast the people were terrorized by oppression, they volunteered for humanity's sake to show to the world that the Nation that you conceived had a great heart for human rights against oppression, and they volunteered to show to the world that the United States of America stood for humanity and good government. (Applause.) Now, as he states, that same influence is at work across the mighty waters where the greatest war of all ages is taking place. That will determine the question whether military rule shall prevail or not, and we all stand, regardless of party or partisanship, back of the Executive of this Nation to bring about peace, without war, that shall be everlasting for the benefit of the world. So, I say, we accept the greetings of these boys of the Spanish American War, and, from their utterances and from their actions and from their devotion to the cause of government and the principles of it, we know that when we shall have passed away and answered to the last roll call that the influence of this government and the influence of patriotism that may be instilled into the minds of the rising generation by them will be such that it will uphold what we stood for in sixty-one and sixty-five. (Great applause.)

Department Commander: Comrades, I am authorized to present to each one of you one of our official badges, which we ask you to accept as a mark of our esteem. We are glad to meet you and renew friendships again.

Department Commander: Comrades, I was one of the committee appointed to visit the Spanish War Veterans and I think they ought to take the same medicine that they gave me that day. I went over there and they cheered until they got black in the face, and I propose three cheers for them now.

Three cheers were then given.

Senator Gansser: I propose three cheers for the Grand Army of the Republic.

Three cheers were then given for the G. A. R.

Department Commander: I am informed that there is a delegation from the Woman's Relief Corps in waiting; if it is your pleasure we will receive them now, and I shall appoint Comrades Peeler, Cannon and Van Raalte as a committee to escort the ladies to the platform.

While the committee went down to escort the ladies of the Woman's Relief Corps to the rostrum, a Comrade rose to his feet and made a complaint in regard to one of the Posts.

Department Commander: I think that the committee to refer this matter to knows more about it, and I think they are competent to handle it in a judicious and impartial manner. The committee, I think, is Comrades Parker, Davey, Devlin and Lamb.

Department Commander: Comrades, once more we have with us the ladies. I take great pleasure in introducing the Past National President, at present on the National Council, Mrs. Brown, Mrs. Creusere, of Detroit, Past Department President, and Mrs. Torrey.

REMARKS BY MRS. BROWN OF THE WOMANS' RELIEF CORPS.

As chairman of this committee I am delighted to look into your faces once more. You have had the ladies of the Womans' Relief Corps since sixty-one, because they are the true successors of the Christian Women's Central Commission, who so tenderly cared for your wounds, nursed you back to life, and welcomed you home at the close of the war. We were wedded to you then and the relationship has never been severed. Side by side these two organizations have builded the fires of patriotism until America has become the beacon light of all the world. The results are so far reaching and so glorious that no good American ever asks the question "is it worth while?" The flag floats over every schoolhouse; pensions for those who have borne the brunt of battle have been increased, beautiful homes for them and for their wives, widows and mothers have been established, Memorial Day has been observed and American ideals of liberty and enlightenment have been promulgated. Surely no other societies have done so much for good citizenship as the Grand Army of the Republic and the Womans' Relief Corps. Ever since 1883 when, in Denver, you made us your honorary auxiliary we have counted on your attentions, although we are ungrateful creatures. Of course women are ungrateful. It reminds me of the Irishman. He said: "When I married my wife she didn't have a rag to her back and now she is covered with them, and yet she finds fault."

When you marched away as boys in your coats of blue you thrilled us, and you thrilled us more when you kept step in Washington and you were our battle scarred heroes. Years ago when you marched down Pennsylvania avenue we were thrilled at your splendid martial bearing, and do you know there is nothing in all the world that can move our hearts more than a G. A. R. parade, because you are just as young and handsome as you used to be. I heard a man in a campfire not long ago say that he deplored patriotic teaching in the schools because it savored of militarism and it taught the young people a love for war. Poor man, I don't believe his mother ever belonged to the Woman's Relief Corps, as if Old Glory was not recognized by all the leading nations of the world. May the flag of peace never be unfurled except in the case of suffering humanity. God grant that the day may speedily come when one nation shall never raise a sword against another nation.

I am entrusted with another honor—to give a report of our Department President who stands at the head of more than eight thousand women, who has had an excellent administration and who sends her greetings through the Commander to this Encampment.

GREETINGS OF DEPARTMENT PRESIDENT, W. R. C.

Department Commander and Comrades: I have the honor to extend to you and through you to the thirty-seventh annual Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic the greetings of your auxiliary, the Womans' Relief Corps. I take pleasure in presenting for your consideration the following report of our work for the year just closed:

No. of Corps in the Department, 185; No. of members in good standing, 8,923; cash expended for relief by the Department, \$140.00; for relief by the corps, \$1,031.20; number of soldiers' homes visited, 2,476; cash expended for patriotic work this year \$1,001.47; cash on hand in general fund \$900.80; cash on hand for relief fund, \$92.45.

We hereby renew our obligations and wish to assure you that we stand ready now, as in the past, to assist you in every line of work.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. & L.,

EMMA E. BAILEY,
Department President.

Department Commander: We shall now have the pleasure of listening to the Member of the National Council.

REMARKS BY MRS. M'BRIDE, OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL, WOMANS' RELIEF CORPS.

Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic of Michigan: Last year when I came to Michigan to attend the encampment and the convention it was not my pleasure to visit the encampment, and now I do not come to you in any official capacity whatever. I was asked, last night, if I were here to represent the National President. I said: "No, she is coming today to represent herself." But I am here because the Department President of the Womans' Relief Corps of Michigan very kindly invited me here and I wanted to come. I wanted to look into your faces, Comrades, and to visit with the dear, good women of the Womans' Relief Corps of Michigan, who did so much last year to hold up my hand and to assist me in every way they could. I am sorry not to see more of the Comrades here. I asked when I came in if this is as large an encampment as usual and the reply was "No." Now, there are various reasons, I know, for this. We are traveling on. I say "we" because I have been connected with the Grand Army of the Republic as long as it has existed, because my father was a member and my husband too, and I say "we." When they say the Grand Army of the Republic is getting old I say "No, they are so many years young." I can't admit we are getting old because, as I say, I am going right along with you as the days come and go. As these annual meetings come I hope every one of you will be on hand to clasp the hands of the others, and this encampment is not going to be the last encampment. Some say, but they are people who do not know, that the coming encampment at Washington this year is to be the last encampment of the G. A. R. I think no Grand Army man says that, and, Comrades, the members of the Womans' Relief Corps will be there as long as there is any G. A. R.'s to hold reunions. We have all these years stood by you and we will. Mrs. Brown has told you how much we love you and I say, amen. But I am not going to be like the young preacher who delivered, as he thought, a very grand sermon. When he had finished and he had a chance he said to his wife: "Well, Mary, what do you think about it?" "It was all right, John" she said "but you missed your opportunity." "What?" he said. "Why there were several opportunities for you to quit and you didn't." Good bye and may God bless you. (Great applause.)

Department Commander: We have with us another of our well-known ladies of Michigan, Mrs. Creusere.

REMARKS BY MRS. CREUSERE.

Department Commander and Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic: I, too, have the pleasure of bringing to you the loyal greet-

ings of your auxiliary, the Womans' Relief Corps, the only organization that can wear the bronze button and know that they have the right to wear it. We are placing many flags with the public schools and also in the Sunday schools, that the children may not only know the duties that they owe to their country but to their flag as well, and we have made the flag a constant reminder to them that, through its defenders, the Grand Army of the Republic, their sacrifices made it possible to say today "One Country—One Flag." And could we ever look at that flag and not remember you, that grand old flag, the nation's boast, the flag of many stripes and many stars. All honor to the living and to the memory of the heroes who are gone, and I bring this tribute to you for the living and for the memory of the dead:

"In our hearts are living flowers,
Roses and lilies and violets blue
* * * * *
Comrades, will always be for you."

Mrs. Creusere then presented Department Commander, Riley L. Jones, with a beautiful bouquet of flowers.

REMARKS BY MRS. TORREY.

Department Commander and Comrades: For the twenty-three years that I have been an active worker in the Womans' Relief Corps I have always wished that this moment might come. I envied these girls every year that they have been sent over to see you boys and this is the first time that any Department President has said that I might come. I can't talk to you now because you are all politicians, and when I tell you that I am a candidate for office you will know the reason.

Department Commander: Comrades, I do not think that I can fittingly make a response because my feelings are overwhelmed by this beautiful decoration. I am going to call upon our Past Commander, Comrade Pealer.

RESPONSE BY COMRADE PEALER.

Commander and Members of the Grand Army of the Republic: I would that I had the felicity of speech to properly respond on this occasion, for I feel that the affiliation of the Grand Army of the Republic and the Womans' Relief Corps is such that it calls for the deepest and most sincere expression of gratitude and appreciation. It is said that thought is deeper than all words and feeling is deeper than thought, and so it is with me at this time. The Grand Army of the Republic have been the recipients of many kindnesses and benefits at the hands of these women; they have extended most loyal and devoted service.

I say to you, Comrades, in regard to this present committee, it was a great gratification to me to be appointed to escort these ladies here and then to be fortunately assigned to come in and walk with Mrs. Brown, and I want to tell you, perhaps many of you do not know, that she is the widow of a Grand Army man of this State who was efficient and active in the years gone by; but the thing I want to challenge your attention to, she has not only been active and efficient in the Womans'

Relief Corps but she was on the committee with me when the appropriation was secured at Lansing for the erection of the Women's Annex at Grand Rapids. She was an efficient committee man and she brought more than results, for there is the Home notwithstanding the Soldiers' Home Committee was opposed. The appropriation was secured and the Home was erected over there, and from ninety to one hundred, maybe one hundred thirty or one hundred forty, of these old ladies have been properly cared for, and, fortunately, she is now in charge of that Home with all her devotion. Nothing could be better, and, again, I wish to say at Chattanooga she was endorsed most fully as one of the real workers in the Womans' Relief Corps. She has been devoted and she is entitled to the highest consideration.

And to these other ladies who have been serving us in the State we return to you all our gratitude and wish you to carry back to your organization our deepest thanks and most sincere wishes.

Assistant Adjutant General: It has been said that we have a slack attendance. I want to say that there is a large delegation which should be here from Grand Rapids, but they have been kept there by the death of the mother of Post No. 395, Mrs. Watson.

Department Commander: I am going to ask the committee to pin these badges on these different ladies, but I reserve the right to pin on one myself.

Department Commander: Comrades, another delegation of ladies is waiting from the Daughters of Veterans. If there is no objection we will receive them at the present time. I shall appoint as a committee to escort them Comrades Barney and Parker.

Department Commander: I take pleasure in presenting to you a delegation of ladies from the Daughters of Veterans. We love our sons; if there is any one we love more than our sons it is our daughters. I take pleasure in introducing Mrs. Carlton, National President of the Daughters of Veterans.

REMARKS BY MRS. CARLTON, NATIONAL PRESIDENT OF THE DAUGHTERS OF VETERANS.

Department Commander and Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic: No pleasure has ever befallen me that has pleased me so much as to convey to you the greetings from the Michigan Department of the Daughters of Veterans. We are bone of your bone, flesh of your flesh; in our veins flows the blood of men who fought that this country might be free. They brought back to us this flag without one stain, without one star missing. We, your daughters, are going to prepare to take upon our shoulders the work when the Grand Army of the Republic has passed away, the work of keeping green the history of your heroic struggle, and, if your troubles are many they shall fall upon a daughter. A mother generally clings to her son, but we know a father always clings to his daughter. I personally bring you, Comrades of the G. A. R., greetings from the twenty thousand Daughters of Veterans. (Applause.)

You have my best wishes for a successful convention, and, I hope, Comrades of Michigan, that I shall meet you at Washington, that you may have a chance of marching once more down that beautiful street, Pennsylvania Avenue. Now, Commander, I bring to you from the Department

President of Michigan, Daughters of Veterans, our personal greetings that you have a successful year, and that you will have a successful convention. I want to assure you, Comrades, that we appreciate the many kindnesses which you have shown us during the year. This has been the proudest moment of my life; I am a veteran's daughter and my father was one of the boys.

Department Commander: I take pleasure in introducing Mrs. Libbie Cornell.

REMARKS BY MRS. LIBBIE CORNELL.

Commander and Comrades: It is indeed a pleasure for me to be a member of this delegation committee to bring greetings to you from our Department. I am proud that I am a daughter of a veteran. There is no one who could buy a passport into our order; we inherit that right from our father, and the greatest inheritance I have is that I am a daughter of a veteran. (Great applause.)

Department Commander: Allow me to introduce to you, Comrades, Mrs. Williamson, President of the Daughters of Veterans of Detroit.

REMARKS BY MRS. WILLIAMSON.

Comrades: What can I say any more than has been said to you by the greetings committee from the Womans' Relief Corps; from the Ladies of the G. A. R., and the auxiliary organizations? I, too, am a daughter of a veteran. It is the greatest inheritance and best inheritance that my father could leave me. I want you to know that I am patriotic not only when there is war but when there is peace, for it took considerable strife to maintain the old flag free from stain, as you brought it back to us. I thank you and hope that you will have a most successful convention. May God bless each and every one of you. (Applause.)

Flowers were then presented to the Department Commander by the delegation of ladies.

Department Commander: Comrades, I have always said that it is a great deal better to present flowers to a man before he is dead than after he is dead. Comrade Bartlett will please step up here; I want him to sing a beautiful song in response to the greetings of this beautiful organization.

Whereupon Comrade Bartlett rendered the following song:

WHEN THE "BOYS IN BLUE" ARE GONE.

When the Comrades have departed,
 When the Veterans are no more,—
 When the bugle call has sounded
 On that everlasting shore,—
 When life's weary march is ended,
 When the camp-fires slumber long,
 Who will tell the world the story
 When the "Boys in Blue" are gone?

Who will tell about the marching
 "From Atlanta to the sea,"
 Who will halt, and wait, and listen,
 When they hear the reveille;
 Who will join to swell the chorus
 Of some old Grand Army song;
 Who will tell the world the story,
 When the "Boys in Blue" are gone?

Sons and daughters of this nation,
 You must tell of triumphs won,
 When on earth our work is ended,
 And the veteran claims his own;
 You must cherish dear "Old Glory"
 And its teachings pass along;
 You must tell the world the story,
 When the "Boys in Blue" are gone.

By that flag, "Our Country's emblem,"
 You must pledge allegiance new,
 To its glorious, splendid mission,
 May your hearts beat ever true;
 That the nation will be protected,
 'Gainst injustice and all wrong;
 You must tell the world the story,
 When the "Boys in Blue" are gone.

You must keep each star unblemished
 And its stripes without a stain;
 You must take the Veterans' places
 And repeat their Roll of Fame;
 You must keep our country's honor,
 And the flag above the wrong,
 We will trust you with the story
 When the "Boys in Blue" are gone.

Department Commander: I do not believe there could be any more fitting response to the kind words of our daughters than this beautiful song. Ladies, I take pleasure in presenting you with one of our official badges, which we ask you to accept as a slight token of our love.

Badges were then pinned on the Daughters of Veterans by the Department Commander assisted by some of the other Comrades present on the platform.

Department Commander: Comrades, there is still one other delegation of ladies. We might just as well continue in this line until it is finished. There is a delegation from the Daughters of the G. A. R. waiting to be received. I shall appoint Comrades Dean and Manning as a committee to escort the ladies to the platform.

A Comrade: I would like to see copies of the song which Comrade Bartlett sang printed and distributed to the comrades present at this Encampment.

Assistant Adjutant General: The only thing that we can do is to have it printed in the Journal.

Comrade Bartlett: I want to say to the Comrades that I received that song only ten days ago and it was written by a veteran.

Comrade Pealer: I move that the song be placed on the records of this Encampment. Supported and unanimously carried.

Department Commander: I am sure we all appreciate the kindness of Comrade Bartlett in singing this song and also offering it for publication. I take pleasure in presenting to you a delegation from the organization known as the Daughters of the G. A. R., and I desire to introduce to you Mrs. Bowers, of Detroit, Commander-in-Chief.

REMARKS OF MRS. BOWERS.

Department Commander and Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic: It has been my pleasure to address you four times and to look into your faces and to bring greetings from the National Daughters of the G. A. R. I know of no other body of men in this great land of ours that it is more of an honor to address than the Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, and it makes me very happy today to bring you the love and devotion of our daughters. We are proud to be the daughters of you, our fathers, and for that reason we have organized ourselves into the National Daughters of the G. A. R. These daughters are made up of daughters, grand-daughters and great-grand-daughters of lineal descendants of honorably discharged union soldiers, sailors, marines and army nurses. We feel, by that name, that we can best perpetuate the memory of our fathers, and we can also perpetuate the memory of the G. A. R. after you have passed away. The Daughters have taken the name of the G. A. R. and in that way will perpetuate the name of the G. A. R. In Detroit we have formed the junior department, which is under the direct supervision of our department, the children of the G. A. R. We take the boys and the girls from seven until they are sixteen. They are organized under this children's organization. The object of that is to hand down this work from generation to generation. You have given us Memorial Day. It is for your sons and daughters to keep that for you, and we try to do that to the best of our ability. We have enjoyed an honorary membership of this organization. We take the Comrades of the G. A. R. and their wives and widows, sisters and sons of all honorably discharged soldiers. We only feel too proud to have you come and join as honorary members. We extend to you that invitation.

We are a young organization. We were organized and chartered at Springfield, Illinois, June 23, 1907. We will celebrate our eighth birthday anniversary the 23d of this month. In our seven years' work we have endeavored to reach as many daughters and grand-daughters as we could who were not interested in any patriotic work, because it is our aim to build up all patriotic orders and we will not take one from one that is already in existence unless they come to us and ask to join. We want to build up our order and tear down none. We have had the misfortune to have some one go out and tell things about us, and one of the things they used is that we are not recognized. Well, we are only children yet; we are only seven years old, and we feel that it is by our numbers and our work that we shall obtain recognition; and we hope, by our work, that you will see that we should be recognized. That means to be endorsed as an affiliated order, the same as other organizations. We want to enroll all the daughters, and we ask you, as fathers, if you

know of any of the daughters who are not interested in any other work, to inform them that we shall be glad to enroll them as the daughters of the G. A. R., as we want to carry on the work; our motto is "Lest we forget."

In behalf of the National Daughters of the G. A. R., I want to present to you this little token of their love and devotion.

Flowers were then presented to Department Commander Riley L. Jones by the delegation.

Department Commander: While I assume that these decorations were meant for me, I know in the hearts of all these members of this organization, they were meant for every one of us. We thank them.

REMARKS BY MRS. FREIDEL.

I am very proud to stand before you today. I don't think our Commander in Chief has left one word for me to say. I am proud to stand before you as a member of the Womans' Relief Corps and a member of our grand organization, the Daughters of the G. A. R. I am proud to stand before you as the grand-daughter of a soldier and a daughter of a soldier and the wife of a soldier. Your interests are always ours. We have you at heart in every one of our meetings, and wherever we go we love the old soldiers. We love you, every one of you, and God bless you. Thank you.

REMARKS BY MRS ROBINSON, OF BATTLE CREEK.

Comrades: I did not expect to say anything this morning to you, but I do wish to say that I am very proud to have been the first commander of the new organization to be started in Battle Creek. I see a good many familiar faces in this convention from Battle Creek; many of them are councilmen who are helping us in every way. We wish to say, in Battle Creek at least, we have every G. A. R. man, so far as we know, with us. We feel that our organization there must prosper with their help. They offer their help to us and they do all they can for us, and certainly help us in every way, and we feel that it is a fine organization because it is going to perpetuate the name that you all ought to be proud to have us use—the Daughters of the G. A. R. My father, of course, was a soldier, and I have for a good many years done all I could for the soldiers of Battle Creek. I am very glad to do anything that I can for the soldiers wherever they happen to be. I am connected with this organization and we want it to prosper; we hope that we shall have your help, everywhere in the United States, to make it a fine organization. I thank you.

Department Commander: I want to say this one word: Since I have been Department Commander no organization in existence has been more prompt and efficient and offered kinder greetings of support and sympathy than this young organization, the Daughters of the G. A. R. I hardly feel able to properly express the opinion that you hold towards these ladies so I am going to call upon a Comrade who has been in the past very closely identified with this organization, Comrade Lawrence.

REMARKS BY COMRADE LAWRENCE, IN RESPONSE TO GREETING BY THE
DAUGHTERS OF THE G. A. R.

Department Commander, Comrades, and Daughters of the G. A. R.: It gives me pleasure to be called upon to respond to the worthy Commander of that order. I believe that I was the first man in the State of Michigan who was made an honorary member of this order. The Comrades from the City of Detroit, where this order was organized, I believe will bear out every word that I say, for, God knows, I want to justify what rights belong to these girls. I don't believe a Comrade in the circle where they live has been sick or died but what these girls have carried flowers to his sickbed and have placed wreaths upon his last resting place. What is true of the G. A. R. is true of the soldiers' wives. These girls are always ready, always willing to extend the hand of sympathy, the hand of care and kindness that you and I need at our age. Not only that but on the days of Thanksgiving these girls find the women who are poor and needy of our order, who cannot have the luxuries that many enjoy, and they hunt them out and deliver at their door something to cheer them on that day. I feel proud that my daughter, and some of you will remember her as the girl who worked so hard for me at Holland, was the first commander of that order in this state, and she said to me "Father, give me the button that you have worn that I may have it encircled and put it away." That is the love that these girls have for you and for me. They are the children of the man who had an honorable discharge, and that man must have done his duty in some part of that great struggle to be entitled to that word we believe, and they come from that class of men. They are a part of us. They are our flesh, bone and blood. They deserve our support and I want to say to you, Mrs. Commander, I extend to you in behalf of the Grand Army of the Republic in this State a cordial welcome. Take back to your society that esteem that we owe you and all organizations that are trying to build up and perpetuate the memory of the men who made it possible that we could even assemble here today under the organizations that we are organized under. Why, Comrades, when I was Department Commander I got the reports from the southern states, and, at that time, there was one million and a quarter of Daughters of the Confederacy. I want the girls to perpetuate our memories and hand it down to our grand-children and our great-grand-children. (Applause.)

Comrade Lamb, Post 17: I wish to introduce a resolution at this time which I think is fitting:

Whereas, the organizations known as "The Daughters of Veterans" and "The Daughters of the G. A. R." have become numerous and forceful; and,

Whereas, their efforts to inculcate patriotism in the minds of the rising generation, as well as to relieve such necessities as may exist and are necessary to relieve urgent wants of those who are fast departing from this sphere of life have been effective and commendable. Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic, does by this resolution, recognize and authorize an affiliation by this Department and the various Posts with said organizations of The Daughters of Veterans and The Daughters of the G. A. R. so far as it may be compatible with the Rules and Regulations of this order to do so;

and this Department also cordially recommends that the National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic take such action as would result in a national recognition of those orders and affiliation therewith as a part of a general and complete system having for its end the main, great and general objects for which the Grand Army of the Republic has been organized.

Comrade Lamb moved that it be adopted.

Department Commander: I have allowed this resolution to be read by reason of the present circumstances. We wanted these ladies to hear it, but it will take its regular course.

Comrade Lawrence: I move that it be adopted and placed on its immediate passage while these girls are here.

Department Commander: It has been moved and supported that the rules be suspended and that this resolution be put upon its immediate passage. Are you ready for the question?

Voices of Comrades: Question.

Comrade Bartlett: Comrade Lamb and several other of my Comrades have been honorary members of this organization for some time. I am pleased to state that I have been an honorary member since Monday night, and I want to tell you that I love the whole bunch. I hope there will not be a dissenting vote in the adoption of this resolution, and I also hope the delegation from the Department of Michigan at the National Encampment in Washington will see that the National Encampment endorses these auxiliaries.

Comrade Parker, Post 17: Department Commander and Comrades: I wish to say that, with reference to the order of the Daughters of the G. A. R.: they are regularly incorporated under the laws of the State of Michigan. They have become an established entity, and I heartily endorse the recommendations that have been made, that this resolution be adopted without reference, that you recognize the order as a part of the work that you are doing, and that we recommend that the Encampment at Washington do the same, and that, if we go there, to see that it is done.

Comrade Dean: I had the honor of escorting the daughters in. I haven't got any sons; I have got some daughters, and, as chairman of the Committee on Resolutions, (I am sorry that the other members are not here,) but as chairman of the Committee on Resolutions I second the motion for the adoption of this resolution.

Department Commmander: Comrades, you have heard the motion that the rules be suspended and that this resolution be adopted. As many of you as approve that will rise. Adopted by a rising vote.

Three cheers were then given for the Daughters of the G. A. R.

Department Commander: Comrades, there is a committee from the Ladies Auxiliary Spanish War Veterans. I shall appoint Comrades Barney and Le Barron as a committee to escort the ladies to the platform.

Department Commander: Comrades, I take pleasure in presenting to you the delegation from the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Spanish War Veterans. We received such a glorious, eloquent address from the Spanish War Veterans that I am sure that you will be glad to get the greetings from this auxiliary.

REMARKS BY MRS KIMBALL.

Department Commander and Comrades: I feel that you have had all the speechmaking that you wish to hear this morning, so I am going to extend the greetings of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Spanish War Veterans. They are holding their first convention and we desire to extend greetings to you and present our badge to your Department Commander. I thank you.

Official badges were then pinned on the three ladies composing the delegation from the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Spanish War Veterans.

Department Commander: I shall ask that the same committee of Comrades who escorted the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Spanish War Veterans escort the delegation from the Ladies of the G. A. R. to the platform.

Department Commander: Comrades, I think we will take a moment to hear the report on the Military Museum.

LANSING, MICH., June 14th, 1915.

Henry Spaulding, Assistant Adjutant General, Department Michigan
G. A. R.

Dear Sir and Comrade: The committee appointed by the Department Commander on military museum beg leave to make the following report of duties performed for the past year.

Pursuant to a call of the chairman the committee met and laid out its plan for operation. We at once called upon the State Board of Auditors and had an understanding with them which was very pleasant indeed. They were very willing to give us all the aid they could, if necessary, to enlarge the museum should occasion require and to pay express charges on any relics that might be sent to the museum, and not to allow any encroachments upon the space assigned for museum purposes. We were once called upon to defend this prerogative and the Board of State Auditors stood by us to a man. We sent a letter through general orders of our Department and of the W. R. C. soliciting civil war relics for the museum. Emma E. Bailey, Department President, also appointed a committee to further this work. We also went before the Custer Brigade, when in reunion here last summer, and laid the matter before them to endeavor to get some of the General Custer war relics sent to the museum. A committee was appointed by them to act along these lines. While we have secured several relics we have not done as well as we had hoped to. The committee wish to thank the Department Commander at this time for the honor conferred upon us. All of which is most respectfully submitted.

Yours in F. C. and L.,
W. C. NESEN,
LESTER KENNEY,
CHARLES H. HOLMES,
Committee.

It was moved and supported that the report on the Military Museum be accepted and adopted. Unanimously carried.

Department Commander: Comrades, I take pleasure indeed in presenting to you (I do not need to introduce them to you for you all know them) the Ladies of the G. A. R.

REMARKS BY PAST NATIONAL PRESIDENT, MRS. JAMIESON.

Department Commander and Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic: I am going to scold. I don't like to see so many empty places. I bring you the greetings of the Ladies of the G. A. R., the mother, the sister, the wife and daughter of the veterans of sixty-one to sixty-five. Commander Riley L. Jones, you wear on the lapel of your coat a bronze badge. No man can purchase this bronze button; no one can get it through any political influence. The man who wears that button must have been honorably discharged from government service in sixty-one to sixty-five. We are the blood kin of these old boys who fought for the Union. I am not going to talk a long time. I am going to give a toast:

“May you lie, drink, steal and swear,
Lie down to pleasant dreams;
When you drink, drink of the cup of happiness,
When you steal, steal away from bad company,
And when you swear, swear by the Star Spangled Banner.”

REMARKS BY MRS. BARBER.

Department Commander and Comrades: Now, I am not going to tell you any stories. I want you to have a distinct idea of the work that is being done by the Ladies of the G. A. R. It has been said by one of the Comrades in Detroit that all that the Ladies of the G. A. R. did was to get money for their members to go around and have a good time. I want to tell you that this is a wrong conception of our work. We spend the money only as we take it from our own pocketbooks. We sent our Department President to the National. We could not do any less than that. We paid her simple expenses, but if she wants to have any good times she pays it out of her own pocketbook. We have given, in relief, cash \$128.55. We are a little circle—only a few members. We have given other than money—clothing and groceries, and things of that kind, \$173.75. We have presented five silk flags during the year. Now you have not heard anything of that in the papers. Our method is not to let the left hand know what the right hand is doing. Therefore you see nothing in the newspapers. We don't publish our work. Years ago, we thought we must not even report to the Grand Army of the Republic what we were doing, because we didn't believe in making a public affair of anything that we were doing for the Grand Army of the Republic because it was our life duty. We didn't want to make it as though we had to publish it to the world. We have given five beautiful flags to schools and Sunday schools. Those children are taught the pledge to the flag. Every Sabbath they ask the children to rise and give the pledge to the flag. They are taught patriotism through those flags that we have presented this last year. Then we have the love and duty of placing a flag on the breast of every delegate. We have placed numerous flags in the Detroit Circle this year, and we have given almost fifty dollars' worth of flowers for the sick and those who have passed away. Now, that is our work. We are not making any great splurge about it. I want you to know this so that you will not have a wrong conception of the work of the Ladies of the G. A. R.

REMARKS BY MRS. COCHRAN.

Department Commander and Comrades: I am not going to say very much to you. I am a daughter and a grand-daughter of a veteran and also a member of the Ladies of the G. A. R. I want to tell you all that I love you because my father and grandfather did the same as you have done. I guess that is all I can say to you. The Ladies of the G. A. R. are doing all that we can do. We bring you greetings from the Ladies of the G. A. R.

Mrs. Jamieson: During the time that the Ladies of the G. A. R. have been organized we have given three million dollars and over in help for the old boys and we are not telling it.

Department Commander: We have expressed many times in the past our appreciation of the work that is being done by the Ladies of the G. A. R. As our time is so very limited we will say: "Them's my sentiments."

Three cheers were then given for the Ladies of the G. A. R. as they filed out of the armory.

Department Commander: Comrades, the time has come for a recess. We will recess until after the parade. Be on hand after the parade. After the parade, there will be a session in this hall; don't forget that and don't fail to come.

Thursday Afternoon, 3 o'clock, June 17, 1915.

Department Commander: Officer of the Day, are you sure that all who are present are entitled to remain?

Officer of the Day: I am.

Department Commander: Are your guards at the door.

Officer of the Day: The Commander-in-Chief is waiting.

A committee was appointed to escort the Commander-in-Chief to the platform.

Department Commander: Comrades, I take great pleasure in introducing to you David J. Palmer, Commander-in-Chief, who will now address you. (Great applause.)

REMARKS BY COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF DAVID J. PALMER, OF IOWA.

Department Commander and Comrades: You are here for business. I am always glad to say a word. The old saying used to be soldier will you work and the answer came back "no" usually, but I am glad to see you and shall see more of you before I get away. I have got everything of value secreted over at the hotel so I am not afraid to mix among you.

I came in the interest of the Grand Army of the Republic. I have been to the coast west and to the coast east and from the south to the north, and I am now working to the lakes of the north, and, everywhere, where I have been, there has been enthusiasm amongst the comrades. I am glad to see it. I am glad to see that you are happy. I saw you marching today and I thought maybe some of you would be like Mr. Bryan would like to do—step out and resign. But you all kept your eyes to the front and marched right along under the flag, the flag that has never been changed as yet. There has been some talk about changing it, but I hope the time will never come when the American flag will be changed.

I met a Confederate down here in Arkansas, in March. He gave me a very cordial shake. He says "We were not with you fifty years ago but we are with you now, and we are going to stay with you." He says: "I was quite young when I enlisted, and I had been taught from my youth, by everyone in the neighborhood, that one of us boys could run three of you fellows right in the brush. After I had been out some little time I found out that one of you fellows was all that I cared to monkey with and if you let me alone I will let you alone."

They are coming back under the flag. We had several speeches that night; some of those Confederates were on the program, and they ended up their speech with one country, one flag. That sounded good to me. We want to reach out our right hand of fellowship and lift them up. They are coming. If we treat them tenderly and nice and not let them change our flag everything will be sure to come out all right, for we want them to come under our flag, the one we have had over one hundred years. Do we want to change it and satisfy every whim that comes along? No, sir. We will let it represent what it always has, the "Land of the Free and the Home of the Brave."

Department Commander: Now, I am going to call upon another comrade. I will present to you our Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief, Comrade Janes.

REMARKS BY COMRADE JANES.

Department Commander and Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic: I do not think I need any introduction to the Michigan Comrades, for it has been many years that I have been associated with you one way and another, but I am like the Commander-in-Chief—time is precious with you, and he is on the program tonight, I think in this building, to deliver an address. I find that I am also on the program to say a few words, therefore what I have to say to you will be very brief.

I want to say to the Commander-in-Chief and those connected with him, both the National Council of Administration and officers, that I appreciate very highly the distinct honor that came to me from their hands in electing me to the vacancy caused by the death of that beloved Comrade of ours, one whom we respected and honored, Past Department Commander Joseph B. Griswold, of Michigan. The National Council of Administration and officers-elect this year had the duty of electing to fill that vacancy and I was chosen to fill that vacancy, which I very much appreciate and thank them for the honor conferred upon me and Michigan. I take it that it was Michigan you were endeavoring to honor more than the individual who fills that position.

There is a word or two I wish to say to the Comrades of this Department. As Adjutant General last year, under Commander-in-Chief Gardner, and, by the way yesterday Commander-in-Chief Gardner sent word to me that he was intending to come with me to convey to the Commander-in-Chief and to the Comrades of this Department his high regard, but a very urgent engagement on a very important matter called him to the East. He was compelled to take the train and fulfill the engagement, and, therefore, was not permitted to be with you today to greet you.

As Adjutant General, the duty devolved upon me to edit the Journal of the Forty-eighth Annual Encampment, which was the Detroit encamp-

ment. When that encampment adjourned there had been a bill passed, through the efforts of Commander-in-Chief Gardner and his associates, by the House of Representatives of Congress, for the publication by the government of the proceedings of the National Encampment. It had not passed the Senate. That bill, as it passed the House, provided for the publication of fifteen hundred copies of the Journal for the use of the G. A. R. It went to the Senate; the Senate amended that bill and about four days after adjournment notice was given me of the passage of the act amended. They amended it for the publication of fifteen hundred copies, one thousand for the use of the House of Representatives and five hundred for the use of the Senators of the United States. That did not leave any for distribution among the G. A. R. We were up against it. I did not know what to do. After consultation with Past Commander-in-Chief Gardner, we took it up with the clerk of the joint committee on printing and he says the construction of it is this—that none of these Journals can be furnished to the G. A. R. as an organization, but the intention is that five hundred copies shall be consigned to the document room to be distributed to the various libraries throughout the United States. The thousand copies will go to the senators and members of Congress in this proportion: five to each Senator and two to each member of the lower house of Congress. If the G. A. R. want any they can have them at the cost price of printing and binding. We went on and prepared material and forwarded it down there; it was sent down there four or five times and it became a long time, and finally, when the printer made an estimate of the cost, I went into consultation with Past Commander-in-Chief Gardner and Quartermaster General Stowits and with the Adjutant General. We thought eight hundred copies for the G. A. R. might be sufficient in view of the fact that there were one thousand copies to be distributed by the members of Congress, and so we ordered eight hundred copies and those eight hundred copies cost two hundred eleven dollars and some cents, as the Commander-in-Chief will, I think, remember it. So, in addition to the fifteen hundred copies, the eight hundred were printed, and those were to be distributed by the Quartermaster General for the G. A. R. The Quartermaster General made an estimate as to how many should go to each Department for the use of departments, and, under the practice, one was to go to the National officers of this year, one to the National officers of last year, and, it being a public document, it had the right to go through the mails franked, so we enlisted the services of our good friend Isaac R. Sherwood. We secured his consent to use his frank. Those franks were sent to me and I addressed them with the number that should go to each Department and each individual as made out by the Quartermaster General of the National organization. I forwarded them back to Washington. The clerk of the joint committee was very kind. I turned them over to the document room to see that they were properly put up and those franks will be pasted upon the backs of the books and forwarded to each Department. Many of the Departments have complained to me that they have not got the usual number. I want to say to you that if any one of your Comrades wants the Journal, in addition to the number that is sent to the Michigan Department, write to your senator or congressman that you want the Journal because he has got them there for distribution. I can't get them. You can get them, so if any of you want the Journal of

the Detroit Encampment just write to your United States senator or your congressman until the supply is exhausted. There are thirteen congressmen and two senators. I understand that the bill has been passed for the publication of the proceedings of the Encampment next year. I think so. The senators and congressmen use them for political purposes in sending out to their friends, but get them out of their hands and don't let them stay in the document room in Washington and go to waste.

As I am going to talk to you tonight I am not going to make any extended remarks. Put forth your activity, your work, your energy in keeping the numbers of the G. A. R. in this Department increased instead of diminished. I want to call upon you to use your best efforts in the communities where you live. It does seem to me that any surviving soldier of the Civil War ought to see the necessity of his belonging to an organization of the magnitude and the character and the prominence of the G. A. R. There is no excuse today for those who drop out of your ranks because of failure to pay dues, for no soldier can afford not to be allied with the G. A. R. The one who allows his payments to cease really has not the principles of the G. A. R. at heart. He ought to be brought into the ranks; in other words, get him enthused. You can't get others enthused who know nothing about it unless you are enthused yourself. Don't be like what is said about a colored Baptist minister of one who was in his congregation. He was a Baptist; thoroughly believed in the Baptist faith, and so he held a revival, and it was a very successful one. He preached and he was one of those animated beings, and so he announced on the next Sunday that all those who wanted to be baptized to come next Sunday and get their nomination, and so the next Sunday he said: "All you brothern and sistern who want to go to Heaven by the Baptist faith, I want you all to rise." They all arose but one. He looked up and said: "Brother, don't you want to go to Heaven?" "Yes, sir, I want to go to Heaven." "Why don't you go to Heaven?" "I am baptized." "You baptized; in what church were you baptized, nigger?" "The Methodist." "Well, now, remember, you were not baptized, you were only dry-cleaned." So, I say, get immersed in the enthusiasm and get those fellows who have been dry-cleaned, get them immersed in the full faith of the G. A. R. and see the numbers increased instead of diminished.

Department Commander: Commander-in-Chief, will you allow me to pin on the official badge of this Encampment?

Commander in Chief: I will, and thank you, too, for it.

Department Commander: I am proud to have you wear it, sir. It occurs to me now, if I am exactly correct, that at the National Encampment a request was made that all the Departments consider as to the advisability of having permanent headquarters for the National organization. I believe it would be a good time now for you comrades to discuss it if you wish to discuss it, or manifest your opinion by a vote as to whether you are in favor of establishing permanent National headquarters. It is the same with our Michigan Department; the Assistant Adjutant General has permanent quarters at Lansing and he resides there and must reside there. It is a question whether you desire to have the same thing go into effect in National affairs.

Comrade Warner, Post 56: I would like to inquire whether Past

Commander-in-Chief Gardner or whether the present Commander-in-Chief have made any recommendations on this point.

Department Commander: Past Commander-in-Chief Gardner recommended it. The question is before you for discussion if you want to discuss it.

Comrade Janes: In order to get it before the Comrades, I move you that it is the sense of this encampment that the Rules and Regulations of the G. A. R. be so amended as to establish a headquarters for the National Encampment whereby it will be permanent headquarters for the National body.

Supported by Comrade Parker.

Comrade Devlin: Where are you going to establish these headquarters?

Department Commander: The question is whether or not we are going to decide on it.

Comrade Devlin: Now it seems that the adoption of this resolution is the question. I will state that there was a movement on for a number of years to establish permanent headquarters of a National character in the city of Washington. Whether that is to be done or not I do not know, but I think it would materially affect, possibly, the vote upon this question by this Department if they knew just where it was going to be located. I, for myself, so far as I am concerned, would certainly be in favor of Washington in preference to any other city in the United States to have the National headquarters go into; others may think differently, so I say that it would considerably improve the situation so far as the Michigan Department is concerned in their votes if they knew what the object was; that is, where the permanent headquarters was to be located.

Department Commander: There is only one simple question before us; the question of location is something which we can't consider, because it would be decided by the National Council of Administration which is to be elected in the future. The present council would not establish it and we have nothing to do with that in fact. The question before us is simply: Are you in favor of establishing permanent headquarters, and while, as the Comrade suggests, it might influence our decision it is useless for us to discuss it.

Comrade Warner, Post 56: The national headquarters would be controlled by one man; that is, the location of it.

Department Commander: It has always been in the State where the Commander-in-Chief is maintained.

Comrade Warner: If we have a Commander-in-Chief in Maine, if we establish the headquarters in Maine, well, there you are. My present impression is that it is better to leave the question as it is. This is only my personal opinion. I don't see how we would better the proposition.

Department Commander: Perhaps there are some who can give us some information or argument in favor of the motion.

Comrade Drake, Post 25: I think many of us would like to hear a clean-cut explanation of the advantages and disadvantages of the proposition from some one who knows. Some of us don't.

Comrade Lamb, Post 17: It seems to me that the present system of allowing the Commander-in-Chief to appoint his personal staff, his secretary, you might say, to be the logical idea. Many matters may come up and will come up whereby the two officers should be in touch. Now, the

Commander-in-Chief, as it has been said, may be in Portland, Maine, and, with delays in mail, he can't have personal consultation on matters of importance to the G. A. R. I am of the opinion, as I said before, that the two officers should be together or in touch. Now, in this State, we have, it is true, a headquarters that is all right enough for the commonwealth of Michigan, but when you take this vast United States of ours and put it in one central place and the Commander-in-Chief one year is in one part of the United States and the next year in another, and it practically gets down to the point that the Commander-in-Chief does not appoint his personal staff as he should have the privilege to do. (Applause.)

Comrade Chapman, Post 21: Now the question comes up why do we want to change? We carried this thing along for the past forty years. We don't expect to live forty years longer to carry this thing along. Why do we want to change now? Why not continue it so? Why do we want to make this change? As the Commander-in-Chief spoke about the colors, why isn't it the same with reference to this subject? What benefit is it going to be to us?

Comrades Janes: I rise to speak again, Comrades, as I made the motion. I made it in the best interests of the G. A. R. I made it because of one year's experience as Adjutant General of the G. A. R., and, in conformity with the Commander-in-Chief's views of last year, who urgently recommended it to the National Encampment at Detroit that such change should take place. In my report, I also concurred in his recommendation. I think the Commander-in-Chief will agree with me in this—that the work of the G. A. R. is carried on by the Adjutant General. The Commander-in-Chief, for the greater part of the year, is traveling from one end of the country to the other and the work is carried on by the Adjutant General. It has been the practice for some time with the Department of Michigan when they found an Assistant Adjutant General who was a competent man for the position, for the good and benefit of the Department, to retain him, and I strongly urged it in my report to the National Encampment at Detroit that State Departments retain their Assistant Adjutant Generals whenever they had good, competent men for the position, because when you get inexperienced men in the work we have lots of trouble and difficulty with those Departments in order to straighten out matters. In one Department I had to send the report back four times, each time writing explicitly what changes should be made. The same rule applies to an Adjutant General. He goes into the office inexperienced. I went into the office inexperienced and it took me several months before I could get familiar with the work. The Commander-in-Chief appoints, and if a permanent headquarters is established and a good man is appointed in that place the Commander-in-Chief would continue him so long as he continues faithful and competent. All communications go to the headquarters; such as are of a personal nature are forwarded to the Commander-in-Chief. The Commander-in-Chief does not live in Des Moines where the headquarters are. It will bring into existence the permanent retention of an Adjutant General, but the Commander-in-Chief will, undoubtedly, reappoint from year to year the same as your Assistant Adjutant General, and it will be much better for the G. A. R. It costs considerable to move all the records from one place to another. It costs to ship furniture from one place to another. Then, again, the question as to where it is to be located is not for us to say.

but will be for the representatives of the National Encampment, if it should pass, to determine that question. Where permanent headquarters shall be located, Commander-in-Chief Gardner recommended as to that. He named two or three places, but his preference was Washington, that the Adjutant General might be near the seat of government and watch legislation. Have a committee on legislation. The Adjutant General could be there to see what bills were introduced that the Commander-in-Chief might be informed and be on the ground. That is one reason; instead of having so many committees to consolidate it into one. So, with all those things taken into consideration, and being near the seat of government he could get into closer touch. The Commander-in-Chief is away most of the time. I know the duties are with the Assistant Adjutant Generals in State Departments; to put some one in who is competent and faithful and continue him there for the good of the G. A. R., and I am heartily in favor of establishing national headquarters in some particular place.

Comrade Parker: I desire to ask Comrade Janes one question, or rather two combined in one. (1) Are the records voluminous; and, (2) How long does it take a new Adjutant General in the office before he can make head or tail to them?

Comrade Janes: Two or three months before I could familiarize myself with the duties and know what they were. I knew nothing about the work; if you have permanent headquarters undoubtedly the Adjutant General would be continued and his work would go right on. There would be no delay and greater efficiency would be the result of the system of permanent headquarters.

Department Commander: Comrades, you have heard the motion.

Motion was then supported and carried.

Department Commander: Comrades, we are ready for any reports of committees. I think, however, before we start, we had better take up communications.

Assistant Adjutant General: We have no communications.

Department Commander: Well, then, we will pass to the report of committees. Comrades, we have some important questions. You are all interested. Don't go out.

Comrade Davey, Post 17: The Committee on the Reports of the Assistant Adjutant General and the Assistant Quartermaster General is ready to report.

Department Commander: We will then have this report.

KALAMAZOO, MICH., June 17, 1915.

Riley L. Jones, Department Commander of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic, and Comrades of the Department:

Your committee, having carefully examined the reports of the Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General, find the reports set forth in detail and carefully the condition of the Department. We commend them for the manner in which their offices have been conducted during the past year and recommend the adoption of their reports.

H. A. CHAPIN,
F. GILL,
THOS. DAVEY.

Committee.

It was moved and supported that the report of the Committee on the Reports of the Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General be accepted and adopted. Unanimously carried.

Department Commander: Any further committees to report?

Comrade Lee, Post 98: As one of the Committee to Visit the Ladies of the G. A. R. I am pleased to report that we have visited them and been very courteously received, and we are very much pleased that we were on that committee.

Committee report unanimously adopted.

Comrade Willson: The Committee on the death of Comrade Fayette Wyckoff is ready to report:

KALAMAZOO, MICH., June 18, 1915.

Department Commander: Your committee appointed to prepare suitable resolutions on the death of Comrade Fayette Wyckoff submit the following for your approval.

D. J. WILLSON,
Committee.

Fayette Wyckoff was born in the village of Naples, Ontario County, New York, December 28, 1842. When quite young he, with his parents, came to Grass Lake, Jackson County, Michigan. Early in the year 1855 they moved to Jackson and in 1859 they returned again to Grass Lake where, on September 30, 1861, at 19 years of age, he enlisted in Co. H, 1st Regiment of Michigan Engineers and Mechanics. He was with his regiment continuously until mustered out of service by reason of the expiration of his term of enlistment at Atlanta, Georgia, October 31, 1864, having served faithfully three years, one month and one day.

On August 15, 1869, he was married to Sarah H. Mahon who died at Lansing, Michigan, May 28, 1906.

On June 29, 1908, he married Violetta Tidd who, with his adopted daughter, Minnie Dell Warfield, still survives him.

He died quite suddenly at Lansing, January 20, 1915, aged 72 years and 23 days.

“And is he dead whose glorious mind
Lifts thine on high?
To live in hearts we leave behind
Is not to die.”

Each succeeding year it is made more manifest how extended are becoming the inroads of death in our line, how swiftly the ranks of the survivors of the Civil War are melting away before an enemy we are powerless to withstand. Were we to make especial mention of all those who in life's journey fell by the wayside—the burdens of infirmities, wounds and age having become too great for them to further carry— and review the life of each, so frequent would be the calls for such duty that their recital would soon become unheeded and monotonous.

But are we not justified in paying tribute to the memory of those “whose ties with us were welded in the fires of battle,” and whose earnest, sturdy support of this organization merits our highest commendation? Such an one was Fayette Wyckoff. Seemingly guided by justice and pure principles, ready and willing in his response to appeals for aid to needy

comrades, true to his friends, discreet, companionable, none were too poor and lowly to receive his attention or influential enough to turn him from his path of duty. Few sections of the State have not heard his full baritone voice at camp-fires, and his parody on "The Old Oaken Bucket," which awakens remembrances of "The Kettle that Hung on a Pole," and other songs he sang will call to mind incidents connected with the time that tested men's valor.

At the time of the formation of his regimental association, in 1868, he was elected its secretary and held that office continuously until his death. He was appointed Assistant Adjutant General of the Department of Michigan, G. A. R., by E. C. Anthony, Department Commander elect, at Pontiac, on June 13, 1902, and for eleven successive years was re-appointed, during which time he performed the duties of that office with such marked ability that he drew to him the confidence and affection of a large number of his comrades.

With hearts mellowed but not hardened by recent bereavements our thoughts turn to those whose tie of family affection is closer than that of comradeship, and now when life's shadows are lengthening and its evening shades are gathering we do,

Resolve, That to his family, brothers and sisters we give assurance of our sincere sympathy. And though the cup of sorrow must be drained, may the recollections of his sterling integrity mitigate the bitter draught. And we further

Resolve, That while life lasts we will remember him as a true comrade, wise counselor, generous, faithful friend and honorable man.

D. J. WILLSON,
Committee.

Moved, supported, and adopted by a rising vote, that the report be printed in the Journal, and that a copy be sent to his widow and daughter.

Comrade Lawrence: Your Committee to Wait on the Daughters of Veterans have performed their duty. The Daughters, at the request of the National President, send you, with their love and greetings and best wishes, one of their badges and asks me, as chairman of that committee, to pin it on the lapel of your coat, Department Commander, and they have also sent one along for the Commander-in-Chief. I realize that the Commander-in-Chief is a favorite with that organization. (Applause.)

Department Commander: Comrades, I don't know how the Commander-in-Chief feels about it, but I will say that we love the ladies.

Comrade Chase, Post 126: Comrades, I have a resolution to amend the Rules and Regulations. It is this:

Resolved, That chapter four, article three, section two, be amended by adding the following provision:

Section 2. On and after January 1, 1916, the national headquarters of the G. A. R. shall be permanently established at such place as the National Encampment shall, by vote, determine at the forty-ninth annual session, to be held in 1915, and the office of the Adjutant General together with the records and files pertaining thereto shall be established and maintained at such headquarters; also to amend chapter four, section one, by striking out of the second line the words "Adjutant General."

Department Commander: Allow me to say that this question on per-

manent headquarters has been decided by a two-thirds vote that a permanent headquarters be established.

Comrade Chase. I have been visiting the Auxiliary conventions of the G. A. R. and consequently did not know that this action had been taken.

Comrade from Post 48: I started this forenoon to say what I had to say in regard to the report of the Patriotic Instructor. I want to say what I had to say when they were all here. He read, as one question, that there was a law in this State requiring the flag to be unfurled at the schoolhouse when school was in session. I made a trip across the country from Jackson to Coldwater, going one road and coming another, a distance a little over one hundred miles, and in that distance in every schoolhouse that we passed there was a school in session. I found but one flag over the schoolhouses and I thought I would speak of it in this encampment. Now, that law is not being observed. I want to see it right in the Patriotic Instructor's report.

Department Commander: It would be entirely right for the Comrades in the district to look after the matter and see that the flag was being displayed according to law. It is your province to see that it is remedied by calling the attention of the officers of the law.

Comrade Miller: I have here a transfer card from Lucius King, 175, Wisconsin. The transfer card says that he was a Commander, Senior and Junior Vice Commander, Quartermaster and Chaplain. What I want to do is to give him a standing in this jurisdiction the same as he would have in Wisconsin, so I make a motion that this be done. He has been accepted in our Post in good standing. He is an excellent man and is worthy of this recognition.

Motion was supported and unanimously adopted.

Comrade Davey, Post 17: That reminds me of a Comrade of our Post. He was past Commander of a Post in Michigan and allowed himself, some time afterwards, to be dropped for non-payment of dues. For a number of years he has been a member of Fairbanks Post. Now he asked me the other day what he should do to regain his standing as Past Commander. I am at a loss to answer the question. I would like to get the information. My impression is that when he allowed himself to be dropped from the order he lost his standing as Past Commander.

Department Commander: I am unable to answer that question off-hand. I would suggest to the Comrade that the Adjutant of the Post prepare an explanation of the whole situation and send it to the Department Commander, who will undoubtedly refer it to the Judge Advocate for his decision.

Assistant Adjutant General: I want to say just a word relative to what our Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief said with reference to the Journals of the National Encampment. I received a notice from the Commander of this Department notifying me, and had it published in general orders. I immediately wrote to three different Congressmen relative to that. I got a reply from each one of them, one from my own district—the fourth district—and they said that there were no Journals for general issue, that the Congressmen did not get them. Before that, however, I received twenty-five Journals from Congressman Sherwood for distribution in the Department. The case as stated here by Comrade Janes makes it plain; so that now we can write our Congressmen and

get these Journals as we want them. I shall write another letter to my Congressman, Mr. Hamilton, as soon as I get home.

Comrade Janes: The fact is that very few of the Congressmen know anything about it. A letter was sent to me from Kentucky. He said the G. A. R. did not publish any; if you want to get any go to the bookstores. The Congressmen did not know anything about it. These Journals were printed after Congress adjourned. They are in the document room. If the Congressmen will write to Thomas H. Carter, he will send out, under their frank, the number of Journals they are entitled to.

Assistant Adjutant General: I received twenty-five copies. I sent some of those out. I have six copies left in the office.

Department Commander: Comrades, we are under the head of new business now, and we have two questions, at least, to come up before us; one is the location of the next Department Encampment, if we have any invitations; the other is the election of delegates to the National Encampment. I will explain here that we have this year twenty-six delegates which means two from each district, but there is a provision that we shall elect one delegate as delegate at large. That will leave twenty-five, an unequal number. You should get your delegations together, your district delegates, and nominate two delegates to the National Encampment and then remember when you come to elect the delegate at large, if he is elected from your district, that you will only have one other to be elected. Don't think that because you got the delegate at large that you are going to get three, because you won't. I would advise that the districts get together as soon as we adjourn and make nominations, so that we can bring the matter up the first thing in the morning.

Comrade Devlin, Post 433: I desire to make a motion to facilitate matters in that direction. Under the rule which obtains at the present time in this Department each district elects two delegates, two delegates to the national convention. There are some of our congressional districts which are very small, and, in order to facilitate this matter, I move you that it be the sense of this encampment that each congressional district with the exception of the twelfth select or recommend the two delegates or representatives to the national convention, and the twelfth district recommend one. That will leave one for delegate at large. That will include the whole twenty-six because we have thirteen congressional districts.

Department Commander: I would say, at this time, that your motion is out of order. I do not think you can change the Rules and Regulations as they are established, two from each district.

Comrade Devlin: I understand that the adoption of the recommendation that took place, two from each congressional district, was by a mere motion. I do not see why we cannot change that resolution.

Comrade Lamb, Post 17: If my memory serves me right we were entitled a year ago to twenty-seven. I sat upon the platform and made a motion that we elect one delegate at large and then two from each congressional district. That simply was for that encampment, and I am of the opinion that this encampment, if they see fit, could adopt such a resolution. I heartily endorse this resolution.

Department Commander: I am obliged to you for your opinion. I will confess that I am not perfectly familiar with that question, and I am open for information.

Comrade Devlin: I move you that it be the sense of this convention that we elect in each congressional district, with the exception of the twelfth, two delegates to the national convention and that one be recommended from the twelfth.

A Comrade: Why do you discriminate against the twelfth district?

Comrade Devlin: So far as their membership in that district is concerned; it has a very limited membership of the G. A. R. in that district. The twelfth district has only two posts in the district.

Assistant Adjutant General: I don't see how this resolution would help us out any. We are entitled to twenty-six delegates and we have thirteen districts. That would be two to a district; if you elect two to a district for twelve districts and one for the twelfth then you have got to elect one.

Comrade Devlin: That would be the delegate at large which you want.

Department Commander: Your point is correct. The motion, if carried, would mean that there would be twelve districts who would nominate two delegates; the twelfth would nominate one and we would elect one. The one point is shall we discriminate against this small district? It is a fair proposition.

Comrade Cannon, Post 16: I move, as an amendment, that district number one be instructed to elect a delegate at large and the other districts nominate two delegates each.

Comrade Graves: We are getting into deep water. I don't see why we should discriminate against district number one.

Department Commander: This is not discrimination against number one, because they would have two delegates and that is all they are entitled to in any case. It is really in favor of number one and against all the rest.

A Comrade: I move that the resolution be laid on the table.

A Comrade from Post 53 as well as a Comrade from Post 65 were in favor of laying the motion on the table and voiced their sentiments along this line.

Comrade Cannon: I move that we proceed to elect the delegate at large and the district that has the delegate at large shall have only one delegate.

Comrade Devlin: Comrade Dean has made the suggestion that the delegates from the different congressional districts—that is the thirteen districts—nominate their two from each district and then the delegation select one of their number as that delegate at large. That will simplify matters.

Department Commander: Comrades, it seems to me that Comrade Devlin and Comrade Cannon are very close together, and I would, therefore, suggest that Comrade Cannon's motion be made as a substitute. I don't see any objections to Comrade Devlin's suggestions that when the twenty-six delegates get together they can elect their own delegate at large.

Comrade Lawrence: I rise for information. The law is very strict with this Department in that it shall elect a delegate at large and not delegate that power to some one else.

Department Commander: These districts can't elect one delegate. They can only recommend to this encampment and the encampment elects them all.

Comrade Dean: I suggest this—that when the thirteen districts elect two delegates each that the encampment elect one of them delegate at large. That covers the whole question.

Comrade Cannon: That is my motion.

Department Commander: We will consider it as one motion. I think—that the districts proceed to nominate in each district two delegates. When we come to the election the encampment will select one of those delegates to be delegates at large and then the district which has the delegate at large will only have one other delegate.

Seconded and unanimously carried.

Comrade Lawrence: As we were invited by the Spanish War Veterans representing Bay City to hold our next encampment in that city. I move that we meet in Bay City next year.

Motion was supported and unanimously carried.

Comrade Lamb: I make a motion that the nomination and election of officers, which includes delegates, be made a special order of business tomorrow morning at nine o'clock.

Comrade Dean: I move that the election of officers, including delegates, be fixed for ten o'clock tomorrow morning.

Comrade Dean's motion was lost.

Department Commander: The question is on the original motion that we meet tomorrow morning at nine o'clock to consider the election of officers and delegates to the national encampment.

Original motion carried by a large majority.

Department Commander: The session is adjourned until tomorrow morning at nine o'clock.

June 18, 1915. 9 o'clock a. m.

Department Commander: The Comrades will come to order. The Chaplain will invoke the divine blessing:

INVOCATION BY THE DEPARTMENT CHAPLAIN.

Almighty Father, we thank Thee that at the closing session of this thirty-seventh Encampment so many of us are permitted to attend. We thank Thee for the blessings that have rested upon our efforts in the deliberations of this encampment. We know that Thy presence has been with us. We ask that Thy blessing rest upon all the officers, through Christ our Redeemer, Amen.

Department Commander: Comrades, I am requested by the Commander-in-Chief to appoint a committee to escort him to the other organizations this forenoon and I shall appoint Comrades Ives, of Mason, and James Johnson, Post 274. They will please report to the Commander-in-Chief at the hotel. We have a great deal of business which we must close up and I will call for the report of the Committee on Resolutions.

Comrade Dean: The committee is ready to make its report, but I shall be obliged to ask my colleague, Comrade Devlin, to read the report as I can't read it.

Comrade Devlin: If the Comrades will keep quiet for a few minutes the Committee on Resolutions will make its report.

Your Committee on Resolutions has taken into consideration the resolution offered by Comrade John Devlin, Post 433, as follows:

Whereas, We believe that the best interests of the State of Michigan and the inmates of the Soldiers' Home at Grand Rapids will be subserved by having in charge a commandant who is in thorough touch with the old soldiers of 1861 to 1865;

"Therefore, Be it Resolved, that the Department of Michigan, in convention assembled, most urgently and respectfully recommend that the Board of Management appoint as commandant of the home one who has seen service at the front for at least ninety days during the Civil War."

Believing the resolution to be a commendable one we recommend its adoption and I move you that the recommendation of the committee be adopted.

Motion was seconded and carried.

As to the following resolution offered by Comrade C. W. Bennett, Post 109: *Whereas*, There is over \$30,000 accumulated in the general fund of the National Encampment, and that fund is constantly increasing; and

Whereas, That fund will probably pay all the expenses of the National Encampment so long as it may exist; therefore.

Resolved, That our delegates to the next National Encampment be instructed to recommend that the per capita tax be reduced, and that the Womans' Relief Corps and Daughters of Veterans use the money they are collecting to increase that surplus fund for local relief work.

We find that the reserve funds, the revenues received by the National Encampment for the last few years, are not sufficient to meet the necessary expenses, and that the reserve fund has been used to make up the deficiency each year. We, therefore, are of the opinion that the time has not yet arrived when a resolution of this kind should be adopted. I move you that the recommendation of the committee be adopted.

Comrade Parker: The motion should be laid upon the table.

Comrade Devlin: I made the motion that the recommendation of the committee be adopted.

Comrade Bennett, Post 109: I think the comrades ought to know what this resolution is. At the last annual convention of the National Encampment it was reported that thirty-three thousand dollars was in the treasury. The Womans' Relief Corps gave them one thousand dollars and they are going to pay one thousand dollars again this year, and they are straining every nerve so as to make more. What is the use of accumulating all that fund there? Who is going to have it when you and I are gone? Who, then, is going to spend this money? The committee says the revenues do not equal the expenses. That is different from what I had understood. What are you going to do with this money? Why not reduce our per capita tax? That is what the resolution is and when you vote to lay it on the table I want you to know what it is.

Comrade Dean: Comrades, I want to say to you that your committee took the reports of the National Encampment and looked them through carefully before we made this report. Your committee were inclined to recommend this resolution of Comrade Bennett's, but we find that they are drawing all the time to pay their expenses, notwithstanding the donations are coming in from other places, because the encampment is growing so small, so we reported that we did not think it would be wise under the circumstances.

Comrade Davey, Post 17: I do not know as I understand. In the first place they recommend that the report of the committee be not adopt-

ed and then they say it should be adopted. Which recommendation do you want to adopt?

Department Commander: The Committee on Resolutions reports and recommends that the resolution be not adopted, and Comrade Devlin makes the motion that the recommendation of the committee be adopted.

Comrade Davey, Post 17: It has been my experience in business to curtail the expense according to the income. Our encampment is getting smaller all the time, and I think it is time that we curtailed the money that is going out to the income, and, for that reason, I am in favor of the adoption of the resolution.

Comrade Finch: We have not heard it so that we can really understand it.

Department Commander: I don't believe the resolution was read.

Comrade Devlin: The resolution offered by the Comrade from Post 109 was to the effect that we recommend the reduction of the per capita tax on account of the fact that the National Encampment had a fund of thirty thousand dollars and, that the Relief Corps and Daughters of Veterans, instead of appropriating or advancing money to the National organization, devote the funds to the local organizations. That was the purport of this resolution, and the committee found that the revenues of the national organization are such that they are not sufficient to meet the current expenses. With all the money that is donated they are still compelled to draw each year upon this reserve fund for the purpose of meeting the necessary expenses. We found in the proceedings and the recommendation of the National Treasurer and the officers of the National organization this information, and we came to the conclusion that it was not yet the proper time for endorsing a resolution of that kind. It may not be known to a great many of the Comrades that the only returns from per capita tax to the National organization is three and one-half cents per capita per year. The State of Michigan pays a per capita tax of twenty-five cents, and the balance of it, after deducting the three and one-half cents, goes to the Department to pay its expenses. So you see if the national organization were to make a reduction that would only increase the deficiency, and consequently it would in a measure wipe out any reserve which they may have now; that is the reason that the committee recommended that this resolution be not adopted at this time.

Department Commander: The motion comes upon the adoption of the recommendation of the committee.

Recommendation of committee adopted.

Comrade Devlin: Now, then, we have another resolution:

Resolved, That the thanks of this encampment be tendered to the citizens of Kalamazoo for the generous hospitality and handsome manner in which they have entertained us.

I move the adoption of the resolution.

Resolution was adopted by a rising vote.

Comrade Devlin: Your committee has this as the last resolution:

Resolved, That the sum of thirty-five dollars be drawn for the purchase of a badge to be presented to the retiring Commander.

I move the adoption of the resolution.

Supported and unanimously adopted.

Assistant Adjutant General: This is the report of the Committee on the address of the Department Commander.

We, the committee appointed on the Department Commander's report, beg leave to approve the same, and recommend its adoption. We also recommend the usual Past Department Commander's badge be purchased out of funds and presented at some suitable time.

ED. C. ANTHONY,
E. C. CANNON,
FRANK A. CHASE,
Committee.

Comrade Cannon: I see there is a double-header so far as the badge is concerned. My friend, the chairman of the Committee on Resolutions wanted to steal a march on us. Now we don't suppose by adopting our report that you will give the worthy Department Commander two badges.

Assistant Adjutant General: I want to say that if we are foolish enough to purchase two badges and one is given to me I will take it.

Report of the Committee unanimously adopted.

Department Commander: We will now listen to a report from the Committee on the Report of the Patriotic Instructor.

Comrade M. C. Barney: Commander and Comrades: When a person has served as Patriotic Instructor as I did for three years they feel proud of it. I saw something in the papers this morning—you perhaps saw it—where it seemed to me that somebody wanted to get some of the credit for work that I have done. The Assistant Adjutant General knows that I received for that three years twenty-five dollars, which, perhaps, just about covered my postage, and I tried to serve this Department to the best of my ability. You remember when we met at Detroit the ladies had two flags to present to the schools. The superintendent of schools said that they did not have time to receive them. I met Comrade Foote, in Lansing, and Comrade Foote inquired "Can we overcome this?" and I said "yes." He said: "How?" I said, "By holding children's camp-fires." The first children's camp fire was held in Kalamazoo and I, as your Patriotic Instructor, have the credit of starting the children's camp-fires and I believe that Michigan is the only State in the Union which holds them. I wanted to make that little explanation. Your Committee on the Patriotic Instructor's report herewith begs leave to make the following report:

Comrade Spaulding, Assistant Adjutant General, Department of Michigan:

Your committee appointed by the Commander beg leave to report as follows on the Patriotic Instructor's report:

Only four reports were given to this committee which were made by Post Patriotic Instructors of Nos. 444, 383 and 270. One not numbered. These four reports show a great interest in the work by the children; \$204.00 expended for patriotic purposes. A total number of 365 flags were given to school children.

Your committee wish to state that it is a quite difficult thing to report on a report if there is none made by the Department Patriotic Instructor as a base. Your committee thinks it is about time more should be done along the line of patriotic work, and, at least, the expenses of the Patriotic Instructor paid with money now in the treasury.

The Patriotic Instructor can be a great help to the Commander, provided he is a *soldier* that has the work at heart and his influence is suffi-

cient to make his services wanted by different Posts throughout the State. This office should be given to some one that can give more time to it than ever has been given before, and one that will compile returns from each and every Post and report same to this Department at its yearly gatherings. This work must be completed in the next five or ten years, and the money in the hands of the Department should be used in giving to the children of Michigan the unwritten history of the war and the value of Old Glory to them.

M. C. BARNEY,
JOHN M'VICAR,
Committee.

Department Commander: What are you going to do with the report of the committee on the work of the Patriotic Instructor?

It was moved and supported that the report of the committee be accepted and adopted. Unanimously carried.

Assistant Adjutant General: There are certain recommendations made in that report. The Department Commander made a recommendation, which has been approved by this Encampment, that fifty dollars be appropriated for the next year for the use of the Patriotic Instructor.

Comrade Straight, Post 35: I want two minutes. One minute. Two generations of my ancestors fought in the War of the Rebellion and I fought in the Civil War. I have a daughter. When she was a little school girl and anyone said anything about the flag she would stamp her little foot. I believe in training the children.

Comrade M. C. Barney: This is the report from four posts; that is all that came into the committee's hands.

Comrade Raab, Post 145: I want to say to the Commander, in connection with this report and the action that has been taken by this convention on the Commander's request recommending fifty dollars for expenses for the Patriotic Instructor, you can't send a man out in this State when the Posts of the State ask the Patriotic Instructor to come and give them assistance along patriotic lines, you can't expect that man to go out for nothing. Fifty dollars has been recommended and it should be double that. Comrade Barney served this Department for three years. I know what he did. I know the man. He spent a great deal of time and was sent to Posts all over the State. The Posts should have taken care of the expenses. He took care of his own. After he retired from office a committee offered a resolution that Comrade Barney be reimbursed in the sum of twenty-five dollars for three years' work. It was quite graciously granted. He received twenty-five dollars for three years' work. The balance of that expense he paid out of his own pocket. Now the Patriotic Instructor has got a report today; the Patriotic Instructor's work is of as much importance as the Department Commander's. Let us pay that Comrade's expenses, at least, and give him a chance to do some work which will be of advantage in the future.

Comrade Lawrence: Let me say just a word. If there is any living being that is close to me it is the child. The boys from Wayne county know my position, which is county agent, and I have handled, in fourteen years, twenty-eight thousand children in the juvenile court. I know that this Department needs every dollar. You have conferred upon me the highest honor that you can confer. I am seeking nothing at your hands, but I will say this, for the love of the children that I have in this

State, I shall authorize the Adjutant to put my name down for twenty-five dollars, which I shall pay out of my own pocket. (Applause.)

Comrade Warner, Post 56: We all know of Comrade Barney's work in Michigan. I sometimes think that good work is not appreciated. We ought to have reports from Posts all over Michigan. A great many of us go out and preach all over the country. I went out. We don't care for reports but what is actually being done in Michigan along the line of patriotic instruction. All over Michigan the comrades are doing good work. There is not a Post in Michigan but ought to have that man there. I think that Comrade Barney will use it well; it is unappreciated work. Comrades, go and do your work for the children. Don't wait for an appointment from anybody. If you have anything to do go and do it.

Assistant Adjutant General: Just one word again in explanation. The Committee made a report which may be a little misleading. You remember that I read a report from the Department Patriotic Instructor in which he said he had received the reports from Post Patriotic Instructors of forty-seven. I think it was if my memory serves me correctly, but I didn't have those reports to turn over to this committee. I had those four reports to turn over. That report which he made was simply on a blank the same as others. It was not a report in proper shape. One thing further in connection with this matter about Comrade Barney's speaking about the organization of the children's campfires. This State is the only one, and there are some towns and cities observing it. Comrade Barney was the man who organized this work right here in your city, and I know it to be so because I was with him.

Department Commander: Comrades, the Department Commander wants to make a word of explanation. I think you will notice that my recommendation of fifty dollars for this office was the first recommendation, and this is the first appropriation ever made by the Encampment for this work. I do not care how big you make it. I would be in favor of the highest appropriation that has been mentioned here today. I make this explanation. The appropriations made heretofore were ordered by the Department Commander and afterwards approved by the Encampment. But this is the first time an appropriation has ever been made. The question comes on the adoption of the report of the committee.

Comrade Manning, Post 48: Comrades, I tried to keep still without saying a word. I cannot talk very loud, Comrades. But along this line of patriotic instruction I want to say that it has been reported here that there have been a little more than three hundred flags given to the school children. You Comrades who were at Jackson a year ago know better than that. I took the matter up there with our board of education and you who were there know that we had a thousand school children there to escort you old comrades. Every one of them wore a flag. I bought those flags myself; afterwards the Post paid me back the money for them but I took the responsibility. It was the first time that anything of that kind had ever been done in Jackson in regard to connecting the school children with an encampment. But, like Comrade Lawrence, I love the little ones. Our Patriotic Instructor is a man whose heart is in it. He went out over the district there and got so many poles. So a great many poles were supplied to the different schools. I could not dare to have this report pass that there had only been three hundred flags given to school children. At Jackson, alone, we gave out nearly twelve hundred. All of

you who were in Jackson who went over to the Methodist church saw three hundred of them there, and you saw one of the most beautiful things that you ever saw in your life. Never to be forgotten. Now, I can't talk any more, but I could not dare to have this thing pass without saying this.

Department Commander: As many of you as are in favor of the adoption of the committee's report will say aye.

The Committee's report was then adopted.

Assistant Adjutant General: Comrades, now the reports from your district caucuses are not all here yet. You ought to see that they get here immediately.

Department Commander: Comrades, we are ready to proceed with the election of delegates.

Judge Advocate Parker: There is one committee yet to report. Your committee that was appointed in regard to Farquhar Post, or rather charges that were made in regard to the meetings of that Post, met yesterday afternoon and found that it was impossible, with the data which they had before them, to make any determination of any facts in regard to whether or not the Post had violated the Rules and Regulations. We further found that the only course of procedure was to refer the matter to the Department Encampment or rather to the Department Commander and the Council of Administration. The Rules and Regulations provide as follows: That the stated meetings of each Post shall be held monthly except with Posts having less than twenty-five members; they may hold their stated meetings quarterly. It has been held that a failure to comply with that section of the Rules and Regulations forfeits the charter; but it is further provided that charges shall be made, the Post shall be notified and that it shall be taken up and decided by the Department Commander and the Council of Administration. Therefore, your committee could do nothing in the way of finding out; this would amount to nothing because the Department Commander and the Council of Administration are to determine those matters for themselves. All of which we respectfully report.

Department Commander: Comrades, I understand the report of the committee is this—that the whole matter will have to be referred to the incoming Department Commander and the Council of Administration.

It was then moved that the report be accepted and adopted, and the report of the committee was unanimously adopted.

Comrade Davey: I move that the reports of the several congressional districts as handed to the Assistant Adjutant General be approved by this Department without being read.

Assistant Adjutant General: I would suggest that this motion be held until after the reading of the names of the delegates.

Comrade Miller: I want to make a protest, Department Commander. Yesterday, when those slips were handed out a member of a certain Post got hold of the one for the fifth district. My colleagues here asked him to hold a meeting in this hall. He said: "No, our delegates are up town at the hotel," and we could not get him to call a meeting here. Then we asked him when we could meet him at the hotel and he said, "seven o'clock." Then he afterwards changed it to 7:30. We said "You name your hour and we will be there." Well, we started down to the hotel at seven o'clock. This meeting had been held at six o'clock and there was

no one present but the members of one Post and that Post represents ten per cent of the Grand Army of the Republic of the district. I don't think this encampment will endorse that action. We enter a solemn protest, and I move you that that be rejected, and that the fifth district be permitted to name other delegates or make new nominations.

Department Commander: I have no doubt but that the delegate has a right to make a protest. About his statement of facts I know nothing, and it should be investigated. Probably it should be turned over to the delegates who are present; I think that would be a fair proposition.

Comrade Miller: I forgot to state that one member of that Post told me that there was no one present but the members of that Post.

Department Commander: How many delegates have you present here now?

Comrade Miller: Only three; owing to the death of Mrs. Watson, a great many of them are there. We would have had a large representation if it were not for that. They have taken advantage of that.

Department Commander: Is the Comrade who made out this blank present?

Comrade Miller: I don't know whether he is present or not. I don't know who made it out.

Assistant Adjutant General: Just a word with reference to this. Here are three posts represented.

Comrade Miller: It doesn't make any difference; we are only asking for fair play.

Department Commander: The Assistant Adjutant General will read the recommendations.

Comrade Finch, Post 5: I have the floor and I will explain this matter. This paper was handed to our Post Commander last evening in this hall. What was done, I do not know, for I was not here. About 5:30 he came down to the hotel and said there was going to be a meeting of the delegates from the fifth district there. Some of the boys wanted to go home and they wanted to take action and men were sent out to try and hunt up members from the other Posts. The meeting met in the convention hall in the basement of the Park American Hotel. I was chosen as secretary and Comrade Putnam was chosen as chairman. I will say this much—there was not present at that meeting any member of any Post except Custer Post No. 5. It was not their intention to exclude anyone from it, as their action shows. I am going to Washington, delegate or no delegate. We are not going to hog off this whole business. I asked "Are there any members here from the other Posts," and some one said, "No, they probably are all at home attending the funeral of Mrs. Watson." One of the boys said to put in Van Raalte. They did. The same was done with the alternative. After adjournment Comrade Miller and other Comrades met me in the hotel and I told them then that I did not know about the preliminaries that were carried on here. All that I knew had taken place in the hotel. We tried to be fair and square with them and they were not satisfied. There certainly was no intention on the part of the fellows to exclude anybody from that meeting. It was merely a coincidence; so that it happened to be one Post present, and if you will look over the delegates selected you will note that we did not tie ourselves up to one Post. I will make this suggestion: I will pull my name off as first delegate and you can

put in whoever you like. It makes no difference whether you do it or not for I am going to Washington anyway.

Department Commander: Delegates what is your pleasure.

Comrade Tanner, Post 5: We met here and we had a talk with Watson Post and we tried to get together; the boys, a good many of them, were in a hurry to get home. We agreed that we would meet at the Park American Hotel. Some of the boys had to go home right away; they could not stay. I said that we would meet at the hotel as soon as we could and get together as soon as we could. We spoke of different hours and we came down there and tried to get the boys together. We did get some of them together, but we could not find the other Post. A committee was appointed to hunt them up and they came back and reported that they could not find the delegates from Watson Post. Well, we got together and did the best we could. We did not wish to slight anybody; there was no such idea; and we put forth every effort we could to get these delegates together and we could not do it. We did our work the best we could. We did not slight anybody.

Department Commander: I want to say this—the difficulty comes from the general carelessness of the delegates in not attending their district caucuses. In consideration of the fact that this meeting was held by statements of those who were there, shows that it was fair in my estimation, and in view of that fact I will ask this Comrade here if he will withdraw his motion?

Comrade Miller: No, sir, the motion is that the delegates be rejected and the delegates be allowed to appoint new ones.

Department Commander: All in favor of the motion say aye.

The motion of Comrade Miller was lost.

Assistant Adjutant General: I shall read the names and post office addresses of the delegates:

R. A. Parker, (at large), Post 17, Detroit, Mich., 603 Moffat Bldg.

Alvah H. Sawyer, Post 17, Detroit, Mich., 145 16th St.

John Devlin, Post 433, Detroit, Mich., 159 Avery Ave.

D. C. Spears, Post 10, Wyandotte, Mich.

J. Creque, Post 48, Jackson, Mich., 212 W. Pearl St.

H. B. Olmstead, Post 111, Eaton Rapids, Mich.

Freeman Hall, Post 79, Kalamazoo, Mich.

Robert Payne, Post 35, South Haven, Mich.

George A. B. Cook, Post 72, Three Rivers, Mich., 321 Portage Ave.

Robert Finch, Post 5, Grand Rapids, Mich., 917 Mich. Trust Bldg.

Benjamin VanRaalte, Post 262, Holland, Mich.

Lucius H. Ives, Post 441, Mason, Mich.

David S. Howard, Post 147, Pontiac, Mich.

A. L. Bryant, Post 255, Mayville, Mich.

William O. Lee, Post 98, Port Huron, Mich.

Fred Gill, Post 38, Saginaw, Mich.

Elijah Howard, Post 214, Millington, Mich.

William Stewart, Post 444, Cadillac, Mich.

Porter P. Misner, Post 7, Muskegon, Mich.

Hiram Russell, Post 67, Bay City, Mich.

Francis Bone, Post 16, Clare, Mich.

C. M. Guild, Post 158, Vestaburg, Mich.

Charles A. Button, Post 152, Alma, Mich.

John Dooley, Post 300, Marquette, Mich.
 Ira Carley, Post 266, Menominee, Mich.
 Allen H. Cady, Post 17, Detroit, Mich., 30 Mt. Vernon Ave.

ALTERNATE DELEGATES.

Robert Morris, Post 17, Detroit, Mich., 284 Commonwealth Ave.
 D. S. Kimball, Post 17, Detroit, Mich., 183 Avery Ave.
 Samuel Bailey, Post 17, Detroit, Mich., 363 Hubbard Ave.
 James E. Johnson, Post 274, Milan, Mich.
 H. W. Stevens, Post 140, Tecumseh, Mich.
 George W. Norton, Post 111, Eaton Rapids, Mich.
 Eli Strong, Post 79, Kalamazoo, Mich.
 John S. Heald, Post 20, Hartford, Mich.
 Wallace A. Preston, Post 21, St. Joseph, Mich., 720 State St.
 A. S. Porter, Post 5, Grand Rapids, Mich.
 Charles R. Stewart, Post 395, Grand Rapids, Mich.
 Samuel H. Giles, Post 147, Pontiac, Mich.
 Allen S. Shattuck, Post 42, Lansing, Mich.
 William J. Marks, Post 214, Chicago, Ill., 1145 N. Avero Ave.
 George J. Dart, Post 402, Akron, Mich.
 Maj. E. J. Wilcox, Post 38, Saginaw, Mich.
 John Ballentine, Post 38, Saginaw, Mich.
 William McNitt, Post 461, Boon, Mich.
 C. F. Ruggles, Post 3, Whitehall, Mich.
 Griffin Lewis Post 67, Bay City, Mich.
 B. A. Mosher, Post 294, Stanwood, Mich.
 George Saunders, Post 91, St. Louis, Mich.
 William Parks, Post 158, Elm Hall, Mich.
 William A. Jillson, Post 300, Marquette, Mich.
 John H. Nelson, Post 8, Ishpeming, Mich.
 S. A. Widrig, Post 433, Detroit, Mich., 72 Glenwood Ave.

Comrade Lawrence: At our caucus, representing the thirteenth district, we nominated Comrade Parker as delegate at large and Robert Morris as alternate, and I, therefore, make a motion that he be elected as delegate at large. If there is no objection, I move that the Assistant Adjutant General cast the ballot of the encampment for R. A. Parker for delegate at large and for Robert Morris as alternate. Unanimously carried.

Department Commander: Now comes the election of these other twenty-five delegates.

Assistant Adjutant General: The total vote of the encampment is cast for R. A. Parker as Delegate at Large, and for Robert Morris as Alternate.

Department Commander: I declare R. A. Parker to be elected as Delegate at Large and Robert Morris elected as alternate.

Comrade Lamb: I move you that the names of delegates and alternates as nominated by the different districts be elected, and that the Adjutant cast the ballot of the encampment for them.

Supported and carried.

Assistant Adjutant General: I announce the total vote of the encampment is in favor of the delegates and alternates as nominated by the various districts to go to the National Encampment at Washington.

Department Commander: The time has arrived at which we can proceed with the nomination of officers for the ensuing year. The question is to call the district and if the district has a candidate for nomination—if you have no candidate just pass over without saying anything.

Comrade Cannon: I move that the nomination speeches be limited to two minutes and that the supporting speeches be limited to one minute.

Supported and unanimously adopted.

Department Commander: Comrades, we will appoint as tellers to conduct this election the following comrades: Comrades Lamb, Post 17; Seeman, Post 38; Barney, Post 145; Lee, Post 98; Bennett, Post 109.

Department Commander: Commander for the ensuing year.

District No. 1; District No. 2.

Comrade Raab, Post 145. It gives me pleasure to stand before this convention this morning and place in nomination a Comrade whom you all know. You know him well. You know him to be a thorough G. A. R. man. You know him to have served his country faithfully. You know him to be an exemplary citizen. You know him to have done his duty in civic life as an educator and a citizen. I am not going to branch out into details. You Comrades all know the reports and rumors that have been going on in Kalamazoo for the last two days. I am going to say simply to you that Comrade Rankin (applause) is a candidate for Department Commander. He was a candidate last year. There were three candidates. He stepped out and left himself in good shape. All I say, boys, let us have fair play and let the result go where it may. That is all I have to say. (Applause.)

District No. 3; District No. 4.

Comrade Parker: I have been requested and I take pleasure, indeed, in calling to your attention a Comrade of the G. A. R. who has been one of the most efficient workers in the legislative halls in the State of Michigan, during this last session, for the benefit of the G. A. R. I will make no extended speech to place in nomination Lester B. Place, because it is not necessary. You all know him. I thank you for your attention, and I tried to be just as short as possible knowing the desire of the convention to limit the time of the speeches.

District No. 5; District No. 6; District No. 7; District No. 8; District No. 9; District No. 10; District No. 11; District No. 12; District No. 13.

Department Commander: Comrades, you have heard the names of the candidates for Department Commander for the ensuing year. Now you have one minute in which to give supporting speeches.

Comrade Bennett, Post 109: In behalf of almost the unanimous vote of the delegation of Branch county I want to second the nomination of Comrade Henry C. Rankin. Comrade Rankin was a member of my regiment. He carried his gun and was three or four years in the army. He knows what it is to be a soldier by experience.

Comrade Hill, Post 72: I take pleasure in getting up before you Comrades and supporting the nomination of a Comrade I have known for the past thirty years. I have been in close touch with him in soldier times and I can recommend him as being a first-class man, a good G. A. R. man, a man who will fill this place with honor, and a man you will never be ashamed of if elected. That man is Lester B. Place.

Comrade Miner, Post 122: I have the pleasure of endorsing the words spoken by the Comrade who made the first speech supporting the nomina-

tion of Comrade Rankin. He served in my regiment for three years. I know the man. I know him from the ground up and, in behalf of Ionia county, I want to endorse the nomination of Henry C. Rankin. You will make no mistake.

A Comrade from Post 111. I desire to support the nomination of Lester B. Place.

A Comrade: I have been acquainted with Comrade Rankin for a good many years and I know him personally. I have been to every convention in this State and I know the man; in fact I have known him ever since the war.

Comrade McVicar: I wish to support the nomination of Henry C. Rankin for Department Commander. I arrived in this city of Kalamazoo unpledged to anybody and I met with such a reception at the hands of his supporters. I have heard many kind words spoken in his behalf among the Comrades. He has been a good G. A. R. man all the way through. I wish to support the nomination of Henry C. Rankin.

Comrade Lazell, Post 42: At a meeting of our Post, we endorsed the nomination of Comrade Henry C. Rankin.

Comrade Higgins: On behalf of Post 48 I desire to second the nomination of Comrade Henry C. Rankin.

A Comrade: I have been acquainted with Comrade Rankin for about fifty years and I know him to be straightforward in every way. I take pleasure in seconding his nomination.

Comrade Barrett, Post 67: I desire to second the nomination of Lester B. Place. He is all wool and a yard wide.

A Comrade from Post 48: I have known Comrade Rankin for eighteen years and I want to support his nomination.

A Comrade: I would like to see a man whose face is familiar to this encampment; so I support the nomination of Henry C. Rankin.

A Comrade: I second the nomination of Comrade Henry C. Rankin.

Comrade M. C. Barney: I would not be a true friend if I did not stand by Comrade Rankin. There is a man who can raise more money than any other man in the State of Michigan. He gave us a grand reception at Ypsilanti; let us stand by a man who is true to the G. A. R.

Comrade Graves: I move that we proceed to ballot.

This motion was supported and carried.

Department Commander: We will proceed to ballot for Department Commander for the ensuing year.

Department Commander: While the tellers are counting the ballots we will receive nominations for Senior Vice Department Commander.

Comrade Robbins, Post 79: I nominate for Senior Vice Department Commander Eli Strong, of Post 79, Kalamazoo.

Comrade Devlin: I move that the Adjutant be instructed to cast the entire vote of this convention for Comrade Strong for Senior Vice Department Commander.

Supported and unanimously carried.

Assistant Adjutant General: Department Commander, according to instructions from the Encampment, I declare the total vote of this Encampment cast for Comrade Eli Strong, of Post 79, for Senior Vice Department Commander.

Department Commander: I declare him to be elected for the ensuing year.

Comrade Lamb (one of the tellers) :

Total number of votes cast.....	309
Comrade Rankin has received	162
Comrade Place has received	147

Department Commander: Comrade Henry C. Rankin having received a majority of all the votes cast is elected Department Commander for the ensuing year.

Three cheers were then given for Comrade Henry C. Rankin.

Department Commander: Comrades M. C. Barney and Raab are appointed a committee to escort Comrade Rankin to the platform.

Comrade Rankin was then escorted to the platform and made the following remarks:

Commander and you dear Comrades who are so close to my heart, every one of you, both Place men and Rankin men, because I am going to stand for the whole bunch. I want to say to you, today, boys, you have touched my heart. I did not expect it at all after the strong revolution that swept over us and I did not take much opportunity to deny, but you know that I have been with you for thirty years and if God gives me strength I will be with you next year for every good thing that advances the interests of the G. A. R. I believe in this patriotic work. I believe in educating the children. I believe, boys, that we have only a few more years at best and we want to devote those years to leaving a record of our memories. We braved the storm in the greatest war of all times; very much unlike Europe where they don't know what they are fighting for. There was a cause at stake when we fought in sixty-one to sixty-five. I want to thank you from the bottom of my heart. You have reposed confidence in me and God helping me I will not in any way betray it. I am your servant. (Great applause.)

Comrade Rankin: I take pleasure in appointing Henry Spaulding as Assistant Adjutant General of the Department.

Department Commander: The proper time for that appointment has not yet arrived but we are glad it is done.

Department Commander: We will now go on with the Junior Vice Department Commander.

Comrade Ives: I nominate George Raab, of Post 145, for the office of Junior Vice Department Commander.

Comrade M. C. Barney: I nominate George Raab.

Comrade Devlin: On behalf of Wayne county, on behalf of the first and thirteenth districts, I desire to place one of the fighting regiments of Michigan, the sixteenth, to the front, and I desire to place in nomination Comrade Thomas Davey, of Post 17, who has always been with the interests of the G. A. R. in Michigan.

Comrade Raab: I am not going to fight for this office. I was told yesterday that there was no opposition. I am not a candidate.

Comrade Devlin: I move you that the Adjutant be instructed to cast the entire vote of this encampment for Comrade Thomas Davey, of Post 17, for the office of Junior Vice Department Commander for the ensuing year.

Motion was supported and unanimously carried.

Assistant Adjutant General: In accordance with instructions I cast the ballot of this encampment for Comrade Thomas Davey, of Post 17,

for the office of Junior Vice Department Commander for the ensuing year.

Department Commander: I declare Comrade Thomas Davey to be elected to the office of Junior Vice Department Commander of the G. A. R. for the ensuing year.

Department Commander: Comrades, you may proceed to the nomination and election of a Medical Director.

Comrade, Post 147: I understand that there is but one candidate for the office of Medical Director and I move that the Assistant Adjutant General be instructed to cast the vote of this convention for Robert LeBarron for the office of Medical Director of this Department for the ensuing year.

Supported and unanimously carried.

Assistant Adjutant General: According to instructions, I cast the entire vote of this encampment for Comrade Robert LeBarron for the office of Medical Director of this Department G. A. R. for the ensuing year.

Department Commander: I declare him to be elected as Medical Director for the ensuing year.

Department Commander: We may now proceed to the nomination and election of Chaplain.

Comrade Graves, Post 45: I want your attention just for a moment, Comrades. I want to present to this encampment the name of a Comrade for Chaplain for the ensuing year. I propose the name of Comrade Samuel Heininger, of Adrian. He is a Methodist minister of the Protestant faith. He has been Chaplain of our post for several years. He served in the 57th Ohio regiment for three years—a little over three years. He was in fourteen different engagements; was wounded twice, once in Arkansas, and again at Atlanta. He is one of those energetic, live men who can get up in a church and preach a sermon that you appreciate. One of those whole-hearted workers along the line of the benefit of the G. A. R. I want to tell you that the time has come for us to pass the honors around to those men. There is no one in this Department who can discharge the duties of Chaplain better than he.

A Comrade: He and I started at Shiloh. I was with him from that time until the war closed. I know him. I know him to be a faithful, good, true soldier and patriot. He stood by me and I will stand by him. We slept together; we worked together; we fought together. I know him to be a good man.

Chaplain Herbert: You have honored me by electing me as your chaplain for two consecutive years. I appreciate the honor and I want to thank you for it. After listening to the speeches in favor of Comrade Heininger from the two Comrades I believe them to be true and I wish to move that the Assistant Adjutant General cast the ballot of this convention for Comrade Heininger for Chaplain for the ensuing year.

Supported and unanimously carried.

Assistant Adjutant General: According to instructions of this Encampment, I cast the total ballot of this convention for Comrade Heininger, of Post 45, for Department Chaplain for the ensuing year.

Department Commander: I declare Comrade Heininger duly elected to the office of Chaplain of this Department for the ensuing year.

Department Commander: Now, Comrades, you are ready to elect five members of our Council of Administration.

A Comrade: I place in nomination the following Comrades: E. F. Lamb, Post 17; George Raab, Post 145; H. A. Chapin, Post 31; W. H. Morgans, Post 147; W. O. Lee, Post 98.

Comrade M. C. Barney: I move that they be the unanimous choice of this convention, and that the Assistant Adjutant General cast a ballot for the entire number. Supported.

Department Commander: It is moved and supported that the Assistant Adjutant General be instructed to cast the vote of this Encampment for these five Comrades for the Council of Administration for the ensuing year.

Unanimously adopted.

Assistant Adjutant General: According to instructions of this encampment, I cast the ballot of this encampment for the following Comrades to compose the Council of Administration for the ensuing year: Comrades E. F. Lamb, George Raab, H. A. Chapin, W. H. Morgans, and William O. Lee.

Department Commander: I declare these five named Comrades to be elected to the Council of Administration for the ensuing year.

Department Commander: Comrades, I believe that completes all the elective officers. We are now, as I understand it, ready for the installation of officers.

Assistant Adjutant General: Just one more moment before we proceed to that, in connection with a resolution which was passed some time ago relative to the Michigan Drum Corps. There was a resolution passed to appropriate one hundred fifty dollars towards defraying the expenses of the Michigan Drum Corps. We paid that one hundred fifty dollars two years ago; last year they charged us nothing. Now, Comrades, we are going to Washington. We haven't very many more trips of this kind to make, and I move you that an appropriation of one hundred fifty dollars be made this year.

Motion was seconded.

Comrade Lawrence: This drum corps of ours attracts the attention of the United States during national encampments. We have today the best drum corps in the country and we can't give them too much.

Assistant Adjutant General: Last year we paid nothing for the drum corps. This last year we have in excess over disbursements \$344.85. We are able to pay \$150 out of that and not hurt us.

Member of the Drum Corps: As a member of the drum corps I want to say a word that we have today the only organized drum corps in the United States. We have the best drum corps of Civil War music there is in the country, and if we go to Washington I pledge you this one thing we will be at the head of the Michigan division; there will be no split up. I am at the head of the organization; there will not be a split up; we will all go. The \$150 will be a very small proportion of the expenses incident to our going. We paid our own expenses last year, notwithstanding the fact that the city of Detroit appropriated five hundred dollars for the national association; we paid our own expenses, stopped at the hotels and didn't take the quarters that were assigned to us.

The motion was unanimously carried.

Comrade Lawrence: The newspaper men want the officers of the incoming administration to come over to the studio as soon as we are through with the installation of officers and have their pictures taken.

Department Commander: I shall appoint Comrade Pealer as installing officer and Comrade Lawrence as Officer of the Day, and we will now proceed to the installation of officers.

After the officers of the incoming administration were duly installed the encampment adjourned.

UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS.

CHILDREN'S CAMP FIRE HELD AT THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, JUNE 16, 1915, AT 7:30 O'CLOCK P. M.

Katherine E. Miller, Patriotic Instructor Corps No. 110: We have gathered here together, tonight, to be present at the Children's Camp Fire, and we will now listen to a selection "Onward Christian Soldiers" to be rendered by H. Glenn Henderson.

INVOCATION BY REV. H. W. GELSTON.

Let us unite in prayer:

"Oh thou infinite and eternal God who are the Father of the universe, who is interested in all life movements, especially in these great movements of which we are today mindful. Grant to these children to understand that light, that this is a warfare, not a warfare in the broad sense of the word, but a warfare of ideas, a warfare in which every soldier of truth must be concerned, in which we must all realize that we have a task to perform and a duty, and may children understand that life is a very serious matter—not all play; life is a joy, that it has a magnificent purpose; but may we also realize that life is a very serious business; that we have something to do, and that we get out of the world just what we put into it. Now may these services, tonight, contribute to our ambition to be worth while in this world, where Thou has placed us for a little time, and may we believe that all of these tasks are obligated tasks placed upon us by One who knows what is best to do, and may our hearts be clothed with a purpose of duty to all, and may we be ever thoughtful not only of our country, not only of patriotism, but love, which should hold the highest place among the nations of the earth. So may we believe that the great purpose that God has in mind for us here is the advancement of that kingdom which is within rather than without, and to perfect our ideals of a noble life, in the name and by the grace of the Lord Christ. Amen."

Katherine E. Miller: The next on the program is a reading: "Welcome" by Master Robert Godfrey.

Katherine E. Miller: Now comes an address by our Department President, Emma. E. Bailey.

REMARKS BY EMMA E. BAILEY, DEPARTMENT PRESIDENT.

Mrs. Chairman, Ladies of the G. A. R., Womans' Relief Corps, and all the patriotic organizations and friends:

I take great pleasure in coming before you, tonight, as the representa-

tive of an order that is making such rapid strides in the work of teaching patriotism to the youth of our land. Our motto, and the broad foundation on which stands the Grand Army of the Republic is Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty. One of these three words we need to emphasize. It is written—interwoven into every word of the red, white and blue of our glorious banner. It shines forth from every ray of light that illuminates its stars. It is the one thing that spells our allegiance to one country and one flag, and that word is LOYALTY. Our forefathers of 1776 understood its meaning and struggled on to victory, and a new nation was given to this earth which stood for independence.

In the days of sixty-one to sixty-five men and boys rallied by the thousands in defense of their country and their country's flag, and when victory was once more proclaimed and the remnant of the mighty host came marching home under the folds of its banner, it meant to them, as it does to them today, not only victory but liberty and union, and, again, in the days of ninety-eight, boys from the north and south rallied loyally around that dear old flag and marched away to bring liberty and peace to the oppressed. It is with pride that we leave with you the work that has been done in trying to instill into the hearts and minds of the youth of our land reverence for this glorious banner, the emblem of the mightiest nation and the mightiest people of the earth, a flag that has never been trailed in the dust by a foreigner, a flag that has been honored and respected by every nation on the globe, and it is our thought that in no better way can the lessons of patriotism and love of country be taught among our children and in the communities in which we live than by teaching them to show reverence for the flag for which our heroes fought.

We want the old flag to speak to the children from the north to the south, from the east to the west, for, wherever it goes, it carries with it American ideas, American feeling and American principles; and never was it more thoroughly administered than it is today that American feeling is ever on the humane side of life. I thank you.

Katherine E. Miller: The next on the program will be a chorus from our schools. They come from the east and west, from the north and south. We will now hear this chorus rendered.

The pupils then rendered "The Song of Peace," under the direction of Miss Ulrich.

The audience demanded an encore and "My Own United States" was given by the chorus of children, which was also warmly received by the audience.

Katherine E. Miller: We will now listen to an address by the Department Commander of the Grand Army of the Republic, Riley L. Jones. (Applause.)

REMARKS BY DEPARTMENT COMMANDER RILEY L. JONES.

Mrs. Chairman and Friends: I was told I was to address a children's meeting. I did not realize for a minute that I would be called upon to address an audience like this. However, they all say that we are children of a larger growth and our hearts beat in sympathy with the same ideals so far as we understand them.

I promised this evening to give some personal reminiscences. I shall not change my subject because of the fact that I can't. The subject is

myself, and if I use the capital "I" a little more often than is generally considered in good taste by public speakers you will realize it is for that fact that it is very difficult indeed to give personal reminiscences without using the capital "I."

I shall relate my story as one of the Union soldiers from the fact that I remember in my boyhood I liked very much to hear what we call true stories. In youth we can't always differentiate between that which is true and that which is a made-up story. However, I want to assure my young friends here, tonight, that what I have to relate to you is a true story. I shall also have one or two objects to show you, which I call "object lessons." I am compelled to do that because I remember very distinctly in my boyhood an object lesson which has never left me, and I am sure that that object lesson had considerable to do with my bringing up. The object lesson to which I allude was a pair of pistols. When an infant I was left in charge of my grandmother. That grandmother was a daughter of an officer of the Revolutionary War who served through seven years, and he had left these two old pistols among other things in his effects. They were about that long, (indicating with his hands,) and they had a bore big enough for a young cannon—almost. When I was a boy—I had gotten to be about twelve or fourteen years of age—I used to save my pennies—now you young people in these days you save dimes and half dollars—but I had nothing but pennies to save; I saved my pennies carefully, nearly all the year, for the purpose of buying powder to feed those old pistols. Well, when the Fourth of July morning came I was out bright and early. I didn't have to be called on that morning. It was a wonderful thing. I got up like a streak of lightning. I crept down stairs in my bare feet, because in July we went barefooted most of the time. I was careful not to wake up anybody in the house. I got out one of these pistols and put in a generous supply of powder, and after the powder had been put in I pulled the trigger. Well, sometimes it went off and sometimes it didn't, but I kept on trying until it did go off and it made such a racket that it woke up the whole neighborhood. Then I was happy. I was the first one up and I had notified the whole neighborhood that the Fourth of July had begun.

The stories that my grandmother told me about her father—of course she could not remember the details of the Revolution—but he had told her stories and she told me about the use of these old pistols and they brought me to a state of mind that, when my country demanded my services, I was ready to enlist in the cavalry to help put down that rebellion. For nearly three years, I think about two years and ten months, I went through all the vicissitudes of the soldier's life—the camp and the march and the field. I believe, as nearly as I can recollect, that I passed through something more than sixty different engagements, battles large and small, with never a wound, never a day of sickness, but my time was to come. On June 24, 1864, I was sent out early one morning in a certain direction hunting for the rebel cavalry. About 11 o'clock in the morning we found them, and they found us a second time. We were dismounted to fight on foot. From that time until dusk in the evening we fought and run for we had to run. They outnumbered us very largely. We were compelled to fall back time after time with losses of many men killed and wounded whom we were obliged to leave, but we took a severe toll from the enemy on that day as I discovered that night or the next day. Just at

dusk I saw the rebel cavalry, mounted, coming upon us. I fired my carbine the last shot and dropped down, and, as I did so, I felt a stunning blow upon my shoulder. I felt the sinking of the bullets as they crashed through flesh and the muscles and nerves, and fell upon my face with a useless right arm hung over my head. I could hear round about me the tramp of horses' feet and the rattle of the scabbards, and, above all these, "hi, hi" of the rebel yell. But it was no dream. I struggled to my feet in pain with the blood flowing out in torrents. I was marched to the rear about one-half to three-quarters of a mile, then I was allowed to rest upon the ground and remain there all night in throbbing pain and burning thirst, which cannot be described. I had in my pocket at that time this little Bible. It was handed to me by the United States Christian Commission the year before. As the blood soaked through my pocket it stained through this Bible and the blood you see upon it flowed from my wound that day. The next morning, as I sat upon the steps of the little old wooden church—the place where this fight occurred (it is called St. Mary's)—waiting to see what disposition they would make of me. Along comes a rebel soldier and he saw my silk handkerchief tied around my arm. He wanted that handkerchief. He said his handkerchief was clean and mine was bloody and he thought it would be a good change for me. Well, do you know, I was not anxious, I was not in a disposition to trade, anyway, because I had had some experience with trading before. The first man who picked me up discovered that I had a watch. He believed in the division of property for he took the watch and left me a leather strap. What use he thought I would have for a leather strap I don't know, but he got the watch. The next man that came along discovered that I had on a soft black felt hat. He wanted the hat. Well, I could not object very well under the circumstances so he took the hat and gave me his cap. Now you know that cap didn't look good to me. It had been worn about three years. It certainly was dirty enough. It was so dirty you could not tell what the original color was. Do you know I was afraid that cap had something in it that I did not want. The fact was I had enough of my own and I didn't want any more of them. (Applause.) The result was that I went bareheaded for the next two months. They say that going bareheaded is very good for the growth of the hair. That is probably the reason for the luxuriant growth on the top of my head.

The next man that came along discovered that I had a pair of calf skin boots. How he admired those boots! He took the boots and left my stockings. Well, those boots had been made for me a short time before but there had been some little mistake made and they chafed me right near the ankles, and, while I have not any particular envy against that man at the present time, I can say at that time I had a little wish that those boots would hurt him as badly as they did me. After the stockings wore out I went barefooted for the next two months.

Now comes along a man who wants to trade handkerchiefs. With the experience that I had you can see that I did not care to trade with the rebel but we traded. He got my handkerchief and I got his and I have his yet, and I am going to show it to you to see whether you think I made a good trade or not. (Applause.) It is a very nice handkerchief, or at least was when it was new. It is not really an up-to-date edition, but to tell the truth I would not sell that handkerchief for considerable money.

That is all the trades that I made as I did not have anything else to trade. I traded myself out of capital.

What does the old flag mean to you? Does it mean a piece of bunting with bright colors to be used for decorating purposes, or does it mean to you as it means to us; the struggles of our ancestors for hundreds of years to attain some measure of self-government. Does it represent to you the Revolutionary War when our forefathers established this free nation on this continent? Does it recall to you the fierce fighting, the terrible struggle of the Civil War? Well do I remember a body of about two hundred soldiers file out of an old dark warehouse in Richmond, Virginia. You would hardly call them soldiers if you did not know anything about it. They had no uniforms except that they were uniformly ragged. Some were barefooted, some were bareheaded, some were both. They hobbled on canes and sticks and crutches, whenever they could get them, some of them. They were pale and emaciated, but they really felt happy that morning, because they were going to be exchanged prisoners of war. They were happy although they were nearly starved. They had existed for months on a ration of coarse corn bread, a little piece about the size of my two fingers twice a day, and as they were to be exchanged that day the rations that morning had been cut down to less than one-half—just a bite; they hobbled to a little river steamer which was to take them down the river. Then it seemed as if that journey never would end. It was only a few miles but it took four or five hours, and those four or five hours seemed as though they were almost centuries, for these men were literally starved. The journey ended at last. They came to a landing. They hobbled off the boat, crossed a neck of land about three quarters of a mile, and there they saw a big white steamer getting ready to take them on board. They saw a row of men with baskets, and in those baskets were sandwiches. They were none of those little sandwiches that some of the ladies feed to us—some about as big as a postage stamp and nearly as thick—but they were generous slices of fresh white bread and a good, big slice of pure fresh beef in between. Did you ever see a man make things disappear? You would think that every man in that crowd was that kind of a man, at least they made things disappear, and then there was a good hot cup of coffee. You talk about the nectar of the gods; it didn't compare for a minute with that coffee. They were like *Oliver Twist*, they asked for more, but the doctor said "No, it is not safe, you must wait awhile." They began to fill up. You know the American citizens as soon as they begin to enjoy things they want to make a speech; those poor fellows, they were so happy that they wanted some one to tell them how happy they did feel, so they began to call upon Baker. They wanted Baker to say something. He was a young law student. He had a faculty for speech and used to make some speeches and he started in and began to say something. Just at that moment the stars and stripes were hung out from the flag staff on that big white steamer and he could only say "Boys, Old Glory." He buried his face in his hands and cried like a child.

What did the flag mean to him? It meant life, love, happiness, home, friends, and, above all, it meant to him, as it should mean to us, that grand word Liberty.

Katherine E. Miller: We will now listen to a solo, "Dream of Paradise," by Robert B. Mosely. The solo was very well received and Mr. Mosely responded to an encore—"Columbia, the Gem of the Ocean."

Katherine E. Miller: We will have next on the program a reading by Miss Wilma Clark, entitled "Kentucky Belle." Miss Clark was very warmly received and responded to an encore with an Irish dialect story, which elicited much applause.

The next number on the program was the presentation of the flag to Vine Street school by Department Patriotic Instructor Myrta Rheinfrank, assisted by Uncle Sam, (Albert Day), and Miss Columbia, (Miss Ruth Little), while one of the Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic carried the flag from the back of the church to the rostrum, amid considerable applause.

REMARKS BY MYRTA RHEINFRANK, DEPARTMENT PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR.

Again it is my privilege to come before you in the capacity of Patriotic Instructor of the Womans' Relief Corps of the Department of Michigan, and may I repeat that tonight is the proudest night of my life when I tell you that I am the daughter of one of the boys who, at the age of sixteen years, left home and mother and marched away to defend his country. I am proud to stand before you as a representative of the Woman's Relief Corps, an organization second only to one, and that one the Grand Army of the Republic. (Applause.) And then I am more than proud of this privilege of speaking to our coming citizens, the boys and girls of your city. Did it ever occur to you that the bow of ribbon that you wear in your button hole or pinned on your dress was really a flag. It is useless for me to relate the details leading up to the completion of our beautiful banner for every boy and girl within the sound of my voice is familiar with that event. You all know how, on July 4, 1776, the Declaration of Independence said to all the world that there was a new nation—the United States of America. This new nation of course must have a flag. On June 14, 1777, the new flag was adopted by Congress and for eighteen years remained the flag of the nation. Year after year new states came knocking at the door asking to be admitted and so it was decided that after July 4, 1818, the flag should have thirteen stripes—first a red one then a white one, and for every state that should be admitted to the Union a new star should be added. You see there is a star for every state and a stripe for each of the original colonies. One by one new stars have taken their places until today forty-eight are found on the field of blue.

It is interesting to patriotic citizens to know that this particular form of flag was the one used on Fort McHenry when Francis Scott Key, waiting to know whether the fort had fallen, and when "by the stars early light he saw through the mist that our flag was still there," he started writing the Star Spangled Banner. What a wonderful day it was; the day that Betsy Ross cut the first beautiful star. What beautiful victories, what glorious deeds have been done. Ask of these men who, from sixty-one to sixty-five, followed the fighting colors, who today are only a handful compared with the numbers who marched away in their neat uniforms of blue. Soon there will be but an invalid hero of an army that numbered two million or more. There will be a brigade, then a regiment, then a platoon, a few stragglers, and then, soon but too soon, we will read an item of news that the last old soldier has just passed away.

They are the men whose valor saved our land. We should revere these

men for their love and heroism; but their wives and sweethearts in those days. What must it have meant to them? Those were agonizing days for the wives and sweethearts. But theirs was true heroism.

It is a beautiful thought to me that June, the month of roses and of love, should be the birth month of our beautiful flag. Its very colors have a language of their own—red, typical of the blood that was shed in the War of Freedom; white, emblematic of the purity of the principles upon which our government was organized; blue, to represent the devotion and loyalty of the founders of the Republic. Let us remember that for every star in the field of blue, for every stripe, ten thousand have laid down and died. As long as this United States exists this flag must remain in its present form except that new stars can be added as new states are admitted. Protect this flag that nothing shall be added or taken from this emblem—Old Glory.

Mr. Norcross. It gives me the greatest pride on behalf of the Womans' Relief Corps of the Department of Michigan to present to you and through you to the boys and girls of the Vine Street School this beautiful banner. It is our aim to have Old Glory in every school. We know that the boys and the girls are taught to love and revere our country's emblem. We must always remember that the children of today are the citizens of tomorrow. We know that we are committing it to those who will love and cherish it for all time to come. (Applause.)

RESPONSE BY ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS NORCROSS OF THE
KALAMAZOO SCHOOLS.

To the Patriotic Instructor of the Womans' Relief Corps:

It is with the deepest sense of gratitude that I am permitted to make a response. I am sorry Mr. Hartwell, the superintendent, was unable to be present with us tonight. But I want to say this—that I don't know of any class of people who are more worthy to receive Old Glory than the boys and girls of our public schools. If we want to see examples of patriotism and of love of home we do not need to go to the aged but to the little boys and the little girls, and so I say that probably nobody is more worthy to receive Old Glory than the boys and girls of our public schools. I trust the other schools of the city may be given the privilege of receiving this beautiful gift in the years to come. I can't think of any better gift; I do not know of any that is more appropriate to our boys and girls than the flag. Under this flag they are given the freedom that no other boy or girl has in all the lands of the globe. Under the stars and stripes they are given free education and a chance to grow up into good men and good women; so I know of no other gift that could be more appropriate than the flag of our country, and I do not know of any class of people who has a better right to present this precious gift than the Womans' Relief Corps. Those women, especially the older ones of the Womans' Relief Corps, away back in those trying times from sixty-one to sixty-five, have suffered probably as nobody else suffered during that time. It has been told in my hearing by my father and my mother that the women who remained at home during those trying times suffered as the soldier knew not how to suffer. I remember my old mother, years ago, telling about the Womans' Relief Corps and how these women got together and they sewed and made bandages to send down to the soldier

boys to bind up wounds. They made handkerchiefs and they got up presents that would cheer and sent them on to them. Those women sustained the family while the men fought that we might have a government great, grand and free. (Applause.) I do not know of anybody who has more right to present Old Glory than the ladies of the Woman's Relief Corps. So it gives me very great pleasure to accept from these women this flag on behalf of the boys and girls of the Vine Street School. This flag shall be taken from room to room, and it shall be placed in the hall so that all may see it. I feel that under its influence that our boys and girls will grow up to be men and women who will be worthy as our fathers and mothers have been worthy in the past. I thank you. (Applause.)

Katherine E. Miller. As presiding officer it is my pleasure to thank those who took part in the program tonight. We appreciate it very much. We will now have the children's chorus in "The Star Spangled Banner."

The audience sang "America," which ended the program.

THURSDAY EVENING, JUNE 17TH, 1915, ARMORY, KALAMAZOO, 8:00 O'CLOCK P. M.
GENERAL CAMP FIRE.

Comrade Strong: Comrades, Ladies of the Womans' Relief Corps and auxiliary societies: I want to say, at the beginning, that I am pleased to see such a splendid audience here tonight. If there is anything that pleases these men who are going to talk to you it is to have a good audience to talk to. They appreciate it. It is with pleasure that I offer you some words of welcome.

Comrades, you have been welcomed to this city by the Mayor; as a member of the Grand Army of the Republic and of the local Post, No. 79, I extend to you a very hearty welcome to our city. I hope that your days so far have been pleasant and that they will continue to be so to the end. Comrades, As I come here tonight and look into your faces, it recalls the many engagements in which we took part many years ago. I never thought that in years to come I would stand before such an audience as this and welcome them in a reunion. Time has passed along and we are here tonight, and, as I said before, I am glad to see you. We fought under the same flag in a common cause. I shall now call upon our Department Commander, Riley L. Jones, for some remarks. (Applause.)

REMARKS BY DEPARTMENT COMMANDER RILEY L. JONES, OF SAGINAW.

Mr. Chairman, Comrades of the Grand Army, and citizens of Kalamazoo: I saw that I was placed upon the program to respond to an address of welcome. I have been told, I think several times, that speeches of welcome have to be taken with a grain of allowance. They say sometimes speakers put in a little that you might call "bunco," but there is nothing of that sort in the speech of welcome which your chairman has given us tonight. We have tasted the hospitality of Kalamazoo in years gone by and, as you see, we are here again. Actions speak louder than words they say; that is why we are here to express by our actions the fact that we appreciate the hospitality of this beautiful city, and if it keeps on I would not be a bit surprised, after reading something on your program here which says: "We hope you may each and every one have a most enjoyable time while with us and soon give us the opportunity of entertain-

ing you again." (Applause.) If that holds good I will say within a very few years you will be singing the old song "And the cat came back." My first visit to Kalamazoo was made very many years ago—one-half a century. At that time you boasted of the fact that you had the largest village in Michigan if not in the United States. You took me out to the asylum, in front of it, and pointing at it said: "that is a beautiful thing." Yes, it was. Now you have grown to be a larger city; so large that you stick the asylum away off in one corner and don't say anything about it.

The citizens of Kalamazoo have boasted and been proud, and they have a good reason to be so, of their boys who went out from there to fight for their country when their country needed their services. You citizens of Kalamazoo have a right to be proud of those boys because they were Michigan men, and I can tell you that the Michigan men have made their mark upon the battlefields. I was not a Michigan soldier, therefore feel free to speak of the Michigan men whose valor I have had opportunities of witnessing. I very well remember the third day of July, 1863, on the right flank at Gettysburg when the Michigan men of the old First Michigan Cavalry made that grand and noble charge. It has been written down as one of the most gallant charges that has ever been recorded; I know when they struck the enemy bold in front in their bravery; I know when under the gallant Custer they charged those men squarely in front. (applause,) and when the impact was so severe that horses and riders were overthrown and trampled under foot; I know how those Michigan men fought hand to hand against three times their own numbers and drove them back and our ranks were safe. I know how every brave man, at the same time, stood upon Cemetery Ridge and with bayonets drove back a host of rebels and sent them back, and the battle of Gettysburg was a glorious victory. They did great service at Gettysburg.

I am not here to make a long speech. You have eloquent speakers who will do that, and I shall be glad to hear them; but I did want to pay a tribute to the men of Michigan because there is no one else who knows better than I how they fought gallantly through the whole of the Civil War and thus made their mark, and it is a distinguished one on nearly every battlefield of the Civil War. (Applause.) I pay this tribute to them, as I say I was not a Michigan soldier. Now, I have a Comrade here tonight to relieve me. I don't know whether he is here or not tonight. Is Comrade Bartlett in the house? I am going to cut my speech right off and ask Comrade Bartlett to come up here and sing a song to you. (Great applause.)

Comrade Bartlett: It is not very often that I have to help out the Department Commander, but I shall do the best that I can.

Comrade Bartlett then rendered "When the Boys in Blue are Gone," which song appears in preceding pages of the Journal. He was obliged to respond to an encore and gave "All Ready for Inspection in the Morning," which was also very warmly received.

Comrade Strong: Comrades, it will be a long time again before you hold an encampment in Kalamazoo. In fifteen years we will all be gone.

A voice from a Comrade: That is a mistake.

Comrade Strong: But you are growing old, Comrade. But then did you ever stop to think what a world we would have if men never died. If, under these conditions, we were to speak about the Ohio flood and what

a terrible thing it was some one would say that was nothing in comparison to the flood that extended over the earth.

A solo was then rendered by Miss Lida Shanley, which the audience appreciated very much and she was recalled and gave an encore.

Comrade Strong: You who have programs may have noticed the chairman will introduce Col. Janes as toastmaster. I have no impression as to whether he would make a good toastmaster or not but I do know that he makes a rattling good speech. I now have the pleasure of introducing to you Junior Vice-Commander-in-Chief O. A. Janes.

REMARKS BY O. A. JANES.

Mr. Chairman, Commander-in-Chief of the G. A. R., Comrades, and citizens of Kalamazoo and vicinity: I did not expect that I was going to make a speech tonight while I was in Kalamazoo as I had been notified to be toastmaster and the toastmaster is generally recognized as a "roastmaster." I thought I was going to have the pleasure of roasting those upon the program tonight and escape myself, but it has been changed and I am to make a speech. I look at my watch; I see the hour is getting late for we people in Detroit. We retire very early "in the morning." I don't know how it is in Kalamazoo, but from my observation in Detroit, which is regarded as the leading automobile city of the world, on the vehicles that go up and down Woodward Avenue and Jefferson Avenue, I have noticed this thing—that the longer the spoke the greater the tire.

Then, again, I look at the program and I see some "big guns." The Commander-in-Chief of the G. A. R., the National President of the Womans' Relief Corps, and, boys, we all observed in the army that the greater the gun the longer the bore. I leave it to the Department Commander himself; but, from what I have learned, I do not think you need have any fear of the "big guns."

We have received a great reception in Kalamazoo, the Department of Michigan Grand Army of the Republic. As they marched upon the streets the people who assembled upon the streets seemed to give us a glad welcome. It does our hearts good. It inspires us greatly and I want to thank the people of Kalamazoo for their kindness, and for the gracious and most earnest, heartfelt reception which they have given the G. A. R. today.

Fifty years have elapsed since we ended the strife between the people of this country, of the north and south, and out of that great struggle has arisen the nation, united. Undisputably it stands today as the peer of any nation in the world. (Great applause.) May God grant, under the leadership of that great Executive in the White House at Washington, that we will be the great pacificists of that terrible struggle going on across the Atlantic ocean. May our position be such as to maintain the honor and integrity of this nation, but to avoid any contest with any of the nations that are engaged in battle array. I believe that out of it will come greater blessings; greater interest and greater good for humanity throughout the whole world when it is finally settled.

What did it cost to maintain the flag unsullied? What did it cost to maintain the unity of the nation? What did it cost that fifty years afterwards we should stand among the great nations of the world? It cost exactly four hundred thousand lives of the men of the nation. It

caused the loss of millions or more of the youth of our land who went forth. Billions and billions of dollars it cost, but out of that comes this great good that we have a united nation, and we rejoice that today the erring brethren stand with us united against any foreign foe; we are all for one flag and we uphold Old Glory with you now and forevermore.

How many went forth into that conflict in behalf of the Union—two and one-quarter millions of men or boys—three-quarters of that great army of two and one quarter was composed of boys twenty-one years of age and under. Boys! They saved the country. They speak of the great ravage of war on the other side with the great loss in killed and wounded, but when you stop to think of those engaged across the waters and those engaged in the struggle in this country you will see that the percentage of loss is not greater than the percentage during the Civil War. I was reading the other day a careful compilation of the number of men who were in arms in the European war today—of the allies against Germany, Austria and Turkey. There are ten million today in arms, either at the front or as reservists, ready to be called on the part of Germany, Austria and Turkey; six and one-half millions on the other side. Sixteen millions of men in arms against one another. The line in France and Belgium, four hundred miles long, is strongly intrenched from the northeast to Switzerland with the most improved methods of warfare, and I doubt very much whether either will be able to break through those lines successfully. It is a deadlock as they go on killing each other extending their power. It will cost England millions and millions of dollars, as the great destruction of property goes on without any material effect to either side. But just for a moment, as we speak of the loss, there are millions engaged while with us there were only thousands. Why a percentage of Canadian troops at a certain battle were so daring that all England praised them. It is said that they lost one-quarter of the number engaged. Take the Battle of Gettysburg in July, 1863, the first corps, under General Reynolds, as it came into Gettysburg and there met the Confederates numbering thirteen thousand men at ten o'clock that day and fought until four o'clock and that corps of eight thousand two hundred men left, dead or wounded, upon that field six thousand one hundred of their number. That is a greater percentage, with a like number engaged, than has occurred in this great European war. I remember at the second battle of Bull Run that a New York regiment got into action there with four hundred seventy men and there were but sixty-eight left. I speak of this to show that while there were not as many engaged in action still the fighting in our Civil War was just as terrible as any taking place across the water. Why fighting over there is for the acquisition of more territory. We were not fighting for greater power, but the volunteer soldiers from the farm, from the office and from all vocations of life rallied when this country was in danger, when it was to be divided, when the flag was insulted, at the response of Abraham Lincoln to save the Union; they believed that a State could not desert this nation voluntarily. The South believed that State power was greater than governmental power, and when the people of the State had acted to desert the Union they were at liberty to fight for that principle, and they fought ferociously. It was fought upon the question of principles which both sides thought right. You, Comrades, settled the war for one country, one flag. There were others who suffered with you. The women suffered

in tears for those whom they sent to the front. The anxiety during those years, while their loved ones were away, was intense; they suffered along with you. I recall this little incident: I was in the hospital. Next to me, on a cot, lay a youth, and the surgeon said he could not live very long. They found the mother's name and address in his knapsack; they sent for her, and, with the speed of lightning, she started for Philadelphia. One hour before her arrival the spirit of the boy had taken its flight; she came into the hospital, the sheet was turned down, and as she looked upon it tears streamed from her eyes. She turned and went out of that house and up the lane and there was Old Glory flying from the staff in the bright sunshine; she looked up with tears streaming down her face and said: "That flag is dearer to me today than ever before because it has cost me something." So, my friends and Comrades, that flag cost this nation something to establish it, and it cost a great deal to preserve it, and the G. A. R. rely upon the present generation and the generations to come to see that that flag is maintained and preserved for the good of mankind, for humanity all over the world.

The toastmaster said we were getting old; I don't like to admit it but have to when I count the years. In fifteen years there will be only, standing here and there, a survivor of the Civil War. These are facts that you must consider, then, as the Comrade sang "We will All Be Ready for Inspection in the Morning."

There was another class that did yeoman's service in that war and had a great deal to do in the time of need. If it had not been for them I don't know as we would have succeeded; that was the good, old army mule. Long trains of them came over the mountains bringing the hard tack, etc., to relieve our wants. We could not depend upon the country because the cavalry had been all over the country. We loaded the wagons down to the hubs to get rations to the boys. (Here Col. Janes gave an eulogy on the Old Army Mule.)

A selection was then rendered by the orchestra.

Comrade Strong: I want to assure you that we are saving the best in the land. Now don't leave or else you will miss something.

Ladies and gentlemen and Comrades, we have with us tonight the National President of the Womans' Relief Corps and I am going to call upon her to speak to you.

REMARKS BY THE NATIONAL PRESIDENT OF THE WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS.

Comrades, members of the Womans' Relief Corps and friends: It is a very great pleasure as well as a privilege for me to be here tonight to bring you the greetings from our great organization, the Womans' Relief Corps, and from my own Department of New York. It seems to me that there was never a time in the history of our nation when there was greater need for patriotic instruction than there is today. With thousands of foreign born children that come to our shores every year and with this great war in Europe there will be more work than ever to teach those children what our flag stands for and what it means. We want the boys and girls today to understand that we have but one flag and that flag the stars and stripes; that flag for which you men offered your lives is today honored and respected all over the civilized world. To the Womans' Relief Corps belongs the credit of a flag floating over every schoolhouse in this western country; to the Womans' Re-

lief Corps belongs the credit of a flag being placed among our Sabbath schools; we believe that the church and the school are the bulwark of the nation. The boys and girls of today are the coming men and women of tomorrow, so we want to teach them what the flag stands for, and I believe the Womans' Relief Corps has done more to make good citizens of our boys and girls than all other organizations combined. Any woman within the sounding of my voice would be a better woman if she were a member of the Womans' Relief Corps. Our organization takes in the patriotic and loyal women, so that when you and I, Comrades, have folded our hands and laid down to rest these younger men and women can perpetuate our work, keep your memory green.

I hope to have the honor and privilege again of looking into your faces, and that you may have the honor again of entertaining your Commander-in-Chief. I trust that it may be your privilege again and mine to walk up and down Pennsylvania Avenue. It is a pleasure for me to look into your faces. I have that blessed privilege of looking into the faces of thousands of our Comrades of the G. A. R. (Great applause.)

Solo, "Sleeping Under the Flag," was then rendered by Mrs. Allie Scott. Mrs. Scott very graciously responded to an encore, both solo and encore being very well received.

Comrade Strong: We have with us tonight the National Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic. He is traveling to the Atlantic. He goes from here to Ohio where he will visit the encampment of that State. I take great pleasure in introducing to you David J. Palmer, Commander-in-Chief of the G. A. R.

REMARKS BY DAVID J. PALMER, COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF OF THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC.

Comrades, Ladies of the Womans' Relief Corps, Ladies of the G. A. R., Daughters and Sons of Veterans, and Spanish War Veterans. I congratulate you on the nice day that you have had today, the nice meeting which you have tonight, the nice parade that you had today through the streets. I arrived here about two o'clock this afternoon, and no one had to come to me and say "Welcome." I saw it on every house, even the private residences had on them the mark of welcome, and hence it was not necessary to call the Mayor out to tell us that we are welcome. Whenever the soldier sees the American flag he feels welcome, and I felt welcomed today. I am sorry, indeed, not to have been here before our Senior Vice Commander had passed away. Your Comrade, Dr. Griswold, was very well known in this Department and he was well known in the national convention. When the shock came to us we elected, as Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief, one of your own number. We are glad to have him here and he has delighted you with his eloquence. I came all the way from Iowa here, indirectly, and the first thing I am introduced to here on coming from dry Iowa to Michigan is water. I thought better of you than that. Now my Comrade said, awhile ago, it was getting late. I had not noticed it and I will not notice it now for about one hour and a half.

A young fellow in our country thought he was going to Congress. He got out a speech. He hired an opera house himself and announced the day. He took his wife with him, and said when the speech was over "we will go home." They walked three or four blocks and not a word had

been said; he could not stand it any longer. He said: "Jennie, you are not saying anything about that speech." She said: "You had any number of opportunities but you did not take advantage of your opportunities." He said: "What do you mean by that?" "Well," said she, "you had several opportunities to sit down before you did." (Applause.) Comrades, I don't want to lose an opportunity tonight.

In 1861 there were two boys in the country very chummy; one of them had been married for some little time and the other was single. In 1861 they enlisted together, they were chummy at home; they got in the same company and went to the front, doing some hard marching and considerable work. After a good day's work, one day, these two boys, chummy still, crawled in for the night. One was heard to say: "Jim, what did you enlist for to have all this hardship." "Well," he said "I was a single fellow; I did not have anybody to care for me, I like war, and I enlisted." The other said: "I was married and I liked peace, and I thought I would enlist."

My Comrades and fellow citizens, I am interested in the G. A. R. I have been traveling from ocean to ocean seeing these men, the boys, as many as I could, and give them the right hand of fellowship—that regular pump-handle shake. That is what I have been doing. I have been at home but once since last January. I have tried to see just as many of the Comrades as I possibly could. I just came from an encampment over in Wisconsin at a place called Warsaw. It was a good encampment, no better I think than the one I found here. I found the nicest parade over there.

Last March I was down in Arkansas; a right good encampment. We had a camp fire there that night; quite a number of the Confederates were invited in to help eat. They eat just like they used to. A number of them were on the program. I met one man, a very nice looking fellow. He said he was a lawyer. He gave me the right hand of fellowship and the pump-handle shake. He said: "We were not with you fifty years ago, but we are with you now." I thanked him for that. "When I enlisted I was quite young. I was taught that one of us boys down south could just run three of you fellows into the brush any time we wanted to. I disabused my mind of that after I had been out awhile. I found out that all that I wanted to monkey with was one of you fellows; and if you would leave me alone I would leave you alone." They have gotten their minds entirely disabused of that now and they are willing to call us Comrades. At the reunion of the blue and the gray at Franklin, Tennessee, I met four or five hundred Johnnies and one hundred and fifty Yanks. We went over to the court house and the Daughters of the Confederacy sent us sandwiches. They gave out the right hand of fellowship and said: "We were not with you fifty years ago but we are now." I saw decorations with a Confederate flag on every school house, the American flag stuck up about three or four feet higher than the Confederate flag. I said to them: "John, that looks pretty good to me; in fifty years you have our flag a little above yours; fifty years more yours will be clear out of sight." They could not have done it thirty years ago but they are coming across.

Now it is up to you, my Comrades, to reach out your hands to those fellows and lift them up. Pull them up to you. Never, my Comrades, permit the flag to be changed by anybody. (Great applause.) This flag

is over one hundred years old—the flag for which you fought four years and lost your blood—now some one comes along and tries to tear it into all kinds of pieces. I tell you, my Comrades, you have got to stand by Uncle Sam today just as we stood by him in the sixties. Across the water they are uttering some threatening words. Our poor man Bryan got cold feet and resigned. Did you get cold feet and throw down your arms? You were made of real stuff. How was it that mother gave up that sixteen year old boy then? The government could not take a seventeen year old boy; but eighteen years and upwards the government could take them. The boys came forward; the mother came and gave her son, the boy under sixteen and seventeen years, even down to fifteen years and under. Over three hundred thousand of sixteen years and under carried guns in our army and all served for Uncle Sam. Do you suppose any of those boys would come forth now and help somebody to change the flag? Not by a long shot. You ask some of these young wives, some of them are living yet. Not many of the old mothers are living but other mothers are living today that gave up sons of that age; gave up their sons that they should have their names on the roll of honor to do service for Uncle Sam. I tell you, fellow citizens, that was a boy war; over two million were twenty years of age and under. That was a boy war. Boys in their teens doing Uncle Sam's business for four years, and how well did they do it? Look at history and look at the flag above you here, and see if there are any stars missing. Now Comrades we want to stand by Uncle Sam when war is threatening to come across our way. We should stand right by the President of the United States today.

When I meet with the Ladies of the Womans' Relief Corps or the Ladies of the G. A. R., or that class of women who are so interested in the G. A. R., I always think of mother. Very many here have left some loved one whom they thought a great deal of. How did it happen that mothers were so kind as to give up their sons at that time? Was there anything in a mothers' love when they go to war? But the mothers in those days are no different than they are today. No different. It is all the same today as it was before. Those mothers thought of their homes. Some women gave up their husband or son or both. Some of them did that. Some of the boys were under age. That was the mother for you then; those Queens of America stayed at home and did the work. Some of them worked in the fields, brought in the grain; they helped to plow the corn in the years the boys were away from home and the husbands were away from home.

I heard of a great professor. He said he is going to get up a history of this country; is going to cut out of it all that is offensive so that the boys and the girls can read it in the schools today. I tell you, my Comrades, we have got to look out. History written in the red blood of patriotism is sacred. Are we ready to forget all hardship? That makes the tears come to our eyes. We have brought all the States back with us today and we want to say to the parties across the water: "Keep off the grass, we are attending to this country ourselves." We want to stand by that flag and put a star on it whenever we want to. They undertook to take away quite a number of them and make a Confederate flag out of it with stars and bars. They talk about putting the stars in a circle and putting a cross in it. That is to make it as near a Confederate flag as possible.

It is about time for me to get off and reminds me of a colored fellow who was going to ride a mule. He said: "When you see that he is going to throw you, get off." The mule gave two or three lunges and finally the colored fellow fell off.

The camp fire ended by the audience singing "America."

MEMORIAL ROLL.

ROLL OF DEAD—DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN.

FOR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1914.

JOHN A. LOGAN POST NO. 1, SOLDIERS' HOME.

Name.	Rank.	Company.	Organization.	Date of death.	Residence.
James K. Richmond.....	Sergeant.....	K	19th Mich. Infantry.....	June 4, 1914	Soldiers' Home.
William Yilkey.....					
Henry C. Palmer.....	Sergeant.....	A	13th Illinois Infantry.....	Oct. 13, 1914	Soldiers' Home.
Harmon P. Cole.....	Private.....	A	5th Mich. Infantry.....	Sept. 11, 1914	Soldiers' Home.
Keuben G. Duell.....	Private.....	K	1st N. Y. Cavalry.....	Dec. 15, 1914	Soldiers' Home.

POST NO. 4. READING.

H. H. Weaver.....	Lieutenant.....		3d Iowa Battery.....	Jan. 23, 1915	Reading.
Samuel M. Davis.....	Private.....	F	2d Mich. Cavalry.....		

CUSTER POST No. 5, GRAND RAPIDS.

John C. Stainton.....	Lieutenant.....	E	126th N. Y. Infantry.....	Feb. 2, 1914	Grand Rapids.
Leonard Seymen.....	Sergeant.....	H	1st Mich. Cavalry.....	Feb. 26, 1914	Grand Rapids.
Jos. C. Herkner.....	Captain.....	D	1st Mich. E. and M.....	Mar. 17, 1914	Grand Rapids.
Wm. M. Robinson.....	Captain.....	A	26th Mo. Infantry.....	Mar. 26, 1914	Grand Rapids.
David C. Leach.....	Private.....	E	5th Mich. Infantry.....	Apr. 8, 1914	Grand Rapids.
Sigo Tyroller.....	Private.....	K	7th Ohio Infantry.....	Apr. 12, 1914	Grand Rapids.
R. A. Stearns.....	Private.....	B	3d Mich. Infantry.....	Apr. 14, 1914	Grand Rapids.
W. A. Babcock.....	Private.....	K	19th Mich. Infantry.....	Apr. 14, 1914	Grand Rapids.
A. S. Smith.....	Private.....	B	1st Mich. E. and M.....	June 21, 1914	Grand Rapids.
Wm. Van Liew.....	Corporal.....	F	2d Mich. Cavalry.....	July 23, 1914	Grand Rapids.
Geo. V. French.....	Private.....	A	50th Ohio Infantry.....	July 23, 1914	Grand Rapids.
Jas. F. Shoemaker.....	Private.....	H	184th Ohio Infantry.....	Nov. 26, 1914	Grand Rapids.
David G. Miller.....	Sergeant.....	K	15th Mich. Infantry.....	Dec. 21, 1914	Grand Rapids.
<i>Not Members of the G. A. R.</i>					
David D. Collins.....	Captain.....	A	6th Mich. Cavalry.....	Apr. 21, 1914	Grand Rapids.
John D. Wolf.....	Private.....	G	105th Ohio Infantry.....	Apr. 10, 1914	Grand Rapids.
Chas. E. Allen.....	Private.....	K	4th Mich. Infantry.....	Jan. 1, 1914	Grand Rapids.
Ed. H. Hunt.....	Adjutant.....		8th N. Y. Cavalry.....	Sept. 19, 1914	Grand Rapids.
G. H. Sherman.....	Lieutenant.....	K	10th Mich. Infantry.....	Oct. 1, 1914	Grand Rapids.
Wm. B. Knapp.....	Surgeon.....		21th Mich. Infantry.....	Dec. 3, 1914	Grand Rapids.

C. J. DICKERSON POST NO. 6, HILLSDALE.

Geo. A. Riker.....	Private.....	G	1st Mich. Artillery.....	Mar. 19, 1914	Hillsdale.
Chas. H. Fairbanks.....	Private.....	B	4th Mich. Infantry.....	Apr. 2, 1914	Hillsdale.
Anid S. Thomas.....	Corporal.....	G	30th Mich. Infantry.....	Oct. 24, 1914	Allen.

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C. J. DICKERSON POST NO. 6, HILLSDALE.—*Concluded.*

Name.	Rank.	Company.	Organization.	Date of Death.	Residence.
<i>Not members of the G. A. R.</i>					
Sylvester F. Dwight		A	1st Mich. Artillery	Feb. 16, 1914	Hillsdale.
Amos Steere			25th Mass. Infantry	Mar. 14, 1914	Hillsdale.
R. C. Jones				Feb. 27, 1914	
Gerhardt Lauer	Private	H	152d Ind. Infantry	Aug. 19, 1914	Bankers.
John S. Hanes	Private	D	9th Mich. Infantry	July 24, 1914	Hillsdale.
Alfred Deuel	Private	F	18th Mich. Infantry	Mar. 9, 1914	Camden.

PHIL KEARNEY POST NO. 7, MUSKEGON.

Frederick A. Nims	Lieutenant	L	1st N. Y. Cavalry	Jan. 14, 1914	Muskegon.
Joseph E. Hughes	Private	E	1st Mich. Artillery	Feb. 5, 1914	Muskegon.
J. Fenner	Corporal	F	17th Wis. Infantry	Feb. 24, 1914	No. Muskegon.
Jacob Lobdell	Private	C	13th Mich. Infantry	June 15, 1914	Muskegon.
Joseph Wall	Private	H	18th U. S. Infantry	Oct. 5, 1914	Muskegon.
Wm. Reynolds	Lieutenant		74th Ind. Infantry	Oct. 15, 1914	Muskegon.
James Easterly	Private	F	6th N. Y. Heavy Arty	Oct. 22, 1914	Muskegon.
Ansel F. Temple	Private	I	42d Mass. Infantry	Dec. 24, 1914	Muskegon.

JOHN A. DIX POST NO. 9, HESPERIA.

George Overly	Private	D	29th Ind. Infantry	Nov. 19, 1914	Hesperia.
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WM. BELL POST NO. 10, DUNDEE.

Stephen Rawson	Private	D	7th Mich. Infantry	Sept. 1, 1914	Dundee.
Miles B. Johnson	Private	D	7th Mich. Infantry	Oct. 15, 1914	Dundee.
<i>Not a member of the G. A. R.</i>					
Cyrus McBride	Private	K	1st Mich. Cavalry	Aug. 4, 1914	Dundee.

ROBERTS POST NO. 11, BANCROFT.

James Norton				Nov. 1914	Shiawassee town.
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GEORGE H. THOMAS POST NO. 14, BENTON HARBOR.

O. D. Lason	Private	K	10th Mich. Infantry	Jan. 20, 1914	Benton Harbor.
M. M. Pulver	Private	F	31st Mass. Infantry	Feb. 11, 1914	Benton Harbor.
Samuel Harmon	Private	E	140th Ill. Infantry	June 14, 1914	Benton Harbor.
David Ledyard	Private	F	42d Ill. Infantry	July 25, 1914	Benton Harbor.
Jas. Marceau	Private	L	22d N. Y. Cavalry	Aug. 5, 1914	Benton Harbor.
Wm. W. Oliphant	Private	H	3d Mich. Cavalry	Aug. 17, 1914	Benton Harbor.
<i>Not members of the G. A. R.</i>					
Lewis W. Pearl	Major		12th Mich. Infantry	Apr. 30, 1914	Benton Twp.
G. DuVall	Private	B	12th Mich. Infantry	Jan. 3, 1914	Coloma.
John Kraus	Private	B	12th Mich. Infantry	Dec. 15, 1914	Bainbridge Cen'r.
Edw. Sharai	Private	H	24th Mich. Infantry	May 22, 1914	Sodus Twp.
L. E. Moats	Private	F	24th Mich. Infantry	Feb. 12, 1914	Benton Harbor.
Robert Busby	Private	F	16th U. S. Col'd Infantry	Mar. 27, 1914	Benton Harbor.
I. T. Crago	Private	B	26th Ohio Infantry	Dec. 27, 1914	

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FAIRBANKS POST NO. 17, DETROIT.

Name.	Rank.	Company.	Organization.	Date of death.	Residence.
Ralph Archibald	Private	I	24th Mich. Infantry	Feb. 15, 1914	Detroit.
Chas. Cameron	Private	G	9th Mich. Cavalry	Mar. 23, 1914	Detroit.
Anthony Miller	Private	M	2d Ill. Artillery	May 11, 1914	Detroit.
John W. Southwick	Corporal	I	1st Ill. Cavalry	May 11, 1914	Detroit.
Michael Beyer	Private	A	2d Mich. Cavalry	Mar. 29, 1914	Detroit.
Wm. Coulthard				Mar. 12, 1914	Detroit.
Henry Eggeman	Sergeant	A	2d Mich. Infantry	June 24, 1914	Detroit.
Wm. V. Morrison	Seaman		U. S. Navy	Aug. 1, 1914	Detroit.
Geo. E. Devery	Private	E	23d Mich. Infantry	Aug. 30, 1914	Detroit.
Augustus R. Sink	Private	A	24th Mich. Infantry	Oct. 28, 1914	Detroit.
Chas. Zuckreigel				Nov. 9, 1914	Detroit.
Calvin A. Newton	Private	C	1st Mich. Infantry	Dec. 28, 1914	Detroit.

McPHERSON POST NO. 18, TRAVERSE CITY.

Charles Irish	Private	F	15th Mich. Infantry	May 8, 1914	Traverse City.
Geo. A. Stearns	Private	M	1st N. H. Heavy Artillery	Oct. 10, 1914	Traverse City.
Wm. Knapp	Private	C	104th N. Y. Infantry	Apr. 26, 1914	Traverse City.
L. C. Hayes	Private	E	8th Mich. Cavalry	Feb. 14, 1914	
John Sinninager	Private	B	17th Wis. Infantry	Sept. 4, 1914	Traverse City.
J. B. Lincoln	Private	E	1st Maine Infantry	June 7, 1914	Traverse City.
<i>Not a member of the G. A. R.</i>					
Wm. Argistine	Private	F	143d Ohio Infantry	Nov. 1, 1914	Traverse City.

A. LINCOLN POST NO. 19, BANGOR.

Burse Merriman	Private	G	15th Mich. Infantry	Mar. 23, 1914	Bangor.
R. C. Nymán	Private	G	3d Mich. Cavalry	Apr. 12, 1914	Bangor.
<i>Not a member of the G. A. R.</i>					
William Ray	Private		28th U. S. Col'd Infantry	Dec. 22, 1914	Bangor.

COL. FENTON POST NO. 24, FENTON.

Henry Gardner			Maine, Heavy Artillery	Mar. 28, 1914	Fenton.
E. H. Slocum			16th Mich. Infantry	Mar. 20, 1914	Fenton.
Cleveland Vandorn	Captain		124th Ohio Infantry	June 26, 1914	Fenton.
Milo Crawford	Private		24th Mich. Infantry	Oct. 28, 1914	Fenton.
Alva T. Philip			Hospital Dept.	Nov. 22, 1914	Fenton.
Wm. Highfield	Private	L	10th Mich. Cavalry	Mar. 11, 1914	Fenton.
<i>Not members of the G. A. R.</i>					
Jacob Bullock			5th Mich. Cavalry	Mar. 1914	Fenton.
Daniel Varnum			8th Mich. Cavalry	Mar. 26, 1914	Fenton.
Lawrence Bullard			111th N. Y. Infantry	Apr. 2, 1914	Fenton.
Jas. W. Ripley	Musician		16th Mich. Infantry	Sept. 21, 1914	Fenton.
Henry O. Clark			11th Mich. Infantry	Dec. 26, 1914	South Lyon.

DAVID BECKER POST NO. 25, JASPER.

<i>Not a member of the G. A. R.</i>					
Welcome Meach	Private	D	68th Ohio Infantry	June 21, 1914	Ogden.

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JOE HOOKER POST NO. 26, HART.

Name.	Rank.	Company.	Organization.	Date of death.	Residence.
<i>Not members of the G. A. R.</i>					
Geo. L. Lacy	Private.....	F	76th N. Y. Infantry	Nov. 10, 1914	Hart.
Sebury Thorp	Private.....	F	118th Ind. Infantry.....	Oct. 19, 1914	Hart.

BURNSIDE POST NO. 27, DECATUR.

C. W. Willison	Private.....	B	1st Ind. Heavy Artillery.....	Sept. 13, 1914	Decatur.
W. K. Van Hise	Private.....	H	12th Mich. Infantry.....	Sept. 20, 1914	Decatur.
Chas. Grayson	Private.....	F	3d Mich. Cavalry.....	Dec. 17, 1914	Decatur.
Jeremiah Bowen.....	Private.....	C	42d Ill. Infantry.....	Mar. 22, 1914	Decatur.
Chas. J. Brown.....	Private.....	C	128th Ind. Infantry.....	Apr. 22, 1914	Decatur.
L. D. Hively.....	Private.....	K	151st Ind. Infantry.....	June 1, 1914	Decatur.
<i>Not a member of the G. A. R.</i>					
John Bennett.....	Private.....	C	4th Mich. Cavalry.....		Hamilton.

FARRAGUT POST NO. 32, BATTLE CREEK.

W. H. Ashley	Private.....	A	9th Mich. Infantry.....	Jan. 2, 1914	Battle Creek.
Geo. H. Rowell.....	Private.....	H	Merrill Horse.....	Mar. 3, 1914	Battle Creek.
W. O. Holmes.....	Private.....	D	1st Mich. Sharpshooters.....	Mar. 7, 1914	Battle Creek.
J. H. Williams.....	Private.....	M	1st N. Y. Artillery.....	Apr. 7, 1914	Battle Creek.
Nelson King.....	Private.....	C	10th Vt. Infantry.....	Aug. 15, 1914	Battle Creek.
James Philipps.....	Private.....	I	7th Mich. Infantry.....	Sept. 1, 1914	Battle Creek.
Wm. H. Mason.....	Private.....	C	2d Mich. Infantry.....	Oct. 1, 1914	Battle Creek.
A. B. Simpson.....	Private.....	C	2d Mich. Infantry.....	Nov. 27, 1914	Battle Creek.
John H. Cotton.....	Private.....	A	7th Mich. Cavalry.....	Dec. 4, 1914	Battle Creek.
Geo. W. Boice.....	Private.....		1st Mich. Cavalry.....	Dec. 19, 1914	

ZACH CHANDLER POST NO. 35, SOUTH HAVEN.

Malcolm C. Mott.....	Private.....	D	7th Minn. Infantry.....	Dec. 16, 1914	South Haven.
<i>Not a member of the G. A. R.</i>					
Geo. L. Darby.....	Saddler.....		2d N. Y. Cavalry.....		South Haven.

SAGINAW POST NO. 38, SAGINAW.

Calvin Beelman.....	Private.....	D	32d Ohio Infantry.....	Feb. 16, 1914	Saginaw.
<i>Not a member of the G. A. R.</i>					
Wm. I. Driggs.....	Lieutenant..			Dec. 19, 1914	Everett.

KILPATRICK POST NO. 39, BERRIEN SPRINGS.

Joseph C. Wicoff.....	Lieutenant..	C	Miss. Marine Brigade.....	Apr. 28, 1914	Berrien Springs.
James C. Wollam.....	Private.....	G	74th Ind. Infantry.....	Dec. 6, 1914	Berrien Springs.

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A. S. WILLIAMS POST NO. 40, CHARLOTTE.

Name.	Rank.	Company.	Organization.	Date of death.	Residence.
Lewis A. Snell.....	Private.....	E	50th Mass. Infantry.....	Jan. 1914	Charlotte.
G. S. Beardsley.....	Private.....	I	19th Ohio Infantry.....	May 29, 1914	Charlotte.
Chas. S. Johnson.....	Private.....	D	109th N. Y. Infantry.....	June 11, 1914	Charlotte.
William Hicks.....	Private.....	F	1st Mich. Engineers.....	June, 1914	Charlotte.
A. D. Baughman.....	Private.....		1st Ohio Battery.....	Dec. 1914	Charlotte.
Wm. M. Fishcor.....	Private.....	K	193d Penn. Infantry.....	Sept. 6, 1914	Soldiers' Home.
Jacob Upright.....	Private.....	G	14th Mo. Infantry.....	Dec. 13, 1914	Charlotte.
		D	66th Ill. Sharpshooters.....		
Chas. H. Lightner.....	Sergeant.....	I	72d Ohio Infantry.....	Nov. 1914	Charlotte.
Jacob Smith.....	Private.....	H	6th Mich. H. Artillery.....	July 17, 1914	Charlotte.

CHAS. T. FOSTER POST NO. 42, LANSING.

J. Free Smith.....	Sergeant.....	D	192d Ohio Infantry.....	Jan. 6, 1914	Lansing.
George Snyder.....	Private.....	A	49th Ohio Infantry.....	Feb. 3, 1914	Lansing.
Nicholas Ikenburg.....	Private.....	H	20th Mich. Infantry.....	Feb. 3, 1914	Lansing.
Edwin D. Allen.....	Private.....	D	20th Mich. Infantry.....	Mar. 1, 1914	Lansing.
Chas. M. Cronkite.....	Private.....	G	164th Ohio Infantry.....	Mar. 17, 1914	Lansing.
John Riker.....	Private.....	A	9th Mich. Cavalry.....	May 19, 1914	Webberville.
Hiram Ballard.....	Private.....	C	4th N. Y. Heavy Artillery.....	May 29, 1914	Lansing.
Samuel Cochran.....	Private.....	A	23d Mich. Infantry.....	May 30, 1914	Lansing.
John C. Stone.....	Private.....	G	1st Mich. E and M.....	June 13, 1914	Lansing.
A. C. Crosby.....	Private.....	A	6th Ohio Infantry.....	Sept. 14, 1914	Delta Mills.
Addison Boyce.....	Private.....	A	20th Mich. Infantry.....	Oct. 4, 1914	Lansing.
Henry Manley.....	Private.....	C	47th Ohio Infantry.....	Oct. 12, 1914	Lansing.
Henry Chadwick.....	Private.....	E	8th Mich. Infantry.....	Nov. 10, 1914	Lansing.
Josiah M. Rice.....	Private.....	I	1st N. Y. Engineers.....	Nov. 28, 1914	Lansing.
John Stone.....	Private.....	K	22d Mich. Infantry.....	Dec. 13, 1914	Lansing.
Thos. G. King.....	Private.....	B	14th Mich. Infantry.....	Dec. 24, 1914	Lansing.
Austin Trobridge.....	Private.....	H	23d Mich. Infantry.....	Dec. 27, 1914	Morrice.
John Rouse.....	Private.....	F	8th Mich. Infantry.....	Dec. 29, 1914	Millets.
<i>Not members of the G. A. R.</i>					
Chas. M. Norton.....	Private.....	B	11th Mich. Cavalry.....	Mar. 6, 1914	Lansing.
W. D. Sabin.....	Private.....	F	21st Mich. Infantry.....	Dec. 15, 1914	Lansing.

SCOTT POST NO. 43, BLISSFIELD.

Byron Tripp.....	Private.....	F	14th Ohio Infantry.....	Jan. 8, 1914	Blissfield.
Henry Gasner.....	Private.....	G	60th Ohio Infantry.....	Apr. 26, 1914	Blissfield.
Porter Bellman.....	Private.....	A	19th Ohio Infantry.....	Sept. 21, 1914	Blissfield.
<i>Not members of the G. A. R.</i>					
Chas. J. Miller.....	Private.....	D	10th Ohio Infantry.....	Sept. 11, 1914	Blissfield.
James Bolton.....					

ANSON SANFORD POST NO. 44, SANFORD.

J. W. H. Brooks.....	Sergeant.....	G	4th Penn. Cavalry.....	Sept. 19, 1914	Sanford.
<i>Not a member of the G. A. R.</i>					
Leonard Pawling.....				June 11, 1914	

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WOODBURY POST NO. 45, ADRIAN.

Name.	Rank.	Company.	Organization.	Date of death.	Residence.
Benj. M. Kinney	Private	E	6th W. Va. Infantry	Jan. 20, 1914	Adrian.
Wm. H. Root	Private	K	126th N. Y. Infantry	Mar. 9, 1914	Adrian.
Geo. D. Austin	Private	E	110th N. Y. Infantry	Mar. 31, 1914	Adrian.
Thos. Bell	Private	D	12th Ill. Cavalry	May 25, 1914	Adrian.
Joseph W. Willett	Private	A	17th Mich. Infantry	Sept. 7, 1914	Adrian.
M. D. Wood	Sergeant	B	18th Mich. Infantry	Sept. 26, 1914	Adrian.
James H. Cole	Major		4th Mich. Infantry	Oct. 30, 1914	Adrian.
James A. Depuy	Private	I	55th Ohio Infantry	Nov. 3, 1914	Adrian.
C. J. F. Howes	Private	F	26th Mich. Infantry	Nov. 16, 1914	Adrian Twp.
J. D. Alverson	Private	C	18th Mich. Infantry	Nov. 30, 1914	Adrian.
<i>Not members of the G. A. R.</i>					
William O'Ness	Private	B	58th Ill. Infantry	July 18, 1914	Adrian.
James H. Parker	Private	B	1st Del. Infantry	Oct. 18, 1914	Adrian.

EDWARD POMEROY POST NO. 48, JACKSON.

C. H. Reatois				Mar. 2, 1914	Jackson.
Peter Ernest	Private	E	1st N. Y. Cavalry	Apr. 11, 1914	Jackson.
S. T. Baylus	Private	E	19th N. Y. Infantry	Apr. 17, 1914	Jackson.
Wm. Gregg	Private	B	1st Mich. Infantry	Sept. 24, 1914	Jackson.
J. R. Barlow	Private	D	12th Mich. Infantry	Dec. 7, 1914	Jackson.
Chas. H. Tarbell	Private	H	4th Mass. Infantry	Dec. 8, 1914	Jackson.
A. A. Tyler	Lieutenant	F	6th Mich. Cavalry	Dec. 12, 1914	Jackson.

WADSWORTH POST NO. 49, LAWRENCE.

Israel M. Drake	Private	G	28th Mich. Infantry	Aug. 14, 1914	Lawrence.
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JOHN F. REYNOLDS POST NO. 52, PENTWATER.

J. H. Beech				Sept. 1914	Pentwater.
Wm. Chadwick				Nov. 1914	Pentwater.

O. P. MORTON POST NO. 54, MANTON.

<i>Not a member of the G. A. R.</i>					
Geo. Solomon	Private	K	10th Mich. Infantry	July 5, 1914	Manton.

CAPT. H. BARROWS POST NO. 55, ARMADA.

Elias North	B'lksmith	E	5th Mich. Cavalry	Feb. 23, 1914	Armada.
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C. J. BASSETT POST NO. 56, ALLEGAN.

Horace H. Pope	Captain	A	3d Mich. Cavalry	Aug. 26, 1914	Allegan.
Wilts H. Williams	Saddler	L	4th Mich. Cavalry	Dec. 25, 1914	Allegan.

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DEWEY POST NO. 60, LESLIE.

Name.	Rank.	Company.	Organization.	Date of death.	Residence.
A. A. Lumbard.....	Private.....	A	7th Mich. Infantry.....	Mar. 1914	Leslie.
Sylvester Walker.....	Private.....	I	1st Mich. Sharpshooters.....	July 22, 1914	Leslie.
James M. Phelps.....	Private.....	B	14th Iowa Infantry.....	Dec. 7, 1914	Leslie.
S. W. Dunham.....	Corporal.....	F	81st N. Y. Infantry.....	June 3, 1914	Fitchburg.
Wm. Petty.....	Private.....	L	Merrill Horse.....	June 21, 1914	Leslie.
<i>Not a member of the G. A. R.</i>					
Jarvis Rice.....			Wis. Infantry.....	May 14, 1914	Leslie.

U. S. GRANT POST NO. 67, BAY CITY.

J. W. Sherman.....	Musician.....	G	16th Penn. Infantry.....	July 7, 1914	Bay City.
Henry Perkins.....	Private.....	F	23d Mich. Infantry.....	July 10, 1914	Bay City.
Stephen Wheeler.....	Private.....	C	11th Wis. Infantry.....	Nov. 19, 1914	Essexville.

DWIGHT MAY POST NO. 69, MIDLAND.

Zera S. Godfrey.....	Private.....	B	123d Ohio Infantry.....	Nov. 10, 1914	Midland.
<i>Not members of the G. A. R.</i>					
James G. Davis.....	Private.....	G	Penn. Infantry.....	Oct. 11, 1914	Midland.
John W. Partridge.....	Private.....		Brady's Sharpshooters.....	Jan. 10, 1914	Hope.
Willard Finch.....	Private.....	A	9th Mich. Infantry.....	May 26, 1913	Larkin Twp.

ED. M. PRUTZMAN POST NO 72, THREE RIVERS.

John Barnhart.....	Private.....	C	12th Mich. Infantry.....	Mar. 25, 1914	Three Rivers.
Allen Wescott.....	Private.....	G	25th Mich. Infantry.....	Apr. 25, 1914	Three Rivers.
J. W. Seekell.....	Musician.....	E	11th Mich. Infantry.....	Nov. 23, 1914	Three Rivers.
John L. Thoms.....	Private.....	D	19th Mich. Infantry.....	Nov. 28, 1914	Three Rivers.
<i>Not a member of the G. A. R.</i>					
Norval D. Turnbull.....	Private.....	E	13th Mich. Infantry.....	June 8, 1914	Three Rivers.

WEATHERWAX POST NO. 75, GRAND HAVEN.

George A. Farr.....	Sergeant.....	M	4th U. S. Artillery.....	Aug. 5, 1914	Grand Haven.
Edwin L. Milliman.....	Private.....	E	96th N. Y. Infantry.....	July 16, 1914	Grand Haven.
<i>Not a member of the G. A. R.</i>					
Geo. W. McBride.....					Grand Haven.

FRANK HICKS POST NO. 78, DANSVILLE.

<i>Not members of the G. A. R.</i>					
John H. Allen.....	Private.....	F	11th Mich. Infantry.....	Aug. 8, 1914	Williamston.
Geo. Every.....	Private.....	G	12th Mich. Infantry.....	Aug. 24, 1914	Dansville.
Daniel J. Grimes.....	Private.....	G	17th Mich. Infantry.....	Dec. 29, 1914	Stockbridge.

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ORCUTT POST NO. 79, KALAMAZOO.

Name.	Rank.	Company.	Organization.	Date of death.	Residence.
Ary Lucase	Private	K	24th Mich. Infantry	Feb. 9, 1914	Kalamazoo.
W. F. Parsons	Lieutenant	H	12th Wis. Infantry	Mar. 3, 1914	Kalamazoo.
Mource Barnea	Private	G	6th Mich. Battery	Apr. 18, 1914	Kalamazoo.
Hubert Barendright	Private	I	25th Mich. Infantry	Apr. 20, 1914	Kalamazoo.
Klass Wagonmaker	Private	K	19th Mich. Infantry	Nov. 21, 1914	Kalamazoo.
John Hents	Private	G	3d Mich. Cavalry	Dec. 4, 1914	Kalamazoo.
W. E. House		B	7th Mich. Cavalry	Dec. 11, 1914	Kalamazoo.
<i>Not members of the G. A. R.</i>					
Erwin E. Johnson			44th N. Y. Infantry	Feb. 1, 1914	Kalamazoo.
Alvord Peck			N. Y. Heavy Artillery	Feb. 5, 1914	Kalamazoo.
Isaac S. Knapp	Sergeant	I	28th Mich. Infantry	Feb. 6, 1914	Galesburg.
Thos. R. King				Mar. 11, 1914	Kalamazoo.
Sylvester Becker				Apr. 6, 1914	Kalamazoo.
Mitchell Greening				Apr. 12, 1914	Kalamazoo.

WM. A. KENT POST NO. 83, GREENVILLE.

Merritt Grosvenor	Private	H	1st Mich. E. and M.	Sept. 11, 1914	Greenville.
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GEN. LYON POST NO. 86, MANCELONA.

E. R. Nickerson	Private	K	24th Mich. Infantry	July 2, 1914	Mancelona.
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JOSEPH WILSON POST NO. 84, LOWELL.

James Lesley	Private	B	Infantry	Nov. 7, 1914	Lowell.
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CORBIN POST NO. 88, UNION CITY.

Jas. B. Bushong	Private	C	82d Ohio Infantry	Apr. 16, 1914	Union City.
A. J. Ackley	Private	D	105th Ohio Infantry	Aug. 3, 1914	Union City.
L. L. Olmstead	Private	D	1st Mich. Artillery	Aug. 30, 1914	Union City.
George Thayer	Private	B	9th Mich. Cavalry	Aug. 31, 1914	Union City.
Chas. L. Burnett	Private	D	1st Mich. Artillery	Sept. 12, 1914	Union City.

WM. D. WILKINS POST NO. 91, ST. LOUIS.

John J. Marolf	Private	K	14th Mich. Infantry	July 4, 1914	St. Louis.
Charles H. Barton			Gunboat Cricket	July 24, 1914	Soldiers' Home.
<i>Not a member of the G. A. R.</i>					
George W. Corwin	Private	K	5th Mich. Cavalry	July 30, 1914	St. Louis.

WALLACE POST NO. 95, FLAT ROCK.

Wesley B. Littlefield	Private	M	1st Mich. Cavalry	Jan. 9, 1914	Flat Rock.
William Lauru	Private	K	24th Mich. Infantry	Sept. 1, 1914	Waltz.

M. W. DRESSER POST NO. 100, LYONS.

Geo. W. Terry	Private	B	118th N. Y. Infantry	Sept. 6, 1914	Muir.
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TIM LEWIS POST NO. 107, DIMONDALE.

Name.	Rank.	Company.	Organization.	Date of death.	Residence.
A. D. Carlton	Private	D	10th Mich. Cavalry	Nov. 30, 1914	Dimondale.

EARL HALBERT POST NO. 108, GRAND LEDGE.

Jonathan Holmes	Sergeant.....	F	1st Mich. E. and M.	June 1914	Grand Ledge.
Taylor Hancr	Private.....	D	13th Mich. Infantry	June 1914	Grand Ledge.
Henry Munn	Private.....	K	12th Mich. Infantry	Aug. 1914	Grand Ledge.

BUTTERWORTH POST NO. 109, COLDWATER.

Murray J. Tilton	Lieutenant.	A	1st Mich. Artillery	Jan. 6, 1914	Coldwater.
Henry Ide	Private.....	C	90th N. Y. Infantry	Jan. 9, 1914	Coldwater.
John Fitzpatrick	Private.....	H	17th Mich. Infantry	Apr. 15, 1914	Coldwater.
A. J. Hawes	Private.....	C	28th Mich. Infantry	June 23, 1914	Coldwater.
Hezekiah Sweet	Sergeant.....	D	1st Mich. Artillery	Sept. 22, 1914	Coldwater.
Wm. C. Taylor	Private.....	C	1st Mich. Artillery	Aug. 25, 1914	Girard.
Andrew Pender	Private.....	C	19th Mich. Infantry	Sept. 24, 1914	Coldwater.
Luman B. Gibbs	Private.....	A	1st Mich. Artillery	Nov. 5, 1914	Coldwater.
Geo. S. Allen	Private.....	B	8th Mich. Cavalry	Nov. 29, 1914	Coldwater.

JOHN GILLULY POST NO. 114, FOWLerville.

Jas. A. Lockwood	Private.....	K	9th Mich. Infantry	May 7, 1914	Fowlerville.
Wm. Denson	Private.....		9th Mich. Infantry	July 25, 1914	Fowlerville.
C. D. Parsons	Private.....		9th Mich. Infantry	Apr. 21, 1914	Fowlerville.
Richard Gott	Private.....		9th Mich. Infantry	Mar. 31, 1914	Fowlerville.

ELLIOTT POST NO. 115, WHITE PIGEON.

Adam Kline	Private.....	F	4th Mich. Cavalry	May 7, 1914	White Pigeon.
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WADDELL POST NO. 120, HOWELL.

Noah Boothby	Private.....	E	5th Mich. Infantry	Apr. 17, 1914	Howell.
R. E. Parshall	Sergeant.....	A	6th Mich. Cavalry	July 21, 1914	Howell.
Henry H. Clark	Private.....	F	18th U. S. Infantry	Sept. 18, 1914	Howell.

CARVER POST NO. 123, FRANKFORT.

Eugene Zimmerman			U. S. Navy	Dec. 18, 1914	Cincinnati, O.
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FITZGERALD POST NO. 125, HASTINGS.

William F. Hicks	Private.....	D	24th Mich. Infantry	Apr. 2, 1914	Hastings.
<i>Not members of the G. A. R.</i>					
Frank Durfee	Private.....	C	18th Mich. Infantry	Mar. 1, 1914	Hastings.
John L. Williams	Private.....	K	6th Mich. Cavalry	Nov. 11, 1914	Hastings.

DAN S. ROOT POST NO. 126, BELLEING.

Alvaron Curtis	Private.....	E	81st Ohio Infantry	Sept. 23, 1914	Belding.
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BILLY BEGOLE POST NO. 127, MAPLE RAPIDS.

Name.	Rank.	Company.	Organization.	Date of death.	Residence.
Gemalia Groom	Private	E	1st Mich. Artillery	Nov. 20, 1914	Maple Rapids.

R. G. HUTCHINSON POST NO. 129, FOWLER.

Charles Mankey	Private	G	15th Mich. Infantry	Sept. 27, 1914	Fowler.
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HENRY M. LIDDLE POST NO. 131, COLON.

Joseph Webb	Private	C	16th Mich. Infantry	June 21, 1914	Colon.
Amos Wagner	Private	I	81st Penn. Infantry	Aug. 31, 1914	Colon.
William Gaunt	Private	A	20th Ohio Infantry	Oct. 31, 1914	Colon.

JOHN MEGARRAH POST NO. 132, PORTLAND.

John Horner	Private	M	10th Mich. Cavalry	Feb. 14, 1914	Portland.
Daniel Saxton	Private	D	9th Mich. Infantry	Mar. 19, 1914	Portland.
Wallace K. Spencer	Private	D	98th N. Y. Infantry	Apr. 26, 1914	Portland.
William Towner	Private	A	21st Mich. Infantry	Nov. 5, 1914	Portland.
Nelson W. Millard	Private	C	21st Mich. Infantry	Dec. 7, 1914	Collins.

SAMUEL JUDD POST NO. 133, NEWAYGO.

S. D. Thompson	Sergeant	F	3d Mich. Infantry	Apr. 17, 1914	Newaygo.
Thos. M. Manning	Private	A	9th Mich. Infantry	June 24, 1914	Newaygo.
<i>Not members of the G. A. R.</i>					
Stephen Boyd	Private				
Sylvester Sprague	Private	A	1st Vt. Cavalry		Newaygo.
Lucius Pickett	Private	E	2d Mich. Cavalry		

FRED W. WALKER POST NO. 134, MT. MORRIS.

<i>Not a member of the G. A. R.</i>					
Geo. Pailthorpe	Corporal	C	23d Mich. Infantry	Dec. 25, 1914	Mt. Morris.

BARTHOLOMEW POST NO. 136, NUNICA

Siles Hunter	Private	G	21st Mich. Infantry	Oct. 20, 1914	Coopersville.
Francis M. Green				Oct. 23, 1914	

HORACE S. ROBERTS POST NO. 139, ALPENA.

D. A. Hecox	Private	E	1st Mich. E. and M.	Apr. 8, 1914	Spruce.
Geo. H. Motley	Private	E	55th Ohio Infantry	June 25, 1914	Alpena.
<i>Not members of the G. A. R.</i>					
Henry Colby				Aug. 6, 1914	
Lewis L. Partridge	Private	E	5th Mich. Cavalry	Dec. 23, 1914	Alpena.

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TURRELL POST NO. 144, LAPEER.

Name.	Rank.	Company.	Organisation.	Date of death.	Residence.
Conrad Minick	Private	B	105th N. Y. Infantry	Jan. 12, 1914	Lapeer.
Frank McElroy	Sergeant	F	5th Mich. Infantry	Feb. 13, 1914	Lapeer.
Joel Smith	Private	E	1st Mich. E. and M.	Mar. 22, 1914	Oregon.

GOV. CRAPO POST NO. 145, FLINT.

Willard Wilcox				July 9, 1914	
Samuel C. Jerome				Nov. 17, 1914	

WM. MOYER POST NO. 152, ALMA.

W. R. Cooper	Private			Mar. 8, 1914	Alma.
Jesse Fleming	Private	D	12th Mich. Infantry	Sept. 9, 1914	Alma.
Geo. Sheldon	Private				
John Day					

CHAS. E. GRISSON POST NO. 156, ST. JOHNS.

H. D. Curtis			Ohio Light Artillery	July 7, 1914	St. Johns.
Langdon Hovey		C	1st N. Y. Cavalry	Aug. 12, 1914	St. Johns.
William Baker		D	25th N. Y. Cavalry	Sept. 28, 1914	St. Johns.
Joseph H. Deller		C	10th N. Y. Cavalry	Dec. 2, 1914	St. Johns.
Eli Fields		B	1st N. Y. Cavalry		
			137th Penna. Infantry	Dec. 13, 1914	St. Johns.
<i>Not a member of the G. A. R.</i>					
Harvey W. Carrington		C	23d Mich. Infantry		

HENRY F. WALLACE POST NO. 160, CORUNNA.

Simeon Anthony	Private	H	126th N. Y. Infantry	Apr. 1914	Durand.
Charles Foster	Private	F	10th Mich. Cavalry	May 1914	Corunna.
Jonathan Wood	Private	E	140th N. Y. Infantry	Dec. 7, 1914	Corunna.

F. M. FARQUHAR POST NO. 162, DETROIT.

Nicholas Bensfield	Private	F	7th Mich. Infantry		Soldiers' Home.
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C. COLGROVE POST NO. 166, MARSHALL.

William McFadden	Private	I	20th Mich. Infantry	Nov. 5, 1914	Marshall.
Geo. C. Harrington			U. S. Navy	June 15, 1914	Marshall.

LOMBARD POST NO. 170, PETOSKEY.

Flavel L. Shelden	Private	I	8th Ill. Cavalry	Oct. 5, 1914	Bay Shore.
Thos. McCabe	Private		96th Penn. Infantry	Oct. 16, 1914	Petoskey.
	Landsman		U. S. S. Ironsides		
<i>Not a member of the G. A. R.</i>					
Henry Burr	Private		1st Mich. Cavalry	Dec. 22, 1914	Charlevoix.

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E. R. STILES POST NO. 174, HANCOCK.

Name.	Rank.	Company.	Organization.	Date of death.	Residence.
Arno Jaehnig	Corporal	A	27th Mich. Infantry	Aug. 10, 1914	Laurium.

C. F. SMITH POST NO. 175, ESCANABA.

Samuel Atkins	Private	D	3d Wis. Infantry	Oct. 30, 1914	Escanaba.
August Nehls	Private	A	27th Wis. Infantry	May 11, 1914	Escanaba.

CARPENTER POST NO. 180, YPSILANTI.

Wm. Gardener	Private	E	9th Mich. Infantry	Jan. 8, 1913	Ind. Sold. Home. Ypsilanti.
J. H. Hodgkins	Private		1st Mich. Infantry	July 5, 1914	

FRANK POWELL POST NO. 187, OXFORD.

W. H. Rogers	Private	I	7th Mich. Cavalry	May 31, 1914	Addison.
<i>Not members of the G. A. R.</i>					
Conrad Wooley					Oxford.
Wm. C. Tory					Oxford.
Wm. Prince					Oxford.

JAMES BRADLEY POST NO. 194, CLIO.

Joseph Cummings	Private		13th Mich. Battery	Aug. 29, 1914	Thetford.
John Brown	Private	D	4th Mich. Cavalry	Oct. 22, 1914	Clio.
A. D. Rundlet	Sergeant	F	10th N. Y. Heavy Artillery	Apr. 23, 1914	Clio.
L. L. Davis	Private	F	9th Mich. Infantry	Jan. 29, 1914	Clio.

JAMES STEADMAN POST NO. 198, REED CITY.

Charles F. Parker	Private	G	53d Penn. Infantry	July 12, 1914	Reed City.
Wm. Corwin	Private	B	168th Ohio Infantry	Sept. 24, 1914	Paris.
<i>Not members of the G. A. R.</i>					
William Ball					Reed City.
Joseph Earnest					Reed City.
F. T. Fuller					Reed City.
Francis Sharp					Reed City.

L. B. QUACKENLUSH POST NO. 205, OWOSSO.

Orville F. Webster	Sergeant	A	3d Mich. Cavalry	Mar. 2, 1914	Los Angeles, Cal.
Charles Murdock	Private	B	8th Mich. Infantry	Apr. 13, 1914	Owosso.
Wm. H. Gitchell	Private	H	Merrill Horse	Apr. 12, 1914	Owosso.
Samuel Packingham	Private	B	60th Ohio Infantry	Sept. 18, 1914	Owosso.
Oscar F. Halsted	Corporal	H	5th Mich. Infantry	Oct. 8, 1914	Owosso.
Charles Sherman	Captain	D	16th Mich. Infantry	Oct. 25, 1914	Owosso.
<i>Not members of the G. A. R.</i>					
Calvin S. Gilbert	Private	H	126th N. Y. Infantry	Mar. 6, 1914	Owosso.
James Look	Corporal	A	44th N. Y. Infantry	May 13, 1914	Laingsburg.
James J. Holbrook	Private	B	73d Ohio Infantry	Apr. 23, 1914	Laingsburg.
Wm. K. Tillotson	Lieutenant	H	5th Mich. Infantry	July 30, 1914	N. Y. City.
Theo. F. Dewitt	Sergeant	B	11th Mich. Cavalry	June 22, 1914	Ovid.
Jos. J. Huffman	Sergeant	A	49th Ohio Infantry	June 24, 1914	Rush Twp.
David L. Densmore			163d N. Y. Infantry	Nov. 23, 1914	Owosso.

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ELI ALWARD POST NO. 209, MONTGOMERY.

Name.	Rank.	Company.	Organization.	Date of death.	Residence.
Wm. P. Goodrich	Private.....	F	53d Ind. Infantry	Dec. 25, 1914	Montgomery.

E. W. HOLLINGSWORTH POST NO. 210, ALBION.

Reuben H. McWethy	Corporal.....	B	5th Mich. Cavalry	Jan. 12, 1914	Albion.
Alonso E. Pickett	Sergeant.....	I	6th Mich. Heavy Artillery	Jan. 15, 1914	Parma Twp.
William Hastings	Lieutenant.....	I	7th Mich. Cavalry	Mar. 23, 1914	Albion.
Chas. E. Shumway	Sergeant.....		U. S. Marine Corps	Apr. 27, 1914	Albion.
Henry D. Jordan	Captain.....	A	17th Vt. Infantry	May 28, 1914	Albion.
John Cowlin	Private.....	H	21st N. Y. Cavalry	July 20, 1914	Albion.
Bradley Waterman	Private.....	I	2d Mich. Infantry	Aug. 17, 1914	Albion.

WM. H. BORDEN POST NO. 211, IONIA.

Geo. W. Holcomb	Private.....	E	1st Mich. E. and M.	June 10, 1914	Ionias.
E. J. Van Doren	Private.....	E	1st Mich. E. and M.	Aug. 12, 1914	Ionias.
J. A. Tuttle	Private.....	C	N. Y. Infantry	Oct. 27, 1914	Ionias.
<i>Not members of the G. A. R.</i>					
James R. Whitting	Private.....	K	1st Mich. E. and M.	Nov. 19, 1914	Ionias.
Jake Ladlow	Private.....	E	1st Mich. E. and M.		Ionias.

JAMES B. MASON POST NO. 213, BELLEVUE.

George W. Ackley	Private.....	C	1st Mich. Cavalry	June 24, 1914	Bellevue.
Washington Wade	Private.....	K	2d U. S. Col'd Cavalry	Nov. 6, 1914	Bellevue.
John Mulvany	Private.....			July 11, 1914	Bellevue.
<i>Not members of the G. A. R.</i>					
John Calender	Private.....	A	Merrill Horse.		
William Fiester	Musician.....	E	4th Mich. Infantry.		

H. D. TERRY POST NO. 216, MT. CLEMENS.

John C. Moorhouse	Private.....	I	22d Mich. Infantry	June 18, 1914	Mt. Clemens.
Frederick Eastman	Private.....	B	2d Penn. Cavalry	Oct. 22, 1914	Mt. Clemens.
Wm. Marquardt	Private.....	G	22d Mich. Infantry	Nov. 8, 1914	Mt. Clemens.

MAURICE B. WELLS POST NO. 218, LUTHER.

John W. Nicholson	Private.....	A	3d Mich. Infantry	Dec. 13, 1914	Luther.
Dilucane Stoughton	Private.....	H	26th Mich. Infantry	Dec. 30, 1914	Luther.

FAIRCHILD POST NO. 228, GRASS LAKE.

Frank Mallon	Corporal.....	D	28th Mich. Infantry	June 8, 1914	Grass Lake.
Michael N. Fraer				Jan. 14, 1914	Grass Lake.
Sam'l Wolfinger				Sept. 1, 1914	Grass Lake.
Martin Hoofnagle	Private.....	B	72d Ohio Infantry	June 11, 1914	Grass Lake.
Martin V. Smith				July 30, 1914	Grass Lake.

HARVEY TUCKER POST NO. 229, MARINE CITY.

Daniel Boshaw	Private.....	C	22d Mich. Infantry	Sept. 8, 1914	Cottrellville.
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EDDY POST NO. 231, PLYMOUTH.

Name.	Rank.	Company.	Organization.	Date of Death.	Residence.
Hopkins Williams	Private	F	1st Mich. E. and M.	Sept. 21, 1914	Plymouth.
<i>Not a member of the G. A. R.</i>					
George Eldridge	Private	F	1st Mich. E. and M.	Aug. 2, 1914	Plymouth.

O. H. READ POST NO. 234, HUBBARDSTON.

Marion F. Graham	Private	H	44th N. Y. Infantry	July 12, 1914	Matherton.
Wellington Graham	Private	B	188th N. Y. Infantry	Sept. 17, 1914	Hubbardston.

FRANK MASON POST NO. 242, ATHENS.

George W. Outman	Corporal	I	7th Mich. Infantry	Dec. 7, 1914	Athens.
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JOSEPH MASON POST NO. 248, WACOUSTA.

Quincy L. Taylor	Private	I	6th Mich. Heavy Artillery	Jan. 6, 1914	Wacousta.
Albert Jones	Private	E	30th Mich. Infantry	Jan. 5, 1914	Watertown.

WA-BU-NO POST NO. 250, MT. PLEASANT.

Michael Bronstetter	Private	E	78th N. Y. Infantry	Nov. 30, 1914	Mt. Pleasant.
Julius Jourdain	Private	I	8th N. Y. Heavy Artillery	Oct. 7, 1914	Mt. Pleasant.
Dennis White	Private	G	1st N. Y. Infantry	Sept. 5, 1914	Mt. Pleasant.
<i>Not a member of the G. A. R.</i>					
George L. Granger				Apr. 29, 1914	Mt. Pleasant.

J. T. JONES POST NO. 252, HOWARD CITY.

Lucius L. Church	Sergeant	H	21st Mich. Infantry	June 11, 1914	Howard City.
James P. Tyler	Private	H	12th Mich. Infantry	Mar. 9, 1914	Howard City.
<i>Not a member of the G. A. R.</i>					
Charles Finch	Private	K	49th Wis. Infantry	Dec. 12, 1914	Howard City.

LONSON POST NO. 255, MAYVILLE.

Wm. Graubner	Private	K	Berdan Sharpshooters	May 28, 1914	Mayville.
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STEWART POST NO. 259, LITCHFIELD.

F. H. Van Denburg	Private	D	28th Mich. Infantry	Aug. 18, 1914	Litchfield.
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A. C. VAN RAALTE POST NO. 262, HOLLAND.

Verdine H. Gillet	Private	D	15th N. Y. Infantry	Feb. 27, 1914	Holland.
Andrew J. Ward	Private	F	4th Mich. Cavalry	Mar. 9, 1914	Grand Haven.
Nathaniel Erskine	Private	F	26th Mich. Infantry	May 11, 1914	Grand Rapids.
Geo. B. Griffin	Private	C	7th Mich. Cavalry	Sept. 3, 1914	Holland.
Orris G. Buchanan	Private	I	5th Mich. Cavalry	Nov. 28, 1914	Holland.

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LYON POST NO. 266, MENOMINEE.

Name.	Rank.	Company.	Organization.	Date of Death.	Residence.
W. N. Goodrich.....	Private.....	E	18th Mich. Infantry.....	Mar. 22, 1914	Menominee.
David Remington.....	Private.....	H	12th Wis. Infantry.....	Aug. 10, 1914	Menominee.
Thomas Breen.....	Private.....	L	1st Ill. Artillery.....	Aug. 2, 1914	Soldiers' Home, Milwaukee.

MORGAN PARKER POST NO. 281, PETERSBURG.

Hosea Rodgers.....	Private.....	F	111th N. Y. Infantry.....	Aug. 10, 1914	Petersburg.
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S. W. GRINNELL POST NO. 283, SUNFIELD.

<i>Not a member of the G. A. R.</i>					
David West.....	Private.....	H	44th Iowa Infantry.....	Oct. 25, 1914	Sunfield.

ANDREWS POST NO. 294, BIG RAPIDS.

E. V. Oliver.....	Private.....	K	9th Mich. Infantry.....	Apr. 5, 1914	Big Rapids.
C. C. Rouse.....	Private.....			Sept. 25, 1914	Big Rapids.
D. D. Shannon.....	Private.....			Nov. 19, 1914	Big Rapids.
John Staats.....	Private.....	A	3d N. Y. Cavalry.....	Nov. 20, 1914	Rodney.
<i>Not a member of the G. A. R.</i>					
George Ranshaw.....				Aug. 9, 1914	Big Rapids.

SIMON MALLISON POST NO. 298, PIERPORT.

Henry Conklin.....	Private.....	D	3d Ohio Infantry..... 82d Ohio Infantry.....	Aug. 9, 1914	Arcadia.
<i>Not a member of the G. A. R.</i>					
Henry M. Wilson.....	Private.....	I	27th Wis. Infantry.....	May 3, 1914	Paris, Tenn.

ALBERT JACKSON POST NO. 300, MARQUETTE.

Isaphere Sharland.....	Private.....	A	22d N. Y. Infantry..... 1st Vt. Cavalry.....	Nov. 5, 1914	Marquette.
<i>Not a member of the G. A. R.</i>					

BURSON POST NO. 303, SCHOOLCRAFT.

Jacob Bauer.....	Private.....		12th Mich. Infantry.....	Feb. 22, 1914	Schoolcraft.
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ALLEN M. HARMON POST NO. 318, NORTHVILLE.

Henry Dennis.....	Private.....	C	24th Mich. Infantry.....	Jan. 1, 1914	Northville.
Ephraim M. Bigham.....	Private.....	C	30th Mich. Infantry.....	Jan. 2, 1914	Northville.
James Haynes.....	Private.....	B	10th Mich. Cavalry.....	Nov. 9, 1914	Novi.

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E. H. LISCUM POST NO. 343, SAULT STE. MARIE.

Name.	Rank.	Company.	Organization.	Date of death.	Residence.
Peter Madlin	Private.....	B	9th Vt. Infantry	June 1, 1914	Pickford.
<i>Not a member of the G. A. R.</i>					
George W. Hand.....	Private.....	M	2d Mich. Cavalry.....	Nov. 1, 1914	Rexford.

BILLY CRUSON POST NO. 347, BRECKENRIDGE.

Alexander Irwin	Private.....	M	6th Penn. Heavy Artillery.....	July 7, 1914	Breckenridge.
Rinaldo S. Merritt.....	Private.....	H	100th N. Y. Infantry.....	Apr. 6, 1914	Breckenridge.
Seneca Curtis.....	Private.....	C	8th Mich. Infantry.....	Dec. 26, 1914	Breckenridge.

M. H. WHITNEY POST NO. 350, SAND LAKE.

Wellington Rosco	Private.....	B	86th N. Y. Infantry.....	Apr. 26, 1914	Sand Lake.
<i>Not members of the G. A. R.</i>					
Joseph Lee.....	Private.....	A	15th Me. Infantry.....	Oct. 14, 1914	Sand Lake.
James Thorp.....	Private.....	F	29th Ohio Infantry.....	June 9, 1914	Sand Lake.
Lewis Myers.....				June 14, 1914	Sand Lake.
John Childs.....				Apr. 23, 1914	Sand Lake.

COMSTOCK POST NO. 352, MANCHESTER.

J. E. Teeter.....	Corporal.....	I	137th N. Y. Infantry.....	Sept. 22, 1914	Manchester.
B. F. Blaisdell.....	Corporal.....	G	11th Mich. Infantry.....	May 4, 1914	Manchester.
B. F. Blaisdell.....	Sergeant.....	D	1st Mich. Infantry.....		
David Partlow.....	Private.....	E	4th Mich. Cavalry.....	Nov. 23, 1914	Manchester.

ROWLEY POST NO. 358, CLAYTON.

Ezra Bertram.....	Sergeant.....	E	3d Mich. Cavalry.....	Jan. 16, 1914	Clayton.
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KILBOURN POST NO. 361, SHERWOOD.

Joseph Webb.....	Private.....		16th Mich. Infantry.....	June 20, 1914	Sherwood.
Henry Jones.....	Private.....	D	1st Mich. Artillery.....	Nov. 24, 1914	Sherwood.

E. P. CASE POST NO. 372, BENZONIA.

Hiram N. Stanley.....	Private.....	A	197th Ohio Infantry.....	Apr. 3, 1914	Weldon.
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JOHN STOCKTON POST NO. 380, NEW HAVEN.

Henry Harder.....				Aug. 1, 1914	New Haven.
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DETROIT POST NO. 384, DETROIT.

George W. Chandler.....	Bvt. Major.....		8th Mich. Infantry.....	Mar. 14, 1914	Detroit.
George C. Hopper.....	Major.....		1st Mich. Infantry.....	June 22, 1914	Detroit.
G. J. Lydecker.....	Brig. Gen.....		U. S. Army.....	July 9, 1914	Detroit.
Ford H. Rogers.....	Adjutant.....		1st Mich. Cavalry.....	Nov. 2, 1914	Detroit.
Arthur Yeomans.....	Sergeant.....	F	81st N. Y. Infantry.....	Dec. 28, 1914	Detroit.
Henry M. Slater.....	Private.....	D	75th N. Y. Infantry.....	Dec. 16, 1914	Detroit.
George W. Harmon.....	Lieutenant.....	G	17th Mich. Infantry.....	Dec. 20, 1914	Detroit.

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A. B. WATSON POST NO. 395, GRAND RAPIDS.

Name.	Rank.	Company.	Organization.	Date of death.	Residence.
Wm. T. Johnston	Private.....	I	4th Penn. Cavalry.....	Oct. 24, 1914	Grand Rapids.

GEO. WARD POST NO. 398, BRANT.

Ignatius Luttenbacher.....	Private.....	I	1st Mich. Cavalry.....	June 8, 1914	Brant.
<i>Not a member of the G. A. R.</i>					
Jason Eldrich.....	Private.....	H	29th Mich. Infantry.....	Jan. 3, 1915	Brant.

BURLINGAME POST NO. 402, AKRON.

Cornelius Hayes.....	Private.....	G	8th Mich. Infantry.....	Mar. 10, 1914	Akron.
Chester L. Parks.....	Private.....	D	141st Penn. Infantry.....	Oct. 12, 1914	Akron.

GEN. W. T. SHERMAN POST NO. 410, VASSAR.

Henry Hockwell.....	Private.....	K	3d N. Y. Artillery.....	Feb. 16, 1914	Vassar.
E. Van Wormer.....	Private.....	B	9th Mich. Infantry.....	Apr. 20, 1914	Vassar.
Chas. P. Dennis.....	Private.....	K	109th N. Y. Infantry.....	Nov. 8, 1914	Vassar.
Newberry Reynolds.....	Private.....	B	30th Mich. Infantry.....	Nov. 22, 1914	Vassar.
<i>Not members of the G. A. R.</i>					
John Akins.....	Private.....	D	23d Mich. Infantry.....	Jan. 6, 1914	Vassar.
John Guest.....			U. S. Navy.....	May 11, 1914	Vassar.
John Kibbec.....	Private.....	E	96th N. Y. Infantry.....	July 22, 1914	Vassar.
Ezra Rundell.....	Private.....	D	6th Mich. Heavy Artillery.....	Aug. 15, 1914	Fremont.
Chester Dymond.....	Private.....	D	10th Mich. Cavalry.....		Vassar.

ROBERT IRWIN POST NO. 416, BROOKLYN.

Jacob Wesh.....	Private.....	E	17th Mich. Infantry.....	Jan. 7, 1914	Columbia.
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H. P. MERRILL POST NO. 419, BAY CITY.

Edward D. Cowles.....	Private.....	A	10th Mich. Infantry.....	Nov. 27, 1914	Bay City.
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STEPHEN MUNGER POST NO. 425, FREELAND.

<i>Not a member of the G. A. R.</i>					
Frederick Farr.....			9th Mich. Infantry.....	Mar. 6, 1914	Freeland.

GEN. O. M. POE POST NO. 433, DETROIT.

Geo. W. Clements.....	Private.....	M	1st N. Y. Engineers.....	Jan. 9, 1914	Detroit.
Joseph Parnham.....	Sergeant.....	C	202d Ill. Infantry.....	Apr. 9, 1914	Detroit.
John Barcia.....	Private.....	K	17th Mich. Infantry.....	June 4, 1914	Detroit.
Absalom Howe.....	Private.....	I	6th Mich. Infantry.....	July 15, 1914	Sol'rs. Home. O.
J. M. C. Miller.....	Corporal.....	H	6th W. Va. Cavalry.....	Oct. 24, 1914	Detroit.
Wm. H. Phillips.....	Corporal.....	C	5th Ill. Infantry.....	Oct. 27, 1914	Detroit.

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STEELE BROS. POST NO. 441, MASON.

Name.	Rank.	Company.	Organization.	Date of death.	Residence.
L. J. Ford.....	Private.....	H	42d Ill. Infantry.....	Apr. 13, 1914	Mason.
G. J. Franklin.....	Private.....	I	108th Ohio Infantry.....	May 29, 1914	Mason.
Roland Saunders.....	Private.....	K	13th N. Y. Infantry.....	Sept. 11, 1914	Ann Arbor.
Geo. Ohlinger.....	Corporal.....	G	169th Ohio Infantry.....	Dec. 2, 1914	Mason.
Joseph McComb.....	Private.....	K	5th Mich. Cavalry.....	Dec. 18, 1914	Mason.
<i>Not a member of the G. A. R.</i>					
J. K. Elmer.....	Adjutant.....		3d Mich. Cavalry.....	Dec. 16, 1914	Mason.

R. H. GIBSON POST NO. 445, GOWEN.

John Morris.....	Private.....	I	3d N. Y. Artillery.....	Dec. 24, 1914	Gowen.
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GEN. I. C. SMITH POST NO. 451, REED CITY.

Noah Burley.....	Private.....	E	14th U. S. Infantry.....	Aug. 25, 1912	Reed City.
Homer Spencer.....	Private.....	D	20th Mich. Infantry.....	May 15, 1913	Reed City.
Anthony Wise.....	Lieutenant.....	K	13th Penn. Cavalry.....	Nov. 13, 1912	Reed City.
Jacob Brenner.....	Private.....	C	71st Ohio Infantry.....	Mar. 6, 1914	Chase.

H. W. LAWTON POST NO. 452, SAMARIA.

Geo. Whitemiller.....	Private.....	M	8th Mich. Cavalry.....	July 28, 1914	Temperance.
Jos. Kennesbecker.....	Private.....	B	2d U. S. Infantry.....	Dec. 3 1914	Temperance.

GENERAL ORDERS ISSUED.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN,
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,
CAPITOL BUILDING, LANSING, MICH., JUNE 20TH, 1914.

General Orders No. 1, Series 1914-1915.

I. Having been elected Department Commander by the Thirty-sixth Annual Encampment of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic, held at Jackson, June 17th-19th, 1914, and duly installed, I hereby assume command. For the high honor conferred upon me by the vote of my Comrades, I tender them one and all, as if each comrade was personally named, my most heartfelt thanks. I will do my best during my term of office to meet their approval, and ask them to do their part to sustain the efforts of the officers of their choice in advancing the interests of our beloved order, fully realizing that without their support all the efforts of the Department Commander and his fellow officers will be barren.

II. Comrade Henry Spaulding, Post 20, of Hartford, is hereby appointed Assistant Adjutant-General.

Comrade Albert Dunham, Post 48 of Jackson, is hereby appointed Assistant Quartermaster-General.

They will be obeyed and respected accordingly.

Other appointments will be announced in future General Orders.

III. Post Commanders will do me a great favor by sending in the name of a good active Comrade for appointment on the staff of the Department Commander. Don't delay this.

The attention of Post-officers is called to the necessity of sending in their Semi-annual reports for the term ending June 30th, 1914, at once.

It is less than one month before the assistant adjutant general has to make his reports, and the reports from Posts should all be in not later than July 5th, 1914. Let promptness be our motto.

IV. Headquarters are continued at the Capitol, Lansing, Michigan.

All official communications will be addressed to the Assistant Adjutant General, Capitol Building, Lansing, Mich.

Personal communications intended for the Department Commander should be addressed to Saginaw, Mich.

All supplies will be ordered from, and drafts made to the order of the Assistant Adjutant General, Capitol Building, Lansing, Michigan.

RILEY L. JONES,
Department Commander.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN,
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,
CAPITOL BUILDING, LANSING, MICH., JULY 9TH, 1914.

General Orders No. 2, Series 1914-15.

I. At the Thirty-Sixth Annual Encampment of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic, held at Jackson, Michigan, June

17th-19th, the following officers were duly elected and installed:

Department Commander, Riley L. Jones, Post 38, Saginaw.
 Senior Vice Commander, F. L. Manning, Post 48, Jackson.
 Junior Vice Commander, M. C. Barney, Post 145, Flint.
 Medical Director, Robert LeBarron, Post 147, Pontiac.
 Department Chaplain, Rev. W. H. Herbert, Post 18, Traverse City.

COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION.

E. F. Lamb, Post 17, Detroit.
 H. A. Chapin, Post 31, Paw Paw.
 Frank Lester, Post 441, Mason.
 Charles Browning, Post 32, Battle Creek.
 H. F. Yarrick, Post 358, Cadmus.

DELEGATES TO THE FORTY-EIGHTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT.

George Raab (at large), Post 145, Flint.
 Thomas Davey, Post 17, Detroit, 963 12th St.
 Alvah L. Sawyer, Post 17, Detroit, 145 16th St.
 John A. Dillon, Post 110, Hudson.
 Dan J. Willson, Post 48, Jackson, 223 2d St.
 H. F. Gilbert, Post 210, Albion.
 Charles W. Bennett, Post 109, Coldwater, 59 Hanchett St.
 William W. Warner, Post 56, Allegan.
 W. H. Miller, Post 39, Berrien Springs.
 Joseph O. Bellaire, Post 5, 307 Bridge St., Grand Rapids.
 G. Van Schelven, Post 262, Holland.
 David S. Howard, Post 147, Pontiac.
 William A. Bolter, Post 42, Lansing.
 David R. Laing, Post 144, Lapeer.
 C. W. Higgins, Post 98, Port Huron.
 M. E. Keller, Post 38, Saginaw.
 Henry H. Harris, Post 156, St. Johns.
 M. D. Richardson, Post 444, Lansing, P. O. Box 402.
 A. A. Miner, Post 218, Luther.
 L. T. Houk, Post 67, Bay City.
 John G. Berry, Post 265, Vanderbilt.
 W. F. Lawton, Post 170, Petoskey.
 W. R. Montgomery, Post 170, Petoskey.
 Ira Carley, Post 266, Ingalls.
 P. C. Beanston, Post 300, Marquette.
 W. H. Mitchell, Post 384, Detroit, 1010 Dime Bank Bldg.
 John Devlin, Post 433, Detroit, 159 Avery Ave.

ALTERNATE DELEGATES.

J. R. Stephenson (at large), Post 5, Grand Rapids.
 C. A. Bartlett, Post 17, Detroit, 145 16th St.
 Cornelius O. Dwyer, Post 433, Detroit, 671 14th Ave.
 Alec T. Navarre, Post 76, Monroe.
 John A. McDougall, Post 180, Ypsilanti.
 Henry A. Clute, Post 166, Marshall.

H. B. Olmstead, Post 111, Eaton Rapids.
 H. C. Walker, Post 157, Cassopolis.
 Thomas Biddle, Post 35, South Haven.
 Ben Van Raalte, Post 262, Holland.
 E. H. Stein, Post 395, Grand Rapids.
 John W. Begg, Post 145, Flint.
 William D. Longyear, Post 60, Leslie.
 George B. Windover, Post 98, Port Huron.
 George W. Howe, Post 98, Port Huron.
 Frank C. Crowell, Post 38, Saginaw, W. S.
 John W. Bradner, Post 156, St. Johns.
 Eli M. Ruggles, Post 3, Whitehall.
 John G. Allport, Post 7, Muskegon.
 W. A. Northrup, Post 294, Big Rapids.
 Hiram Russell, Post 67, Bay City.
 Merritt Halleck, Post 252, Howard City.
 Harrison Berdan, Post 170, Charlevoix.
 Court Moore, Post 300, Marquette.
 Curtis Buck, Post 429, Ironwood.
 C. A. Coolidge, Post 384, Detroit, Pasadena Apartments.
 H. A. Davis, Post 433, Detroit, 165 Rosedale Court.

STAFF APPOINTMENTS.

Henry Spaulding, Assistant Adjutant General, Lansing.
 Albert Dunham, Assistant Quarter Master General, Jackson.
 R. A. Parker, Judge Advocate, Post 17, Detroit.
 L. T. Houk, Chief Mustering Officer, Post 67, Bay City.
 Charles A. Coolidge, Chief of Staff, Post 384, Detroit.
 Robert C. Blair, Senior Aide, Post 382, Lake Odessa.
 L. H. Ives, Department Inspector, Post 441, Mason.
 Charles R. Kleckler, Patriotic Instructor, Post 20, Hartford.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE C. OF A.

H. A. Chapin, Post 31, Paw Paw, E. F. Lamb, Post 17, Detroit,
 Charles Browning, Post 32, Battle Creek.

COMMITTEE TO VISIT THE SOLDIERS' HOME.

Jos. Seeman, Post 38, Saginaw, J. R. Stephenson, Post 5, Grand Rapids,
 R. M. Bellinger, Post 32, Battle Creek.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE.

Henry S. Dean, Post 137, Ann Arbor Louis Kanitz, Post 7, Muskegon,
 F. R. Havens, Post 42, Lansing.

COMMITTEE OF MILITARY MUSEUM.

W. C. Nessen, Post 42, Lansing, Lester J. Kennedy, Post 42, Lansing,
 Charles H. Holmes, Post 42, Lansing.

Robert Finch (Sergeant National Colors), Post 5, Grand Rapids.

A. L. Bryant (Sergeant Department Colors), Post 255, Mayville.
Griffin Lewis (Chief Bugler), Post 67, Bay City.

AIDES-DE-CAMP.

III. The following named comrades are hereby appointed Aides-de-Camp on the staff of the Department Commander. They will be obeyed and respected accordingly:

George W. Downey, Post 79, Kalamazoo.
George W. Dingman, Post 380, New Haven.
Peter H. Wilms, Post 262, Holland.
E. Z. Guild, Post 123, Frankfort.
S. S. Tower, Post 70, Onaway.
Homer W. Hodge, Post 343, Sault Ste. Marie.
Frank Carlton, Post 303, Schoolcraft.
Thomas F. Payne, Post 17, Detroit.
James H. Paul, Post 242, Athens.
Horace Pulver, Post 10, Dundee.
James J. Potter, Post 139, Alpena.
Charles P. Jeffords, Post 250, Mt. Pleasant.
John Seel, Post 14, Benton Harbor.
J. L. Halloran, Post 433, Detroit.
Phillip Yound, Post 1, Soldiers' Home.
H. J. Milbourn, Post 111, Eaton Rapids.
William Pratt, Post 32, Battle Creek.
Daniel Squires, Post 182, Fremont.
W. S. Piumb, Post 27, Decatur.
John W. Begg, Post 145, Flint.
Edward C. Smith, Post 147, Pontiac.
J. R. Smith, Post 205, Owosso.

SEMI-ANNUAL REPORTS.

IV. Post officers are reminded that the Semi-annual Report for the term ending June 30th are now due at Department Headquarters. It is necessary that promptness be exercised in forwarding these reports. The National Encampment is close at hand, and it is required that the Assistant Adjutant General make his report to National Headquarters by July 20th, therefore attend to this at once that we may not be left out in the cold.

NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT.

V. As announced in general orders No. 4, March 11th, 1914, from National Headquarters the 48th National Encampment will assemble at Detroit, Mich., August 31st to September 5th, 1914.

Michigan Headquarters will be at the BRUNSWICK Hotel, Room No. 110. The Registration Room will be in the G. A. R. Memorial Building just across the street from the Brunswick Hotel. A competent committee will be in charge, and it is expected that all Michigan ex-soldiers will register.

Post Commanders are requested to at once ascertain the approximate

number of Comrades who will attend the National Encampment; also the probable number who will take part in the parade September 2nd. and report to the Assistant Adjutant General, Lansing, Michigan, not later than August 10th, 1914.

It is hoped and expected that we shall have a full representation from every Post in this Department, carrying their Post Colors.

Nothing should be carried in the parade but the National Colors with Department and Post Banners and Guidons, except such markers as may be furnished from National Headquarters.

Regimental, Brigade, and other associations of Veterans are not recognized in the G. A. R., and do not properly form a part of the G. A. R. Parade. A good Grand Army Comrade will march with his Post unless appointed for duty elsewhere.

The Commander-in-Chief has expressed a wish that every Comrade appear in uniform if possible, but at least in dark clothing and dark fedora hat. It is hoped that every Comrade of the Department of Michigan will comply with his request.

The Department Commander expresses the wish that no badges be worn in the parade except the regular G. A. R. badge and button, Post Badges, and such official badges as may be furnished from National and Department Headquarters.

DELEGATES TO NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT.

VI. Delegates elected to the National Encampment are requested to notify the Assistant Adjutant General if they will go. Do not delay this as Alternates must be notified, and time for making arrangements is short.

It is expected that Michigan will be represented with a full delegation.

AIDES-DE-CAMP.

VII. Aides-de-camp are expected to interest themselves in the welfare of the Post, and do all they can to increase the membership of the G. A. R.

Comrades, let the work of this year be one of genuine Comradeship, and the reports at the end of the year will show the spirit of your work.

By command of

RILEY L. JONES,
Department Commander.

Official
HENRY SPAULDING,
Assistant Adjutant General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN,
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,
CAPITOL BUILDING, LANSING, MICH., AUGUST 10, 1914.

General Orders, No. 3, Series 1914-15:

I. As heretofore announced, the Forty-eighth National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic will be held in the city of Detroit, Michigan, beginning Monday, August 31st. The parade will be on Wednesday, September 2d. The sessions of the Encampment will be

held in Detroit Armory, corner of Larned and Brush Streets, on Thursday and Friday, September 3d and 4th, beginning at 10 o'clock A. M.

II. Department Headquarters will be located at the Brunswick Hotel, Grand River and Cass East, opened Monday, August 31st. In room 110, Department Officers, Delegates and Past Department Commanders will report as soon as possible after arrival. There will be a meeting of the delegates and other members of the Encampment at Department Headquarters on Tuesday afternoon, September 1st, at five o'clock. Members of the Encampment will receive their Delegate Badges at this meeting. It is hoped that all interested will be present.

III. Registration, the committee on registration will be in session in the G. A. R. Memorial Building across the street from the Brunswick Hotel, (Mich. Headquarters,) during the week. All Comrades are requested to Register and receive a Michigan Badge.

IV. Parade, Michigan will form on Brady St., right resting on Woodward Ave., all Aides-de-Camp and officers will report to Chas. A. Coolidge, Chief-of-Staff, for duty, upon their arrival in Detroit.

The official program has been sent to each Post in the Department which gives full information relative to the Encampment, Hotels, rates, etc.

Comrade Frank Bennett, a naval veteran, who served on the U. S. S. S. Powhatan, is hereby detailed to Carry the Department Naval Flag in the parade, he will report at Department Headquarters Wednesday, Sept. 2d for duty. The Department Commander hopes and expects that every ex-soldier of this Department who is present and able to, will participate in the parade; this may be the last chance, Camrades, that we will have to touch elbows in one of our old time parades; let none miss it.

V. The following additional Aides-de-Camp on the staff of the Department Commander are hereby announced and they will be obeyed and respected accordingly:

Everett G. Knapp, Post 210, Albion.
 James Gillingham, Post 40, Charlotte.
 Gordon T. Converse, Post 38, Saginaw.
 Gideon Sylvester, Post 125, Hastings.
 B. F. Corey, Post 97, Hersey.
 James Greacen, Post 84, Kalkaska.
 Josiah Creque, Post 48, Jackson.
 L. C. Wilbur, Post 402, Akron.

VI. The Department Commander earnestly requests all Posts who desire a visit from the Commander and his staff to let it be known as soon as convenient after September 1st, that the dates may be arranged.

VII. Department Headquarters in Lansing will be closed from noon Friday, August 28th, till Monday, September 14th. Posts requiring supplies will govern themselves accordingly.

By command of

RILEY L. JONES,
 Department Commander.

Official
 HENRY SPAULDING,
 Assistant Adjutant General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN,
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,
CAPITOL BUILDING, LANSING, MICH., NOV. 5, 1914.

General Orders, No. 4, Series 1914-15:

I. The 48th National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic held at Detroit, Michigan, August 31st to September 5th, has passed into the history of our great and noble Order, and the success which attended it has stamped it as among the greatest Encampments our Order has ever held.

The People of Detroit, proved to be royal hosts, and were untiring in their efforts to make every Comrade in attendance feel welcome.

The Mayor and his loyal committees attended to the details in such an efficient and whole-hearted way as to crown the occasion with the unstinted thanks of every visitor, for their kindly efforts in our behalf, the weather was as fine as could be asked for, and the city in its Gala-dress was magnificent; how well Detroit kept her promise of a year ago is for the visitors to answer.

II. The Department Commander takes this opportunity to thank the Comrades of this Department for their attendance, and the loyal interest they took in making the 48th National Encampment a grand success, and congratulates them on the fine showing they made on the parade, also extends his thanks to the members of the Department for their ready response to the requests of the commander-in-chief of the Department Commander to make the parade what it distinctively should be, a parade of the Grand Army of the Republic.

And the thanks of this Department is hereby extended to the good people of Detroit for their generous hospitality, and their universal efforts to show their appreciations of the service of the veterans, and their kind and patriotic regard for their individuality.

III. Michigan was again honored by the National Encampment, which by unanimous votes elected Comrade Joseph B. Griswold, of Custer Post No. 5, of Grand Rapids, Mich., Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, also Comrade H. A. Chapin, of Post No. 31, of Paw Paw, Michigan, as a member of the National Council of Administration.

IV. The annual election of officers of the Posts of this Department, and of delegates and alternates to the next Department Encampment must be held, as required by the rules and regulations, at the first stated meeting in December.

As Post Commanders are by virtue of their office members of the Encampment they should not be elected as delegates or alternates.

SPECIAL NOTICE TO ADJUTANTS.

Under separate cover is forwarded to the Adjutant of each Post, election and credential blanks on which to make returns, one copy of each must be sent to these headquarters IMMEDIATELY after election. They are needed at once in order to allow ample time to make up the roll of the Department Encampment.

SPECIAL NOTICE TO ADJUTANTS AND QUARTERMASTERS.

V. Enclosed herewith are blank forms A and B, Adjutants and Quartermasters reports.

Reports of Post Adjutants and Quartermasters with the per capita tax of twelve and one-half cents on each member in good standing, December 31, 1914, are due after the last meeting in DECEMBER. Post Commanders are earnestly urged to see that these reports are returned to Department Headquarters immediately after the close of the last meeting in December.

There is no reason why the report of every Post should not be filed in these headquarters by January 5th, 1915.

It can easily be done if the Adjutant and Quartermaster will get together at the close of the last meeting in December, make out their reports, and turn them over, together with the per capita tax of 12½ cents for each member, to the Commander before leaving the Post Hall. This action by the Adjutant and Quartermaster will make their own work lighter and will be a great help to the Assistant General. A blank quartermaster bond is enclosed herewith.

VI. A mortuary blank is herein enclosed. Adjutants will fill out these blanks, giving all deaths in the Post, from the last meeting in 1913 to last meeting in 1914, being careful to give all the information called for on the blank, and forward to these Headquarters with the semi-annual returns.

SPECIAL NOTICE TO POST PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTORS.

VII. A Post Patriotic Instructor report blank is also herein enclosed. This report should be filled by the retiring Post Patriotic Instructor and mailed by January 1st, to Charles R. Kleckler, Department Patriotic Instructor (address) Hartford, Michigan.

VIII. On to Washington.

The National Encampment of 1915, will be held in Washington, D. C. The date has not been fixed, but will doubtless be in September. Believing that many of the Comrades will wish to attend, Posts are urged to consider the question at an early date. It is hoped that the Department of Michigan will be largely represented.

IX. At the National Encampment in Detroit, a resolution was unanimously adopted, that the Grand Army of the Republic do all in its power to discourage the playing of the National Anthem, "The Star Spangled Banner" during the eating at a dinner, or as part of a medley. Posts and all patriotic organizations are urged to further this resolution by insisting on its observance at all affairs held under their auspices.

X. The following additional Aides-de-Camp on the Staff of the Department Commander is hereby announced and will be obeyed accordingly:

William Miller, Post 441, Mason.

Parker Orr, Post 441, Mason.

H. W. Stevens, Post 140, Tecumseh.

The Department Commander exercising the authority given him, has

dispensed with the inspection of the Posts, in this department this year. It will not be necessary therefore, for the installing officer to ask the question "Has the Post been properly inspected?" before proceeding with the installation of the newly elected officers.

The attention of Post Commanders is called to former orders, requesting the recommending of names of Comrades for Aides-de-Camp, on Commander-in-Chief staff, also of the Department Commanders staff.

By order of

RILEY L. JONES,
Department Commander.

Official
HENRY SPAULDING,
Assistant Adjutant General.

IN MEMORIAM

It is with profound sorrow that we announce the death of our beloved Comrade,

WILLIAM T. JOHNSTON.

Comrade Johnston was born in Allegheny City, Pennsylvania, February 19th, 1846, and died at his home in Grand Rapids, Mich., October 24th, 1914.

He was mustered into the U. S. Service, February 15th, 1863, in Co. I, 4th Pa. Cav., and was discharged July 1st, 1865.

Comrade Johnston was a leading factor in the organization of Amasa B. Watson Post No. 395, of Grand Rapids, Mich., November 15th, 1888; he was Commander of his Post for five years, and Commander at the time of his death.

He was chosen as Chief Mustering Officer of this department for the year 1913-14, and filled the position with honor, always ready and willing to perform any duty that came to him. He traveled several weeks in the Department with the Commander, Frank R. Chase, visiting Posts and giving them words of cheer. He was endowed with fervent patriotism and an unselfish loyalty for the principles of Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty. He never forgot his Comrades, and they never will forget him. A very fitting tribute is given by the Comrades of his Post.

Our Commander is dead, his name and deeds are enrolled in the history of Amasa B. Watson Post, and he lives in the affection of every member. To his memory, Honor; to his ashes, Peace. So say we all.

IMPORTANT TO POST COMMANDERS AND COMRADES.

The committee appointed by Department Commander on the Military Museums at the state capitol are desirous of adding relics of the Civil War thereto. Comrades, have you or your friends not got some suitable relics to place in the museum that you will send to be placed on exhibition for the benefit of those we shall soon leave behind? Send your name and address and such history as you may have of them, write plainly, and they will all appear together in the Museum and the Board of State Auditors will send you receipts for them. Do not send heavy or bulky articles as space is limited just now. Do this at once and our posterity will thank us for our effort along this line. Send direct to the Board of State Auditors, Lansing, Michigan, marked for State Museum. Send by parcel post (the expense will be trivial,) or by express, c. o. d. If you wish to communicate, address the chairman of committee, W. C. Nesen, Post 42, Lansing, Michigan, 420 W. Hillsdale St. HENRY SPAULDING,

Assistant Adjutant General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN,
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,
CAPITOL BUILDING, LANSING, MICH., MAY 1, 1915.

General Orders, No. 5, Series 1914-15:

1st. The 37th annual encampment of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic, will be held in the city of Kalamazoo, on the 16th, 17th and 18th of June, 1915. Headquarters will be at the Park American Hotel.

2nd. The executive committee C. of A., will meet in room 202 on the 16th at 9:00 o'clock a. m., for the purpose of auditing the books of the Assistant Adjutant and Assistant Quartermaster Generals, and such other business as may properly come before them, and submit their report to the encampment.

The Council of Administration will meet in headquarters room the 16th at 11 a. m. for the transaction of any business that may properly come before them.

3rd. The committee on credentials will meet in the registration room at 8:00 a. m. June 16th where all delegates, Past Dept., Past Post, and Post Commanders and all who are entitled to a seat in the encampment can secure their delegate badges. The credential committee are : Henry Spaulding, Assistant Adjutant General, Chairman; Smith Carlton, Post 79; John Devlin, Post 433; John S. Heald, Post 20; H. W. Harvey, Post 79. They will report to the Assistant Adjutant General for instructions.

The committee on registration are as follows: Henry Vanorman, Chairman; H. Pitts, Frank Sweet, and R. P. James, all of Post 79.

They will report to Asst. Adj. Gen., June 15th at 5:00 o'clock p. m., for instructions.

4th. Department Headquarters G. A. R., will be closed in Lansing from June 14th to 21st and opened temporarily at the Park American Hotel in the City of Kalamazoo from June 15th to 19th.

5th. The first session of encampment will be called to order in the Armory at 2:00 o'clock p. m. Wednesday, June 16th. Delegates and Representatives will please secure their badges which will be necessary for admission.

Post Commander A. Robbins of Post 79, has made the following details for duty during the Encampment: Charles Davenport, Officer of the Day; G. F. Larnard, Officer of the Grand Guards; Charles Barnes, S. H. Laport, Henry Root, Peter Stevens, and Charles Biddleston. They will report at the Armory for duty at 1:00 o'clock sharp, Wednesday, June 16th. The Officer of the Day will report to the Asst. Adj. Genl. at 10:00 a. m. for instructions.

List of hotels and rates at Kalamazoo during the encampment:

Rickman hotel, \$1.00 and up European plan.

Park American hotel, \$2.50 and up American and \$1.00 and up European plan.

Burdick House, \$1.50 without bath, and \$2.00 and \$2.50 with bath, all European.

Columbian hotel, \$2.00 straight American plan.

They also have four smaller hotels all of which have nice clean rooms which rent for from \$0.50 to \$1.00 and up European plan.

"CHILDREN'S CAMP FIRE."

A children's camp fire will be held Wednesday evening at 8:00 p. m. Mrs. Emma E. Bailey, Department President of the W. R. C. will present a full U. S. regulation silk flag, to the Kalamazoo High School. For further particulars see official program.

THURSDAY, JUNE 17TH.

The encampment will be called to order at 9:00 a. m. and will proceed with the regular order of business.

At 1:30 p. m. sharp the annual parade of the department will take place. The Sons of Veterans and Spanish War Veterans will act as escort to the G. A. R. in the parade.

General Charles A. Coolidge, Chief-of-Staff, will have charge of parade. All Aides-de-Camp will report to him for duty.

The Department Veteran Drum Corps will furnish the old war time music that will stir the hearts of the comrades as they march along the streets of Kalamazoo, where many marched in the years 1861 to 1865, the line of march not to exceed one mile in length. Post and Battalion organizations who expect to be present, will report to the Chief-of-Staff, General Charles A. Coolidge, Pasadena Apartments, Detroit, Mich., for assignment.

General David J. Palmer, Commander-in-Chief will be present and view the parade. after which the encampment will reassemble and listen

to an address from the Commander-in-Chief, after which they will proceed with the regular order of business.

GENERAL CAMPFIRE.

Thursday evening, June 17th at 8:00 p. m. the general campfire will be held. A fine program has been prepared, the principal address will be given by the Commander-in-Chief, David J. Palmer.

For further information see the official program.

FRIDAY, JUNE 18TH.

Nine o'clock a. m. the encampment will be called to order and proceed with the regular order of business and continue until the work of the encampment is completed.

AIDES-DE-CAMP.

The following named Comrades are hereby appointed Aides-de-Camp on the staff of the Department Commander. They will be respected and obeyed accordingly:

R. G. Burlingame, Post 20.
 John M. Carter, Post 20.
 Lester J. Kenney, Post 42.
 C. B. Lowell, Post 88.
 Henry Seymour, Post 88.
 G. W. Blackwell, Post 88.
 H. J. Milbourn, Post 111.
 George W. Norton, Post 111.
 Alonzo Cheney, Post 111.
 Mathias Kohn, Post 126.
 W. E. Cummins, Post 160.
 William E. Jacobs, Post 160.
 John E. Warren, Post 170.
 John Williams, Post 182.
 Frank Lester, Post 441.
 J. H. Hemphill, Post 454.

The Department Commander desires to meet as many of the old boys at Kalamazoo as can possibly get there, and have a good loyal handshake. Not many more of these gatherings will many of us attend, so let us make a special effort, and make this one of the best of Michigan encampments.

The National Encampment will be held in Washington, D. C., the week of September 27th, 1915. Michigan headquarters will be at the Metropolitan hotel, located on Pennsylvania Ave., between 6th and 7th streets. The official headquarters train will go via the Baltimore and Ohio R. R. Schedules, rates, itinerary and full information will be sent to every Post in the state.

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"In Memoriam"

It is with a sad heart that we must announce another death among the Past Department Commanders of Michigan and Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, and a member of Custer Post No. 5, of Grand Rapids, Mich., Comrade Joseph B. Griswold, who was born in Vermontville, Mich., June 21st, 1842, and died at his home, March 9th, 1915. The funeral was March 12th, 1915.

The death of our comrade, Dr. J. B. Griswold, marks the passing of a man, who not only achieved great distinction in the practice of his profession and of commendable service during the Civil War, but he was a nationally known figure in Grand Army Circles, active at all times. He became Department Commander of Michigan G. A. R. in 1906, and was elected Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief of the G. A. R., at the National Encampment held in Detroit, September 1st to 5th, 1914. "A good man gone."

The Department Commander in sorrow announces the death of Comrade Fayette Wyckoff, Past Assist. Adj. Genl. of the G. A. R. of Mich. Comrade Wyckoff was born in New York State in 1842; served in Company H, 1st Michigan Engineers and Mechanics from September, 1861, to October, 1864, was secretary of his Regimental Organization for 47 years, and died January 20th, 1915. Funeral January 23d, 1915.

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"Memorial Day"

On account of May 30th falling on Sunday, Memorial Day will be observed by the Posts of this Department on Monday, May 31st.

To every patriot, Memorial Day is the most sacred of the year. No more beautiful or impressive scene could be witnessed than that of a redeemed nation turning aside from its usual pursuits and gathering around the graves of its defenders, bearing offerings of flowers and giving expression of the love and gratitude which a great people feel towards those who gave their lives in defense of their country.

There is no brighter day in the long calendar of time than the Memorial Day of the American people. This generation has no more sacred duty than to increase the love of the people for this day, and to advance it to the position of a universally accepted national anniversary, on whose recurrence all strife and bitterness shall be forgotten and peace shall possess all hearts.

Let us therefore gather wherever they sleep, and with praise and prayer honor and bedeck them and tell the world of their struggles and their sacrifices for the right.

Let us too, remember those who went down to the great deep in ships,

and on all streams that run to the sea let us strew flowers, that our sailor dead may receive the same honors we pay to our soldiers.

Memorial Sunday will be observed on May 30th, when every Post, accompanied by its allied organizations, should attend such service in a body.

Patriotic sessions should be held in public schools on Friday, May 28th, and comrades detailed to visit the schools on that day, who should seek to impress upon the minds of the scholars love of country, respect for the flag, and a veneration for the men who saved them both to posterity.

General Logan's first Memorial Day order with "Lincoln's" Gettysburg Address, should be read at all Memorial Day exercises.

Invitations should be extended the Womans' Relief Corps, Ladies of the G. A. R., Sons and Daughters of Veterans, Spanish War Veterans, and all other allied organizations, to participate in the exercises of Memorial Day.

By command of

RILEY L. JONES,
Department Commander.

HENRY SPAULDING,
Assistant Adjutant General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN,
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,
CAPITOL BUILDING, LANSING, MICH., MAY 20, 1915.

General Orders, No. 6, Series 1914-15:

1. Consolidated Forms A and B for the term ending June 30, 1915, are enclosed herewith. Adjutants and Quartermasters should make out their reports in duplicate at once after the last meeting in June, and forward one copy, with the amount of the per capita tax 12½ cents for each member in good standing, to these Headquarters on or before July 5th. Comrades, the Asst. Adjt. Genl. has until July 25th to make his report, so please be prompt with your reports; the figures in red ink must not be changed.

Make all checks and money orders, (until further orders) payable to Henry Spaulding, Assistant Adjutant General, G. A. R.

2. Monday, June 14th, is Flag Day. Let special honor be done on this day to the Emblem of Liberty, equal rights and national unity.

Post Patriotic Instructors should, if possible, arrange special programs for the observance of this day.

3. You will find enclosed Roster for 1915, please acknowledge receipt of this by return mail and oblige.

By order of

RILEY L. JONES,
Department Commander.

HENRY SPAULDING,
Assistant Adjutant General.

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