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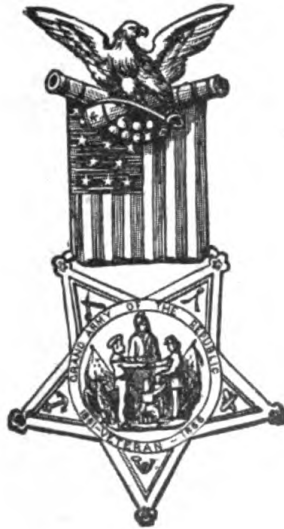


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Commander, Dept. of Michigan, G. A. R.

LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN,
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,
LANSING, JUNE 30, 1918.

HON. ALBERT E. SLEEPER, 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 18, 1917, to June 22, 1918, as I deem of interest to that organization and the people of the State of Michigan.

Respectfully yours in F. C. and L.,
WILLIAM O. LEE,
Department Commander.

OFFICERS FOR YEAR 1917-1918

Comrades present are marked thus—*.

- *Department Commander.....William O. Lee, Post 98, Port Huron, Mich.
- *Senior Vice Commander.....H. W. Stevens, Post 140, Tecumseh, Mich.
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- *Medical Director.....Dr. Robert Lebaron, Post 147, Pontiac, Mich.
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- *Department Patriotic Instructor.....F. L. Manning, Post 48, Jackson, Mich.
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- *Chief of Staff.....E. K. Starkweather, Post 318, Northville, Mich.
- *Senior Aid-de Camp.....Thomas R. Shaw, Post 318, Northville, Mich.
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COMMITTEE TO VISIT SOLDIERS' HOME.

- *Samuel J. Lawrence.....370 Hamilton Ave., Post 384, Detroit, Mich.
- *Frank Lester.....Post 441, Mason, Mich.
- *J. J. Holmes.....Post 111, Eaton Rapids, Mich.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE.

- *Washington Gardner.....Post 210, Albion, Mich.
- *E. B. Fenton.....2762 Woodbine Ave., Post 384, Evanston, Ill.
- *Frank R. Chase.....Post 126, Belding, Mich.

COMMITTEE ON MILITARY MUSEUM TO ACT WITH BOARD OF STATE AUDITORS.

- *George W. Stone.....Post 42, Lansing, Mich.
- *Uriah Lazelle.....Post 42, Lansing, Mich.
- *John G. Snook.....Post 42, Lansing, Mich.

FORTIETH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT
DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC
HELD AT SAGINAW, JUNE 19 to 21, 1918.

June 19, 1918.

The Fortieth Annual Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic was called to order by the Department Commander, William O. Lee, in the Auditorium at Saginaw on Wednesday afternoon at two o'clock, June 19th, 1918.

Comrades, Ladies and Gentlemen: It gives me great pleasure in introducing to you this afternoon the Mayor of the city of Lansing, Hon. H. F. Paddock. You will now hear from the Mayor.

ADDRESS OF WELCOME DELIVERED BY HON. H. F. PADDOCK, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF SAGINAW.

Ladies and Gentlemen: I assure you that it is a personal pleasure as well as a pleasant duty to appear here today and give a few words of welcome to the delegates of this convention. Some of our people a few months ago might have asked if the American people were as loyal and patriotic as these men and women were, or might have wondered at the high ideals, the spirit, the loyalty, the love of country, whether these things were still manifest in our people—it seems in the last few months they have been answered, as we see the great Atlantic bridged with ships built and equipped by Americans across that great highway, three thousand miles in length. Today are marching American soldiers and American sailors to take their part in the greatest war in the world, and we all know and we believe that it is through their efforts that the final battle will be won and victory secured in the great cause of humanity, liberty and justice. (Applause)

And we all know that behind that wonderful army of American boys are a hundred million of loyal united Americans, prepared to give all they have and make every sacrifice to back up our own boys, who are now fighting for America because we now know that this is our war. And as we see these things, ladies and gentlemen, as they are brought home to us today, we of the present generation should enjoy the great blessings and privileges of living in this great republic and realize more fully and have a greater understanding of the sacrifices made and appreciate the deeds accomplished by these gray-haired veterans of the Civil War whom we honor today, and I want to assure you that Saginaw today feels highly honored in having the veterans of the Civil War, the veterans of the Spanish-American War, and these splendid auxiliaries with us. I want to assure you that this is a rare pleasure and privilege for us, and I know I express the sentiment of our people, of every man, woman and child, when I say to you that we are glad that you are here. I want to extend to you a most hearty welcome. We want you to feel that while you are in this city, this city is yours, and we wish

for you a very successful meeting here in Saginaw, and we want your stay to be such a pleasant one, so enjoyable, that you will be glad to come back to us at some future day. We wish you the utmost success. (Applause)

Department Commander: Ladies and gentlemen, I take pleasure in introducing to you Mr. Howell, who represents the Saginaw Chamber of Commerce.

REMARKS BY MR. HOWELL, REPRESENTING THE SAGINAW CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

Department Commander, Veterans of the Civil War, Ladies and Gentlemen: It is needless to say that the Saginaw Board of Commerce, which is representative of three hundred members, and in that way representative of our city, is delighted at the opportunity of having you in our midst. You see what careful preparations we have made for you in the way of the weather. Today is a delightful day and we hope that the rest of the days during the time that you are with us will be equally as delightful. The weather man prophesies fair and warmer for tomorrow. We know the parade is one of the big features, so we hope the weather tomorrow is going to be good. We surely hope so.

It is particularly significant to meet in Saginaw and makes more enjoyable, if that can be said, the fact that you are with us, you boys of '61 to '65. You are the gentlemen who have laid the foundation for democracy. You contended for and you achieved in '61 just what our boys, your grandsons and your sons are doing over there now. So your meeting here this year has more significance than your previous encampments at Battle Creek, Kalamazoo and Bay City. We believe that the citizens of Saginaw—we know that the citizens of Saginaw and the Mayor has told you, and is representative of the citizenship, are delighted to have you with them. We don't hand the keys of the city to convention visitors because we don't have any doors that are locked. We want you to know that the doors are open to you. If there is anything that we can do to help you in your work, or in the work of your kindred organizations, we will be glad to do it. If you want to write any letters or make use of the telephone, you certainly are welcome to call at our headquarters and use ours. If you want to use the girls to take your letters you can use them, but please do not take them away from Saginaw with you. Leave them with the Board of Commerce. (Applause)

Gentlemen, I want to thank you deeply, from the bottom of my heart, for this opportunity, and we apologize for the fact that Mr. Mowers is in Lansing, and if my humble efforts have at all been impressive in the welcome of the Board of Commerce, then I will be satisfied. Gentlemen, I thank you. (Applause)

RESPONSE BY DEPARTMENT COMMANDER WILLIAM O. LEE.

It gives me great pleasure as representative of the Grand Army of the Republic of the State of Michigan to accept your greetings and your hospitality. I extend to you our thanks for the Grand Army of the Republic of the State of Michigan and for their auxiliaries. To me this is a greater personal privilege than to the average comrade. You recognize the fact that it makes no odds how old we get, how gray our hair

gets, we love to go to the playgrounds of our childhood, and I have come home to Saginaw. (Applause)

I have had the privilege of seeing Saginaw grow from its smallest conception to the magnificent city we are in today. It is true, Mr. Mayor, I miss the names and the faces of my boyhood, the Littles, the James, the Blisses, the Morleys, the McLeans and my other friends. It is true we don't hear the buzz and the hum and the song of the circular saw, nor the echo of the wheels, morning, noon and night, nor do we get the magnificent fragrance of the lumber and the sawdust. We miss the lumber-jack; we miss the log roller, with his cork boots; we miss the mud of Genesee street. It does us good to get back to those active pioneer days. In other words, Comrades, fifty-four years ago last February, I went out of this town as a private, joining one of our magnificent regiments of Michigan. Today I have the honor—I am proud to come here at the head of the Grand Army of the Republic for the State of Michigan. (Applause)

Mr. Mayor and Mr. Representative of the Saginaw Board of Commerce, in behalf of the Grand Army of the Republic of the State of Michigan and their kindred organizations, I thank you for your cordial greetings and your hospitality. (Applause)

Department Commander: Ladies, gentlemen and comrades, this is the closing of our ceremony to the citizens. We will now express our thanks for your presence and I shall have to ask you to be excused, in order that we may open the meeting of the Grand Army of the Republic for the State of Michigan for its fortieth annual encampment. The officer of the day will see to it that none are in the hall except those who are members of the Grand Army of the Republic and are delegates to this convention, and the Comrades who are not delegates will please take the gallery. Officer of the Day, will you see that the hall is now cleared and all members of the Grand Army of the Republic who are not delegates will take their places in the gallery.

Department Commander: Comrades, we are not so numerous as we were forty years ago, but what there is of us let us stay together. Comrades, this is the regular convention of the fortieth annual encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic of the State of Michigan. Officer of the Day, are the approaches to this hall properly guarded?

Officer of the Day: They are.

Department Commander: Are all present members of the Grand Army of the Republic, and those on the floor delegates to this convention?

Officer of the Day: They are. I see none other, Department Commander.

Department Commander: Comrades, once more we have assembled in convention for the conduction of such business as comes before us. We meet in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty and may our hearts unite as one in sustaining the great principles of our order. The Chaplain will invoke the divine blessing.

PRAYER BY THE CHAPLAIN.

Almighty Father: We are assembled here for the transaction of our business. We pray for Thy watchfulness over us. Be our guide and direct us in the work that we have to do. We thank Thee for the mercy

that is spared us at this hour. We pray that Thou will bless the exercises that will be held here this afternoon and evening. This we ask, in Thy name. Amen.

Department Commander: Attention! I now declare the fortieth annual encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, Department of Michigan, duly opened. The Assistant Adjutant General will call the roll of posts.

Whereupon the Assistant Adjutant General began the roll call.

A Comrade: I move that the roll call be dispensed with, inasmuch as there is a quorum present. Supported and carried.

ROLL OF THE FORTIETH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

DEPARTMENT OFFICERS.

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- *Department Commander.....William O. Lee, Post 98, Port Huron
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PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

- Russell A. Alger, deceased.....Detroit, 1867
- Wm. A. Throop, deceased.....Detroit, 1868
- William Humphrey, deceased.....Adrian, 1870
- C. V. R. Pond, deceased.....Lansing, 1878-9
- A. T. McReynolds, deceased.....Grand Rapids, 1880
- Byron R. Pierce.....Grand Rapids, 1881-2
- *Oscar A. Janes.....Detroit, 1883
- Rush J. Shank, deceased.....Lansing, 1884
- Charles D. Long, deceased.....Flint, 1885
- *John Northwood.....New Lothrop, 1886
- L. G. Rutherford, deceased.....Hart, 1887
- *Washington Gardner.....Albion, 1888
- Michael Brown, transferred to Department of Montana.....Big Rapids, 1889
- Henry M. Duffield, deceased.....Detroit, 1890
- Charles L. Eaton, deceased.....Paw Paw, 1891
- Henry S. Dean, deceased.....Ann Arbor, 1892-3
- James H. Kidd, deceased.....Ionia, 1893-4
- *Louis Kanitz.....Muskegon, 1894-5
- S. B. Daboll, deceased.....St. 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, deceased.....	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.....	Ewart, 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
*Sam'l J. Lawrence.....	Detroit, 1910-11
Geo. W. Stone.....	Lansing, 1911-12
*John T. Spillane.....	Detroit, 1912-13
*Frank R. Chase.....	Smyrna, 1913-14
*Riley L. Jones.....	Detroit, 1914-15
Henry Rankin, deceased, died in office.....	Ypsilanti, 1915-16
*Eli Strong, to fill vacancy.....	Kalamazoo, 1915-16
*L. H. Ives.....	Mason, 1916-17

PAST SENIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

H. M. Bigelow, deceased.....	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, deceased.....	Lansing, 1887
True Hart.....	Midland, 1888
Wm. H. Russell.....	Clio, 1889
E. L. Negus, deceased.....	Chelsea, 1890
C. L. Brundage, deceased.....	Muskegon, 1891
Jas. A. Crozier, deceased.....	Menominee, 1892
L. M. Ward, deceased.....	Benton Harbor, 1893
Herman C. Friecke.....	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. Van Kleeck, 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
J. J. Drake, deceased.....	St. Joseph, 1909
Henry P. Shutt.....	Kalamazoo, 1910
A. J. Ward, deceased.....	Holland, 1911
H. C. Rankin, deceased.....	Ypsilanti, 1912
*John A. Wardell.....	Lansing, 1913
*F. L. Manning.....	Jackson, 1914
*Eli Strong.....	Kalamazoo, 1915
*Thomas Davey.....	Detroit, 1916

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, deceased	Grand Rapids,	1896
Ren Barker, deceased	Reed City,	1897
*D. C. Spears	Azalia,	1898
S. H. Mallery, deceased	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, deceased	Boon,	1909
*Albert Dunham	Jackson,	1910
*Geo. I. Nash	Marcellus,	1911
*J. J. Holmes	Eaton Rapids,	1912
Chas. A. Coolidge	Detroit,	1913
*M. C. Barney	Flint,	1914
*Thomas Davey	Detroit,	1915
*Albert Dunham	Jackson,	1915

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

Chartered December 9, 1887. Membership 39.

*Commander, John W. Morley.

Delegate.

*W. H. Evans.

Alternate.

L. J. Winters.

Past Commanders.

Roda O'Mara.
Hiram McCreery.
*E. S. Post.

Wm. H. Thompson.
*Jas. B. Firman.
Chas. E. Redner.

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

Chartered January 22, 1876. Membership 40.

*Commander, Geo. W. Dey.

Delegate.

M. C. Dayton.

Alternate.

*C. F. Myers.

Past Commanders.

*A. I. Warner.
O. D. Curtis.
William Wimer.
L. D. Reynolds.

*L. D. Reynolds.
Albert Terpening.
David Wood.

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

Chartered May 27, 1877. Membership 13.

Commander, Francis Hiscutt.

Delegate.

Frederick Norman.

Alternate.

Joseph Pike.

Past Commanders.

Frederick Norman.
Allen F. Casselman

Francis Hiscutt.

FORTIETH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT.

PHIL SHERIDAN POST NO. 4, READING.

Chartered June 12, 1878.

Membership 5.

Commander, O. B. Northrup.

Delegate.

Albert Arnold.

Alternate.

John Cahow.

*Past Commanders.*Gabriel See.
Zelandee Culver.J. C. Newfang.
H. H. Weaver.

CUSTER POST NO. 5, GRAND RAPIDS.

Chartered September 27, 1878.

Membership 105.

*Commander, Thos. C. Putman.

*Delegates.**James Hanna.
*Dayton S. Peck.*Alternates.**E. J. Horton.
*John Ulbery.*Past Commanders.*Byron R. Pierce.
Wm. D. Frost.
*Chas. P. Coffin.
W. B. Bostock.
A. D. Porter.
John Shaw.
*G. B. Schwab.
*John Barrett.
*Lafayette Stevens.
*Theo. C. Putnam.*Jas. R. Stephenson.
*L. C. Read.
*Thomas Peacock.
*Robert Finch.
Samuel White.
*W. H. Stokes.
*E. F. Snyder.
*W. H. Herbert.
*A. B. Nichols.

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

Chartered February 26, 1879.

Membership 69.

Commander, Fred Wolf.

*Delegates.**James McDougall.
*Frank Hoover.*Alternates.*G. W. Dobson.
Luman Dillon.*Past Commanders.*D. F. Austin.
J. M. Fink.
W. M. Taylor.
C. S. Green.
G. A. Slayton.*A. H. English.
O. C. Nash.
L. B. Wolcott.
Fred Wolf.
P. W. Humiston.

PHIL KEARNEY POST NO. 7, MUSKEGON.

Chartered July 31, 1879.

Membership 64.

Commander, Chas. Miller.

*Delegates.**Henry Hughson.
*D. Rafferty.*Alternates.**E. W. Downing.
J. W. Smith.*Past Commanders.*William R. Jones.
John Sturgeon.
William F. Wiselogel.
*Chas. Miller.
Howard C. Bond.
*P. P. Misner.
*Louis Kanitz.
W. Bulson.H. G. Bigelow.
John W. Eddy.
John G. Allport.
Horace Lovejoy.
B. H. Krebs.
Wm. F. Morrell.
*A. W. Flint.

GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC.

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

Chartered September 17, 1889.

Membership 13.

Commander, Thos. D. Nelson.

Delegate.

James B. Wilbur.

Alternate.

Thos. Welsh.

Past Commanders.

John Scott.

Thos. D. Nelson.

JOHN A. DIX POST NO. 9, HESPERIA.

Chartered September 12, 1879.

Membership 14.

Commander, Chas. Robbins.

Delegate.

James McConnell.

Alternate.

Past Commanders.

Chas. Robbins.
Chas. Wilber.
A. S. Mulliken.
W. I. Bulson.
A. L. Cobb.
J. Murrow.

H. E. Waterman.
Wm. Gilbert.
W. R. Mathews.
J. D. Gowell.
W. H. Potter.

WILLIAM BELL POST NO. 10, DUNDEE.

Chartered October 16, 1879.

Membership 45.

*Commander, F. H. Miller.

Delegate.

*A. T. Hecock.

Alternate.

Addison Snyder.

Past Commanders.

*D. C. Spears.
Geo. W. Hurd.
Horace Pulver.
*James Knowles.
Wm. Lafler.

Chas. M. Duston.
F. H. Miller.
M. V. Fox.
N. J. Carney.
*Truman Gee.

RYDER POST NO. 12, DEERFIELD.

Chartered April 9, 1880.

Membership 16.

Commander, E. E. Burnham.

Delegate.

Gilbert Ackley.

Alternate.

Past Commanders.

Byron Stanbery.
*N. A. McQuarrie.
*E. E. Burnham.
Morrice Roney.
Richard Tappin.

N. D. Yale.
Thos. Pettie.
Wm. Rusling.
M. H. Kellogg.
S. T. McNair.

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

Chartered May 11, 1880.

Membership 16.

Commander, N. Therry.

Delegate.

John M. Quick.

Alternate.

C. H. Sauers.

Past Commanders.

Charles E. Judd.
 Fred F. Main.
 *Lorenzo A. Clark.
 C. C. Newkirk.

Chas. Tanner.
 C. S. Barton.
 *Henry Pulver.
 N. Therry.

GEO. H. THOMAS POST NO. 14, BENTON HARBOR.

Chartered May 24, 1880.

Membership 64.

*Commander, C. H. Godfrey.

Delegates.

Dr. J. J. Wier.
 L. M. Martin.

Alternates.

S. Farnsworth.
 *S. Srackungast.

Past Commanders.

L. Hemingway.
 *Chas. A. Warner.
 *John Seel.
 C. Chorpening.

*A. H. Rowe.
 A. A. Covell.
 F. L. Bradford.
 *C. H. Godfrey.

PAP WILLIAMS POST NO. 15, LUDINGTON.

Chartered May 26, 1880.

Membership 21.

Commander, H. B. Smith.

Delegate.

*H. W. Quigley.

Alternate.

R. B. Patterson.

Past Commanders.

H. B. Smith.
 *R. B. Patterson.

C. G. Wing.
 Wm. H. Kimball.

SEDGWICK POST NO. 16, EVART.

Chartered August 24, 1880.

Membership 31.

*Commander, E. C. Cannon.

Delegate.

*Joseph B. Sawyer.

Alternate.

Gideon Bailey.

Past Commanders.

O. M. Bush.
 *C. Cannon.
 S. E. Kirby.
 G. W. Gardner.
 *Frank Bone.
 W. Rogers.

*A. A. Smith.
 *J. R. Foster.
 Jos. H. Powell.
 *D. E. Waite.
 *R. S. Covert.

FAIRBANKS POST NO. 17, DETROIT.

Chartered May 9, 1881.

Membership 227.

*Commander, S. D. Bailey.

Delegates.

Chas. A. Bartlett.
 *William Hibbard.
 *R. A. Parker.
 *Chas. B. Andrews.
 *E. J. Reese.

Alternates.

*H. Alfeltis.
 I. W. Proctor.
 C. D. Crossman.
 J. E. Richardson.
 Chas. Harlock.

Past Commanders.

E. O. Durfee.	*Allen H. Cady.
A. V. Phister.	*John T. Spillane.
*C. K. Radcliff.	C. J. Pierce.
*T. Davey.	*H. B. White.
*D. S. Kimball.	Ed. H. Hill.
*E. F. Lamb.	*D. W. Osborn.
D. S. Crotty.	*H. F. Serrine.
*Sam'l B. Dixon.	*Thos. F. Payne.
*A. L. Sawyer.	Isaac E. Springer.
M. Green.	Lyman E. Stowe.
Carl Engle.	*Cornelius O'Dwyer.
Theodore Lamy.	R. R. Williams.
*F. R. Bruner.	Chas. A. Bartlett.

M'PHERSON POST NO. 18, TRAVERSE CITY.

Chartered May 21, 1881. Membership 62.

<i>Delegate.</i>	*Commander, F. M. Colby.	<i>Alternate.</i>
*W. W. Dean.		Freeborn Gardner.

Past Commanders.

M. D. Morgan.	O. P. Carver.
F. D. Marvin.	B. F. Newhouse.
H. J. Curtis.	*W. W. Dean.
H. W. Herrington.	A. C. Elder.
C. F. Hopkins.	F. M. Colby.

A. LINCOLN POST NO. 19, BANGOR.

Chartered May 20, 1881. Membership 29.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, W. H. Ashley.	<i>Alternate.</i>
Henry Delong.		*John H. Monk.

Past Commanders.

C. C. Phillips.	J. P. Goss.
J. G. Todd.	O. A. Reynolds.
Harrison W. Hilliard.	H. W. Ashley.

ELLSWORTH POST NO. 20, HARTFORD.

Chartered June 20, 1881. Membership 32.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, John Carter.	<i>Alternate.</i>
A. A. Meridith.		

Past Commanders.

*Henry Spaulding.	John Carter.
Jesse Thomas.	E. C. Rice.
Francis Barclay.	D. W. Sias.
*W. A. Palmer.	

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

Chartered July 18, 1881. Membership 19

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, W. A. Preston.	<i>Alternate.</i>
Horatio M. Rowe.		James Morrow.

Past Commanders.

W. A. Preston.	L. J. Merchant.
Albert S. Roe	August Morlock.

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WILLIAM PERROTT POST NO. 22, BUCHANAN.

Chartered July 11, 1881.

Membership 15.

Delegate.

Geo. Feight.

Commander, Eli Helmick.

Alternate.

O. M. Tabor.

*Past Commanders.*O. F. Richmond.
Steve Scott.
John C. Dick.
F. M. Wade.
I. W. Thomas.I. N. Bachelor.
H. E. Bradley.
Marion Huff.
Charles E. Sabin.

EDWIN COLWELL POST NO. 23, BLOOMINGDALE.

Chartered August 29, 1881.

Membership 13.

Delegate.

John Duker.

Commander, James McDowell.

Alternate.

P. H. Blodgett.

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

COL. FENTON POST NO. 24, FENTON.

Chartered August 19, 1881.

Membership 20.

Delegate.

Edgar Durfee.

Commander, Chas. W. Sadden.

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 14.

Delegate.

Amos Wilt.

Commander, Geo. W. Wilt.

Alternate.

L. C. Drake.

*Past Commanders.*G. W. Scott.
Amos Wilt.
Geo. W. Wilt.
G. W. Heckert.William Emmons.
A. S. Beardsley.
W. C. B. Smith.
John F. Wolring.

JOE HOOKER POST NO. 26, HART.

Chartered August 16, 1881.

Membership 29.

Delegate.

H. H. Feight.

Commander, Gustavus May.

Alternate.

*D. P. Kelly.

*Past Commanders.**J. A. Collier.
J. W. Montgomery.
Henry H. Feight.
A. O. Archer.Phineas Carter.
Geo. F. Dennison.
*B. F. Archer.

BURNSIDE POST NO. 27, DECATUR.

Chartered September 19, 1881.

Membership 18.

*Commander, Gilbert Mead.

Delegate.

George Owen.

Alternate.

George Steele.

*Past Commanders.*G. W. Lusk.
W. H. White.
Henry High.L. G. Rafter.
L. D. Roberts.**GARFIELD POST NO. 30, COLOMA.**

Chartered October 10, 1881.

Membership 10.

Commander, P. O. Bowe.

Delegate.

*L. F. Earl.

Alternate.

G. F. Stewart.

*Past Commanders.*W. A. Baker.
A. Newton.
George Garrett.L. F. Earl.
Geo. H. Brown.**BROADHEAD POST NO. 31, PAW PAW.**

Chartered October 21, 1881.

Membership 37.

Commander, Geo. L. Tuttle.

Delegate.

H. W. McCabe.

Alternate.

A. F. Hurlbut.

*Past Commanders.**H. A. Chapin.
O. W. Rowland.
William Killifer.
M. C. Wheaton.
John Reed.W. R. Serrine.
I. P. Bates.
I. W. Hulbert.
Geo. Jackson.**FARRAGUT POST NO. 32, BATTLE CREEK.**

Chartered November 31, 1881.

Membership 84.

*Commander, Emory Morse.

*Delegates.**T. G. Wilder.
Putnam Fish.*Alternates.*Wyatt Burch.
L. Dean.*Past Commanders.**J. W. Taylor.
*J. G. Bohnett.
C. J. Shoemaker.
John Easey.
Stephen L. Cooper.
R. M. Bellinger.
A. E. Thayer.
Enos Short.
*J. H. Stephens.
John W. Walker.G. M. Hodges.
Chas. H. Browning.
*Geo. E. Wallace.
Wm. Pratt.
E. W. Bardo.
D. L. Merrill.
W. E. Dockry.
A. S. Parker.
*A. E. Griswold.**COL. MYRON BAKER POST NO. 33, MORENCI.**

Chartered December 29, 1881.

Membership 34.

Commander, Robert Service.

Delegate.

John D. Hanna.

Alternate.

*Jacob Whitehead.

*Past Commanders.*Loren W. Chapin.
Fred B. Sheffield.
James Haynes.
Robert Service.Wm. Onweller.
Wm. H. Chappell.
J. W. Sheffield.
Jas. O. Converse.

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ZACH. CHANDLER POST NO. 35, SOUTH HAVEN.

Chartered November 30, 1881.

Membership 72.

Commander, Robert Payne.

Delegate.

W. C. Nichols.

Alternate.

J. W. Pierce.

Past Commanders.

T. Biddle.
 J. S. Hicks.
 Geo. O. Chapman.
 Thos. E. Bishop.
 Y. D. Green.
 A. R. Hotchkiss.
 A. W. Earle.

A. H. Cook.
 H. J. Dodge.
 *James Martin.
 O. A. Dean.
 C. A. Butterfield.
 Geo. W. Matthews.
 Jas. H. Holsworth.

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

Chartered December 29, 1881.

Membership 3.

Commander, S. L. Snavley.

Delegate.

*P. E. O'Brien.

Alternate.

S. L. Snavley.

Past Commanders.

M. J. Nelson.
 S. L. Snavley.

*P. E. O'Brien.

STANTON POST NO. 37, STANTON.

Chartered November 30, 1881.

Membership 16.

*Commander, T. M. Smith.

Delegate.

J. H. Tishue.

Alternate.

*J. H. Noah.

Past Commanders.

H. H. Hinds.
 J. A. Crocker.

F. M. Warner.
 T. M. Smith.

SAGINAW POST NO. 38, SAGINAW.

Chartered December 14, 1881.

Membership 57.

*Commander, L. G. Wilcox.

Delegates.

*James S. Cornwell.
 *Cris Wasserman.

Alternates.

*Joseph Spaulding.
 D. D. Keeler.

Past Commanders.

*W. G. Gage.
 *Robert Dederich.
 *L. G. Wilcox.
 *W. J. Doxser.
 *J. W. Vance.
 *E. B. Metcalf.
 *W. J. Clark.
 *John Stiles.
 *Jos. Seeman.

*Hugh McLean.
 *J. H. Cowell.
 *F. D. Keeler.
 *Fred Gill.
 *G. T. Converse.
 *M. A. Griffith.
 *V. D. Starr.
 *O. S. Bishop.

KILPATRICK POST NO. 39, BERRIEN SPRINGS.

Chartered February 15, 1882.

Membership 17.

*Commander, Orlando Nelson.

Delegate.

Harrison Newton.

Alternate.

Henry Moyer.

Past Commanders.

A. W. Haskins.	Mandell Wells.
W. H. Miller.	John W. Hill.
*Henry Moyer.	*Orlando Nelson.
Lewis Rollo.	

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

Chartered February 8, 1882. Membership 78.

*Commander, Asa N. Smart.

Delegates.

H. R. Prindle.
Jasper Bradon.

Alternates.

Marcus Hall.
Geo. Perring.

Past Commanders.

J. D. Butler.
Wm. Jordan.
*Asa Smart.
Evander Dunning.
Jas. Umbarger.
Joseph Shaw.

Thos. J. Snow.
Fred G. Warren.
Albert T. Nye.
L. D. Fisher.
C. W. Pangler.
F. M. Overmyer.

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

Chartered February 13, 1882. Membership 14.

Commander, A. N. Morton.

Delegate.

John Strohle.

Alternate.

J. G. Schmidt.

Past Commanders.

J. F. Harrington.
E. Gorman.
Rush Green.
J. F. Waltrous.

C. E. Bowen.
A. N. Morton.

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

Chartered February 2, 1882. Membership 171.

*Commander, L. W. Ellwood.

Delegates.

*D. S. Mevis.
*John Davidson.
John A. Reed.
Joseph W. Braden.

Alternates.

*George Smalley.
J. M. Bradley.
Fred Shipp.
John A. Favorite.

Past Commanders.

Edwin R. Havens.
*W. P. Treadway.
*I. N. Ashley.
Chas. Turrell.
*J. A. Wardell.
A. H. Tibbitts.
J. H. Lymon.
Chas. E. Phelps.
Franklin Paine.
W. A. Bolter.

*Uriah Lazell.
*Albert Spink.
*Allen S. Shattuck.
Seymour Foster.
*Geo. W. Stone.
Lewis A. Miller.
*John Oatley.
*John G. Snook.
*W. L. Mosher.
*A. B. Chapin.

SCOTT POST NO. 43, BLISSFIELD.

Chartered February 16, 1882. Membership 23.

*Commander, N. T. Stoner.

Delegate.

David Lamley.

Alternate.

Eli Drouillard.

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Past Commanders.

Frank A. Sperry.
 Geo. F. Ford.
 W. H. Colyer.
 John Rentz.

H. H. Wilber.
 N. T. Stoner.
 E. R. Welsh.
 George Dickerson.

WOODBURY POST NO. 45, ADRIAN.

Chartered February 13, 1882.

Membership 125.

*Commander, Samuel Heininger.

Delegates.

*Orlando Austin.
 David Crocket.
 *Martin Loop.

Alternates.

Geo. Rogers.
 *L. Harkness.
 Joseph Burr.

Past Commanders.

Geo. Irving.
 Hope Welch.
 Clark W. Decker.
 Oliver H. Beach.
 D. B. Morgan.
 R. P. Butrick.
 *C. G. Drake.
 Morris Long.
 A. J. Hodges.

*Luther Fry.
 John B. Allen.
 Squire Johnson.
 John H. Purdy.
 A. Dobbin.
 *R. B. Davis.
 N. D. Chew.
 Geo. Southwick.
 Chas. Adams.
 Frank G. Crowell.

B. H. RUTTER POST NO. 47, DOWAGIAC.

Chartered August 28, 1914.

Membership 38.

Commander, Daniel B. Knight.

Delegate.

J. M. Gilliland.

Alternate.

John Root.

EDWARD POMEROY POST NO. 48, JACKSON.

Chartered March 9, 1882.

Membership 150.

*Commander, Byron Winchester.

Delegates.

*Dean LaBanta.
 *Thomas Nichols.
 *Josiah Creque.
 *Samuel Raven.
 L. P. Welling.

Alternates.

*H. H. Fellows.
 Moses Fretz.
 *Geo. H. Bigelow.
 *Jas. Sutton.
 John Whittam.

Past Commanders.

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

*Thos. Daniels.
 Thos. Moloney.
 *H. F. Higgins.
 *W. W. Crocker.
 Delos Ells.
 *F. L. Manning.
 L. C. Spink.
 *Thomas Daniels.
 *B. G. Winchester.

WADSWORTH POST NO. 49, LAWRENCE.

Chartered March 16, 1882.

Membership 17.

Commander, Silas Devon.

Delegate.

Chas. Freeman.

Alternate.

Oscar D. Martin.

Past Commanders.

Thomas C. Tyner.
George A. Cross.
Silas L. Secor.

Francis Branch.
Geo. W. Hillyard.
Geo. W. McFern.

JOHN T. REYNOLDS POST NO. 52, PENTWATER.

Chartered November 18, 1887.

Membership 17.

Commander, George Houseman.

Delegate.
N. W. Gifford.

Alternate.
F. M. Wagar.

Past Commanders.

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

O. L. Inman.
Geo. Houseman.
A. Jacobs.

PHIL M'KERNAN POST NO. 53, MASON.

Chartered April 8, 1882.

Membership 39.

*Commander, Oscar Morse.

Delegate.
*George Judson.

Alternate.
*W. J. Hyde.

Past Commanders.

G. L. Barnaby.
*Theo. Bortle.
Thomas Sarow.

S. C. Parker.
*Orrin L. Morse.
Oscar Morse.

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

Chartered April 15, 1882.

Membership 7.

Commander, W. W. Byer.

Delegate.
James Ivans.

Alternate.
Joseph Bersey.

Past Commanders.

R. A. Carey.
W. W. Byer.
Ellis Bradburn.

A. A. Clawson.
Xera Ellsworths.

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

Chartered June 4, 1895.

Membership 9.

Commander, Frederick Kipp.

Delegate.
Walter Tennant.

Alternate.
J. P. Curtis.

Past Commanders.

*Homer G. Sperry.
Marion Bates.
A. S. Hathaway.
William Hamlin.

Wm. B. Hamilton.
E. A. Gibson.
Frederick Kipp.

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

Chartered April 25, 1882.

Membership 54.

Commander, N. W. Houser.

Delegate.
*Mortimer Culver.

Alternate.
Jacob Schuler.

FORTIETH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT.

Past Commanders:

*W. W. Warner.
 *N. W. Houser.
 Geo. W. Cady.
 J. W. Eley.
 Myron A. Powell.

A. C. Estabrook.
 Sam'l F. Murphy.
 L. Y. Cady.
 Lewis W. Bellinger.

THOMAS MANNING POST NO. 57, MARCELLUS.

Chartered May 19, 1882.

Membership 37.

Commander, G. I. Nash.

Delegate.

S. Hartshorn.

Alternate.

A. J. Maxin.

Past Commanders.

J. B. Fortner.
 G. I. Nash.
 W. R. Snider.
 Levi Dennis.

E. W. La Barre.
 C. Simson.
 C. H. Beardslee.
 Isaac Dion.

A. COLVIN POST NO. 59, GOBLEVILLE.

Chartered May 22, 1882.

Membership 22.

Commander, J. C. Parsons.

Delegate.

J. C. Parsons.

Alternate.

W. M. Signor.

Past Commanders.

Phil Bush.
 O. S. Brown.
 J. B. Edmonds.

Richard Hill.
 J. S. Eastman.

DEWEY POST NO. 60, LESLIE.

Chartered May 25, 1882.

Membership 24.

Commander, W. D. Longyear.

Delegate.

W. H. Bennett.

Alternate.

*J. S. Coon.

Past Commanders.

J. B. Scovel.

*W. D. Longyear.

JEWELL POST NO. 62, CEDAR SPRINGS.

Chartered June 3, 1882.

Membership 17.

Commander, Ira A. Cutler.

Delegate.

Lafayette Bradley.

Alternate.

H. Morningstar.

Past Commanders.

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

C. R. Sneathen.
 J. D. Jackson.
 Miles Mulford.
 Ira A. Cutter.

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

Chartered June 20, 1882.

Membership 10.

*Commander, F. E. Hayes.

Delegate.

W. C. Stevens.

Alternate.

F. E. Hayes.

Past Commanders.

B. F. Oakes.
 *F. E. Hayes.

John Youngs.
 Reuben Wade.

FRANK GRAVES POST NO. 64, NILES.

Chartered November 7, 1913. Membership 18.
 Commander, W. Hillis Smith.

<i>Delegate.</i> E. D. Lombard.	<i>Alternate.</i> H. C. Beswick.
<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
W. Hillis Smith.	H. C. Beswick.

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

Chartered July 24, 1882. Membership 14.
 Commander, S. P. King.

<i>Delegate.</i> Frank East.	<i>Alternate.</i> D. Houser.
<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
I. S. Perrine. S. P. King. D. Houser.	H. H. Bowen. D. Trottsles. H. D. Arnold.

STEVENS POST NO. 66, EAST JORDAN.

Chartered December 4, 1882. Membership 14.
 Commander, J. W. Rogers.

<i>Delegate.</i> Wm. Harrington.	<i>Alternate.</i> A. Townsend.
<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
J. W. Rogers. L. C. Madison. Geo. J. Bowen.	J. H. Kocher. A. Bush. F. L. Smith.

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

Chartered June 12, 1882. Membership 62.
 *Commander, Geo. M. Rood.

<i>Delegates.</i> *Geo. Keating. *Francis Leroy.	<i>Alternates.</i> Donald Chapman. William McMullin.
<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
*James Van Kleeck. *J. P. Day. *August Meisel. *Griff Lewis. *Chas. Gossler. P. Gibbons. *Chas. Roach. *O. F. Kellogg.	*L. A. L. Gilbert. *J. Van Buren. *L. T. Houck. *W. Hubbard. *Hiram Russell. J. N. Sirmyer. *A. L. Pond.

SHIELDS POST NO. 68, SHELBY.

Chartered July 27, 1882. Membership 24.
 Commander, C. C. Johnson.

<i>Delegate.</i> R. F. Ames.	<i>Alternate.</i> B. B. White.
<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
Wm. H. Barry. Samuel Wright. F. A. Pitts. C. E. Butterfield. B. Pittinger.	A. H. Towne. H. H. Gilbert. J. D. Randall. L. D. Wildey. Ralph F. Ames.

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DWIGHT MAY POST NO. 69, MIDLAND.

Chartered June 29, 1882.

Membership 18.

Delegate. *Commander, James L. Hart. *Alternate.*
John Iott.

Past Commanders.

*T. B. Main. Wm. L. Stearns.
*Alfred See. *I. H. Richardson.
W. A. Finney.

JAMES D. MORGAN POST NO. 70, ONAWAY.

Chartered April 2, 1914.

Membership 13.

Delegate. *Commander, S. S. Tower. *Alternate.*

Past Commander.

*S. S. Tower.

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

Chartered September 7, 1882.

Membership 44.

Delegate. Commander, J. D. Wolf. *Alternate.*
D. J. Engleman. *C. L. Seekell.

Past Commanders.

M. H. Bumphrey. *E. S. Gray.
S. M. Snyder. Bishop E. Andrews.
Jeff. P. McKey. *Geo. A. B. Cooke.
W. C. Porter. J. D. Wolf.

WETHERWAX POST NO. 75, GRAND HAVEN.

Chartered September 13, 1882.

Membership 20.

Delegate. Commander, John Luikens. *Alternate.*
John Luikens. Frank Kinsley.

Past Commanders.

C. E. Soule. *C. N. Dickenson.

JOSEPH R. SMITH POST NO. 76, MONROE.

Chartered September 12, 1882.

Membership 35.

Delegate. Commander, Adam Lehr. *Alternate.*
Leonard Mitchell. L. J. Townsend.

Past Commanders.

Burton Parker. A. Lehr.
Wm. F. Haight. J. J. Sorter.

ORCUTT POST NO. 79, KALAMAZOO.

Chartered September 20, 1882.

Membership 112.

Delegates. *Commander, H. W. Harvey. *Alternates.*

*J. C. Langdon. O. Wise.
W. B. Sternberg. R. L. James.
S. Carlton. *Morris Kent

Past Commanders.

Geo. M. Buck.	E. S. Bissell.
Wm. F. Sherman.	Chas. Prang.
Freeman Hall.	*Geo. Clark.
Geo. F. Larned.	Geo. W. Doane.
John D. Sumner.	*Eli Strong.
H. P. Shutt.	*C. W. Davenport.
W. A. Keyser.	A. Robbins.
Geo. Downey.	*J. A. Todd.
*Aaron Miller.	George Shellotts.
G. W. Tuttle.	H. W. Harvey.

HARLOW BRIGGS POST NO. 80, HOPKINS STATION.

Chartered September 25, 1882. Membership 12.

Commander, E. P. Arnold.

Delegate.

John W. Linsley.

Alternate.

Past Commanders.

John Hoffmaster.	A. Brockway.
E. P. Arnold.	

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

Chartered October 6, 1882. Membership 18.

Commander, O. W. Green.

Delegate.

*A. H. Johnson.

Alternate.

Orville Fuller.

Past Commanders.

*A. J. Cole.	*A. T. Bliss.
C. O. Jennison.	*John W. Finch.
O. W. Green.	O. J. Cary.

COL. BAKER POST NO. 84, KALKASKA.

Chartered October 9, 1882. Membership 27.

Commander, Chas. Woolpert.

Delegate.

*Joseph Kenyon.

Alternate.

Past Commanders.

James Greacen.	Jas. N. Steel.
Jas. M. Flagg.	Jno. E. Rainbow.
John Lewis.	W. J. Wilson.
Chas. H. DePuy.	Chas. Woolpert.

GEN. LYON POST NO. 86, MANCELONA.

Chartered October 10, 1882. Membership 12.

*Commander, John W. Wallace.

Delegate.

Jas. Mills.

Alternate.

H. S. Fenner.

Past Commanders.

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

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JOS. WILSON POST NO. 87, LOWELL.

Chartered October 16, 1882.

Membership 24.

Delegate.

*Joseph Kinyon.

*Commander, W. R. Andrews.

Alternate.

Levi Elson.

*Past Commanders.**S. P. Hicks.
D. O. Shear.

W. R. Andrews.

CORBIN POST NO. 88, UNION CITY.

Chartered October 17, 1882.

Membership 28.

Delegate.

C. H. Kindiy.

Commander, William W. Fenno.

Alternate.

J. H. Olney.

*Past Commanders.*L. L. Harsh.
J. M. Wells.
George Eberhard.W. W. Fenno.
C. M. Hall.
J. D. Parks.

RANSOM POST NO. 89, FLUSHING.

Chartered October 18, 1882.

Membership 7.

Delegate.

*S. Loop.

*Commander, Jas. M. Greenfield.

Alternate.

Chas. Freeman.

*Past Commanders.**J. M. Greenfield.
W. J. Ottaway.
Cyrus Phelps.*J. M. Caldwell.
*S. H. Thomas.

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

Chartered November 14, 1882.

Membership 31.

Delegate.

*Wm. McNitt.

Commander, Frank McPhillips.

Alternate.

S. Schwink.

*Past Commanders.**O. T. Mosier.
*Fred Wellington.
*J. F. Brand.
*N. B. Kinsey.
*Frank McPhillips.*J. P. Schwann.
*Daniel Crane.
*A. Typher.
*L. B. Chamberlain.
John Monroe.

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

Chartered October 25, 1882.

Membership 34.

Delegate.

*Geo. Wilcox.

*Commander, Henry O. Totten.

Alternate.

J. N. Bonney.

*Past Commanders.*A. B. Darragh.
L. W. Beach.
C. H. Crandall.
*Henry Davison.
H. E. Histed.
*J. E. Holton.
L. B. Longwell.Willard Gay.
L. L. Cornell.
*Henry O. Totten.
R. Root.
James Knowles.
W. H. Bartholemew.

WALLACE POST NO. 95, FLAT ROCK.

Chartered December 9, 1882.

Membership 16.

*Commander, F. M. Reid.

Delegate.

David Valrance.

Alternate.

Henry M. Smith.

Past Commanders.

*J. M. Van Riper.
S. F. Smith.
Albert W. Wagar.
E. Beach.
F. M. Reid.
W. S. Vreeland.

Sherman Rice.
C. Strewing.
F. Ferstel.
*J. R. Brown.
H. W. Moses.

CARTER POST NO. 96, UNION.

Chartered December 21, 1882.

Membership 7.

Commander, C. C. Parker.

Delegate.

L. Q. Hitchcox.

Alternate.

B. Probst.

Past Commanders.

H. F. Garman.

J. C. Kyle.

JOHN J. BAGLEY POST NO. 97, HERSEY.

Chartered December 27, 1882.

Membership 5.

Commander, L. F. Corey.

Delegate.

Elijah Tracy.

Alternate.

I. N. Owens.

Past Commanders.

L. F. Corey.

B. F. Corey.

WILLIAM SANBORN POST NO. 98, PORT HURON.

Chartered December 30, 1882.

Membership 52.

*Commander, W. O. Lee.

Delegate.

*S. H. Blakely.
*J. C. McNawton.

Alternate.

Thomas Shiers.
*W. H. Fonday.

Past Commanders.

*Geo. W. Howe.
*W. H. Brown.
*N. D. Brown.
*C. W. Higgins.
*E. S. Post.
*Wm. O. Lee.

*G. B. Windover.
*A. H. Welsher.
Edwin S. Petit.
*A. A. Haskell.
John Hill.

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

Chartered January 10, 1883.

Membership 12.

Commander, Michael Canty.

Delegate.

Wallace Halstead.

Alternate.

*John Ashley.

Past Commanders.

B. H. Stevens.
D. C. Crawford.

Chas. W. Lung.

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MOSES WISNER POST NO. 101, ITHACA.

Chartered January 13, 1883.

Membership 18.

Delegate.

N. M. Showers.

Commander, Abial S. Loomis.

Alternate.

Joseph Salmo.

*Past Commanders.*E. B. Killee.
Wm. Stahl.James Donaldson.
A. S. Loomis.

ELI P. ALEXANDER POST NO. 103, WILLIAMSTON.

Chartered January 16, 1883.

Membership 18.

Delegate.

D. Jessop.

Commander, W. L. Robson.

Alternate.

*Chas. West.

*Past Commanders.*Mathias Coad.
M. S. Baker.

W. L. Robson.

WORTH POST NO. 105, TEKONSHA.

Chartered February 15, 1883.

Membership 11.

Delegate.

R. E. Eldred.

Commander, Willard Whitney.

Alternate.

V. W. Fegler.

Past Commander.

Willard Whitney.

TIM LEWIS POST NO. 107, DIMONDALE.

Chartered March 17, 1883.

Membership 18.

Delegate.

Samuel Leseney.

*Commander, J. M. Spitler.

Alternate.

John Hetrick.

*Past Commanders.**N. P. Bateman.
John M. Spitler.
S. Rumsey.O. G. Andrews.
*E. D. Butler.
J. A. Bell.

EARL HALBERT POST NO. 106, GRAND LEDGE.

Chartered March 15, 1883.

Membership 27.

Delegate.

*J. W. Moyer.

*Commander, Jas. Chamberlin.

Alternate.

A. E. Elliott.

*Past Commanders.*D. G. Kennedy.
E. O. Russell.Hovey Campbell.
J. D. Summers.

BUTTERWORTH POST NO. 109, COLDWATER.

Chartered March 9, 1883.

Membership 84.

*Delegates.*L. L. Bosserman.
*Abram Whitbeck.

*Commander, S. M. Lates.

*Alternates.**W. J. Smalley.
*S. M. Treet.

Past Commanders.

N. A. Reynolds.	Llewellyn Daniels.
Henry Firth.	B. R. Amsden.
Frank Eaton.	J. T. Burns.
C. W. Bennett.	*E. E. Lewis.
T. S. Osborn.	Curtis M. Camp.

DE GOLYER POST NO. 110, HUDSON.

Chartered March 12, 1883. Membership 27.

Commander, Russell H. Brooks.

<i>Delegate.</i>	<i>Alternate.</i>
R. E. Durling.	George Stuben.

Past Commanders.

Fred Barkway.	R. A. Beach.
Edwin Camp.	J. K. Periman.
A. H. Boies.	*Wm. A. Barnard.
J. A. Dillon.	B. E. Westfall.
*Geo. D. Swift.	Matthew Burt.

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

Chartered March 14, 1883. Membership 89.

*Commander, George W. Norton.

<i>Delegates.</i>	<i>Alternates.</i>
*Leroy Evans.	C. H. Whipp.
*B. K. Crandall.	Nathan Davis.

Past Commanders.

*G. W. Norton.	*C. B. Fowler.
*H. B. Olmstead.	*J. J. Holmes.
Roswell West.	N. J. DeBar.
*John Thompson.	*W. D. Fuller.
A. Cheney.	John Putnam.
*L. W. Ramsey.	*L. A. Fowler.
*S. D. Chapman.	*S. D. Webber.
D. M. Beman.	

JOHN GILLULY POST NO. 114, FOWLerville.

Chartered March 22, 1883. Membership 31.

*Commander, Henry Curtis.

<i>Delegate.</i>	<i>Alternate.</i>
*Aaron W. Cooper.	Sylvester Feagler.

Past Commanders.

G. D. Hamilton.	A. H. Smith.
C. E. Dunstan.	Henry Curtis.

ELLIOTT POST NO. 115, WHITE PIGEON.

Chartered March 23, 1883. Membership 11.

Commander, Daniel Saunter.

<i>Delegate.</i>	<i>Alternate.</i>
L. Reed.	M. Fox.

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.

M. D. Comstock.

WADDELL POST NO. 120, HOWELL.

Chartered April 5, 1883.

Membership 31.

Commander, H. J. Sweet.

Delegate.

*Ira E. Holt.

Alternate.

Layman Whitaker.

*Past Commanders.*Frank Jordan.
Geo. Barnes.
R. D. W. Woodworth.
Marshall Borden.
Asa Parshall.H. H. Collins.
A. F. Peavey.
*H. J. Sweet.
*Lewis Cobley.

PAP THOMAS POST NO. 121, CHESANING.

Chartered April 6, 1883.

Membership 22.

*Commander, O. W. Damon.

Delegate.

Jacob Smith.

Alternate.

H. F. McKinzie.

Past Commanders.

H. T. Weaver.

*O. W. Damon.

CARVER POST NO. 123, FRANKFORT.

Chartered April 7, 1883.

Membership 19.

Commander, Peter Loucks.

Delegate.

*F. O. Wickham.

Alternate.

Peter Mathison.

*Past Commanders.*C. C. Forney.
Lot Nevins.

J. A. Conklin.

FITZGERALD POST NO. 125, HASTINGS.

Chartered April 11, 1883.

Membership 41.

*Commander, Hiram Palmateer.

Delegate.

Dalton Durham.

Alternate.

W. S. Langstan.

*Past Commanders.*Travers Philips.
H. Palmieter.
Wm. S. Langston.
D. E. Birdsall.
B. F. Taylor.
J. W. Bronson.
W. H. Garrison.Caleb W. Moore.
B. W. Shriner.
Frank Pierce.
Delos Hopkins.
*J. C. Wardell.
A. E. Phillip.
I. R. Daley.

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DAN S. ROOT POST NO. 126, BELDING.

Chartered April 14, 1883. Membership 37.

Commander, Frank R. Chase.

Delegate.

Edgar L. Berry.

Alternate.

Jacob Wise.

Past Commanders.

*B. F. Tower.
W. R. Olds.

*Frank R. Chase.
W. H. Eckler.

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

Chartered April 15, 1883. Membership 10.

Commander, J. E. Jones.

Delegate.

Robt. Anderson.

Alternate.

J. E. Jones.

Past Commanders.

Robert Anderson.
Thomas Anderson.

J. E. Jones.

HENRY M. LIDDLE POST NO. 131, COLON.

Chartered April 21, 1883. Membership 18.

Commander, Chas. Clement.

Delegate.

Bruce C. Wilcox.

Alternate.

David Shook.

Past Commanders.

John L. Lytle.
Charles Clement.

E. Kemerling.
E. P. Wellsley.

JOHN MEGARRAH POST NO. 132, PORTLAND.

Chartered April 27, 1883. Membership 38.

Commander, J. W. Klotz.

Delegates.

*James Jordan.
Allen H. Moore.

Alternates.

*Henry Griffin.
*L. W. Ackley.

Past Commanders.

H. W. Holcomb.
Vinson Taylor.
John W. Van Horn.
*Wm. G. Miner.
*John W. Klotz.

R. P. Baldwin.
*M. J. Whitney.
J. D. Woodbury.
Geo. E. Friend.

SAMUEL JUDD POST NO. 133, NEWAYGO.

Chartered April 27, 1883. Membership 13.

Commander, S. B. Gipe.

Delegate.

P. M. Picket.

Alternate.

Past Commanders.

J. H. Edwards.
Warren Stone.
W. H. Ostrom.

S. Bartram.
Geo. Morse.

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

Chartered April 27, 1883. Membership 7.

Commander, J. D. Douglas.

Delegate.

John Hughes.

Alternate.

Dexter Douglas.

Past Commanders.

Geo. W. Clute.
John Hughes.
Dexter Douglas.

M. W. Fairbanks.
John Mitchell.

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BARTHOLOMEW POST NO. 136, NUNICA.

Chartered May 11, 1883.

Membership 4.

Commander, E. R. Porter.

Delegate.

A. M. Vanampwort.

*Alternate.**Past Commanders.*H. E. Plant.
John Howard.

E. R. Porter.

WELCH POST NO. 137, ANN ARBOR.

Chartered May 8, 1883.

Membership 28.

Commander, Robert Campbell.

Delegate.

LeRoy Park.

Alternate.

*Silas P. Hill.

*Past Commanders.*W. H. Jackson.
Chas. H. Manley.
Robt. Campbell.
Oliver H. Perry.
Arthur Lyon.Harrison Soule.
Silas P. Hill.
W. A. Clark.
L. D. Grose.

HORACE S. ROBERTS POST NO. 139, ALPENA.

Chartered May 23, 1883.

Membership 18.

Commander, Frank Hasell.

Delegate.

Irving E. Scott.

Alternate.

W. H. Broadwell.

Past Commanders.

Frank Hasell.

John C. Viall.

BEERS POST NO. 140, TECUMSEH.

Chartered May 18, 1881.

Membership 42.

Commander, A. VanValkenburg.

*Delegates.*G. H. Rathbun.
H. H. Smith.*Alternates.**Thos. Langton.
J. G. Critchet.*Past Commanders.**Elwin Camborn.
J. W. Wightman.
A. W. Mills.
John D. Shull.
H. J. Sweet.
J. M. Ingersoll.*H. W. Stevens.
Geo. J. Keyser.
Elmer A. Wilson.
Wm. Smith.
Henry Wagner.
A. VanValkenburg.

WHITESIDE POST NO. 143, CARO.

Chartered May 25, 1883.

Membership 11.

Commander, Chas. Amsden.

Delegate.

J. L. Myers.

Alternate.

*Aaron Middough.

Past Commanders.

*L. C. Grady.

J. P. Westfall.

TURRILL POST NO. 144, LAPEER.

Chartered May 29, 1883.

Membership 30.

Commander, S. E. Lewis.

Delegate.

*N. C. Hayes.

Alternate.

Henry McGengall.

Past Commanders.

*Robt. King.
G. W. Cramton.
*L. J. Beers.

*George E. Holman.
David R. Laing.
Stuart Gorton.

GOV. CRAPO POST NO. 145, FLINT.

Chartered June 7, 1883.

Membership 62.

Commander, George Raab.

Delegates.

*Geo. Cottrell.
*John Grierson.

Alternates.

*Ray Mitchel.
*John Hollingworth.

Past Commanders.

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

*Joseph Rush.
*Geo. Raab.
James H. Failing.
*E. A. Jennings.

DICK RICHARDSON POST NO. 147, PONTIAC.

Chartered June 11, 1883.

Membership 54.

*Commander, B. J. Fuller.

Delegate.

*Amos Smith.

Alternate.

John Burk.

Past Commanders.

D. Hammond.
*D. S. Howard.
*Samuel Giles.
Edward C. Smith.

S. J. Cloonan.
*Wm. Cheals.
E. S. Whitcomb.
*Thomas Wyckoff.

RALPH ELY POST NO. 150, SHEPHERD.

Chartered June 12, 1883.

Membership 11.

Commander, S. H. Fordyce.

Delegate.

R. Wellman.

Alternate.

Past Commanders.

William Suix.
Geo. W. Fonts.

S. H. Fordyce.
J. B. Strubel.

WILLIAM MOYER POST NO. 152, ALMA.

Chartered July 11, 1883.

Membership 25.

Commander, Chester Walker.

Delegate.

*Myron Barber.

Alternate.

*A. Crooks.

Past Commanders.

Ezra Robinson.
*Jos. Sartor, Sr.

*C. A. Walker.

GREGG POST NO. 155, HOMER.

Chartered July 11, 1883.

Membership 10.

*Commander, Nathan D. Budon.

Delegate.

C. D. Burt.
A. P. Wyant.
N. D. Budon.

Alternate.

D. H. James.
W. P. Marsh.

Past Commanders.

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

Chartered July 5, 1883. Membership 56.

Commander, David Miller.

Delegate. *Gilbert McClintick. *Alternate.* *Edmon A. Sitt.

Past Commanders.

John W. Bradner.	D. S. French.
O. E. Wilson.	J. L. Ring.
J. P. Minard.	M. B. Drake.
Noble Parmalee.	David Miller.

ALBERT ANDERSON POST NO. 157, CASSOPOLIS.

Chartered July 6, 1883. Membership 11.

*Commander, H. C. Walker.

Delegate. *Frank N. Reese. *Alternate.* *B. L. Rudd.

Past Commanders.

Jas. M. Shepard.	H. C. Walker.
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COLONEL ELY POST NO. 158, ELM HALL.

Chartered July 10, 1883. Membership 21.

Commander, W. Parks.

Delegate. *Alternate.* L. A. Carmer.

Past Commanders.

Geo. Rockafellow.	R. Schnepf.
C. M. Guild.	*Geo. Oliver.
*A. W. Morton.	Chas. D. Hills.
*A. E. Winters.	L. A. Carmer.
William Parks.	W. C. Mallery.
Augustus Wisser.	

HENRY F. WALLACE POST NO. 160, CORUNNA.

Chartered July 12, 1883. Membership 27.

*Commander, W. E. Jacobs.

Delegates. *Daniel Munger. *Alternates.* Loren Warriner.
*Chas. Twitchell. Geo. Cosee.

Past Commanders.

*J. C. Thomas.	Wm. Morrison.
Andrew Porter.	*Wm. E. Jacobs.
*James J. Peacock.	E. Conely.
P. Kline.	

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

Chartered July 20, 1883. Membership 12.

Commander, John McCredie.

Delegate. Thomas Dolan. *Alternate.* C. Seide.

Past Commanders.

John D. Conlon.	Anthony Thelan.
John Keagle.	John Kidder.
John McCredie.	

EDWARD DWIGHT POST NO. 163, VERMONTVILLE.

Chartered July 30, 1883.

Membership 22.

Commander, H. H. Brown.

Delegate.

*Israel Boyer.

Alternate.

Geo. J. Lamb.

Past Commanders.

D. M. Purchis.
*C. F. Fuller.
C. S. Snell.

Edwin Tyler.
David Young.

C. COLGROVE POST NO. 166, MARSHALL.

Chartered August 4, 1883.

Membership 36.

Commander, A. J. Phillips.

Delegate.

*Ruggles Rotherick.

Alternate.

Samuel Marsh.

Past Commanders.

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

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

LUMBARD POST NO. 170, PETOSKEY.

Chartered August 11, 1883.

Membership 76.

*Commander, S. S. Puckett.

Delegates.

V. D. Keators.
W. R. Montgomery.

Alternates.

E. A. Dunton.
W. H. Converse.

Past Commanders.

V. A. Baker.
Melvin Burch.
Horace Pardee.
A. F. Ruch.
Jos. A. C. Rowan.
Edwin A. Dunton.
Edwin N. Tracy.

Wilbur F. Lawton.
Louis A. Labadie.
W. R. Montgomery.
Jos. B. Jordan.
H. Berdan.
John E. Warren.
*Sylvester S. Puckett.

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

Chartered August 22, 1883.

Membership 19.

Commander, D. M. Shelly.

Delegate.

*Edward Ralph.

Alternate.

Benton Smith.

Past Commanders.

A. Richardson.
D. M. Shelly.
G. D. Van Dusen.

W. A. Sweet.
C. W. Churchill.
John McQuade.

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

Chartered August 30, 1883.

Membership 16.

Commander, Wm. H. Mason.

Delegate.

W. H. Mason.

Alternate.

Geo. Johnson.

Past Commanders.

W. H. Mason.

Geo. Johnson.

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

Chartered September 1, 1883.

Membership 16.

Commander, Emil Glaser.

Delegate.

E. B. Carr.

Alternate.

J. M. Beattie.

*Past Commanders.*A. H. Rolph.
John Power.

Emil Glaser.

MONTCALM POST NO. 176, STANTON.

Chartered December 6, 1895.

Membership 5.

*Commander, John B. Cole.

Delegate.

*Thos. E. Dunn.

*Alternate.**Past Commanders.*John C. Grooms.
John Steele.
John B. Cole.
C. W. Blumberg.Geo. E. Barber.
E. D. Childs.
Asa Morse.

DEWITT C. RUSSELL POST NO. 179, BRIGHTON.

Chartered August 30, 1883.

Membership 12.

Commander, Wm. W. Pentlin.

Delegate.

Chas. Jacobs.

Alternate.

A. J. Sawyer.

*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, David Ballinger.

Delegate.

Joseph Bird.

Alternate.

Wm. Siegle.

*Past Commanders.*S. B. Mereness.
D. W. Shipman.
J. H. Callender.
S. A. Ferguson.J. C. Tuttle.
Henry Nieman.
Eugene Holbrook.
Wm. Siegle.

HEBER LE FAVOUR POST NO. 181, MILFORD.

Chartered September 3, 1883.

Membership 39.

*Commander, J. F. Beaumont.

Delegate.

M. Cooper.

Alternate.

L. D. Lockwood.

*Past Commanders.*Alex. J. McCall.
*J. F. Beaumont.
Walter Crawford.
Geo. W. Sturdevant.
Judson Fielden.
*J. D. Rowe.
*Oliver Cronk.*Asa Prior.
*Samuel W. McCall.
N. B. Babcock.
S. D. Childs.
*C. E. Everetts.
S. D. Lee.

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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 27.

Commander, Fred Gentting.

Delegate.

Joseph Thurlby.

Alternate.

Edgar Moses.

Past Commanders.

David Gibbs.

John Taggart.

R. L. Whipple.

Robert Hurst.

Burnley Foote.

E. P. Ellis.

Geo. Bolton.

FRANK POWELL POST NO. 187, OXFORD.

Chartered September 27, 1883.

Membership 31.

Commander, Chas. A. Ward.

Delegate.

Past Commanders.

C. H. Crawford.

W. O. Davis.

L. L. Hoffman.

O. H. Dunning.

L. H. Van Antwerp.

Vincent Brown.

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

Chartered October 5, 1883.

Membership 7.

*Commander, Lucius Sandborn.

Delegate.

Frank Bowles.

Alternate.

John Paslean.

Past Commanders.

J. P. Suiter.

F. W. Goodale.

N. N. Green.

*Lucius Sanborn.

JAMES BRADLEY POST NO. 194, CLIO.

Chartered October 28, 1883.

Membership 21.

*Commander, William A. Wood.

Delegate.

Leander Allen.

Alternate.

Ira H. Phillip.

Past Commanders.

*John Sloan.

J. W. Buffinn.

*Wm. A. Wood.

*Geo. Van Nest.

Chas. Woolson.

*Cyrus Perigo.

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

Chartered October 28, 1883.

Membership 20.

Commander, C. J. Russell.

Delegate.

Harvey Harper.

Alternate.

T. Nesbitt.

Past Commanders.

Jerome Stone.

James Wood.

Chas. D. Hooper.

C. W. Prine.

Wesley Longcoy.

Geo. Irwin.

Jas. Hall.

A. Held.

Samuel Maxam.

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JOHN TUCKER POST NO. 197, ORTONVILLE.

Chartered November 2, 1883.

Membership 15.

Commander, Wm. H. Moore.

Delegate. *Frank Thayer. *Alternate.* *J. F. Wilders.

Past Commanders.

Wm. H. Moore. J. R. Kippe.

JAMES STEDMAN POST NO. 198, REED CITY.

Chartered November 5, 1883.

Membership 9.

Commander, W. A. Minor.

Delegate. J. C. Sufton. *Alternate.* C. A. Randall.

Past Commanders.

Chas. Randall. W. W. Corbett.
Alfred Florida. G. W. Beecher.

MCGINLEY POST NO. 201, MANISTEE.

Chartered December 6, 1883.

Membership 26.

Commander, Allen McKee.

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. *Alternate.*

Past Commanders. George A. Hines.

Freeborn H. Price.
S. Vandecar.

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

Chartered December 21, 1883.

Membership 80.

Commander, George A. Daley.

Delegates. *George H. Brock. *Alternates.* Hugh Alexander.
N. B. Goodfellow. Wm. F. Letts.

Past Commanders.

Chas. Freeman. G. Ruess.
Julius Frieseke. Thos. M. Wiley.
*Chas. L. Paris. Wm. Guipe.
M. C. Dawes. S. W. Sadler.
Willard Knapp. *Leonard S. Bowles.
W. R. Smith. Gilbert L. Osborn.
J. W. Smith. S. Z. Watson.
John Q. Adams. H. C. Everetts.
*George A. Daley. *N. B. Goodfellow.

MAJOR WEBER POST NO. 206, BELLAIRE.

Chartered December 21, 1883.

Membership 21.

Commander, Roswell Leavitt.

Delegate. *John Bush. *Alternate.*

Past Commanders.

Henry W. Stewart.	C. S. Smith.
Roswell Leavitt.	Jas. E. Matthews.
James C. Abbott.	

GEORGE A. CUSTER POST NO. 208, GALIEN.

Chartered December 28, 1883. Membership 11.

Commander, H. Keefer.

Delegate.

Alternate.

Past Commanders.

Henry Keefer.	M. J. Morley.
Wm. H. Beach.	Wm. F. Swem.
Alonzo Goodenough.	Samuel Jackson.

ELI ALVORD POST NO. 209, MONTGOMERY.

Chartered December 27, 1883. Membership 12.

Commander, G. N. Mead.

Delegate.

Alternate.

Geo. W. Meade.

E. R. Fitzsimmons.

Past Commanders.

C. W. Hall.	G. N. Mead.
Chas. Reynolds.	

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

Chartered January 4, 1884. Membership 55.

Commander, Joseph Ruff.

Delegate.

Alternate.

W. C. Durkee.

Harley Austin.

Past Commanders.

O. G. Hubbard.	E. G. Knapp.
J. H. Perine.	H. F. Gilbert.
O. S. Stevens.	*Washington Gardner.
W. M. Loder.	Jas. A. Sherwood.
Levi S. Warren.	Hiram Herrick.

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

Chartered December 28, 1883. Membership 48.

Commander, J. C. Taylor.

Delegate.

Alternate.

A. H. Guernsey.

Lemuel Tingley.

Past Commanders.

C. A. Cornell.	W. E. Normington.
J. H. Loden.	J. C. Taylor.
C. C. Eyster.	

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

Chartered January 4, 1884. Membership 13.

Commander, Frank Hughes.

Delegate.

Alternate.

F. Campbell.

John Manzer.

Past Commanders.

Wm. Hawley.	L. B. Cook.
Geo. Wooley.	

FORTIETH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT.

WM. RICHARDSON POST NO. 214, MILLINGTON.

Chartered January 4, 1884.

Membership 21.

*Commander, B. F. Cramton.

Delegate.

Daniel Storms.

Alternate.

E. J. Whitcomb.

Past Commanders.

*John A. Case.
Edward Caine.
Reuben Wilber.
Isaac T. Damon.
*I. Van Wagnen.
F. W. Titsworth.

Asa M. Davis.
Ira A. Sprague.
*Wm. I. Marks.
*W. I. Haines.
E. Howard.

JOSEPH SMITH POST NO. 215, FULTON.

Chartered January 12, 1884.

Membership 10.

Commander, A. A. Holcomb.

Delegate.

Jonathan Weaver.

Alternate.

J. Hampton.

Past Commanders.

U. C. Case.
S. C. Rosenberry.
*O. M. Gates.

L. V. Lyon.
A. A. Holcomb.

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

Chartered January 7, 1884.

Membership 24.

*Commander, Gilbert Lacroix.

Delegate.

Geo. W. Smith.

Alternate.

Isaac Williams.

Past Commanders.

Samuel Trew.
Rozell Widrig.
J. F. Cotton.
James A. Price.

*M. L. Skillman.
*Edwin Tharrett.
August Steitzer.
*Gilbert Lacroix.

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

Chartered January 8, 1884.

Membership 16.

Commander, C. B. Streeter.

Delegate.

Henry Cutler.

*Alternate.**Past Commanders.*

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

E. R. Nichoson.
N. R. Menold.

RUDDOCK POST NO. 224, CHEBOYGAN.

Chartered February 8, 1884.

Membership 15.

Commander, Henry A. Blake.

Delegate.

Geo. P. Humphrey.
Robt. Braham.

Alternate.

Henry A. Blake.
Wm. N. Cross.

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GEO. MARTIN POST NO. 227, EAST PORT.

Chartered February 22, 1884.

Membership 10.

Commander, J. McPherson.

Delegate.

Alternate.

Past Commanders.

John McPherson.

Geo. O. Glazier.

O. K. Whitney.

A. W. Hartwell.

H. H. Chamberlain.

FAIRCHILDS POST NO. 228, GRASS LAKE.

Chartered February 22, 1884.

Membership 15.

Commander, Thomas Durbin.

Delegate.

Alternate.

Anson Patchen.

B. F. Alger.

Past Commanders.

E. L. Cooper.

John Erwin.

Morris Kimball.

Thomas Durbin.

John P. Mount.

A. N. Sova.

HARVEY TUCKER POST NO. 229, MARINE CITY.

Chartered February 22, 1884.

Membership 24.

Commander, Wm. H. Scott.

Delegate.

Alternate.

*Aug. Horn.

Chas. Basney.

Past Commanders.

John W. Ackley.

Alex. Sterns.

Chas. F. Farman.

W. H. Scott.

Geo. Hornbustle.

EDDY POST NO. 231, PLYMOUTH.

Chartered February 22, 1884.

Membership 22.

Commander, O. P. Showers.

Delegate.

Alternate.

James Pardee.

Chauncey Baker.

Past Commanders.

Henry Robinson.

A. N. Brown.

O. P. Showers.

OSCAR BARTLETT POST NO. 233, WALES.

Chartered February 4, 1884.

Membership 16.

*Commander, Wm. Grunwell.

Delegate.

Alternate.

*Robert Mutat.

*Jacob Bernell.

Past Commanders.

*William Grunwell.

*Henry Maurer.

*Wm. Smith.

H. C. Mudge.

Wm. Baldock.

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

Chartered March 4, 1884.

Membership 10.

Commander, Alba S. Harris.

Delegate.

Alternate.

W. L. Brown.

Wm. Burk.

Past Commanders.

Chas. K. Bennett.

A. S. Harris.

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WALTER CLIFFORD POST NO. 235, BOYNE CITY.

Chartered March 20, 1884. Membership 10.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, John A. Newville.	<i>Alternate.</i>
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
	John A. Newville. John Jones.	F. M. Gates. Van R. Newville.

PETER A. WEBER POST NO. 237, ROCKFORD.

Chartered March 20, 1884. Membership 33.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, C. A. Underhill.	<i>Alternate.</i>
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
M. Wellers.	D. L. Reynolds. A. L. Picket. C. F. Sears.	Henry June. J. McBane. Chas. Haner. M. DeGlopper.

MARVIN POST NO. 240, GRAYLING.

Chartered March 20, 1884. Membership 12.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, Adelbert Taylor.	<i>Alternate.</i>
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
	O. Palmer. A. C. Wilcox. Adelbert Taylor.	L. E. Parker. W. Batterson. W. S. Chalker.

FRANK MASON POST NO. 242, ATHENS.

Chartered April 5, 1884. Membership 9.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, Henry Kohler.	<i>Alternate.</i>
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
Daniel Wilcox.	*Jas. E. Mason. *Henry Kahler. *John Jackson.	B. F. Brownell. *C. H. Paul. Wm. H. Wilson.

JOSEPH MASON POST NO. 248, WACOSTA.

Chartered April 25, 1884. Membership 9.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, Chas. T. Andrus.	<i>Alternate.</i>
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
William Musten.	Henry M. Burns. A. Dickerson.	H. M. Burns. Chas. T. Andrus.

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

Chartered April 24, 1884. Membership 52.

<i>Delegate.</i>	*Commander, S. R. Morrison.	<i>Alternate.</i>
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
*Chas. P. Jeffords.	John A. Harris. *H. E. Deuel. Benj. Demond,	*L. F. Hall. Warner Churchill. *Samuel R. Morrison.

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

Chartered April 29, 1884.

Membership 17.

Commander, Chas. M. Doty.

Delegate.

*J. C. Vanliew.

Alternate.

Simon Dancer.

Past Commanders.

Geo. M. Doty.

F. A. Norwood.

C. B. Moore.

J. H. Engels.

M. H. Hallock.

J. H. Hoskins.

LONSON POST NO. 255, MAYVILLE.

Chartered May 29, 1884.

Membership 15.

Commander, A. L. McNinch.

Delegate.

*Wm. Turner.

Alternate.

*Ad. Minard.

Past Commanders.

*J. R. Perry.

*J. W. James.

*Eli Brooks.

*A. L. Bryant.

*A. L. McNinch.

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

Chartered June 21, 1884.

Membership 8.

Commander, P. D. Bissell.

Delegate.

F. S. Walker.

Alternate.

A. J. Gennell.

Past Commanders.

A. J. Gennell.

Frank S. Walker.

P. D. Bissell.

A. STEWART POST NO. 259, LITCHFIELD.

Chartered June 24, 1884.

Membership 12.

Commander, Henry H. King.

Delegate.

Wm. Whitcomb.

Alternate.

A. Crandall.

Past Commanders.

*Frank W. Barber.

H. H. King.

Henry Burns.

H. R. Smith.

G. W. Clark.

E. A. Shattuck.

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

Chartered July 17, 1884.

Membership 30.

Commander, Gerrot Van Schelven.

Delegate.

John Wise.

Alternate.

Louis deKraker.

Past Commanders.

P. H. McBride.

G. W. Edgler.

John Nies.

John Zwemer.

Gerrit Van Schelven.

GEN. HARKER POST NO. 263, VANDERBILT.

Chartered July 7, 1884.

Membership 10.

Commander, W. H. Claspill.

Delegate.

J. L. Hodge.

Alternate.

*John Harrington.

FORTIETH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT.

Past Commanders.

N. C. G. Ashley.
W. H. Claspill.
A. Van Auken.

*John G. Berry.
Wm. Karlake.
Royal Stone.

LYON POST NO. 266, MENOMINEE.

Chartered August 2, 1884.

Membership 11.

Commander, A. W. Bill.

Delegate.

Andrew Gram.

Alternate.

J. K. Pangborn.

Past Commanders.

Andrew Gram.
A. B. DeBell.
James E. Lyons.
J. C. Sherman.
H. O. Fifield.
M. Caughey.
C. H. Jones.
G. N. Taylor.

P. W. Armstrong.
A. W. Dill.
Norwood Bowers.
M. Durocher.
Ira Carley.
B. T. Phillips.
Jesse Hubbard.
J. K. Pangborn.

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

Chartered February 27, 1890.

Membership 14.

Commander, Peter W. Reeves.

Delegate.

*Sylvester Thomas.

*Alternate.**Past Commanders.*

Lewis Monty.
Joachim Theeck.
H. Palmer.
*John Harrington.

*Peter W. Reeves.
John Todd.
Euphrates Ross.

LUCIUS TAYLOR POST NO. 274, MILAN.

Chartered September 1, 1884.

Membership 29.

Commander, Peter Swick.

Delegate.

E. P. Hawks.

Alternate.

*William Losee.

Past Commanders.

Chas. A. Heath.
*James E. Johnson.
James Delaforce.

S. H. Evans.
Peter Swick.
*William Losee.

LEWIS CLARK POST NO. 275, OLIVET.

Chartered September 8, 1884.

Membership 13.

Commander, N. D. Lamphear.

Delegate.

*Henry Remalia.

Alternate.

Seth S. Shults.

Past Commanders.

Geo. Galusha.
Lester B. Taggart.
N. D. Lamphear.

M. H. Hance.
Fred Ellis.
J. A. Sloan.

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

Chartered September 12, 1884.

Membership 10.

*Commander, Alexander King.

Delegate.

*John Cain.

Alternate.

*John Wilber.

Past Commanders.

*A. W. Dorland.
*Jessie Rosebush.
*Hiram Braley.

*Geo. A. Allen.
*William Barret.

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

Chartered September 17, 1884.

Membership 6.

Commander, Samuel M. Croft.

*Delegate.**Alternate.**Past Commanders.*

Joseph Avery.
Zoar H. Bates.

Geo. R. Kinsman.
Sam'l M. Croft.

MORGAN PARKER POST NO. 281, PETERSBURG.

Chartered October 18, 1884.

Membership 9.

Commander, Ira D. Boardman.

*Delegate.**Alternate.**Past Commanders.*

A. D. Spalding.

J. Clafenstein.

Josiah M. Elder.
Jos. H. Proctor.

*H. J. Breningstall.

SAMUEL W. GRINNELL POST NO. 283, SUNFIELD.

Chartered October 23, 1884.

Membership 13.

*Commander, William Edwins.

*Delegate.**Alternate.**Past Commanders.*

T. B. Zamberson.

J. B. Peabody.

E. W. Taylor.
Geo. Richards.
B. Peabody.

Wm. Edkins.
A. Kreamer.
R. J. York.

HENRY H. KNAPP POST NO. 284, DAVISON.

Chartered October 16, 1884.

Membership 18.

Commander, John Reeser.

*Delegate.**Alternate.**Past Commanders.*

Jno. Regle.

*Jno. F. Cartwright.

L. S. McAllister.
*Wm. M. Knapp.
L. G. Adams.
A. A. Elmore.
B. F. Sanford.

J. Cottrell.
Wm. N. Monroe.
*John Reeser.
M. H. Hewitt.

COL. STEWART POST NO. 285, TUSTIN.

Chartered October 28, 1884.

Membership 6.

Commander, J. W. Loomis.

*Delegate.**Alternate.**Past Commanders.*

H. Chapman.

D. T. Jaques.

R. H. Jones.

J. W. Loomis.

FORTIETH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT.

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

Chartered November 9, 1884.

Membership 4.

Delegate.

*Commander, C. V. Nash.

Alternate.

Jas. Robinson.

Past Commanders.

*C. V. Nash.

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

Chartered December 2, 1884.

Membership 10.

Delegate.

Commander, Benoni LaChance.

Alternate.

D. B. Mills.

Geo. E. Rogers.

*Past Commanders.*Theodore Hannan.
Andrew Chapman.
Benoni LaChance.
John McA. Webster.
Wilber F. Long.Patrick Kerrigan.
Geo. W. Marshall.
Gregory Lambert.
Daniel B. Mills.**ANDREWS POST NO. 294, BIG RAPIDS.**

Chartered January 15, 1885.

Membership 55.

*Delegates.**A. R. Morehouse.
W. P. Nisbett.

Commander, W. A. Northrup.

*Alternates.*D. A. Moore.
G. L. Hale.*Past Commanders.*W. A. Northrup.
A. B. Knapp.
E. C. Moore.*M. D. Ford.
*L. T. Loveless.**ALBERT JACKSON POST NO. 300, MARQUETTE.**

Chartered March 7, 1885.

Membership 17.

Delegate.

John L. Van Horn.

Commander, C. E. Moore.

Alternate.

A. A. Cole.

*Past Commanders.*A. O. Kruger.
P. C. Beanston.*E. C. Anthony.
C. E. Moore.**ORIN WHITCOMB POST NO. 302, BYRON CENTER.**

Chartered March 30, 1885.

Membership 9.

Delegate.

Geo. Moorman.

Commander, R. F. Hannes.

*Alternate.**Past Commanders.*Lyman Havens.
L. L. Hickox.A. M. Green.
Geo. Moorman.**BURSONS POST NO. 303, SCHOOLCRAFT.**

Chartered April 16, 1885.

Membership 12.

Delegate.

Horace Wheaton.

Commander, Chas. Cronk.

Alternate.

Will Snyder.

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Past Commanders.

M. S. Burson.
Chas. Cronk.
Albert Cornell.
Will Snyder.
Chas. Simmons.

Robert E. Johnson.
Horace Wheaton.
Joseph Clayton.
L. S. Bean.

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

Chartered May 9, 1885. Membership 11.

Commander, W. Harwood.

Delegate.

Past Commander.

Alternate.

Wm. Harwood.

G. J. HUDSON POST NO. 317, MATTAWAN.

Chartered August 17, 1885. Membership 8.

*Commander, L. D. Wheeler.

Delegate.

Past Commanders.

Alternate.

L. G. Hunt.
Henry Freeman.

Peter Benwire.
L. D. Wheeler.

ALLEN M. HARMON POST NO. 318, NORTHVILLE.

Chartered August 22, 1885. Membership 31.

*Commander, Milton Vantassel.

Delegate.

Past Commanders.

Alternate.

*L. C. Mead.

Myron P. White.

M. E. Johnson.
*E. K. Starkweather.
*Andrew Houk.
L. C. Mead.

*Geo. F. Goodell.
H. O. Waid.
A. Woodmansee.

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

Chartered August 31, 1885. Membership 9.

Commander, F. A. Blackman.

Delegate.

Past Commanders.

Alternate.

N. H. Orr.

John Ashley.

N. H. Orr.
Mark Norris.

F. A. Blackman.

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

Chartered September 1, 1885. Membership 8.

Commander, John Orrison.

Delegate.

Past Commanders.

Alternate.

Geo. Linegar.

Adam Craver.
*Geo. Linegar.
Geo. E. Harris.

H. B. Yoxheimer.
Jno. Orrison.

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WILLIAM KERBY POST NO. 323, ASHLEY.

Chartered September 14, 1885.

Membership 9.

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 6.

Commander, Chas. Swartout.

*Delegate.*C. P. Pickle.
Chas. Swartout.
C. N. Hunt.*Past Commanders.**Alternate.*W. G. Griswold.
Wm. Steer.
Wm. Rodgers.

MYRON HAWLEY POST NO. 328, NAPOLEON.

Chartered October 1, 1885.

Membership 8.

Commander, W. R. Fuller.

Delegate.

*J. C. Garlinghouse.

Alternate.

N. W. Snider.

*Past Commanders.*Murry Hess.
Wm. Drew.

W. R. Fuller.

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

Chartered November 5, 1885.

Membership 7.

Commander, D. M. Litchfield.

Delegate.

Wm. Van Fleet.

Alternate.

Wm. Andrews.

*Past Commanders.*L. C. Rodman.
H. H. Wilson.
C. F. Bates.L. S. Miles.
D. M. Litchfield.

MATHEW ARTIS POST NO. 341, CASSOPOLIS.

Chartered March 10, 1886.

Membership 7.

Commander, Abner R. Byrd.

Delegate.

S. Griffin.

Alternate.

A. B. Andersen.

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.

Delegate.

Homer W. Hodge.

Alternate.

J. W. Donildson.

Past Commanders.

Jas. A. Troutt.

Homer W. Hodge.

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BILLY CRUSON POST NO. 347, BRECKENRIDGE.

Chartered March 16, 1886. Membership 22.

Commander, Barney Swope.
Delegate. *A. A. Root. *Alternate.* Geo. Wood.
Past Commanders. *W. H. Weed. C. K. Fox.
 *Thos. P. Staley. *Barney Swope.
 Joseph Brumbly.

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

Chartered March 27, 1886. Membership 20.

Commander, J. N. Clark. *Alternate.* Wm. Fisher.
Delegate. B. S. Mills. *Past Commanders.*
 N. I. Kinnie. H. S. Jenks.
 J. W. Griswold. J. N. Clark.
 Fred J. Buck. *Frank Conroe.
 H. M. Ruddy.

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

Chartered April 9, 1886. Membership 15.

Commander, Geo. H. Godfrey. *Alternate.* W. Parmer.
Delegate. Reuben Farnum. *Past Commanders.*
 Geo. H. Godfrey. James Scutt.
 L. Dickerson.

COMSTOCK POST NO. 352, MANCHESTER.

Chartered May 18, 1886. Membership 19.

Commander, A. A. Stringham. *Alternate.* J. J. Farrell.
Delegate. John A. Miller. *Past Commanders.*
 James Kelley. R. M. Teeter.
 George Nisle. G. B. Sherwood.
 A. A. Stringham. J. C. Jackson.
 T. F. Rushton.

JAMES F. COVELL POST NO. 354, PALO.

Chartered May 16, 1886. Membership 8.

Commander, Chas. M. North. *Alternate.* David Steere.
Delegate. Joseph Hanchett. *Past Commanders.*
 B. S. Everest. Stillman Livingston.
 Chas. M. North. Martin Greenwalt.

ROWLEY POST NO. 358, CLAYTON.

Chartered May 12, 1886. Membership 12.

Commander, W. H. Hawkins. *Alternate.* E. E. Hinde.
Delegate. B. Beach.

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Past Commanders.

D. H. Warren.
A. E. Terwilliger.
J. H. Badgley.
W. Hawkins.

J. C. Gambee.
Jno. B. Kessler.
John Wirtz.
John Murty.

KILBOURN POST NO. 361, SHERWOOD.

Chartered September 27, 1886.

Membership 16

Commander, Jas. M. Lacke.

Delegate.

Henry Runyan.

Alternate.

J. H. Watkins.

Past Commanders.

Henry Runyan.
James Lacke.
E. W. Watkins.

Samuel Frye.
Geo. B. Hass.

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

Chartered October 28, 1886.

Membership 4.

Commander, Fred Hanley.

Delegate.

D. A. Curtice.

Alternate.

S. Plew.

Past Commanders.

F. Hanley.

D. A. Curtice.

NOBLE POST NO. 369, GLADWIN.

Chartered January 3, 1887.

Membership 10.

Commander, Henry Madill.

*Delegate.**Past Commanders.*

John H. Robinson.
W. H. Kellogg.
Enoch Robbins.

Alternate.

Chas. VanVolkenburg.
*Henry Madill.
David D. Foutch.

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

Chartered January 18, 1887.

Membership 10.

Commander, T. J. Warren.

Delegate.

W. H. Gard.

*Alternate.**Past Commanders.*

B. B. Priest.
Jas. E. Horton.
John Smith.

*Thos. J. Warren.
S. D. Shaffner.

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

Chartered March 5, 1887.

Membership 22.

Commander, C. C. Judson.

Delegate.

David Perkins.

Alternate.

John Higgins.

Past Commanders.

L. P. Judson.
Roswell J. Reed.
I. P. Covey.
J. W. VanDeman.

Z. E. Clark.
C. C. Judson.
W. H. F. ...ds.
Samuel Davidson.

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S. R. DOWNES POST NO. 374, PARMA.

Chartered March 9, 1887. Membership 10.

*Commander, A. M. Helmer.
Delegate. Elijah Soule. *Alternate.* Ralph Clark.
Past Commanders. Geo. Schwal. Levi Alton.
 H. C. Anderson. O. A. Rogers.
 A. M. Helmer.

WM. P. EVERETT POST NO. 377, ROCHESTER.

Chartered April 1, 1887. Membership 12.

Commander, J. J. Snook. *Alternate.* L. L. Frank.
Delegate. Geo. Davison. *Past Commanders.* J. W. Eastman. A. O'Brien.
 W. J. Fraser. J. J. Snook.

JOHN STOCKTON POST NO. 380, NEW HAVEN.

Chartered April 23, 1887. Membership 3.

Commander, Geo. W. Dingman. *Alternate.* W. H. Sutphin.
Delegate. Wm. Campbell. *Past Commanders.* Geo. W. Dingman. W. H. Sutphin.

U. O. BRETZ POST NO. 382, LAKE ODESSA.

Chartered April 27, 1887. Membership 24.

*Commander, Ed. Turman. *Alternate.* Henry Hunter.
Delegate. T. J. Justice. *Past Commanders.* Robt. Musgrove. Ed. Turman.
 O. V. Showerman. W. Lovwell.
 A. A. Walters. R. C. Blair.

C. B. WHEELER POST NO. 383, MARTIN.

Chartered May 19, 1887. Membership 6.

Commander, Justus Barrup. *Alternate.* Sidney Baird.
Delegate. A. A. Campbell. *Past Commanders.* Justus Barrup. Sidney Baird.

DETROIT POST NO. 384, DETROIT.

Chartered May 21, 1887. Membership 72.

*Commander, John Davis. *Alternates.* J. L. Hinman.
Delegates. Chas. Crusen. J. A. West.
 W. Winalow.

FORTIETH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT.

Past Commanders.

Marvin Preston.	Frank C. Trowbridge.
Oscar R. Looker.	*Oscar A. Janes.
Wm. S. Green.	Nicholas Woods.
Wm. T. Gage.	G. R. Osmun.
Chas. A. Coolidge.	Felix A. Lemkie.
L. H. Chamberlain.	*S. J. Lawrence.
Theo. Francois.	*Riley Jones.
W. H. Mitchell.	W. F. Triebien.
Geo. A. Winslow.	N. C. Thomas.
*E. B. Fenton.	

CHAS. GRIFFIN POST NO. 386, FARWELL.

Chartered July 21, 1887. Membership 17.

Commander, Chas. H. Clark.	
<i>Delegate.</i>	<i>Alternate.</i>
Herbert Glass.	Jesse H. Wood.
<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
J. H. Wood.	Chas. H. Clark.
*H. Glass.	S. Coon.
Elisha White.	

MICHIGAN POST NO. 393, DETROIT.

Chartered April 4, 1888. Membership 6.

Commander, John Hendley.	
<i>Delegate.</i>	<i>Alternate.</i>
*Julius Forkel.	J. Griswold.
<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
*John Griswold.	Julius Forkel.
John H. Hendley.	John Boylan.

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

Chartered November 15, 1888. Membership 118.

Commander, Chas. A. Green.	
<i>Delegates.</i>	<i>Alternates.</i>
*Ransom Johnson.	*L. D. Wescott.
*O. P. Coleman.	Oliver Fox.
*A. S. Cole.	*Leroy Riddle.
<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
D. Z. Kline.	Jas. H. Keeney.
J. S. French.	Edwin H. Stein.
E. A. Green.	Jacob Maus.
Geo. L. Antisdell.	G. W. Osborn.
Geo. D. Barden.	H. W. Diamond.
N. Swisher.	*J. H. Martin.
C. S. Wilson.	

GEO. WARD POST NO. 396, BRANT.

Chartered January, 1889. Membership 10.

Commander, Geo. Rivenburg.	
<i>Delegate.</i>	<i>Alternate.</i>
P. P. Miner.	*D. J. Webb.
<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
Michael Cummings.	*P. P. Miner.
Geo. Rivenburg.	E. D. Webber.
Wm. Forbes.	*D. J. Webb.
N. Richardson.	

GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC.

WOOLSEY POST NO. 389, NORTHPORT.

Chartered January 19, 1889.

Membership 5.

Commander, W. H. Porter.

Delegate.

Alternate.

Past Commanders.

W. H. Porter.
John Thomas.

W. B. Green.

BURLINGAME POST NO. 402, AKRON.

Chartered April 23, 1889.

Membership 18.

Commander, E. A. Dickey.

Delegate.

Alternate.

Past Commanders.

L. H. Bennett.

Frank French.

*E. G. Mathews.
John Paul.
*Geo. J. Dart.
*Leonard James.

*L. C. Wilbur.
Z. T. Heas.
E. A. Dickey.

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

Chartered May 18, 1891.

Membership 8.

Commander, Chas. Westfall.

Delegate.

Alternate.

Past Commanders.

W. D. Toles.

H. H. Thompson.

Chas. Westfall.
W. D. Toles.

Willard Sherman.

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

Chartered May 13, 1903.

Membership 9.

Commander, Chas. Hooker.

Delegate.

Alternate.

Past Commanders.

Wallace Grace.

R. Luscher.

T. B. Musser.
J. L. Richard.
G. W. Grow.

R. S. Cushman.
Chas. Hooker.

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

Chartered June 29, 1891.

Membership 19.

*Commander, Chas. E. Murray.

Delegate.

Alternate.

Past Commanders.

E. J. Pitcher.

*J. W. Ridgman.

*Chas. E. Murray.
*R. Hawley.
*O. B. Randall.
*R. B. Rose.

John H. Burgess.
S. H. Camp.
*Jas. Taylor.

A. W. BRINDLE POST NO. 413, WYANDOTTE.

Chartered August 1, 1891.

Membership 6.

Commander, W. W. Bishop.

Delegate.

Alternate.

Past Commanders.

W. W. Bishop.

John Wayman.

FORTIETH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT.

H. P. MERRILL POST NO. 419, BAY CITY.

Chartered February 19, 1892.

Membership 9.

Delegate.

H. B. Landon.

*Commander, W. H. Colburn.

*Alternate.**Past Commanders.*

*M. M. Andrews.

Geo. W. Butterfield.

*J. W. Knaggs.

F. L. Wilson.

*W. H. Colburn.

WM. H. DUMPHY POST NO. 424, YALE.

Chartered January 27, 1893.

Membership 17.

Delegate.

Michael Sheehy.

Commander, Chas. Montney.

Alternate.

Wm. Moore.

Past Commanders.

Chas. Montney.

Elmore Putney.

STEPHEN MUNGER POST NO. 425, FREELAND.

Chartered August 2, 1893.

Membership 9.

Delegate.

Andrew Purdue.

*Commander, Henry Manwell.

Alternate.

John Lewis.

Past Commanders.

Henry Manwell.

J. B. Alexander.

A. McGuire.

PLEASANTON POST NO. 429, IRONWOOD.

Chartered July 18, 1896.

Membership 5.

Delegate.

Curtis Buck.

Commander, Curtis Buck.

*Alternate.**Past Commanders.*

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

Chartered November 18, 1896.

Membership 78.

Delegates.

J. M. Tucker.

Joseph Fuller.

*Commander, A. F. Chappell.

Alternates.

G. H. Miller.

G. D. Freeman.

Past Commanders.

H. A. Davis.

*S. A. Widrig.

A. T. Phelps.

Joseph Fuller.

A. T. Strong.

B. C. Brainard.

McCOOK POST NO. 434, McBRIDE.

Chartered February 24, 1897.

Membership 4.

Delegate.

Almer Kelly.

Commander, M. J. Christian.

Alternate.

Geo. Park.

Past Commander.

M. J. Christian.

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STEELE BROS. POST NO. 441, MASON.

Chartered December 31, 1897. Membership 21.

Delegate. *Commander, John Staley. *Alternate.*
W. S. Miller. R. P. Dunham.
Past Commanders.
*Frank Lester. *H. J. Northrup.
J. C. Squires. John Sayre.
*L. H. Ives. H. O. Call.

WASHINGTON POST NO. 444, CADILLAC.

Chartered April 14, 1898. Membership 25.

Delegate. Commander, George Morgan. *Alternate.*
H. A. Spencer. Geo. Morgan.
Past Commanders.
*D. E. Cook. *A. J. Teed.
R. L. Dalzel. Thomas Fitzgerald.
*M. D. Richardson.

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

Chartered April 29, 1898. Membership 6.

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

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

Chartered April 28, 1900. Membership 17.

Delegate. Commander, G. H. Gilbert. *Alternate.*
Sam Wolf. Joseph Cresler.
Past Commanders.
Isaac Grant. David J. Randall.
John H. Freeland. Livingston Hall.
Geo. H. Gilbert.

H. W. LAWTON POST NO. 452, SAMARIA

Chartered June 23, 1900. Membership 31.

Delegate. Commander, C. L. Clary. *Alternate.*
Rufus Spotts. E. G. Hungerford.
Past Commanders.
A. J. Teall. *Chas. L. Clary.
Philander Karr. A. J. Shepherd.
J. S. Hilton.

HARLOW PELTON POST NO. 453, KINGSTON.

Chartered July 21, 1900. Membership 10.

Delegate. Commander, Benj. Franklin. *Alternate.*
B. S. Franklin. W. B. Nedrey.
Past Commanders.
Walter B. Nedrey. G. E. Parker.
W. C. Lockwood. J. B. Hickey.
Benj. Franklin.

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

Chartered July 17, 1900. Membership 15.

Commander, J. H. Hemphill.
Delegate. *Alternate.*
Past Commanders.
 *W. H. Greenman. *J. H. Hemphill.

JOHN HUNTER POST NO. 455, MONTROSE.

Chartered November 21, 1900. Membership 11.

Commander, James Persons.
Delegate. *Alternate.*
 Alvin Ellis. Geo. Sholler.
Past Commanders.
 *David Cross. Thomas Ramsey.
 James H. Persons. John W. Barber.
 James E. Barnes. E. G. Eldred.
 W. C. Bouck. Aug. Lucke.
 *G. W. England.

STANSELL POST NO. 456, SOUTH LYON.

Chartered February 22, 1901. Membership 12.

Commander, L. S. Allen.
Delegate. *Alternate.*
 L. B. Quick. D. H. Jones.
Past Commanders.
 L. S. Allen. A. C. Washburn.
 L. A. Sayles. D. H. Jones.

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

Chartered February 9, 1903. Membership 22.

Commander, Ansel W. Walker.
Delegate. *Alternate.*
 W. Dunn. G. Woody.
Past Commanders.
 Judson Doud. Z. B. Woody.
 C. Whitney. Joshua Brown.
 Richard Baker. Ansel Walker.

GEORGE BOYD POST NO. 461, BOON.

Chartered August 8, 1903. Membership 7.

*Commander, David Hill.
Delegate. *Alternate.*
 *R. C. Norris. Jas. Mansfield.
Past Commanders.
 Amos Merrill. B. F. Smith.
 Wm. McNitt. David Hill.
 Geo. Beckwith.

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

Chartered November 2, 1907. Membership 8.

Commander, Edward Smith.
Delegate. *Alternate.*
 Edward Smith. *Harry Smith.
Past Commanders.
 *Joseph Finney. R. J. Baldwin.
 Peter Desmond. Edward Smith.
 Walter Turk.

Department Commander: The rules governing the national encampment will govern this Encampment.

The Assistant Adjutant General: The number reported by the Committee on Credentials as being present is 175.

Department Commander: The Junior Vice Department Commander will please take the chair.

Whereupon the Junior Vice Department Commander, Comrade E. E. Lewis, took the chair.

The Department Commander then proceeded with his annual report:

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER'S ADDRESS.

Comrades, we are once more assembled for business and to commemorate the fortieth anniversary of this patriotic association, which has always stood for liberty, freedom, democrecay and for the protection and defense of Old Glory. During the past year we have been passing through the most eventful and trying times of our country and making more history than ever before, and demanding more patriotism and loyalty than at any time since the close of the war of '61 to '65, when the principles we are now contending for throughout the world were fully settled, so far as the United States was concerned, and for fifty years we have had continued peace and prosperity.

Fifty-four years ago, last February, I enlisted in this city, as a private in the 7th Michigan Cavalry. Today I have the great honor of being here as your Department Commander, as the head of the remnant of that over ninety thousand of Michigan's patriotic sons and the Comrades that have since joined this Department from other states.

This beautiful city of over 75,000 inhabitants, I have seen grow from its most primitive conception to the magnificent metropolis of business and thrift that you now see. My first recollection of it—there was only a log house where the superb Hotel Bancroft now stands. It was here I saw the first steam saw mill and the first in this valley; it was here I first saw a steamboat; here I saw the first railroad locomotive and rode on it, which was the first one here, and came by boat; here I first saw a train of cars, and here I first saw many of the wonderful sights to the unsophisticated youth and country boy of those primitive times, all of which our youths of today are being associated with from their earliest remembrance, with the added improvements that have come within the past seventy years of advancement and progression in the arts and sciences of this age, during your and my lives; so I trust, Comrades, you can fully appreciate my reverence and pride in holding this honorable position at this encampment in this city of my early association.

To the city officials and officers of the Board of Trade, I personally extend my thanks for having invited the Department to hold this encampment here, and to the citizens for their cordiality and kindly greeting to our Comrades and their associates.

Comrades, one year ago, at the thirty-ninth state encampment at Battle Creek, under very distressing and unpleasant personal conditions to me, you vindicated a Comrade of a malicious slander and showed your fairness and justice of true comradeship by unanimously electing me your Department Commander, for which loyalty and true comradeship I most earnestly thank you one and all, and so far as circumstances would

permit and conditions warrant, I have given my earnest efforts for the welfare and best interests of this Department, and assistance to Post and Comrades, and I leave it to you, Comrades, to determine whether you erred in your choice of one year ago, or not.

THE WAR.

I wish that I had the gift and inspiration that I might impress and inspire you to the full realization of the danger of our country in this great world war, the danger to our people, especially our wives, daughters and children, for now we are absolutely at war with mighty and desperate powers, who have disclosed their contemptible and malicious disposition, their want of honor, morality, and manhood, who are now carrying into physical and immoral slavery the men, women and children of the countries they have occupied.

Think of poor little Belgium! What they have suffered in death, abuse, starvation, disease and destruction of property. The men of that country are being forced to make munitions to slaughter their relations and friends. The women, young and old, are being forced to the embraces of brutes in the form of men, diseased and ruined, "but not disgraced," then cast off to die of starvation and disease, communicated by those brutes of men through their loathsome and inhuman lust.

These powers keep no faith with either men or nations. No agreement is maintained. Their word of honor is worthless; no treaty binds them. Their spies are in our midst and the midst of our country, secretly planning death and destruction. They have introduced into modern warfare practices of the dark ages, which are inhumane and despotic.

They massacre the wounded, and as prisoners of war cut our boys' throats, cast bombs upon hospitals and homes, torpedo ships, and slay defenseless people on sea and land.

Do not forget the Lusitania and its victims—*those* atrocities, with many others, are why we are in this world war.

Do you realize all these horrors? If you have not, if you cannot, think of the developments in the Detroit trials of the conspirators, who planned to blow up trains and their occupants, and who planned and tried to blow up factories and their innocent workers, and to blow up tunnels, the great thoroughfares of traffic, with death and destruction, then you *must* realize OUR DANGER.

We must fight for the defense of our homes, for the protection of liberty, flag and freedom, for our national honor, and for humanity.

Comrades, we are in this war to maintain and to defend the human principles of liberty, freedom and democracy, that you fought for and won.

The world is looking to the U. S. for men and means to win this desperate struggle, and our boys, sons and grandsons, that we are sending across, they are looking to us of the Grand Army of the Republic for encouragement, for precedents and for our loyalty to them; therefore, never in the history of our organization has such grave, patriotic responsibilities been placed upon us, or on our association, as now. That being the case, every Comrade of '61 to '65 now alive should be a member of the G. A. R.

NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT.

This year our National Encampment will be held at Portland, Oregon, August 20th to 24th, and through the efforts of the Commander-in-Chief and his committee special railroad rates have been obtained for the members of the G. A. R., at a rate of one cent per mile, which approximately makes the round trip from Detroit \$50.00 for the railroad fare, and to the G. A. R. members with certificate of membership and their allied organizations. I trust no Comrade will seek or allow himself to be elected as a delegate who does not intend to go. Let's have Michigan there with a full, live delegation.

The Fifty-first (51st) Annual National Encampment of the G. A. R. and allied organizations was held at Boston, Mass., last August, 20th to 23rd, it being one of the most successful and enthusiastic National Encampments ever held, and Boston Comrades and citizens, exhibiting the spirit of true comradeship by their loyalty and cordiality. Our headquarters were at the popular Copley Square Hotel, on Commonwealth avenue, very convenient to National Headquarters and Convention Hall. Our headquarters train started from Lansing at noon, August 18th, via Jackson to Detroit, where the entire Michigan delegation was gotten together, leaving Detroit at 6:00 P. M. over the Michigan Central, via New York Central, and Boston and Albany railroads, and as the weather was fine, the whole combining to give us a delightful day trip through the New York State and the Birkshire Hills of Massachusetts, arriving in Boston soon after 4.00 P. M. Sunday, the 19th, at a city depot, within a block of our hotel, we there forming in line, at the depot, and marched to our hotel, lead by our superb Michigan Fife and Drum Corps.

THE PARADE.

On Tuesday morning, the 21st, at 9:30, the Michigan Delegation and Michigan Comrades formed in line at their headquarters, on Commonwealth avenue, in regular formation, under the command of the Assistant Quartermaster General, A. L. Bryant, acting as Chief-of-Staff, lead by our Fife and Drum Corps, to the point for our division to fall into line for the grand parade, which we did at about 10:30, and made the entire line of march under a burning sun, but not a single Michigan Comrade faltered or fell out during the entire march of over two and one-half miles, for which we must in part give credit to the splendid marching time of our Fife and Drum Corps, who were the envy of all other Drum Corps; and they were cheered from end to end of the line of march. I can assure you I was very proud of the Michigan Delegation for the splendid soldier bearing exhibited by every Comrade in line, and they were cheered all along the line, as they were justly entitled to be.

MEMBERSHIP.

Our membership of the last annual report, 1917, was 6,257. Since then we have had a gain of 189, but with increased age and with declining physical health our membership now is 5,708. Of our entire losses 704 have answered the last roll call and passed to the great majority in that unknown beyond, and 34 from the surrender of Posts and suspensions. We have added in membership by application and reinstatements, 189.

I appeal to every Comrade, Post and allied associations to put forth their earnest efforts to the getting of every Comrade not a member into the Posts. Every Comrade not now a member should be, as we want them for their comradeship and they need the Comrades of the Grand Army.

MEMORIAL DAY.

I regret that the reverence for Memorial Day, this most sacred day of the 365 of each year, does not have the consideration that the solemnity of it demands, still it is very gratifying to observe how the general public observe it in the decorating of graves of their departed ones, as well as the decorating of the graves of the departed Comrades; nevertheless, there is an element in our community who consider it a holiday for sports and amusements and that these may be made to reverence and respect the day, I have asked the Legislative Committee to draft a resolution to be presented to this encampment, to be acted upon, asking the next session of the Michigan Legislature to pass such a law to be placed on our statute books, and I suggest that every Comrade use his best efforts to see that men are elected who are patriotic and loyal to so sacred a principle and who will be interested in the passage of such a law, if this resolution is approved by this encampment. This resolution should not fail to pass at this encampment nor fail to become a statutory law, for in many respects it conforms with the high appreciation of the day by the President of the U. S. as per his proclamation of May 11th, and our Governor Sleeper in his memorial proclamation. I would then suggest that my successor continue the present Legislative Committee for the greater assurance of success of the resolution becoming a law.

SOLDIERS' HOME.

I am in very close touch with the Soldiers' Home, and our Comrades who are members there and who are having kindly close attention and every precaution possible to see that they have the best of care, food and clothing, irrespective of the advanced and very high cost of everything, not cheapening a thing for their comfort has been permitted, even though the last session of the Legislature cut our estimate for a required appropriation, which has seriously inconvenienced the Board of Managers, still they have not curtailed or economized to the inconvenience to a single member, and I trust the Committee so found the conditions there, who I know made an exhaustive inspection of all the conditions there, as will appear in their report.

THE WOMEN'S RELIEF CORPS.

The ever faithful and willing helpers to us in our declining years are the Ladies of the W. R. C. I issued with my second General Order a request, asking that the various auxiliaries to the G. A. R. put forth strenuous efforts in reinstating Comrades not in good standing with the Grand Army, and wish to assure you that the W. R. C. from President Maud Holmes to every member have put forth their best efforts along that line with some success. These good and noble women never fail to aid and assist us.

THE LADIES OF THE G. A. R.

These are the wives and widows of Comrades and their daughters, who, of course, should be very close to us and who have been untiring in their effort to carry out my request to getting of the delinquents into the ranks of the G. A. R. and President Ida C. LaBanta and her Corps of faithful women have not wavered or failed in their efforts, for which we thank them.

DAUGHTERS OF VETERANS.

A band of splendid young women, who are ever ready and willing to aid and assist us in our requests for their efforts in behalf of getting delinquent Comrades back into the ranks of the G. A. R. They have been alert and helpful and we must give them every appreciation.

DAUGHTERS OF THE G. A. R.

They are truly our daughters and are keenly alive to the needs of the Comrades of the G. A. R.. Their fathers and grandfathers as Comrades make no request for aid and assistance that has ever gone unheeded or neglected, and in their patriotic and beautiful mustering ceremony we should be proud of them and their comradeship. God protect and care for our daughters.

To all four of these lady organizations, too much praise cannot be given for their aid and assistance to us, and, in my judgment, if we had not had their assistance and devotion in years gone by, I fear our organization would have failed in its patriotic work and have been an association of the past. Personally, I am very grateful to them all for their kindly consideration and assistance during my administration.

SONS OF VETERANS.

Comrades, I appeal to you, as fathers and grandfathers, to use your best efforts and influence with your sons and grandsons and sons of Comrades to aid and assist in building up the organization of the Sons of Veterans, for patriotism and Memorial Day service, for to whom can we delegate to carry on this work with more assurance than to our sons. The day that we have labored so earnestly to develop and perfect, let us have a strong organization for our mantle to fall to when our work is finished, so I appeal to you to use your best efforts in its behalf.

BOY SCOUTS.

Comrades, encourage the faithful and willing young helpers, who are willing not only to help us but to help everyone. This is a very commendable organization, and in their work they are getting training and experience that will make them better and more efficient men, patriots, and if needs be good soldiers. We should be congenial and courteous to them, and should appreciate their willingness to aid and assist.

PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR.

This I consider the most important appointment office of Commander of the Department or of Past Commanders, and selection should be made with care, and in my appointment of Comrade F. L. Manning, as Department Patriotic Instructor, I have been well pleased, as he has looked

carefully after his duties as such and introduced some new and patriotic suggestions and ideas which I am sure will bear loyal and patriotic fruit.

FINANCE.

We cannot show a financial increase for the year, owing to the falling off of receipts of per capita with an increased expense, owing to attending the encampment at Boston, taking with us the Fife and Drum Corps, increasing the salary of the Assistant Auditor General, \$100.00 to the Southern Memorial Fund, advance in printing, etc., all of which will show in the Assistant Quartermaster General's and Assistant Adjutant General's reports.

COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION.

It has not been necessary to call the Executive Committee together during my term of office, as the Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General both reside at Headquarters, Lansing, and as I have been there frequently, we have been able to check up and audit the accounts and books and always finding them correct, have saved the expense of calling them together.

PENSIONS.

There has been two pension bills for an increase of present service pensions. One in the Senate known as the Smoot Bill and one in the House known as the Sherwood Bill. The Pension Committee and the Commander-in-Chief favored and recommended the Smoot Bill. I have been in correspondence with our Senators and Congressmen, requesting their support of the Smoot Bill and have had replies from all that they would work for and support the Smoot Bill, which they loyally have done, and which is as follows:

"That the general pension Act of May eleventh, nineteen hundred and twelve, is hereby amended by adding a new section, to read as follows:

That from and after the passage of this Act the rate of pension for any person who served ninety days or more in the military or naval service of the United States during the Civil War, now on the roll or hereafter to be placed on the pension roll and entitled to receive a less rate than hereinafter provided, shall be \$30.00 per month.

In case such person has reached the age of seventy-two years and served six months, the rate shall be \$32.00 per month.

One year, \$35.00 per month.

One and a half years, \$38.00 per month.

Two years or over, \$40.00 per month.

Provided, That this Act shall not be so construed as to reduce any pension under an Act, public or private:

Provided further, That no pension attorney, claim agent, or other person shall be entitled to receive any compensation for presenting any claim to the Bureau of Pensions under this Act, except in applications for original pension by persons who have not heretofore received a pension."

Passed the Senate June 4th, 36 to 22. Later concurred in by the House as an amendment to the Sherwood Bill, and will become a law as soon as signed by the President, and was signed by him June 10th.

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER.

The subject of compensation to the Department Commander was considered at our last Encampment and was finally left to the incoming Commander to appoint a committee to formulate and present a resolution to be acted upon at this Encampment. I have appointed such a committee, who will present a resolution on that subject for your consideration. Be that resolution as it may, I wish to say to you Comrades, in my judgment your Department Commander should be reimbursed to the extent of his actual traveling, hotel and postage expenses. When he gives his time and energy, he has fully repaid you for the honor you have conferred. U. S. Presidents, State Governors, Senators, Congressmen and heads of other departments do not work for honor, but have salaries and all traveling expenses paid. From now on you must elect Department Commanders who will get out and work for the maintaining of our Posts and the organizations and they should be encouraged to the extent of having their expenses paid. Comrades, be just, and show good business judgment.

During my year as your Commander, not a communication of any kind has been neglected or overlooked. Every request for my presence at Posts, Corps meetings, Battalion meetings or Regimental reunions have been responded to by my presence with my best efforts of encouragement when previous engagements have not prevented, and during my year I have visited about sixty (60) Posts, and in nearly every Post visited the Ladies of the W. R. C. or Ladies of the G. A. R., and sometimes both organizations have taken part. I also visited the Daughters of Veterans and Daughters of the G. A. R., three Battalion meetings and about ten (10) Regimental reunions. My reception on all occasions have been most pleasing, courteous and dignified, and I can assure you that these visits at all times have been an inspiration and a pleasure to me, so unlike some of my predecessors. I would only be too glad to continue such close comradeship and good fellowship, that is the privilege of a Department Commander, and this offer I wish to impress on every Comrade here, and that is, that if at any time I can be of any assistance to a Post or Comrade in this Department, all that will be necessary is to request and I will cheerfully be at your service, if conditions and circumstances will permit.

MY OFFICIAL FAMILY.

I am pleased to advise that I have not lost a single member of my official family by death, but one by resignation. Our Chaplain, Comrade Samuel Henniger, was called to a church in Indiana, and owing to his leaving the state, he sent in his resignation, when I appointed our Past Chaplain, Comrade Rev. W. H. Herbert, in his stead. My entire staff of Department officials have been very faithful and considerate, and to them, one and all, I return my sincere thanks and trust the cordial relations may continue as Comrades.

IN MEMORY.

It becomes my painful duty to announce the death of one more of our Past Department Commanders. Russel R. Pealer died at his home in Three Rivers, Michigan, Thursday, March 7th, 1918.

Comrade Pealer served in the 16th Pa. Cavalry and was promoted through all the offices of his company to First Lieutenant, with a recommendation for Captaincy, just at the close of the war. He served the State as Circuit Judge and was always highly respected as a Comrade and citizen.

Comrade Pealer was an active and leading spirit in G. A. R. affairs; was elected Department Commander of Michigan, June 22nd, 1899, without any opposition.

In the death of Comrade Pealer this Department has sustained a great loss. We shall miss him from our councils.

Several of the Posts have signified their desire to surrender their charters during my term of office, but have been prevailed upon to retain them, so but 4 Posts have surrendered their charters and the Department losing but 34 members by such surrenders. Comrades, do not surrender your charters, even if you do not have an attendance sufficient to make meetings interesting. Retain your charter and keep up your organization, so as to be represented in the Department and for Memorial Day. Remember, three members constitute a quorum, and your dues but 25 cents per Comrade per year. Stay with your Department, Comrades. I will soon be reduced to the ranks, but still I will be your Comrade and, I wish to thank you one and all for your courteous consideration to me in the past year, and say that I have loved the work and enjoyed being for you and with you. God bless you all.

WM. O. LEE,
Department Commander.

I have been in very close touch with Washington for the past three months on this Pension Bill, and I want to say to you Comrades there are three Comrades that you owe a debt to that you can never pay and they are Comrade Washington Gardner, of Michigan; Comrade John Clem, our Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, and the man who has done more for the Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic in getting pensions than all of them put together, Comrade John McElroy. I want you, Comrades, to appreciate this fact that Comrade McElroy has sent in telegrams to every Department Commander of the Grand Army of the Republic of the United States of America, and to every President of the Woman's Relief Corps at his own expense, asking those officials to give their personal attention in soliciting from their representatives in Washington their vote and influence in passing the Smoot Bill, so I trust you will never forget the debt which you owe to those three Comrades, especially Comrade McElroy.

A Comrade: I think the Grand Army of the Republic and every soldier who draws a pension should honor Senator Smoot.

Department Commander: Do you offer that as a resolution?

A Comrade: If it is necessary, I will make that as a resolution.

Department Commander: It is not in order, Comrade.

A Comrade: He had the fight of his life there for this bill.

Comrade George Raab, Flint: I move that the Department Commander's address be referred to the proper committee.

Department Commander: I have appointed the following Comrades on the Committees:

Comrades E. C. Anthony, C. P. Coffin and William G. Gage, on the Department Commander's report.

Comrades Washington Gardner, Post 210; O. A. Janes, Post 384, and Comrade C. H. Godfrey, Post 14, on the Committee on Resolutions.

On Senior and Junior Vice Department Commander's reports, I place Comrades E. C. Cannon, Post No. 16; J. W. Morley, Post 1, and S. D. Bailey, Post 17.

On Department Chaplain's report, Comrade J. J. Collins, Post 26; V. C. Smith, Post 24, and F. M. Cobly, Post 18.

On the report of the Medical Director I have placed the following Comrades: O. H. Beach, Post No. 45; H. G. Sperry, Post No. 55, and J. Creque, Post No. 48.

On Assistant Adjutant General's report, Comrades S. J. Lawrence, Post 384; Uriah Lazelle, Post 42, and J. J. Holmes, Post 111.

On the Assistant Quartermaster General's Report, Comrade Frank Lester, Post 441; D. S. Kimball, Post 17, and L. A. L. Gilbert, Post 67.

Judge Advocate's report, Comrades J. L. Hart, Post 69; J. D. Wolf, Post 72, and G. W. Tuttle, Post No. 79.

On Patriotic Instructor's report, Comrades E. F. Lamb, Post 17; J. M. Greenfield, Post 89, and Riley L. Jones, Post 384.

Chief Mustering Officer's report, Comrades N. P. Bateman, Post 107; W. J. Smalley, Post 109, and W. D. Fuller, Post 111.

To Carry Greetings to the Various Bodies—

Woman's Relief Corps.: Comrades S. J. Lawrence, Post 384; D. S. Howard, Post 147, and J. J. Holmes, Post 111.

Ladies of the G. A. R.: Comrades Frank R. Chase, Post 126; E. C. Cannon, Post 16, and Comrade LaBanta, Post 48.

Sons of Veterans: Comrades M. C. Barney, Post 145; Thomas Davey, Post 17, and S. J. Lawrence, Post 384.

Daughters of Veterans: Comrades Uriah Lazelle, Post 42; E. Camborn, Post 140, and H. P. Shutt, Post 79.

Daughters of the G. A. R.: Past Commander George W. Stone, Post 42; W. G. Miner, Post 132, and F. E. Willetts, Post 145.

Spanish-American War Veterans: Past Commander Eli S. Strong, Post 79; E. B. Fenton, Post 384; H. W. Diamond, Post 395, and S. J. Lawrence, Post 384.

Auxiliary to the Spanish War Veterans: Comrades George Dart, Post 402; C. E. Murray, Post 410, and M. M. Andrews, Post 419.

Tellers and Tally Committee: Comrades B. J. Fuller, Post 147; George Raab, Post 145; S. B. Dixon, Post 17; S. H. Blakely, Post 98; Joseph Seaman, Post 38.

Department Commander's Compensation: Comrades George H. Keating, Post 67; George W. Howe, Post 98, and Aaron Miller, Post 79.

Department Inspector's report: Comrades C. A. Bartlett, Post 17; William N. Worth, Post 20, and J. A. Daley, Post 125.

Soldiers' Home report: Comrades Frank R. Chase, Post 126; W. G. Miner, Post 132; Joseph Seaman, Post 38.

Department Commander: We will now listen to the report of the Senior Vice Department Commander. (Not present).

Department Commander: The report of the Junior Vice Department Commander.

Junior Vice Department Commander: Not any to make.

Department Commander: The report of the Assistant Adjutant General.

REPORT OF THE ASSISTANT ADJUTANT GENERAL.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN,
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,
LANSING, MICH., June 19, 1918.

William O. Lee, Department Commander, and Comrades:

In compliance with the rules and regulations, I have the honor to submit for the consideration of this Encampment a detailed statement of the transaction of the office of the Assistant Adjutant General during the year 1917.

MEMBERSHIP.

The first of importance is that of membership. Reports for terms ending June 30 and December 31, 1917, as consolidated from the semi-annual reports and forwarded to National Headquarters, are as follows:

		Posts.	Members.
Number in good standing December 31, 1916.....		252	6257
Gains—First term, 1917.	Posts.	Members.	
By muster in	35		
By transfer	18		
By reinstatement	25		
Total gain	78		78
Aggregate		252	6335
Losses—First term, 1917.			
By death	291		
By honorable discharge	5		
By transfer	19		
By suspension	79		
By dishonorable discharge			
By delinquent reports	4	39	
By surrender of charter.....	2	12	
Total loss	6	445	6 445
In good standing June 30, 1917.....		246	5890
Gains—Second term, 1917.			
By muster	43		
By transfer	20		
By reinstatement	38		
By reinstatement delinquent reports.....	10		
Total gain	111		111
Aggregate		246	6001
Losses—Second term, 1917.	Posts.	Members.	
By death	253		
By honorable discharge.....	4		
By transfer	25		
By suspension	110		
By delinquent reports	22		
By surrender of charter.....	6	34	
Total loss	6	448	6 448
Number in good standing December 31, 1917.....		240	5553



HENRY SPAULDING
Asst. Adjt. General, Dept. of Michigan

INVENTORY OF SUPPLIES.

Exhibit A.

2 sets rituals and cards.....	\$1 00
5 sets officers' cards.....	50
15 service books	2 25
20 rules and regulations.....	1 00
50 odes	50
100 applications	80
10 discharges	25
25 badges membership	8 75
100 rank straps	12 50
250 badge ribbons	7 00
70 lapel buttons	4 90
3 electrotypes, 1 2 and 3.....	1 05
6 Q. M. receipt books.....	1 50
3 order books on Q. M.....	75
50 adjutant roll call books.....	5 50
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	\$48 25

Exhibit B.

One silk flag, U. S.	\$25 00
One Union Jack	8 00
One department banner	15 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 Past Department Commanders' pictures.....	12 00
One registration rack	2 00
2 U. S. bunting flags.....	3 50
One silver loving cup (now in Military Museum).....
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	\$98 50

CONCLUSION.

Thanking you, Commander, for the honor conferred by appointing me as your Assistant Adjutant General, and for your many kindnesses shown me during the past year, and trusting that my work has met your approval, as it has been my wish so to do, and to you, my Comrades, I desire to express my thanks for the many courtesies shown me wherever I have met with you.

And to you members of the official staff, I will always remember the many kind words and assistance I have received at your hands. My best wishes and thanks go out to you all, and may God be with you till we meet again.

Yours in F. C. and L.,

HENRY SPAULDING,
Assistant Adjutant General, G. A. R.

Remarks of the Department Commander following the delivery of the report of the Assistant Adjutant General: I am fully assured and equally as well satisfied that every Comrade in the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic, will agree with me that thanks should be extended to the Comrade for the splendid manner in which he has conducted the office of Assistant Adjutant General, not only for me as Department Commander, but for you Comrades. (Applause.)

Department Commander: We will now listen to the report of the Assistant Quartermaster General:

July 3—Received F. Lester:

Alger fund	\$1,000 00
W. R. C. fund	707 24
General fund	3,878 50

July 3:

Amount on hand.....	\$5,585 74
Received from Asst. Adj. Gen.	1,621 11
Interest on funds to Dec. 22, 1917.....	121 53

\$7,328 38

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid 55 vouchers on general fund.....	\$2,336 02
Paid 3 vouchers on W. R. C. fund.....	27 39

• Total paid 2,363 41

June 17, 1918—Balance on hand..... \$4,964 97

Distributed as follows:

Alger fund	\$1,000 00
W. R. C. fund.....	679 85
General fund	3,285 12

DETAILED STATEMENT RECEIPTS FOR YEAR.

1917.

July 9, received from H. Spaulding, general fund.....	\$353 57
July 10, received from H. Spaulding, general fund.....	128 04
July 11, received from H. Spaulding, general fund.....	109 20
Aug. 7, received from H. Spaulding, general fund.....	79 76
Aug. 16, received from H. Spaulding, general fund.....	110 00
Sept. 27, received from H. Spaulding, general fund.....	25 16
Aug. 29, received from H. Spaulding, general fund.....	60 00
Oct. 22, received from H. Spaulding, general fund.....	17 51
Dec. 4, received from H. Spaulding, general fund.....	59 00
Dec. 22, received from interest on funds.....	121 53
Dec. 31, received from H. Spaulding, general fund.....	79 73

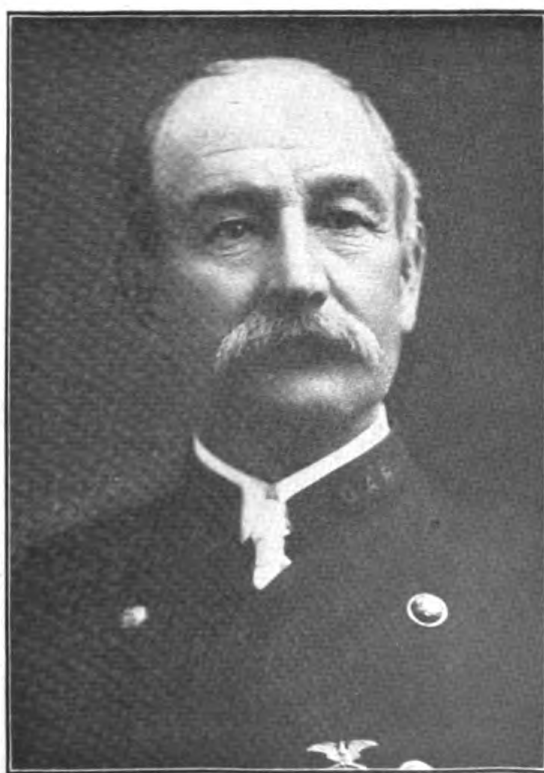
1918.

Jan. 11, received from H. Spaulding, general fund.....	83 99
Jan. 11, received from H. Spaulding, general fund.....	328 55
Jan. 25, received from H. Spaulding, general fund.....	101 16
Mar. 8, received from H. Spaulding, general fund.....	46 92
April 22, received from H. Spaulding, general fund.....	22 52
May 28, received from H. Spaulding, general fund.....	16 00

Total amount receipts..... \$1,742 64

ITEMIZED STATEMENT DISBURSEMENTS, DATED JUNE 17, 1918.

Voucher			Amount.
Date.	No.	Name.	
June 25	1	Jno. Davidson, transfer hotel baggage.....	\$3 00
June 25	2	H. Spaulding, expense Battle Creek.....	7 50
July 2	3	Peter F. Gray, box rent and postage.....	13 25
July 3	4	Asst. Adj. Gen., compiling Journal.....	50 00
July 9	5	H. Spaulding, salary for June.....	66 67
July 10	6	H. Spaulding, office supplies.....	3 66
July 26	7	Col. D. R. Stowitz, per capita tax on 5,890 members.....	103 09
July 28	8	H. Spaulding, salary for July.....	84 00
July 28	9	M. Umbdrustock Co., commission blanks and cards.....	7 00
July 31	10	Dyer, Jennison Barry, indemnity bonds.....	15 00
Aug. 6	11	Peter F. Gray, postage.....	26 50
Aug. 11	12	Allen DeKleine Co., printing and stationery.....	35 75



A. L. BRYANT
Asst. Quartermaster-General, Dept. of Michigan

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Aug. 13	13	M. Lillie & Co., badges and ribbons.....	51 18
Aug. 13	14	Dept. Patriotic Ins., printing and postage.....	12 00
Aug. 16	15	Asst. Adj. Gen., office expense.....	7 87
Aug. 16	16	Asst. Adj. Gen., expense Boston and return.....	75 00
Aug. 18	17	Michigan Drum Corps, expense Boston.....	300 00
Aug. 24	18	Copley Square Hotel, headquarters room.....	25 70
Aug. 28	19	Asst. Q. M. Gen., expense paid on Encampment.....	18 72
Aug. 28	20	Henry Spaulding, salary for August.....	83 00
Sept. 26	21	Peter F. Gray, box rent and stamps.....	3 00
Sept. 26	22	Henry Spaulding, salary for September.....	84 00
Sept. 26	23	Col. D. R. Stowitz, supplies.....	17 75
Oct. 2	24	Fred Carson, reporting proceedings Battle Creek.....	50 00
Oct. 5	25	Allen DeKleine Co., printing.....	9 75
Oct. 23	26	Asst. Adj. Gen., per capita tax delinquent Posts.....	13 99
Oct. 26	27	Henry Spaulding, salary for October.....	83 00
Nov. 3	28	J. K. Davison Sons, badge for L. H. Ives.....	35 00
Nov. 11	29	Peter F. Gray, postage.....	7 00
Nov. 17	30	Allen DeKleine Co., printing.....	16 50
Dec. 3	31	Henry Spaulding, salary for November.....	84 00
Dec. 11	32	Allen & DeKleine Co., stationery and printing.....	5 25
Oct. 23	26	Asst. Adj. Gen., per capita tax delinquent Posts.....	13 99
Dec. 28	34	Wynkoop Hallenbeck Crawford Co., printing in Journal....	8 75
Dec. 28	35	Henry Spaulding, salary for December.....	84 00
Jan. 3	36	Peter F. Gray, postage.....	11 00
Jan. 9	37	Allen & DeKleine Co., printing and stock.....	11 00
Jan. 18	38	Peter F. Gray, postage.....	16 00
Jan. 26	39	Henry Spaulding, salary for January.....	83 00
Feb. 19	40	Col. D. R. Stowitz, per capita tax.....	97 18
Feb. 19	41	Asst. Adj. Gen., tax from delinquent Posts.....	6 97
Feb. 26	42	Henry Spaulding, salary for February.....	84 00
Mar. 8	43	Allen & DeKleine Co., printing.....	13 25
Mar. 12	44	Mrs. W. L. Clark, printing, 1916-1917.....	8 87
Mar. 26	45	Col. D. R. Stowitz, supplies.....	18 70
Mar. 26	46	Henry Spaulding, salary for March.....	83 00
Mar. 26	47	Peter F. Gray, postage.....	2 00
April 20	48	Henry Spaulding, salary for April.....	84 00
April 20	49	Asst. Adj. Gen., Post per capita tax.....	10 76
April 26	48a	Col. D. R. Stowitz, ass't Southern Mem. fund.....	100 00
May 6	50	Allen & DeKleine Co., printing.....	50 50
May 8	51	Department Commander, exp. ac. G. A. R. Encamp't.....	12 24
May 8	52	Asst. Adj. Gen., expense account Saginaw Encamp't.....	11 30
May 16	53	Peter F. Gray, postage.....	12 50
May 16	54	Henry Spaulding, part payment May salary.....	40 00
June 5	55	Henry Spaulding, balance May salary.....	43 00
June 10	56	Allen & DeKleine Co., printing and stock.....	6 50
June 14	57	Peter F. Gray, postage.....	8 00
June 16	58	Asst. Q. M. Gen., salary.....	50 00
59 Total vouchers paid.....			<u>\$2,363 41</u>

A detailed statement of receipts and disbursements is appended to this report.

Thanking you, Commander, for the honor bestowed and confidence placed in me and for the many favors you have extended to me throughout the year. Respectfully submitted,

Yours in F. C. and L.,
ALISON L. BRYANT,
Lansing, Mich.

Department Commander: I think the Comrades will agree with me in thanking Comrade Bryant for his efficient work as Assistant Quarter Master General. The resolution will take the regular course.

Department Commander: The Medical Director's report.
(Report not ready as yet.)

Department Commander: The Chaplain's report.

Chaplain: Quite early in the term I received notice from the Assistant Adjutant General that Department Commander Lee had appointed me to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Comrade Heininger on account of his absence from the state, he having accepted the pastorship of a church in Indiana. I have received word that there were 235 Posts in good standing. As soon as possible I got out reports and sent them to every address that was furnished to me. I regret to state that the response to those blanks was very poor. Out of 235 Posts I have only received 142 reports, leaving a balance of 93 that have not been sent at all. I am very sorry that this state of affairs is as it is. It is a difficult thing to bring anything like a good report if some of the Posts fail to make their reports, and then they come along in such shape that it keeps everyone busy to consolidate the reports as they come in.

Department Commander: Comrades, I trust that every chaplain of Posts and every Comrade of Posts here present appreciate the value of these reports as regards Memorial Day services and how much satisfaction it will be to the Department if each and every Post will make their report promptly so that they can be before the Department at the annual meeting. The report will take its usual course.

Assistant Adjutant General: I move you that the report of the Department Chaplain be received and adopted without reference.

Supported and carried.

Department Commander: The Judge Advocate's report, Comrade O. A. Janes, of Detroit.

Comrade Janes: The Judge Advocate has not very much of a report to make, and as I read this you will see the reason why.

June 17, 1918.

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

Dear Sir and Comrade: As Judge Advocate of the Department of Michigan G. A. R., I have to report that during the year no questions have been submitted to me for an opinion thereon by the Department Commander or Officers of Posts. Therefore, I have no opinions or decisions to submit to the Encampment.

I congratulate the Department on the harmonious condition existing in the Posts, and with the officers that causes no differences to occur necessitating adjudication by the Judge Advocate.

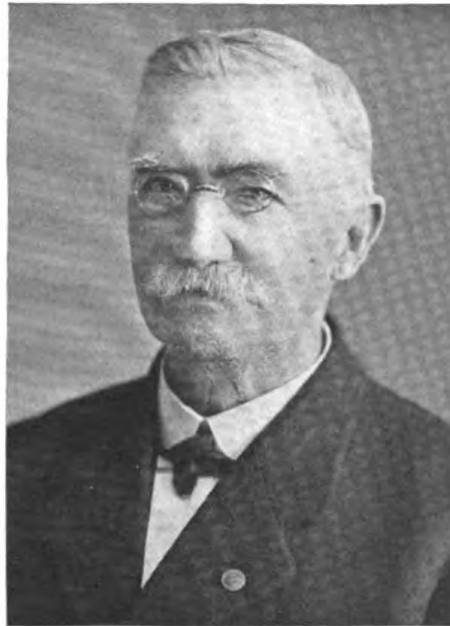
Yours in F. C. and L.

O. A. JANES,
Judge Advocate.

Comrade E. C. Cannon, Post 16: I move you that the report be accepted and adopted without reference. Supported and Carried.

Department Commander: Chief Mustering Officer's Report.

Chief Muster Officer: Commander Lee, I thank you for the honor supposed to be conferred upon me. I found nothing to do and I did it



REV. W. H. HERBERT
Department Chaplain

with all my might and I move you that the Committee be discharged.

Department Commander: It will be so considered.

Department Commander: Department Patriotic Instructor's report, Comrade F. L. Manning.

Comrade F. L. Manning: Comrades, I have no written or printed speech to make. I will say that I am sorry that I have not got more. I do not know why. The different Commanders and their Patriotic Instructors are so negligent about filling out and forwarding their reports, although I have been told we are very fortunate in the number received this year. Out of 237 blanks that I sent out with a short letter enclosed with each one of them asking their Post Commander and Patriotic Instructor to do their duty in regard to answering I will say I have received 81, which I have been told is nearly double what has been received in years past, but it should have been at least 181. Some, I am sorry to say, of our largest Posts which are considered very influential Posts in the Department have failed to make any reply. Comrades, why is it? We ought, every one of us, to do everything that we can for the support of this Department, and if you will not do it, what is going to become of the Department? I have varied a little from former years in regard to statistics as there are some things which I have included here that have not been heretofore and which I thought would be of interest to the most of you. The questions I have tried to answer as they have been asked here on the blank.

81 Reports: 62 Yes; 17 No.

The balance no reports.

Have Patriotic Instructors been installed? the answer to the question is: If not, state reasons. Some simply said carelessness. I think that would fill the bill in most instances.

Number of School Buildings in your Department.

I knew very well that I could not depend upon the number of reports that I received, to state that as it actually is, so I went to Lansing and saw Professor Keeler, the State Superintendent of Public Instruction, in regard to them. I marked the questions and asked him to fill them out, which he did very kindly. To the question—Number of School Buildings in your Department, he reported to me 8,840. In my eighty-one reports which I received there were only reported 1,052. You see the discrepancy there.

Have the School Buildings been supplied with Flags?

7,710 he reported were.

In my reports simply were 1052 as having been supplied with flags.

Estimate the Number of Private Schools?

He gave me the number as 441 parochial schools.

Total Number of Pupils in the Schools—72,982.

Do Pupils generally take an interest in the raising and lowering of the flag at the opening and close of the school session?

The answer was Yes. I will say, Comrades, that one year ago, it was in from my reports and what I got from him.

Is there a state law making it obligatory to fly a flag while school is in session?

The answer was Yes. I will say, comrades, that one year ago, it was in July, I think soon after my appointment, I ascertained there were a great many who did not know that there was such a law on the statutes

of Michigan. For that reason, Comrades, you will remember last year of receiving a letter from me enclosing that law. I had it printed and sent out to every Post in the state so there can be no excuse for a single school building in the Department of Michigan not having a flag. If you can read plain English and can read that printing you can see what the law is in regard to it, and if there is a schoolhouse in this Department that has not got a flag and does not buy it, if there is a Comrade of the Grand Army of the Republic wearing the little bronze button in that vicinity, I do not hesitate to say to you, Comrade, it is your fault. (Applause).

The law is very explicit upon that and it costs you nothing. All you have to do is to enter a complaint to the proper authorities. That flag, staff and everything is to be supplied by the Board of Education or the Trustees of the schools.

Is the Salute to the Flag a part of the school exercises?

To that I will answer Yes, almost invariably.

Number of schools giving military instruction.

That was one of the questions I marked for Professor Keeley, and he marked it "No data."

Number of schools having retired Army Officers as Instructors.

That was marked "No data."

Is there observance of patriotic days in schools such as the birthdays of Washington, Lincoln, Grant, McKinley, and Memorial Day, as well as Flag Day, June fourteenth?

In all of them, with one or two exceptions, had been observed.

Do teachers show a lively interest in patriotic observances?

I will say that of the eighty-one reports which I received there were only two marked "No".

Names of patriotic organizations co-operating with you during the year?

To that, I will say that the Woman's Relief Corps, Ladies of the G. A. R., Sons and Daughters of Veterans, Daughters of the G. A. R. and the Spanish War Veterans, they all more or less rendered efficient co-operation at the different points. In regard to Memorial Day, the observance of the day, some said in a few lines as follows: "All schools closed and all joined in the exercises at churches and cemeteries." I know that so far as I personally know it has been very well followed out indeed.

How many flags have been supplied the schools the past year?

Now, then, in regard to that question a great many of the patriotic instructors did not understand its meaning. Whether it means small as well as large flags. From the answers that I received to this question I found out that there were 1925 flags furnished. They would of course be mostly small flags.

Has Lincoln's Gettysburg address been placed prominently in school buildings?

Yes. Out of eighty-one, two said "No" to that.

Have prizes been given to pupils of high schools for patriotic essays? Some have; some have not.

Was Memorial Day observed in churches, with patriotic exercises? Yes, everywhere.

Did the Governor of the State recognize Flag Day and issue a proclamation? Answer—Yes.

Has the State Superintendent of Public Instruction been required
Of the eighty-one reports I received it was given as \$970.11.
to furnish flags and Manuals of Patriotism to Schools?

To that I replied No, as the law is mandatory in that respect that they shall be supplied by Boards of Education and Trustees of the country schools.

Now, Comrades, when you elect a new Department Commander he will appoint a new Patriotic Instructor. Let me bespeak for him that instead of eighty-one that he will receive next year one hundred and eighty-one reports.

This is necessary because if you do not, the Department Patriotic Instructor cannot make out a satisfactory report, and you see by the different figures that I have given you that there is a very large discrepancy in what is reported to me and what actually exists in the Department.

I have been very much surprised as I received these reports at the very great number of remarks that have been made in regard to them. Sometimes when I would open up a report and read it I would feel like closing it up again, but the answer would interest me greatly. Now let every Post in the State do all they can, and if they will do that the report will be more satisfactory and it will be a great pleasure for the Comrade to submit his report to the Encampment. I have a letter here which I desire to read. It says a lot in regard to the interest taken. It is from the City of Ypsilanti. (Whereupon the Comrade read the letter from the lady from Ypsilanti.) It is from a woman. What is the matter with Ypsilanti that they could not get a quorum and have a Patriotic Instructor? Now, I ask the privilege of those higher up than I am to read this. Comrades, what would you do in my place about accepting that? I accepted it and put it into my report. I had quite a number of letters which I thought would be interesting. At the same time, I did not bring them here with me as I didn't want to take up the time.

Department Commander: I thank you most heartily for the honor which you have conferred upon me and for the kindness I have received from both you and the Comrades in trying to do what I have done. God knows I would have willingly done ten times as much for you. Help me to do it but I could not do it all alone. God be with you till we meet again, and may everyone of you if you have the opportunity do all you can, for our time is short, and what we do we must do quickly. There never has been a time since the 60's when there has been so much for everyone to do as there is today. Everyone knows that we cannot do as we did in the 60's. There has never been a time since the 60's that the Grand Army of the Republic is respected, honored and loved as it is today, and may God help us prove ourselves worthy. (Applause)

Comrade Lawrence: The Comrade says that a good many of the Posts don't seem to know that there is a law to place a flag upon a building. There are schoolhouses in Wayne county where no soldier lives in the district.

Comrade Lamb: Department Commander, I move you that the report of the Patriotic Instructor be received and printed in the Journal without reference. Motion supported and carried.

Department Commander: Comrades, I hope you will appreciate what is necessary for you to do as far as the work of the Patriotic Instructor.

A Comrade: I want to express my gratification and appreciation of

Estimate the cost of carrying out the work in a year. this report. I had understood that the flag should fly when school was in session, and I also understood that the Army and the Navy have adopted a rule concerning that, and that is this that the flag shall be taken in during a storm. I would like to know what the duties of a school board are under those circumstances.

Comrade Manning: I will simply say that it is to be raised at sunrise and lowered at sundown. That of course is not possible in school, but in the face of that, it should be raised before the school opens in the morning and lowered when school closes at night.

A Comrade: Whether it storms or not?

Comrade Manning: I will say to you, Comrade, it is my idea to leave it there storm or no storm.

Department Commander: The report of the Committee to Visit the Soldiers' Home.

Comrade Lawrence: The committee is not ready to report. I have not seen the other members of the committee, and I, myself, have been sick.

Department Commander: The report will be offered tomorrow morning. We are ready for new business now, Comrades.

Assistant Adjutant General: I desire to say a word in regard to the instructions from the National Headquarters in regard to our delegates. I speak of this so that you will be prepared a little in the future. This Department is entitled to one Delegate at Large and nineteen delegates, making twenty, and you will have to formulate some plan of electing those. I have blanks here and if you choose by congressional districts you can select one which would be thirteen, and then there would be six others to elect. My object in speaking of this while there is nothing doing is that you may think of it and proceed later on.

Comrade Parker, Post 17, Detroit: In that connection, it seems to me that we ought to understand what the arrangements are in regard to rates to Portland, because if the rates are such that we are not going to get the benefit of the one cent a mile, there are some who will not go, even though they are elected as delegates, if they have to pay three cents a mile and if they cannot make any side trips. We ought to take into consideration that matter now and ascertain what we can do, and what side trips we can make; when we can return and the roads we can run on. If we have not that information, I would suggest that a committee be appointed to interview the authorities and have that matter established as soon as possible, so that we can determine who can go and who cannot.

Department Commander: I will say to the Comrade that I took up the question with Railroad Commissioner McAdoo some time ago, as regards special rates for the Comrades of Michigan. He advised me at that time when there was a two cent rate that Michigan being a short haul the new rates would have to proceed, but that he had issued an order that the Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic and their allied organizations (he named them) and their families, would be carried at a rate of one cent a mile. I also received a letter from the Commander in Chief stating that arrangements had been made for side trips but nothing further. I do not know as we would be able to get any further information.

A Comrade: Then we can enjoy the side trips at the same rates?

Department Commander: That is my understanding of the matter.

Assistant Adjutant General: I have nothing official in regard to the matter other than this, the rates have been figured at a basis of one cent a mile, and the rates from Chicago to Portland and return are \$44.50 and return by way of San Francisco \$53.00 and some cents, by the way of Los Angeles \$57.00 and some cents. Tickets good for sixty days. Now, this is official in a way, but there is nothing issued as to that. By the way, to go to Portland by the way of Seattle costs three dollars more. This is plus the war tax.

Comrade Parker: Then what credentials should we have?

Assistant Adjutant General: They are not issued as yet. I received a notice from the Adjutant General of the Grand Army asking me how many certificates we would need in this Department. I wrote him and gave him the figures. I said "Don't cut it too short. We went to Boston with about one hundred. We may go to Portland with two hundred, but don't send less than 250, as many more as you want." It is up to them to send them and we will undoubtedly get them soon. They will be sent to the Assistant Adjutant General, whoever he may be, and then sent to the different Posts. They will be directed to the Commander of the Post and let him look after his delegates.

Comrade Fenton: I would suggest that we drop the matter until tomorrow at which time the Commander in Chief will be here. There is no use arguing this matter here any longer.

Department Commander: It has been suggested by Comrade Fenton that we hold the matter in abeyance pending the arrival of the Commander in Chief here tomorrow.

Comrade Lamb: I move you that we elect one Delegate at Large, one from each Congressional District and elect the balance. I think that has been the proceeding for the last two or three years when we come to the election of delegates.

Comrade Lawrence: I do not think that resolution should be passed upon until the boys are here tomorrow.

Comrade Lamb: I meant when we do elect them.

Department Commander: Wouldn't it be just as well to leave that matter until there are more Comrades present?

Comrade Lamb: I am just as well satisfied.

Comrade Janes: I move you, Department Commander, that we adjourn until 1:30 tomorrow afternoon. Supported and Carried.

Whereupon the Encampment adjourned to meet in the Auditorium at 1:30 o'clock the next afternoon.

AUDITORIUM, SAGINAW, MICHIGAN, JUNE 20, 1918, 1:30 P. M.

Department Commander: This is the opening of the adjourned meeting of the Grand Army of the Republic, Department of Michigan. The Chaplain will invoke the divine blessing.

Prayer by Department Chaplain Herbert: Almighty God, our Creator, our Protector. We thank thee for our lives, for the preservation of order, health and for the past that thou hast been with us at our sessions. We ask thy blessing today as we are assembled here today in our session. We realize that again we are in need of thy love; that we are thy children. We ask thy wisdom and not our own that we may be guided in the work of this Encampment. We realize that we need the help of God.

Preserve the health of our officers and also the health of all the Comrades, whether here present or at their homes. We ask this in Thy Name. Amen.

Department Commander: I now declare this Encampment opened in due form for business. Comrades Washington Gardner and Louis Kanitz, you will please go down to the hotel and escort the Commander in Chief and the Governor of Michigan to this Auditorium. You are at liberty to retire.

Very soon, Comrades, we are going to have an address from the Commander in Chief. He will give you full information as regards railroad fare, etc. to the National Encampment at Portland. After the Commander in Chief, the Governor of Michigan, Hon. Albert S. Sleeper, will address you, and after the address of the Governor, the committees that are to visit the various organizations will retire and visit those organizations. The Department Commander then read off the names of the Comrades on these committees. We will not proceed with any of the business until after those two gentlemen have addressed the meeting.

(After waiting some little time it was decided to listen to the report of the Department Senior Vice Commander.)

Remarks by Comrade H. W. Stevens, Senior Vice Department Commander:

The duties have not been very arduous. I promised Commander Lee when I was elected to fill this position I would stand by him and uphold his end in every way possible for the interests of the Grand Army of the Republic. To make that report, I think it would look better for him to say what I have done than for me to say it myself. I have been with the Commander visiting some of the local Posts throughout the state, and I will say to you that I never as yet have seen a Commander who has taken as much pride and as much interest in the Grand Army of the Republic in visiting Posts all over the state and making speeches as Comrade and Commander Lee, and I feel now in making the report, while it is unnecessary to make any written statement of it, yet I want to thank every Comrade here in the audience as well as those upon the stage who gave me the honor by electing me Senior Vice Commander. While it is an office which does not require very arduous work, yet it is necessary, and I most heartily thank you for the honor, and if there is anything in the world I can do for a Comrade who is in distress, give me the signal and I will be with him, and I hope the administration the coming year will be a success in every way. I dare not say to you here as an officer of this Encampment today who my choice might be, but whoever wins out I doubt not that this Encampment will make any mistake when they elect any one of the three who are now in the field, because I believe each and every one of them is well able to do his duty.

I thank you again and I will close and take my place. (Applause.)

Comrade Manning: Comrade Stevens has not made any written report and while it is fresh in your minds I move you the adoption of his report. Motion supported and carried.

Officer of the Day: The Commander in Chief is at the door.

Department Commander: Receive the Commander in Chief as well as the Governor of Michigan.

Comrades of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic, we have the great honor this afternoon of having with us our Commander in Chief. He will give you full information as regards the rates,



H. W. STEVENS
Senior Vice-Commander, Dept. of Michigan



terms, etc. pertaining to the National Encampment, to be held at Portland, Oregon, August 20th-24th. I now have the pleasure of introducing to you, Commander in Chief O. F. Somers, of Kokomo, Indiana. (Applause.)

REMARKS BY COMMANDER IN CHIEF O. A. SOMERS, OF KOKOMO, INDIANA.

Department Commander and comrades of the Department of Michigan: I don't know whether I shall be able to give you all the information that has been suggested or not. I will be able to say to you, however, that I have visited most of the Departments of the Grand Army of the Republic in the United States, and they all look very much alike, and this audience looks to me just about like the audience I met in California, in Oregon, in Washington and in Montana. You would think that really all belong to the same family, and, in a sense, we do, inasmuch as our relations are just a little more intimate than brothers. I have a brother living in the far West whom I have not had time to visit for the past twenty years. I have some comrades living in the Northwest that I have time to visit every time duty calls me into that country. It is pretty hard to define this relationship. It is some kind of an affection or tie that nobody has been able to explain. It is not love of a father for his son; it is not the love of a brother for his brother, or son for the parent, because it frequently happens that they are separated only by a few hundred miles and yet they cannot visit each other on account of the long distance. It makes no difference about the distance to comrades. They go from San Francisco to Boston without complaining about the distance, and this year they are going from Boston to Portland without complaining about the distance. Neither will they complain about their funds and say they are not able to go; nor will they complain about their health and say "I don't believe I am well enough to go." I don't know what kind of a tie it is. Really, it seems to me, very nearly the same love of a mother for her son—a love that never forsakes. It makes no difference what the son does, the mother love always exists, and it seems to me that that more nearly defines this relationship tie that binds us.

Every Department that I visit tells me to carry the greetings of their Department to the other Departments so I am carrying the greetings of the other Departments to you.

I think I had better confine my remarks to Grand Army affairs. I never got too busy or too preoccupied to stop and listen to that kind of music. (Here a drum and fife corps passed the side door of the Auditorium and rather disturbed the speaker, as he could not go on with his address until it had passed the building). When I look through the doorway and see our grandchildren and great grandchildren in their khaki suits beating the drums along the street, that means something to me. (Applause)

Since my election to the position of Commander in Chief several things have happened. As you perhaps remember over at Boston there was no other candidate for the position of Commander in Chief and I won out. You will remember that my name was used at Chattanooga, but there was another candidate and then some more and another gentleman won out; but the best man won over there, and he won because he ought to

have won, and no man in the Grand Army of the Republic appreciated his winning any more than I did, and then over at Detroit my Department thought that I ought to be a candidate again, and I conditioned it that I was not to solicit any man's support and that there was no man in my Department who took any exception to my candidacy, and I let them use my name because I am a believer that a man who runs for office in this country should so conduct himself that he need not be ashamed or chagrined if he is defeated, because there are always others and they all cannot win, so when we got over to Detroit Iowa bobbed up and brought Comrade Palmer into the game, and again when they counted the votes I knew that I was not Commander in Chief, I did not know it any better than I did before the votes were counted because Iowa never had a candidate and they presented the name of a splendid man and the right man when at Detroit. At other Encampments other men were brought forward and we had splendid Commanders in Monfort and Patterson. But over at Boston my Department still clung to the idea that Indiana was entitled to something, and they insisted upon presenting my name again, and I permitted it on the condition that I was not to solicit any man's vote, and it so happened that the Department thought that it was Indiana's time and the honor was conferred upon Indiana. Well, the man who was elected over at Boston felt that there was something else than to hold the office. His predecessors had all accomplished something. Some of them a great deal and he was ambitious to accomplish something and he immediately planned to do three things, if it were possible. He planned, in the first place, to provide for a Southern Memorial Fund to decorate the graves of our comrades who lie in the great cemeteries of the Southland. This had been done before, but we had been in great straits for means to do it with, and there is an ever-increasing number of these mounds covering the soldiers and a decreasing number of soldiers, and it is more difficult each year for the fewer men living to decorate the increasing number of graves. Well, we provided a plan by which we thought there would be ample means raised, and the plan succeeded so that on the last Memorial Day we had an abundance of funds and a plan that can be perpetuated. It will be perpetuated as long as there is a soldier's grave to decorate, because so long as we live we will pro-rate the expense between the Departments until after the last soldier is dead. The Woman's Relief Corps has been very helpful to us, and every year it has come to us in our time of need with sufficient funds. After we have gone, the Woman's Relief Corps, the Ladies of the G. A. R., the Daughters of Veterans, and I might go further and include all of our allied organizations, will provide these funds without any trouble, and they have pledged me in all the Departments that so long as they shall live to tell the story to their children and their children's children, they will provide a memorial fund sufficient to decorate the grave of every Union soldier for all the years that are to come. I told them that I was beginning to get a little uneasy because now we are sending soldiers beyond the seas and we are going to have more graves to decorate, and I was getting to be a bit jealous of the men whom they would know after we had gone from among them and I sometimes feared that there would not be flowers enough to go around, but they have solemnly pledged me that the time shall never come when the graves of the men who saved this Republic shall go undecorated. (Applause.)

So I am content with what has been accomplished under my administration in that regard.

Now, as you know, Portland is a long ways from Boston, New York and Washington, and even from Saginaw, and our men, a great many of them, are physically unable to attend the Grand Army meetings, and not a few of them are financially unable, and with the increased cost of everything that we have to live upon, we would be put to a more severe test than ever, and I have it in my mind another thing that I want to accomplish was to ask a reduced rate of fare to the National Encampment. I talked to a number of men in whom I have confidence, and they said "It is not worth while to waste the time."—Patterson, Monfort and Gardner and others had worn themselves out and had not accomplished anything and they said "If I were you, I would not waste any time," but I did not feel that way about it. I went to work immediately and got in touch with the railroad corporations and it was not three weeks before there was a delegation at my house every day; we had to almost lock the doors to keep them out and when they came they would tell me about their railroads and say they wanted our travel, and I would ask them what inducements they had to offer, and they would tell me all about their roads. I said "Gentlemen, that don't mean much to the soldiers of '61 and '65, this talk of equipment, etc. It may have influence on men of to-day, but it will have very little influence on the men who went to war in cattle cars, that what we wanted was a reduced rate." Well, they would see what they could do about it. I thought I was getting along very well. On account of the present war there was so much confusion in the transportation that the Government had to take over the roads, and my work with the agents was all lost. The last time I saw an agent he said, "We don't care what road you go over; we are not able to take care of the business we have now, and we are thankful because the Government has taken it out of our hands." Well, it worried me some to think I had worked so much for nothing. I thought about what they told me. I laid awake that night. The next morning before breakfast I had made up my mind that I would rather undertake to make terms with the Government that these men had saved than any railroad corporation. (Applause)

And so I got my committee together and I want to brag right here and say that I have got the best Legislative Committee that any Commander has ever appointed, not excepting Washington Gardner. (Applause.)

I think my Committee is better than any Legislative Committee he had. My Committee is a survival of the fittest, but when he was at the head of the Grand Army of the Republic he had about a dozen Committees and he saw the wisdom of consolidating them and making them into one committee, so I did the same with Washington Gardner as *Chairman*. That is an advantage I think I have had over my predecessor. Well, he notified Washington Gardner that there was some occasion for his presence in Washington City, and, after a little correspondence, he saw the necessity of going because he is in the habit of obeying orders from his superior officers. We went to Washington City, that is most of the Legislative committee, Washington Gardner, Chairman, and the Commander in Chief, ex-officio member of the Committee. We got a majority of the Committee down to Washington, and we had some other business down there with

the President of the United States, with the Secretary of the Navy, with the Secretary of War, with the Vice-President, and we went to visit all of them. Because we had the badge of the Grand Army of the Republic on our coats there was not a door in Washington that did not swing open to us. (Applause)

It made us feel proud that we were Members of the Grand Army of the Republic. I shall never forget when the Chairman of the Committee led me up to the White House gates. You know he is familiar with the by-paths around Washington and I am a stranger there, and we saw a gentleman who was on guard there. This man said as we came up to this place STOP THERE, and even Gardner stopped. I did the same because I found out when you don't know what to do, watch some fellow who does know and do it like he does. He said "Where are you going?" We told him we were going to see the President. He said "What do you want?" We told him that we had an appointment there at this hour. He said "Who are you?" I just pulled this badge on him. I told him that I was Commander in Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, and Washington Gardner had no trouble in getting into the White House. Our meeting with the President was very cordial. One of the things that we wanted to do in meeting the President was to make ourselves persona grata with the administration, and we had such a pleasant visit with him that we felt when we left there as though we were on good terms with this administration, and we said that in all his laudable efforts to win the war the Grand Army of the Republic was behind him and there was not a slacker among them; if there was any slacker among them he had better take notice.

Then we went to see the Secretary of the Navy and our meeting with him was very cordial, very pleasant, and we left on good terms with that Department of our Government.

We then went to see Secretary McAdoo, and we had no trouble in seeing the Secretary, only he had so many offices that we did not know which office to call at. When we got to the Secretary's office, he was Director General of the Railroads and might be in that office, and when we got there he might be in another place, because there is not any kind of business but what McAdoo will do. He will do it, and he was very busy, but we gained admittance and he was in splendid, good humor. He met us without any reserve and without that great dignity that is supposed to be a part of the men who rule the Nation. He commenced telling us about the Liberty Loan and he told it in such good humor. He felt so good that he wanted to tell somebody about it. He proceeded to tell us that yesterday he had sent twenty-seven thousand telegrams to the banks of this country asking them to loan the Government ten per cent of their reserve fund or three billions of dollars for ninety days until he could float the new Liberty Loan, and he says, "The answers are so satisfactory and so pleasing that I am just as happy as I can be." And sure enough there were copies of twenty-seven thousand telegrams sent out in one day and the replies the next day. There is a whole lot of telegraphing. He read us some of the telegrams and they were very reassuring. He was very much pleased.

Well, then, the time was short. We broached our subject to him, telling him that we went there for the purpose of seeing if we could not secure a reduced rate over the railroads to our National Encampment

and that is about as far as we got when he said "Yes, yes, the Confederate soldiers were here last week to get a reduced rate to their National Encampment." We told him that for years we were unable to get a reduced rate North of the Mason and Dixon line, but the Confederates had been able to get a one-cent rate South of it. He said "That is what they told me." He said "Of course I told them that I would give them the same rate as the railroads had been giving them." Our case was made just at that point (Applause) because we said to Mr. Secretary, "We are going to ask that you grant the same favor to the men who fought to save the flag that you granted to the men who fought to destroy it." There was one answer to that. He said "Of course, I will." If he had not had said that, that bee that is humming around would have been a dead bee, and this getting the one-cent rate was a good deal like taking candy from the baby, and we got a one-cent rate to Portland, Oregon, from Chicago and there, and return. Further details will be given you in General Orders. Just as soon as we can finally arrange with the railroads, the exact terms upon which tickets can be sold, the date of their sale and their stop-over privileges, you will be advised. It is enough to say that tickets will be good for sixty days from the date of sale, and you will have stop-over privileges going and coming, and you can choose your own road going and coming. If you go the short route it will be \$44.00 from Chicago, and correspondingly more if you live East of Chicago one cent a mile. There will be sleeping car fare of course and the revenue that the Government has upon it, but it makes the rate very reasonable, so that, again, this Legislative Committee scored a victory, and about all the honor that I am going to claim is that I had sense enough to make the Legislative Committee. I am willing that you should give them credit for what was done.

Another thing, Comrades, ever since I have been Commander in Chief there have come to me appeals, almost daily, the pathetic appeal of some comrade, so broken with age, so completely and physically unfitted that he has no earning capacity whatever, and some way or other some of us have not had the ability of accumulating funds, and in some way some of us are still living in rented homes, in some way every year we get older, we need the doctor more and our wives, if living, need the doctor more, and it has come to pass that the pensions we were getting, by reason of the greatly increased cost of everything, were insufficient to keep us alive, and these appeals coming to me every day in such number stirred me up until I thought it was time to put the case before the Government and see if relief could not be had. In putting it before the Government, I had the assistance of this valuable Committee on Legislation, Washington Gardner, Chairman, but I think I was a WISE GUY when I created that Committee by putting men on the Committee who are familiar with all the tricks down at Washington. It requires a good deal of skill and diplomacy down there. The Smoot bill was the one that seemed best suitable. The Committee decided that we would take ten dollars off the long term men and put it on the short term men, for the reason that the short term men are as old as we are, they get sick as we do and just as hungry and just as cold, and we would give them thirty dollars a month and then we would agree on pensions between the thirty and forty. Then we agreed upon that and that is embodied in the Smoot bill. To make a long story short, we did get it before the bodies in proper shape. We succeed-

ed in getting that bill passed and it became a law. It has been signed by the President and the next time you get your pension certificate you will find that you are in better condition than you have ever been before. (Applause)

Now, then, men, you have got the reduced rate to Portland and are furnished with funds to take you where you are going, and you will see what a grand country we have got when you go out there and you are entitled to see all this Republic before you leave it. If you see all of it you won't want to leave it at all. You will want to stay here and you will live to be years older because some of the cares will be taken off your mind. We are going to take up a lot of those fellows who are outside the Grand Army of the Republic and bring them in and the Department of Michigan is going to be stronger a year from now than it is at present. (Applause)

And so is Indiana, and so is Iowa and these other States. Any man who receives a pension receives it because the Grand Army of the Republic has secured it for him.

Inasmuch as I am to talk tonight I think I had better give way to the other gentlemen, for I might repeat the same things over again. I want to say that I am greatly pleased to be here. I am thankful that I am permitted to visit the various Encampments, because I have visited the best men of this Nation. You cannot find as fine a bunch of men seventy years and upwards that you find in this organization. If you go over the whole State of Michigan you could not gather a like body of men who would be your equals. I thank you.

Department Commander: It gives me great pleasure, and it is an honor that is rarely conferred upon this Department to have our Governor with us. It gives me great pleasure to introduce to you Hon. Albert E. Sleeper, Governor of the State of Michigan.

REMARKS BY HON. A. E. SLEEPER, GOVERNOR OF MICHIGAN.

National Commander and Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic:

I have some hesitancy in talking to such a venerable body of men, all of whom have lived much longer than I. However, as Governor of Michigan, I am pleased to greet you and see so many of you out. I am glad to see so many in such good physical condition, and may your years be many in that way. There was someone who spoke to me about making the meeting place of your Encampment permanent at some place. I am not disposed to say whether this is right or wrong, but if you decide to do that and you want a little help from the state, I will say that, so far as I am concerned, it will meet with my approval, and I shall do everything I can and I think I can safely say that the state will be very glad to help you out. (Applause.) This is a legislative matter, but I am sure that the Legislature will be only too glad to do it.

Since I have become Governor, we are in another war, perhaps a war much greater and gigantic than any war that the world has ever known. The North and the South are reunited and have the spirit of democracy. It is one grand, united country at present. That feeling is all over, and I believe the last drop of blood is shed so far as any internal dissensions that may arise in this country. It has been my pleasure to have been South and to have been West and I have talked and sat before audiences and I know that they were just as patriotic as we so far as this present

war is concerned, and it has done me good to see that this whole country is united for war to see that justice and liberty is obtained for mankind. (Applause.)

In the Bible I believe there is a verse that a woman shall go forth in the wilderness and upon a barren rock in the wilderness shall bring forth a child who some day shall rule the world. Our forefathers rebelled against Mother England in 1620 and in December of that year landed upon Plymouth Rock in the wilderness of North America and there was born a child, the United States of America. I do not believe there is anyone in this wonderful audience who will deny but what that child is to rule the world.

I do not want to discount our adversary, the country that we are against in this war of democracy, because it is a large country at the present time, and from a military standpoint perhaps should have won. Germany, today, controls thirty million square miles of territory, four millions as much as at the beginning of the war. The lines of this country have been stretched to take in Servia, a large part of Roumania, the Province of Riga, Russia, etc. They hold about seven hundred square miles of territory of France and about a thousand miles in Italy and about eighty-five per cent of Belgium. But we know how they did it. They have gone their limit and they are going no further. (Applause.)

At the present time the United States is sending troops into the old countries. I would be glad today if we had five millions of men across the water. It would save a great many lives. We were totally unprepared for this war. We gave the war the last thought. We did not think we could be embroiled in this war, but we are in it. We are not only in it for the benefit of our allies, England, France, etc., but we are in it for the salvation of ourselves. We know if that enemy, Germany, should run over Europe and control all of Europe, we know what is coming to us next. It is not so and we will not permit it. (Applause.)

We are engaged in one of the most gigantic wars that history has known, since the fall of the Roman Empire, when civilization was against militarism and militarism won, and history tells us that during those years we were in gloom and darkness on that account. It was only since the sixteenth century that literature and arts and jurisprudence came in to take its place, and I am frank to say that the people of this country are awakened; they are getting that way all over. We do not realize the position which we were in. We did not realize how serious war was. We have made a few little sacrifices, but not much. The only sacrifices are on the parts of the mothers and fathers of the boys who have gone on to Europe. This generation does not realize the seriousness of the war, but your next generation will.

We are going to put in the war of this world the finest army that history has known, the most highly educated people, every one of whom could be a general himself.

This state, of course, we all think is the best state in the Union, notwithstanding Indiana. We are producing more things. I believe the products of this state are doing more to win this war than any other state. We are second in the production of iron ore; Minnesota and Michigan are producing nearly all the iron ore that is being manufactured into war materials, and we are producing a great number of automobiles and trucks. They are being used in such large numbers that it is almost

impossible to give the number. I suppose this is known, but I don't know. I heard a man say down East that he saw eight acres waiting in one place for shipment, and that means, of course, a great many.

We are furnishing today, right over west of us just a few miles, the bromide or the by-product of salt which is used in gas. We realize that this is against the Law of Nations to use it, but we have to protect ourselves. In addition to that, I might say, at the present time, the Government is putting in two millions of dollars in wells over there to get a certain grade of bromide that is going into a gas which I understand is way ahead of any gas ever used in the war. However, that is somewhat of a secret. I know that they are doing it. So I say Michigan is furnishing a large part of the raw products. Copper also is being used extensively. In addition to that, we are furnishing food and men. I believe this state has already furnished 120,000 men. The State of Michigan, in the late War of the Rebellion, furnished over 90,000. We still have to furnish more and we are going to do it. We are going to stand right behind the Government in this matter until the war is settled forever, we hope. (Applause.)

President Wilson says that this world is fighting for democracy. That may be so. Still I think there is a little misconception in that respect. I do not know as it matters very much to us, so long as the people are satisfied and are well-treated and providing they have something to say about the Government. But we cannot allow any leading Government to have one, two or three or half a dozen men who will throw this world into war.

Our laws of naturalization, it seems to me that they ought to be remedied in some way. Our alien laws, for instance. I know of one county in this state which would take nearly all of their boys. The aliens are working and getting good pay and enjoying the country. That is not right. It should be remedied in some way by courts, I believe. This country is new. It is scarcely one hundred and fifty years old. We have invited immigration. Some foreigners from other countries have made some of the best citizens the United States has. They are loyal and patriotic and we enjoy them, but after a reasonable time—give the people a reasonable time to decide whether they wish to be residents of this country or not—they should give them a reasonable time to become citizens and defend this country in time of war, and if they do not want to do that, they should be returned from whence they came. (Applause.)

We do not want anything in this country but American citizens. We want the people of the United States to be American citizens and we want one language to be used. I think this war is going to work out a good many things for this country, socially, economically and otherwise. It eventually will make a good many changes, and I might say here that the ladies of this state are very loyal and patriotic. They have done a great deal for the patriotism of this country. There are many things which a lady can do that a man cannot, and I have had considerable association with them in their work and I wish to commend them and their work most highly. I do not know what we would do without the ladies. They have gone forward as Red Cross nurses and otherwise. Of course, you had the Red Cross in the War of '62, but it was not in any such condition as it is today. It is scarcely sixty years old. I think that the first Red Cross organization that ever participated in a war

was that which did service in the Crimean War, when Florence Nightingale nursed the soldiers, and from that time on it has been recognized in all civilized countries as an adjunct to the Army. They are doing a wonderful amount of good. The Catholic Sisters also came forward at that time and did wonderful work for the soldiers along this line.

We have gone at this war in a way that is beneficial. We have established hospital units and nurses have gone forward to take care of the sick and wounded. It is a well known fact that at the beginning of this war England and France were unprepared. They lost thousands of soldiers because of inefficiency of service. We have their experience, and I believe the mortality list will be greatly lessened by the Red Cross and the ladies of this country who have gone forward voluntarily and most patriotically.

I am not going to take up a great deal of your time, because you have considerable to do, and I do not pretend to be very much of a speaker, but it gives me great pleasure to be invited to speak to you men of maturing years and old enough, some of you, to be my father. Now, during the Civil War, I was a pretty small boy, but I am trying to do as Chief Executive of the state during the period of the war,—I am trying to do my duty and every other state officer is doing the same. We may make some mistakes, but I do not believe that we have made a great many; if we have made any mistakes they have been accidental. I am going to bid you adieu. It certainly has given me pleasure to see you all, and I hope at some future time I may again meet you upon an occasion of this character. I sincerely hope that every man will be at your Encampment next year. I thank you. (Applause.)

Department Commander: The committees who were to visit the auxiliaries of the Grand Army of the Republic are now privileged to retire to make their visits.

Officer of the Day: The following delegations are at the door:

Daughters of the G. A. R.

Sons of Veterans.

Spanish War Veterans.

Ladies of the G. A. R.

Whereupon the Department Commander appointed committees to escort them to the platform.

Washington Gardner: Department Commander, it gives me pleasure to introduce to you Mrs. Tarbox, of Maine, the National President of the Ladies of the G. A. R., also Mrs. Jameson, the Past National President of the Ladies of the G. A. R., and Mrs. Delray, President of the Jackson Circle of the Ladies of the G. A. R.

Department Commander and Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic: It certainly gives me great pleasure to stand before you here today, as it always does to stand before a body of comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic. My father was a soldier and gave his life at the Battle of Gettysburg when I was an infant in my cradle, and I never had the pleasure of knowing the love of a father. My mother died the following year with a broken heart, consequently if any woman today knows what it means, what the War of the Rebellion meant, I consider that I do.

I have spent the greater part of my life with and among the comrades, doing everything to uplift and make pleasant their days; also in instructing the children what true patriotism means, and, comrades, it has been a pleasant duty, especially so in these later years than in past years. Your conduct during the war and your return to your homes again, the spirit manifested by you during all this time, has been of inestimable value in teaching the children, and when the call to the colors came, what was the response? The same God, the same flag, the same country that you went forth to fight for, they have with that same blood flowing in their veins. They have responded to the extent that the whole country is proud of them. They are coming home, as you came fifty-three years ago, and going to bring that flag unstained and untarnished.

Comrades, while I would like to talk to you for hours, I know every minute is precious, so I will bid you adieu.

Department Commander: I take pleasure in presenting Mary A. Jameson, of Marine City, Past National President of the Ladies of the G. A. R.

REMARKS BY MRS. JAMESON.

Comrades, I am not going to take up much of your time. But I will give you a toast and here it is:

Here's to the Kaiser and Limburger cheese,
 Hope Uncle Sam brings him soon to his knees;
 And throttles his throat on the Hindenberg Line,
 And sends him to hell to sing "Watch on the Rhine."
 (Applause.)

Department Commander: We will now receive the Daughters of the G. A. R.

Department Commander: Comrades, it gives me great pleasure to introduce to you the representatives of the Daughters of the G. A. R.

REMARKS BY MRS. BOGG, STATE PRESIDENT OF THE DAUGHTERS OF THE G. A. R.

Department Commander and Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic: It is with great pleasure that I come before you today, as it is my seventh time to address the comrades of the Department of Michigan. There is no body of men so dear to my heart as the comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, and I bring today the greetings from the Department of Michigan, Daughters of the G. A. R. Probably this year, more than ever, we realize what that name means to us. You have, we have, sons and grandsons fighting across the sea, no doubt many of you. They are making a name for themselves. You, our fathers, made a wonderful name in '61 and '65, a name which we are so proud of and which we inherit, the Daughters of the G. A. R. coming from the Grand Army of the Republic. You are not only the Grand Army of the Republic formed after the war was over, but you were the Grand Army of the Republic when you fought in the fields, and we are proud of that name and shall in the future uphold that name all down through the ages, from one generation to another. At the present time our boys are fighting to save this country from the heel of the despot.

So, I come to you today with a heart full of love. We believe in bring-

ing to you, the living comrade, everything that we can, and this poor little offering of blossoms we want to present to you with our love and with our devotion. I thank you.

Department Commander: Mrs. Boggs, in behalf of the comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, I accept this bouquet and return to you our sincere thanks.

REMARKS BY MISS PARK, REPRESENTING THE DAUGHTERS OF THE G. A. R.

Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic: I am very proud to say that we are a National Daughters of the G. A. R. to bring to you greetings from them. It has been my pleasure for several years past to do this. I hope that we may meet in convention for many years to come. We trust that you will decide to come to Detroit next year, and I assure you that the Daughters of the G. A. R. will do everything possible to make your stay pleasant. Our organization has formed a Junior Department. It is our desire to instill into the minds of these growing children what an honor it is to have as their ancestors you comrades who fought in '61 and '65. As we look to the South we see a large body of women organized under the name of Daughters of the Confederacy. Those Confederate organizations have reached and taken in all the women that they can gather together until they are almost one million strong and today they really count for a great deal, and they have had a great many things passed just for their asking. It brings to our minds as daughters of these men who fought and saved our country and who have all the honors of '61 and '65, that we should organize just as strongly in the future and instill into the minds of our growing boys and girls in the United States of America that it was our fathers who in '61 and '65 saved this country and who today make it possible for those boys and girls to enjoy it. We desire to make your stay here as pleasant as possible, and if there is anything that we can do, we will be glad to do it. As Daughters of the G. A. R., we greet you one and all. (Applause.)

REMARKS BY MISS MELLON, PRESIDENT OF THE DAUGHTERS OF THE G. A. R. OF THE CITY OF DETROIT.

Department Commander and Comrades: It affords me great pleasure to bring you greetings from the Daughters of the G. A. R. of Detroit. This is the first time that I have had the pleasure of meeting you at a convention, and I hope that I shall have the pleasure of attending many more of them. I hope to see you again next year. I thank you. (Applause.)

Department Commander: Comrades, here is a delegation from the Spanish War Veterans and the Sons of Veterans. I take pleasure in introducing you to Comrade Hartsell, of Tecumseh, of the Sons of Veterans, who will now address you.

REMARKS OF COMRADE HARTSELL, OF TECUMSEH, SONS OF VETERANS.

Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic:

I know this is no time for speechmaking. We have a lot of business to attend to ourselves and I know you are full of business. We come here, as Sons of Veterans, to tell you that we are interested in you and

always have been. I have had the pleasure of appearing before you at Detroit, Bay City, Battle Creek and this is the next place. I think that was the order of your Encampments. I desire to express to you, at this time, our sincere interest in you and the longer we live the more perspective we have of your great value and for the efforts which you put forth for our country. We come to you with our most hearty greetings.

REMARKS BY JUDGE STALMORE, OF YPSILANTI.

Members of the Grand Army of the Republic:

It is quite a privilege and an honor for me to bring from the Sons of Veterans our most hearty and sincere greetings. I feel that I am standing in the presence of the best group of men this country ever saw. It has been my duty for the past eight years to send a number of people to jail, but I am frank to say that I have never had to send a member of the Grand Army of the Republic to jail. If it had not been for you men today we would not have a united country to fight the battles of democracy. With this short message and with our most sincere greetings, I bid you adieu. I thank you.

REMARKS BY CHARLES BARTLETT, OF THE SPANISH WAR VETERANS.

Comrades: For I feel that I can address you in this way. As Chief of Staff of the Spanish War Veterans, of the State of Michigan, I can assure you that it gives me pleasure and honor to appear here this afternoon. I feel somewhat however as a Spanish War veteran the way a young lawyer felt. As you know, the court of each county appoints a man to defend anyone who is accused of a crime. So this young lawyer was appointed by the court, and we will call him Jones, to defend a man accused of burglary. The Judge then proceeded with the trial and said to the prisoner: "I have appointed Mr. Jones here, who is an attorney, to represent you. As you know, there is no expense to you, but the county looks after the expense," and he said, "I want to know if you are satisfied with the counsel that this court has assigned." The prisoner looked appealingly to the court and said: "Well, your honor, I am satisfied, but if it is all the same to you, I would like to trade him for a couple of good witnesses." I feel the same way. Although I served in the War of 1898, I feel that you boys, because you are boys, are entitled to the great honor and all the honor which goes with victory. The Spanish War Veterans hold your organization in the greatest and highest esteem, for you have gone ahead of us and at Bull Run—I mention this first because that was only the start—at Gettysburg, at Vicksburg, at Fredericksburg, in those battles many of you men participated, you men who are here today. I feel that you are entitled to every honor that the Spanish War Veterans and the people of the State of Michigan can bestow upon you.

It reminds me of a little trouble which we are having in Detroit. I am President of a very large patriotic association there and we are meeting with the working men every day. We take automobiles and go out and visit the different factories. The purpose of that is to show the working men of Detroit that this war, the present war, is not a rich man's war, but it is a poor man's war, and that the German propaganda which is being circulated around this state and around the city of Detroit is

being sent out for the purpose of separating labor and capital, and we are trying to show that you men who fought in the War of '61 and '65, the men who fought in 1898, and the men who are fighting in this great world war are fighting for the same principle, the principle of the weak against the strong, and that this war, the present war, is conducted for the purpose of downing, for all time, those principles of democracy which have been promulgated and which have been gained through century after century, and which finally wound up in the terrible massacre of the present time.

To you boys of '61, I want to say that I do not believe that this country can bestow enough honor upon you.

Our association is attempting to show that the teaching of German in the public schools of the city of Detroit is not as important as to show the school children of the city of Detroit that the G. A. R. button should be recognized by every school child in that city, and that is what we are trying to do. We are attempting to eliminate the teaching of German in the schools of the city of Detroit, and we are attempting to show that the button which is worn by you men should be honored by every school child, and I am sorry to say that it is not. I remember in 1883 I was at Battle Creek at the National Encampment there, and I heard General John Logan speak at that time. I remember at that time that every one of his boys who were in school were taught to honor and respect those men who fought for the flag in '61, and I am sorry to state at this time the school children of this state and the school children of the United States do not show you men exactly the respect to which you are entitled. When they see the button which is emblematic of everything which you have done for your country, they do not seem to realize the significance of it—the efforts which you have put forth, your magnificent heroism upon the fields of battle; that we never would have had any homes if you did not do as you did do; we never would have had any boys to send to this war, but we would have been torn apart until each one of those integral parts would have amounted to nothing. And so you men who fought those battles and fought so nobly are entitled to everything that this nation and state can give you, and I want to say that you all are loved by the Spanish War Veterans. We love you and honor you and you are entitled to it, and you are entitled to a thousand times more than we can possibly ever expect to give you.

I was very much interested in the remarks of your Commander in Chief in regard to his efforts before the Legislative Committee in Washington. I believe that a man who fights for this country is entitled to anything and everything, provided he has qualifications. That is, I believe he is entitled to preference over the man who has not shown his patriotism by fighting. I believe the man who has fought for his country is entitled to receive from the voters of his community a larger vote than the man who has laid back at that time and who has not gone into the service of his country. I hope the time will come, comrades, when every politician who attempts to use the American flag for personal gain, and every man who attempts to appeal to patriotic organizations, will be shown up at the polls; that his record will be enquired into and it will be asked of him, "What did you do for your country to entitle you to the efforts of these patriotic organizations," and until that time comes—until that time comes, comrades, the soldiers of this country will be kept down, will

not receive their rights and will not be protected, as they should be. I am sorry to say that in the city of Detroit the conditions are so that a soldier who has fought for his country does not receive the support which he should receive when he is running for office, and I know personally in more than one instance that it has been a detriment to a man to wear the button of the G. A. R. or the button of the Spanish War Veterans, and that he is looked down upon by a certain coterie of cheap politicians. By their magnificent organizations they have been able to defeat certain comrades of their rights. Until the time comes when every one of the men who fought for their country stands up for their rights, they cannot hope to receive what they are entitled to.

That leads up to this great war that we are confronted with at the present time. Our boys are over there in France. Your sons, my brothers and our friends are fighting our battles. The same blood courses through their veins, and they will give an account of themselves as you gave an account of yourselves in '61 and '65. And so on the 12th day of February, 1812, there came upon this earth that man who was destined to be the savior of this country during that terrible conflict, and Abraham Lincoln was born under circumstances and parentage in Kentucky, with apparently no prospect of ever reaching the position of President of the United States, and year by year, week by week and day by day, that man through hardships, and through sacrifices and through everything that was near and dear secured an education, and at that time, the matters of importance were whether the Union was to be divided; whether one-half the Union was to be slave and the other half free, and Lincoln and Douglass debated that out. Abraham Lincoln stated that no country can be conceived until every man has an equal chance and an equal chance to cast his ballot, an equal chance at the polls. Until that time comes, America will never reach the height of a nation that it should. Those same principles have come down from the time of Washington until the present time, so that the American blood will always stand first and foremost. The American soldier is the bravest. The American soldier is the most self-sacrificing, the most patriotic. The American soldier is the best fighter that the world has ever known. It is due to the fact that you men have fought their battles and you men in the War of '61 taught to the American boyhood and the young manhood of America that that flag shall never be dragged down; that the white stands for purity, that the red stands for the American soldiers who have been sacrificed upon the battlefields of this country, and that the blue stands for the true blue of the American citizenship, and, comrades, I want to say now that the great war that is going on now simply shows that a soldier will fight for a principle that a man is bound to win if he is in the right; that no man can expect to win any war, to achieve anything monumentally, unless that for which he is fighting for is for principle. So that the great war is being fought along those lines and the side on which is justice and liberty is bound to win out. So the Kaiser's forces will be driven gradually out of that seven hundred miles which they have gone into France and in Belgium back into their own Germany, and they will eventually be driven from the face of the earth, not because they have not made ample preparations for the war, but because the right cause is the just cause. Because the right cause is the religious cause. Because we believe in God; because we believe in those principles which have been

promulgated and handed down year after year. This will achieve for our soldiers victory. There is a great God above us who will provide us with everything, who will enable us to win and enable us to carry on this great fight for the love of patriotism and of country. Comrades, I thank you. (Applause.)

REMARKS BY MR. MULGROVE, OF THE SPANISH WAR VETERANS.

Comrades: I am proud that my comrades have sent me here to greet you. My comrade who preceded me has covered most of the ground, but he has forgotten one thing and that thing is that in '61 and '65 it was the Michigan boys who were among the first and the last to leave the battlefields. In 1898 it was the Michigan boys who were over in Cuba first and today it is the Michigan boys who are fighting in France, in Alsace-Lorraine and in German territory, and believe me it will be the Michigan boys who will be fighting until the end. (Applause.)

Department Commander: We will now listen to the report of the committee on the Assistant Quartermaster General's report.

SAGINAW, JUNE 20, 1918.

Department Commander:

Your committee, to whom was referred the report of the Assistant Quartermaster General, have examined the same and find it correct and recommend its adoption.

FRANK LESTER,
L. A. GILBERT,
D. S. KIMBALL,
Committee.

Moved and supported that the report be accepted. Carried.

Department Commander: Report from the Executive Committee of the Council of Administration.

SAGINAW, JUNE 19, 1918.

The Executive Committee of the Council of Administration be leave to report that they have examined the books, vouchers and receipts of the Assistant Adjutant General and the Assistant Quartermaster General and find them correct.

ALBERT DUNHAM,
H. A. CHAPIN,
GEO. RAAB,

Examination Committee, Council of Administration.

Moved and supported that the report be received and placed on file. Carried.

Assistant Adjutant General: I move that all resolutions brought before this session be referred to the Committee on Resolutions without reading. Supported and carried.

Comrade George H. Keating, Bay City: Officers of the G. A. R.: I presented a resolution here upon the question of compensation for the Department Commander. With your permission, I would like the privilege of making a few remarks. It is a well-known fact, comrades, that a great many of our posts, especially in the smaller villages throughout the

state, are very fast waning in enthusiasm. I consider it one of the main efforts that we must put forth is that of enthusiasm in our posts, if we intend to keep those posts built up, and one of the prime efforts to do that, to cause enthusiasm, is that I feel that the Department Commander of the State of Michigan ought to cover these smaller places and keep the enthusiasm up either himself personally or he should appoint someone to aid him and on some occasions he should visit each and every post in this state at least once during his year of administration. Comrades, you all know that when the Department Commander comes to your post, you have the biggest night, you have the biggest crowd that you have had at any one time in the year. I am referring more particularly to the smaller posts throughout the state. I am not alluding to posts in the city of Detroit or to posts in the city of Grand Rapids. They always have large crowds there. But I am referring to places like Saginaw and Bay City. We lack enthusiasm at times. It is a hard matter to get out a quorum to transact our business. Now, my comrades, there is not a fraternal organization that I know of in the country but what sends its chief officer out to various parts and he is not allowed to pay his own expenses on such trips. I feel that the Grand Army of the Republic are well able to look after the expenses of the Department Commander to the extent that his railroad and hotel bills be paid. I feel that when that man gives us his per diem he is giving us all which we can expect. Now, this is my feeling in the matter and I have not the slightest doubt but that the most of you will bear with me and coincide with my viewpoint.

Comrade Barney: I think that this Department of Michigan ought to do something to eliminate expenses in regard to our encampments. I want to say to you, comrades, there is no city in the State of Michigan but what is eliminating expenses of one kind or another. I do not know of any place where they are going to invite us but Detroit, but if we can only cut that expense it will help the city out. Every city is taxed to its utmost now with bonds and everything. Let us make it just as simple and light upon the people as we possibly can.

Comrade Lamb, Post 17: I move you that when we elect the delegates we elect one at large and then the delegates from each congressional district. This is necessary first that the delegate at large be elected and then the delegates from each congressional district, the alternates and then I believe there are six others, that is, six of the regular delegates and six of the alternates. I think this motion should be decided now that the delegates can settle upon it.

Supported by Comrade Raab and carried.

Comrade Janes: There is only one delegate at large. That is provided for by the rules and regulations. There are nineteen which can be elected as we see fit.

Comrade Raab, 145: I now move you that the Assistant Adjutant General call the roll of districts and hand some comrade the credentials. Then let them call their meetings.

Motion supported by Comrade Morley and carried.

Comrade Parker, Post 17: In order to expedite business and have a decision before some members of the Encampment leave tonight, I move you, sir, that we proceed to the selection of a place for the next Encampment.

Department Commander: We have got to take care of these ballots first.

Comrade Parker, Post 17: Am I in order?

Department Commander: I believe you are out of order at present.

Department Commander: Now, comrades, on the subject of this delegation to the National Encampment at Portland, as I stated to you yesterday, I hope no comrade will accept nomination for a delegate to this National Encampment who does not intend to go. We want Michigan represented by a live delegation.

Comrade Stevens: The day before I left to come here I received this: "This certificate, endorsed by the Assistant Adjutant General and Post Commander and Department Commander Lee, identifies the bearer as a member of the Grand Army of the Republic, auxiliaries and allied branches, and as such he is entitled to reduced fare on account of the Saginaw Encampment." Now, some of the railroads have honored that and gave the comrades the reduced fare. The New York Central from Lenawee County, I know, did not recognize it. I brought the matter before the Governor and he says he will see that the Railroad Commission reimburses the men who have paid the full fare up here, and I think this is no more than right.

Department Commander: We will now listen to the report of the committee to visit the Soldiers' Home, and you will please give it careful attention. Comrade Lawrence is the Chairman of the committee and will read the report.

Henry Spaulding, Assistant Adjutant General,

Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic.

Dear Comrade:

The committee appointed by Comrade W. O. Lee, Department Commander of Michigan, G. A. R., consisting of Samuel J. Lawrence, Post 384, Detroit; Frank Lester, Post 441, Mason, and J. J. Holmes, Post 111, Eaton Rapids, met at the Soldiers' Home, May 1st, at 1:30 o'clock. We were met there by our genial Commander, who is a member of the Home Board. After having reported to Colonel McGurrin, the Commandant of the Home, we proceeded under his guidance with the members of the Board to perform our duties in a painstaking manner. Our visit took us to every part of the home and adjacent buildings, which included the dining room, kitchen, store room, laundry, hospital, reading room, library, bath rooms, rest room and barber shops. The whole home proved to be all that could be desired for the comfort and convenience of our comrades.

The kitchen and dining room are in perfect condition, coming up to the highest standards of sanitation and cleanliness. The store room presented a quality and quantity of a good variety of foods, which assured us that our comrades lack nothing in spite of the fact that all rules of Hoover are observed. In connection with this we wish to state that the refuse and garbage from the kitchen is used as feed for a piggery which consists of about sixty pigs. The compensation from this source approximates about one hundred dollars per month.

The reading room and library proves another field of entertainment for the inmates of the home. The literature is up-to-date and all of the best magazines and papers are obtainable.

Little need be said of the bath rooms, barber shops and laundry. All

modern conveniences have been installed to improve conditions and insure sanitation.

A great deal of comfort and recreation is afforded by the well furnished rest room, which is set off in a building by itself. Here our comrades may go to enjoy a smoke or write letters. Light lunches are served at a very reasonable price. The Board sees that the person in charge of this branch is kind to our comrades and gives them every comfort.

Of the hospital not enough can be said. The management, which is under a practical physician, is in fine condition. The nurses' quarters are superintended by a very efficient young Holland nurse. The nurses and doctors are very kind and are spoken of very highly by the patients.

Mrs. Jennie Pond, wife of the late Colonel Pond, former Assistant Adjutant General and Commander of the Michigan G. A. R., is matron of the "Women's Annex." The committee talked personally with many of the women and they all seem happy and contented under her kind supervision. She is dearly loved by all of them and we hope that she may be spared to give her invaluable services for many years to come.

The laws and rules of the home are made by the Board and carried out by Colonel McGurrin. Certainly a better Board could not be furnished. The interest which they take in our comrades in their old age is nothing less than that of a brother. It is due to their energy that Michigan can boast of a well-kept home. It is also through their efforts that our dear comrades enjoy happy days, comfort and ease. The efficiency of the Board cannot be too highly commended. None of our comrades registered any complaints and as a whole they all had kind remarks to make in regard to their appreciation of the comforts that are provided for them.

The old boys are as patriotic as in the days of '61 to '65. Their loyalty to Old Glory and Uncle Sam is evident in the fact that they have already purchased \$22,000 worth of Liberty Bonds. The Spanish-American boys show their unconquerable loyalty in the same manner. The veterans of the Civil War and Spanish-American War get along as congenially as father and son.

Consolidated daily morning report of Michigan Soldiers' Home, 1st day of May, 1918:

POPULATION.	
Men for duty.....	551
Men sick in hospital.....	124
Men absent on furlough.....	282
	957
Women for duty.....	98
Women sick in hospital.....	83
Women absent on furlough.....	88
	269
Total population	1,226
New admissions from May 1, 1917, to May 1, 1918:	
Men	162
Women	66
Whole number admitted from beginning of the organization, 1885, to May 1, 1918:	
Men	7,260
Women	906
Number of deaths from May 1, 1917, to 1918:	
Men	148
Women	38

Three thousand eighty-four men have died who were members of the home at time of death, of whom two thousand seventy-eight are buried in the Home Cemetery.

Your committee further reports that they take great pleasure in endorsing the entire management of the home as being in accord with the view of your committee and which, as we see it, is for the full benefit of the veterans under their care.

We could not close without extending our thanks and appreciation to Colonel McGurrin and his kind-hearted wife, who did everything in their power to make it pleasant for the committee, who were there two days, with the exception of Comrade Lester, who was compelled to return home on account of the illness of his wife.

All of which is most respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.

S. J. LAWRENCE,
FRANK LESTER,
J. J. HOLMES,
Committee.

Comrade Lawrence: I will say to the comrades that if this report meets with your approval, I move you that it be adopted and placed on file.

Motion supported by Comrade Morley and carried.

Comrade Davey, Post 17: I understand that the wife of a soldier who has married since 1890 cannot enter the home. It seems to me that should be modified.

Department Commander: That has to go before the Legislative Committee.

Comrade Stevens: I move you that we adjourn until tomorrow morning at nine o'clock. Seconded and carried.

Whereupon the Encampment adjourned to meet in the Auditorium at nine o'clock tomorrow morning.

FRIDAY MORNING, JUNE 21, 1918, 9:00 A. M.

Department Commander: Comrade, this is an adjourned meeting of the Fortieth Encampment of the Department of Michigan, and, under the circumstances, none but delegates will be permitted to remain in the hall. The chaplain will invoke the divine blessing.

PRAYER OF THE DEPARTMENT CHAPLAIN.

Let us pray: Dear Father, we thank thee for the pleasant sunlight that has attended the sessions of this meeting and we thank thee for this refreshing rain of this morning. We thank thee for the spirit of patriotism that permeates the heart. We pray that the utmost harmony may prevail here at all times. All this we ask in Jesus' name. We ask that the best men be elected. God bless our state. God bless our country. God bless our boys abroad. We ask this all through Christ. Amen.

Department Commander: I now declare this session open and ready for business. Comrades, we are open on new business. Now, we are ready to receive communications, subjects or remarks.

Comrade Parker, Post 17: I renew my motion of yesterday afternoon that we now proceed to the selection of a place for the next state Encampment. Motion supported and carried.

Comrade Lamb, Post 17: I have with me an invitation from the city of

Detroit that means exactly what I say, the whole city, and this is a part of the proceedings of the common council of Detroit, under date of June 4, 1918.

“Whereas, The Grand Army of the Republic and the allied kindred societies connected therewith will, in the very near future hold its annual gathering in the city of Saginaw where several thousand of the old veterans, their wives and families will meet and enjoy themselves, and

Whereas, Our beautiful city, with its widespread reputation for patriotism and hospitality to the stranger within its gates welcomes the Grand Army of the Republic;

Therefore, Be it Resolved, that the city clerk be and he is hereby authorized and requested to send a formal invitation to the veterans in session at Saginaw, asking that the city of Detroit be the next meeting place.”

I have here the authorization of the city clerk. I don't want to take your time to read all this, under the seal of the city council with a letter authorizing this.

I am transmitting herewith a certified copy of the resolution adopted by the common council extending to the Grand Army of the Republic a formal invitation to hold its next convention in the city of Detroit.

The invitation is signed by Richard Lindsley, city clerk.

I know we have a lot of business here this morning, but I also have a letter from the Board of Commerce of the City of Detroit, a very nice letter. If you want to hear it, I will be glad to read it. I also have here an invitation from the convention bureau duly authenticated by its secretary.

Department Commander: Any other places?

Comrade Lamb: I wish to say, in this connection, that the common council says that the means of entertaining you will be forthcoming, whatever it is necessary to do. I do not think there is any other city in the world that is more full of patriotism and liberty than the city of Detroit. (Applause)

Comrade W. W. Dean, of Traverse City, Member of Post No. 18: Gentlemen, I am here to make application for this convention to meet at Traverse City. I have in my pocket a telegram from the Chamber of Commerce of Traverse City; also a telegram from the mayor, inviting this association to meet in Traverse City next year.

Now, I expect it is up to me to tell you what we can do for you up there. I understand that they say Traverse City is too far away, but it is no farther from Traverse City to Saginaw than it is from Saginaw to Traverse City, and we have a lot of old soldiers up there. Some of them are too old and feeble to come here. We had this convention up there once about twenty-five years ago. It is one of the prettiest cities in the state of Michigan. We have hotel accommodations; we have an opera house that will seat fourteen hundred people, and our women are as fine as any women in the world, and I think that ought to be a drawing card.

I hope whatever you do that you give the convention to Traverse City next year. There are a whole lot of men up there who want once in their lives to meet with the Grand Army of the Republic of the State of Michigan. (Applause.)

Department Commander: The Senior Vice Department Commander will take the chair.

Comrade Lee: Comrades, I have an invitation here for the Department

of the Grand Army of the Republic for the State of Michigan. I am for Port Huron, the city that lies along the borders of the finest river in the world that connects with the Great Lakes—Port Huron. I have the invitation here. I take pleasure, in behalf of the city of Port Huron, in inviting your Department to hold your review and encampment of 1919 in our city. We maintain that we have the ideal city in Michigan to hold such an encampment. Should you see fit to hold your encampment in Port Huron next year, I know the citizens will do everything within their power to make your stay pleasant for you. We will consider it a great honor and pleasure to be in a position to entertain such an association as you are, knowing in your past history what you have done for our state and for our country. We know of no body which would be more entitled to the consideration of every man and woman of our city. We do hereby hope that you will consider the invitation favorably and that we may figure on your being with us in 1919.

The invitation extended is signed by John L. Black, the Mayor of the city of Port Huron.

I have another from the Chamber of Commerce.

“Will you please convey to your comrades present at the convention at Saginaw our best wishes for a successful convention and an invitation to hold their convention of 1919 in our city of Port Huron. We assure you we have almost thirty thousand people in the city to extend to you and your organization a most hearty invitation to meet in Port Huron next year. We further assure you that the Port Huron Chamber of Commerce will make every effort to make your stay pleasant and agreeable and we will furnish every need made known by your various committees. We regret that this encampment will not permit the writer to attend in person, but trust that you will be able to forward us news that the next meeting of the Grand Army of the Republic of Michigan will be held in Port Huron. (Signed) Port Huron Chamber of Commerce.”

Comrade Lee, (continuing)—Comrades, as I said before, I live in Port Huron. We are not the largest city in Michigan, but we are one of the thriving cities of Michigan. We are as easy to get to in Michigan as any other city. We have the most elegant waterway from all sections of the eastern country and part of the western. We have three railroads coming into Port Huron. We have two electric lines coming into Port Huron. We touch Saginaw and Detroit and other points, and comrades, if you come to Port Huron, you come also with my invitation, and I will see that every comrade of the State of Michigan has every courtesy extended to him. You will not have to want for anything, for it will be most graciously given to you.

Comrade C. H. Godfrey, Benton Harbor: I live way over at a point in Michigan two hundred and fifteen miles from Saginaw. Can't we pick out a city more accessible to all. Can't we get invitations from Jackson, Lansing or Kalamazoo? Any one of those places will take care of us.

Comrade W. W. Dean, Traverse City: I see from applications to hold this encampment that the gentlemen have printed a good deal of literature. All I have is two telegrams. I shall ask the Department Commander to read those telegrams.

Comrade George Raab: I move you, Department Commander, that the invitation from Port Huron be accepted.

Comrade Dean, Traverse City: I have asked the chairman to read the

two telegrams from Traverse City, asking you people to come up there. I think it is no more than fair that you should know the contents of those telegrams.

Comrade Raab: I withdraw my motion to give the Assistant Adjutant General an opportunity to read those telegrams.

Whereupon the following telegrams were read by the Assistant Adjutant General:

"Traverse City, Mich., June 20, 1918. W. W. Dean, Sherman House. Traverse City will be pleased to have you extend an invitation in their behalf to your comrades for the Grand Army of the Republic to hold their next encampment in this city. (Signed) Edward Lotner, Mayor. W. H. Knight, City Clerk."

"Traverse City, Michigan, June 20, 1918, W. W. Dean, Sherman House. Traverse City, through the Chamber of Commerce, extends to the Grand Army of the Republic a cordial invitation to hold their 1919 encampment in Traverse City. We will greatly appreciate the honor and assure you that we will do all in our power to make your visit here both pleasant and profitable. We urge your acceptance. (Signed) W. I. Hoff, Secretary Board of Commerce."

Comrade Raab: I renew my motion that we accept the invitation from Port Huron for next year.

Comrade McPhillip, Post 90, Saginaw: I think all towns should be heard and all be given a square deal.

Comrade Raab: If it is not your wish to go to Port Huron, that settles it, and we will try another. I am not anxious to have Port Huron votes on first, not at all.

Comrade Parker, Post 17: I move you to amend the motion by substituting the name of Detroit in place of Port Huron. Detroit has a great many more people than Port Huron, and inasmuch as it was the first to present an invitation here, it should be the first to be considered.

Comrade Dean, Traverse City: I want to amend that amendment to the effect that Traverse City be the next place of meeting.

Department Commander: Comrades, there is a motion to amend the amendment. Are you ready for the second motion?

Comrade Dean: Now, I want to say something about Traverse City. We have advantages there that make it attractive for you. I want to say that we have the railroad facilities. We have the water transportation and we have a very pretty town, one of the prettiest in the State of Michigan.

Comrade Nick Brown: Comrades, the size of Detroit is one objection that I have in going there. I say don't take a place where we are swamped. I say that Traverse City or Port Huron would be the proper place.

Comrade Eli Strong, Post 79: I may be out of order here but I feel the way we are proceeding is a little bit slow. We have three invitations and we are going to decide on one of them. There may be enough of the comrades who have preference for Port Huron and Traverse City to take it away from Detroit, while taken separately the three different ones, Detroit might have a majority.

Comrade Nick Brown: I would suggest that those who desire to go to Detroit stand up and count them and let them sit down. Those who

wish to go to Port Huron stand up. We will get at the exact thing that way.

Comrade Parker: We do want the encampment where it will do the most good. The next consideration is our own convenience. We have a large foreign element in Detroit, and we should, by all means, show them if we can that the American citizens and the Grand Army of the Republic are in favor of the republic and the flag of this republic and bring them in if possible into line with patriotic principles. There is no place where we can do more good in the state of Michigan than we can in the city of Detroit. I believe in subordinating our own convenience in a matter of this kind. I am not opposed to Port Huron or Traverse City. You can do more good in going to the City of Detroit than anywhere else in the State of Michigan.

Comrade Brown, of Port Huron: I would not dare to stand before an audience of Detroit and tell them that they need instructions along that line.

Comrade Parker: There is no use talking, there is a large number of the Poles and other foreigners who need to be taught something along patriotic lines.

Comrade Dean: I am the only representative that I know of north of Reed City and we come down here on the railroad, and on my way down I was talking this matter up and the man says "You are not in it". He says, "We have six delegates from our place. Your one vote will not count." But now I appeal to you gentlemen that we have not had anything in Traverse City for twenty-five years.

Comrade Cannon: There has been some misunderstanding in regard to Traverse City. I just want to call the attention of Wayne county to the fact, Wayne county has heard from me before, we did get the encampment at Traverse City twelve years ago. I had the honor of being elected Department Commander at Traverse City. Wayne county can do whatever they please with this organization, and they did it until that time. I went up there that time and I was elected Department Commander twelve years ago. The gentlemen is mistaken in the time. It is twelve years, not twenty-five years. Up to that time, there was no need of anyone applying north of the south tier of counties in the state of Michigan. No one had a chance outside of Wayne county. Now, I am for Port Huron, but I do not expect we will get to Port Huron. The vote will be Detroit and I am going to go up to Detroit. I expect when they get to Detroit they will want the whole business, the whole delegation and all of it.

Comrade Raab: I am in favor of going to Port Huron. I accepted the comrade's amendment to the original motion. I want to give you my reason for going to Port Huron. We were there a few years ago, Commander, and Port Huron did well for us, exceedingly well for us, and, as Comrade Brown has said, Port Huron is a small town. When you go there the people will know that there is somebody there. When we go to Detroit the people of Detroit do not know whether there is any stranger there or not. Detroit has had two National Encampments and several Department Encampments. They have done well. It is a good city. Well, then, comrades, let's vote for Port Huron; let's vote down Comrade Parker's amendment. I wish Comrade Parker could see it my way and withdraw the proposition until we vote on Port Huron and, Comrade

Parker, just simply drop Detroit out of your mind this year. You have a candidate for Commander. Pontiac has a candidate for Commander. Flint has a candidate for Commander. Port Huron has not. They had the Commander last year. It would be a compliment to our retiring Commander to go to Port Huron this year. It would be a compliment to our retiring Commander to go to Port Huron, and let the people of Port Huron know that we admire him as Commander. Now, boys, let's do it.

Comrade Lamb: I presented the invitation from the city of Detroit in good faith. I had understood that there was no other city that wanted it, and, in good faith, I will withdraw the invitation. (Applause.)

Comrade Parker: I think, under the circumstances, we ought to accept the invitation from Traverse City. Traverse City has not had the Encampment for twelve years. Port Huron had it six years ago. The people of the southern district ought to be willing to make some sacrifices in order to go up there. Now, let's give it to them once more.

Department Commander Lee: Comrades, I reiterate the invitation from Port Huron, from our City Council and the Chamber of Commerce, and I reiterate my statement to you, if God spares my life, I will give you the best Encampment that you have ever had in the State of Michigan.

Senior Vice Department Commander: It now comes to a vote of going to Port Huron.

Comrade Dean: I think there is a motion that we go to Traverse City.

Senior Vice Department Commander: The motion is that we substitute Traverse City for Port Huron. All in favor of going to Traverse City, please rise. Now all those in favor of going to Port Huron please rise. It seems that a majority favors Traverse City. (Applause.)

Comrade Parker: I move that we extend our thanks to each of the cities who have invited us to hold our next convention at their place. These invitations should be recognized and acknowledgments should be made from this Encampment.

Supported and carried.

Comrade Barney, Post 145: Whenever we get a good thing, comrades, we have to agitate. I have a paper in my hands that gives the expenses of the Encampment at Bay City. I hope this convention will see fit to trust this badge business to the Department and relieve the city where we go. But I hold in my hand here the expenses when we went to Bay City, nearly three thousand dollars. We should not burden Bay City like that. They will not want us right away again, and that is the way with most cities. Comrades, we are getting forty dollars per month most of us. Since we are getting that, I hope to see the day when every comrade will pay his own expenses. Just for hotel bill seven hundred dollars in Bay City, drum corps two hundred and ten dollars. What will it be for your going to Portland with a drum corps? I want to say to you if you want to save that money, cut these expenses. We would have been glad to have invited you to Flint, but we did not know how we could raise the money. I presume the Board of Commerce would have done it and so would the common council, but, comrades, don't let us be paupers any longer, but pay our way. I think we should leave the badge business entirely to the encampment.

A Comrade: How much were the badges?

Comrade Barney: About three hundred dollars.

Comrade Griff Lewis, Bay City: Of course, it cost us a great deal in Bay City. If they don't want the drum corps, all right. So far as I am concerned, I am glad of it. What is a convention without a drum corps? They come here and pay their own railroad fare. They try their best to make it interesting for the Grand Army of the Republic for the State of Michigan.

Comrade S. J. Lawrence: Comrades, that is a question that ought to have a good deal of consideration. Everyone of you know when I was Department Commander I did all I possibly could to save expenses to this Department. I have that honor and that record. I met with the people of Ypsilanti several times before final arrangements were made. In that city people who were well-off opened their doors and entertained the officers of that encampment. Kirk, the banker, entertained myself and wife. The Woman's Relief Corps was taken care of in the same way. The expenses were not put upon the city to amount to anything. I am not in favor of saying to the people of any city, "We don't want your assistance." We can take care of them ourselves. The cities owe the payment of these expenses to us. So far as the other organizations, aside from the Spanish-American War Veterans, we are top-heavy with societies, and they are the ones who create the great expenses upon the cities. I don't believe we should say to Traverse City, "We don't want any of your money; we are ready and can pay our own expenses." Let them make the little badge. I like to take mine home and hang it up. It will pass down to my children as a memento. I expect you all feel the same way.

Comrade Raab: I want to say a word on this question of expense. Now, comrades, it has become a positive fact that the cities have not all sent invitations because it has gone out that the expenses are so great. The strain of getting that encampment and raising the money killed Comrade Rankin. It was an awful strain for that little city to raise twenty-five hundred dollars. As Comrade Lawrence has said, we are top-heavy. When we had the Grand Army of the Republic and the Woman's Relief Corps we had no trouble. We have eight or nine other societies and they all have to have the same accommodations as the Grand Army of the Republic and the Woman's Relief Corps. Now, boys, I have been on the committee for a number of years and know what I am talking about. I am willing to pay my own expenses. The officers get their hotel bills paid; the rest of you fellows pay your own expenses. I don't know as we can take any final action on this matter, but I think we should exercise care and not ask the cities for a great big lump of money to pay the hotel bills of the officers of all these societies. I think we ought to do that. I don't know as this convention can pass any resolution of that kind, but if it goes out into the state that they have not got to raise these large sums of money, you will get plenty of invitations from lots of towns. I want to say, comrades, that I did not dare to give an invitation from Flint. As Comrade Barney has said, everyone is economizing. We have to eat cow feed and bran to help out. We have got to take care of this war, boys. For God's sake, let us not punish the cities where we go, but take care of the expenses ourselves.

Comrade Lawrence: He says that encampment killed Comrade Rankin. I am sorry that he should have stated that to be the cause of his

death. I want to say to you that he served a term in the Legislature afterwards. Comrade Stone was elected after the Ypsilanti encampment, so he had a mighty unfortunate slow death. I simply want to rise to correct that statement. So far as he was concerned, he was not the head man of that committee. It was a man by the name of Allen.

Assistant Adjutant General: I want to say just one word in regard to this matter. You all know the expense has been high. It is not the Grand Army of the Republic that has caused this, as for the last four years I have made my wants known as to what the Department wanted or expected, and the other organizations that meet with us, if you want to invite them, take care of them as you wish. We are not asking you to take care of anything but the Grand Army of the Republic and the Woman's Relief Corps. (Applause.)

So far as badges are concerned, I have felt that if they wanted to furnish badges, they could. We don't ask it. We will accept any badge or anything of that kind that they wish to give us, but you remember at Bay City. Now, that is taken as a point and that cost the most of any encampment that we had. They had a week of homecoming. The citizens were more interested in that. As I said to that committee when talking to them in regard to the arrangements, you invite whoever you wish. We are asking for no one but the Grand Army of the Republic and the Woman's Relief Corps and the invitation was extended to them. As has been said, we used to get along with this at a very light expense. We can do it today, but we cannot with eight or ten organizations, which cost more really than the Grand Army of the Republic. This matter was brought before the meeting here at Saginaw and the question of badges was raised; they thought best to give badges to the Grand Army of the Republic. They cut the others out. Now, if they had this cut out it would have suited me just as well. We are not making any demand for this. The expense is incurred upon the invitation from the place holding the encampment, but there are certain things connected with any organization. I don't care whether it is the Grand Army of the Republic or any other—there are some parts of it that have to be taken care of at the location where these conventions are held.

Comrade Stone: This is the first time in five years that I have opened my mouth in the encampment. I have been connected with the financial interests of this Department a great many years. I was the Adjutant General in 1884, and in those days our expenses were paid from this Department. About two years afterwards, as near as I can remember and learn, you were bankrupted. Now, I have always gone on the principle that we ought to save something for the last. I always believe in economy. I have said to the Adjutant General many times that we are top-heavy. There is one secret to this whole thing and that is, pass a resolution to cut off the load that is pulling you down. All we need to do is to take care of the Grand Army of the Republic. I want to see that little badge that they give us here. It is a memento. I do not want anyone to pay my hotel bills. Now, to save argument here take the advice of the Adjutant, follow the speech of Comrade Lawrence and cut off everything only what belongs to us and the Woman's Relief Corps as the auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic.

You all know that wherever I go and there is a drum corps and I am

able, I go and drum. I always pay my own expenses, and I want to say in behalf of those boys that there is nothing that comes here that teaches patriotism more than the drum corps when it plays the old war pieces. I do not think we are able to pay their expenses to Portland. But if there is anything that this Department can do to keep that going as long as we live it will be an honor.

Comrade Starkweather, Post 318: I offer as a resolution that this Department from now on shall pay all necessary expenses of this drum corps at the Department encampments.

Comrade O. A. Janes: I want to inquire if that means railroad fare and everything?

Comrade Starkweather: All necessary expenses. That means their railroad fare and hotel bills.

Comrade Janes: Now, comrades, remember the finances in this Department are growing less and less each year. If you want to pay increased dues then vote this expense on the Department.

Comrade Stone: When you come to take the railroad expenses, three cents a mile, I want to say to you that I am in favor of paying their expenses from the time they land and pay them a per diem.

Comrade Lamb, Post 17: I move that this whole matter that has been brought out and the present motion before the house be laid on the table or disposed of by the motion that I will make that the whole matter be left to the incoming Commander and his Board of Administration, and let them settle these matters as they come each year. We know not what it is going to be next year or the year after. I think the whole matter should be left to the incoming administration, to meet these questions as they arise. I don't think any city is going to quibble about some of these expenses already mentioned. I don't think Port Huron would ever raise this issue; neither do I think Traverse City would do it. If Bay City spent that amount of money it is her own individual business.

Comrade Cannon: I support that motion. I want to say they need not worry about Traverse City. I happened to be elected Commander at Traverse City. They won't quibble. They will entertain you loyally, every one of you, even those from Wayne county.

Comrade M. M. Andrews, Bay City: In regard to this whole question, I second the motion of the comrade who moved that it be referred to the Council of Administration, and with reference to the expense incurred at Bay City, I wish to say that no money ever contributed to any cause in Bay City was given more cheerfully by the citizens than that three thousand dollars. I speak because I was Treasurer of that fund and know in regard to the distribution of the fund. No criticism whatever was raised by any citizen in the matter whatever, but those who handled the funds thought there was extravagance shown in some particulars. I believe that unnecessary expenses should be cut out. I believe that our Council of Administration will handle this matter better than we can in open meeting.

Department Commander: The debate on this question is closed. The motion before the house is the amendment to the original that the question be left to the incoming administration. Motion supported and carried.

Comrade Chase, Post 126: Comrades, we have lost a lot of time. In regard to Memorial Day observance I sent the following letter to every

post in the state and have received replies favorable from almost every post, corps and camp of the Sons of Veterans, Daughters of Veterans, Ladies of the G. A. R. and others and not one single "No." I am reading the letter because there may be some of you men who have not heard it.

Comrades and All:

May 5, 1868, General John A. Logan, by his celebrated order No. 11, as Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, inaugurated May 30th of each succeeding year as Memorial Day, in which the graves of all soldiers, sailors and marines who have offered their services for the integrity and unity of our Grand Republic, should be strewn with flowers, or otherwise decorated. It has been our custom all these years to observe Memorial Day, with our own hands decorating the graves of our own comrades, all over the land, and not only the graves of our own comrades, but the graves of all soldiers of all other wars since the United States became a nation, and when those who were once our enemies have come to their final resting place among us, we have in the spirit of Fraternity and Charity and Loyalty, decorated their graves the same as if we had touched elbows in line of battle.

Kansas furnished more Union soldiers according to her population than any other state in the Union. Michigan ranks next. March 9, 1907, Kansas enacted the best Memorial Day law of any state in the Union. Our Comrades are fast passing to the great parade ground of Heaven and more of Our Boys are taking their places.

It is certainly fitting that we should leave on our Statute Books a law observing Memorial Day as the one day of all the year set apart in honor of our Nation's dead as well as our own, as a Holy day, and not as a Holiday. Let us recommend to our Legislature, that at the next session it enact a Memorial Day law like the Kansas Memorial Day Law, as follows:

Section 1. It shall be unlawful to give or carry on any carnival, circus, circus parade, ball game, horse racing or any other sporting entertainment in public on the 30th day of May, commonly known as Memorial Day.

Sec. 2. No city in the State of Michigan shall authorize, license or permit any of the entertainments mentioned in Section 1 of this act.

Sec. 3. Any person violating the terms of this act shall upon conviction be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and fine in not less than \$500 or more than \$5,000, for each offense.

Sec. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and shall be published in the official State paper.

Let us bring this before our encampment in June and unanimously give it our support and then our most earnest efforts to make it effective.

Most sincerely in F. C. and L.,

FRANK R. CHASE,
Past Department Commander.

We all know that before Memorial Day was incorporated, our cemeteries were waste places, places that we did not care to take our dead to, because they seemed to be deserted and did not receive the care and protection that they ought to receive. Comrades, we have changed this all over the land until Memorial Day has come to be a different proposition. It seems to me that Memorial Day is one day in all the years to come which should be kept in accordance with the law, with the order of General John Logan, and that no entertainments should be allowed on that day to detract from the memory of that day. Now, Comrades, we have sons and grandsons; we have many of our neighbors and friends who are going to the war today and their graves must be decorated just as much as ours, and if we wish to enact a law like this, we shall leave a memory of ourselves for all time, one day set apart for such observance.

I move you that the incoming Committee on Legislation be instructed to draft a bill in accordance with the Kansas law and that they shall use their best efforts to have that bill passed and become a law upon our statute books, and, further, that each one of us individually who approve of that law shall do our best to see that such a law becomes effective and recorded on our statute books. Motion supported.

Comrade Strong, Post 79: Now, Comrades, something has been put up to you that is important. Now, Comrades, Chase is a friend of mine and I believe that he is sincere and believes in this and I presume the majority of you do, but I tell you it is important. We want to stop and consider this question. Can we afford to do it? It is all very true as he has said. We commenced this custom of decorating the graves of our fallen heroes without any law restricting the acts of those who did not wish to attend with us. We seem to be getting along all right. We have not suffered any particular damage so far as I know. Now, Comrades, I never attended a baseball game on Sunday or Memorial Day, and I would not. Every Memorial Day I am out with my Comrades and I regret very much that there is such a feeling amongst the young people which many construe as against our views, but we must take the conditions as they are and not as we would have them. I regret that there is not more attention paid to our wishes and our desires in this respect, but how can we change them?

Comrades: By law.

Comrade Strong (continuing): Law is a great thing. You have got a whole lot of laws on your statute books today and some of them are dead ones. Now, then, let us show by our example to these people that we rather that they refrain from these amusements on this day, but we must take these conditions as they are. These young people who play baseball on Decoration Day have sprung up since our day. We cannot expect them to feel and act as we feel and act. It is not natural. Our young soldiers are playing base ball on Memorial Day and every Sunday and it is a manual sport and it is encouraged by the officers and those in charge. Now, Comrades, I don't think we should ask these Legislatures to pass such a law. Now, can we afford to do it? We have got to get the law in the first place. We do not know as we can get it. Who has got to make the complaint? It will be some of the old G. A. R. men. Every time we do that we will no doubt make an enemy of some one who would possible be our friend. It does not hurt me if my young friends play ball on

Decoration Day. I don't think we have a good right to enforce something or other on people which they will object to.

Department Commander: All who are in favor of the question signify by saying aye. The ayes have it and it is so ordered.

Comrade Janes: I wish to offer this resolution, and that it shall not be referred to the Resolutions Committee, because it has reference to a member of the Resolutions Committee, and it would be a little delicate for him to report it out. I think it is a resolution that we all will readily concede is appropriate.

"Resolved, That the sincere thanks of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic, in encampment assembled, be tendered to the Legislative Committee of the Grand Army of the Republic, to Washington Gardner, Chairman; John McElroy and John Clem, for their earnest, persistent efforts to secure the enactment of the Smoot Bill on pensions and its enactment as a part of the laws of the Nation.

"Resolved, further, That a copy of these resolutions be transmitted by the Assistant Adjutant General to each member of said committee as evidence of our appreciation of their efforts."

I move the adoption of the resolutions. Motion supported.

Department Commander: I want to say to you, Comrades, that you do not want to have a negative vote. I want to say to you that those gentlemen have been in communication with me as Department Commander and with each and every other Department Commander throughout the United States all during the pending of these bills, and you can never pay those Comrades the debt you owe them for what they did for you.

Motion adopted by a rising vote.

Comrade E. C. Anthony: To the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic: Your committee appointed to report on the Commander's address, beg leave to report that they have carefully considered the same. In regard to the compensation for expenses of the Department Commander, will recommend to this encampment that a sum not exceeding one hundred and fifty dollars be allowed the Department Commander for his expenses in visiting posts in this Department, the same to be audited by the executive members of the Council of Administration upon an itemized statement rendered; we also commend the zeal and energy exercised by the Department Commander and his excellent work during the past year. In accordance with established custom, we recommend that the sum of thirty-five dollars be appropriated to purchase a Department Commander's badge. All of which is respectfully submitted.

E. C. ANTHONY.

O. A. JANES.

JOHN NORTHRUP.

Senior Vice Department Commander: I ask every man, every Comrade, here who is in favor of that motion to signify it by saying "Aye." Contrary "No." The ayes have it.

Comrade J. Gardner: I move that engrossed resolutions on parchment be drafted and sent to Hon. Reed Smoot, Senator from Utah, thanking him for his great service in connection with the passage of the pension bill at Washington. Motion supported and carried,

Resolutions of Geo. H. Thomas Post No. 14, Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic, of Benton Harbor, Michigan.

We concede, and with sorrow, that the members of the Grand Army of the Republic are passing away so rapidly that in a few short years the last one will have answered the Bugle Call, and in order that our patriotic work may be carried on after we are gone.

Therefore, Resolved, That we ask our next National Encampment to amend our Constitution and Laws, so as to make eligible to membership any soldier or sailor who has received an honorable discharge from the Army or Navy of the United States in any war of the past, or in the present war.

Resolved, further, That the delegates selected at Saginaw, Michigan, will use their influence to bring about the above amendment.

The foregoing Resolutions were unanimously received and adopted by this Post at a regular meeting held June 6th, 1918.

C. H. GODFREY,
Post Commander.

JOHN SEEL,
Acting Adjutant.

Comrade Chase: I move the Resolutions be laid on the table and indefinitely postponed.

Comrade Parker: That whole question will be threshed out by the National Encampment during the next session. I therefore support the motion to indefinitely postpone so far as any action of our own is concerned. Motion carried.

Whereas, The office of Department Commander of the Department of Michigan of the Grand Army of the Republic, required the person holding said office to expend considerable sums of money in necessary traveling and other expenses in connection with the proper administration of the duties of said office; and, whereas, heretofore no provision has been made for the payment of such expenses and the person holding said office has been obliged to pay such expenses personally; and, whereas, at the last State Encampment the Executive Committee recommended that the Department Commander be paid such expenses.

Therefore be it Resolved by the Comrades here assembled, That the person holding said office shall keep an account of his actual expenses in connection with the administration of said office, and report same to the Finance Committee once in three months for audit and that on such satisfactory audit by said Finance Committee the Department Commander be reimbursed for such expenses by the Assistant Quartermaster General through the Assistant Adjutant General.

Be it further Resolved, That the present Department Commander, Comrade William O. Lee, be reimbursed under the above authority for such actual expenses as he has expended since he has held said office.

Respectfully submitted,
GEORGE H. KEATING.
ADAM MILLER.
GEO. W. HOWE.

Comrade Janes: I move that the Resolutions be laid on the table. Resolutions laid on the table.

"Resolved by the Department of Michigan, That our thanks are due and are hereby extended to the city officials and to the good people of Saginaw for the generous hospitality extended to us during our stay in this city. The memory of their cordial reception and kindly treatment during our sojourn will always be a pleasant memory.

Resolved, That the sincere thanks of this Department are due and are hereby extended to the Honorable Reed Smoot, United States Senator from Utah, for his valuable services in securing generous increases of pensions for the wives of our deceased comrades, and for all surviving veterans of the Civil War.

Resolved, That we cheerfully pledge our undivided loyalty and support to President Wilson, Commander-in-Chief of the Army and Navy, and to our gallant men now on seas or yet to go."

The committee unanimously recommends the adoption of the resolutions.

Comrade Washington Gardner: With regard to Senator Smoot. The first resolution was to bring it to the attention of the National Encampment and have it take action on it. This last Resolution is for the Michigan Encampment itself. Whatever the National Encampment may or may not do two months hence we can do ourselves. We have no more loyal nor influential nor tactful nor resourceful man in the Congress of the United States in either House as the friend of the veterans of the Civil War and the widows of our Comrades than this same man way out yonder in Utah. (Applause.)

I hope this Resolution will be passed by unanimous rising vote and that the attest be wired to Senator Smoot today. Motion adopted by a rising vote.

Comrade Lawrence: In recognition of the hard work which Washington Gardner has done in this work let's rise and give him three cheers.

Whereupon the Comrades rose from their seats and gave Comrade Washington Gardner three cheers.

Comrade Chase, Post 126: Comrades, we have just voted a remuneration on the expenses of the Department Commander for the past year of one hundred and fifty dollars. I have had a little experience in visiting posts. One hundred and fifty dollars is a small matter. I move you that we pay the incoming Commander one thousand dollars a year and require him to visit every post in the State of Michigan, and any one that he neglects to visit deduct from his salary of one thousand dollars the sum of five dollars.

Comrade S. J. Lawrence: I am thinking that my friend is mistaken. That report did not recommend paying outgoing administrations. It is for the next administration.

Comrade Janes: I believe that a post should at least entertain the Department Commander while he is there. The National Encampment votes a certain sum for the traveling expenses of the Commander-in-Chief. I had the honor of being Adjutant General under Commander-in-Chief Washington Gardner and he always said that it is expected that you will entertain him while he is there with you. It is not the idea that the Department Commander is to visit every one of them in one year. One-third of the Posts only have five, six, seven or eight members. They are simply holding together keeping their charter. What is the use of going

and visiting them at large expense? It is where he can create an interest. The Department Commander's expenses should be paid by the Posts.

Comrade Chase: Our Posts need the assistance of a Department Commander to get in some of the Comrades who have dropped out, and, with his assistance, he can do something effective.

Comrade Morley, Post 1: I move you that we proceed to the election of officers. Motion supported and carried.

Department Commander: I will appoint the following as Tellers: Comrades U. Lazell, Post 42; George Raab, Post 145; E. B. Dixon, Post 17; S. H. Blakeley, Post 98, and J. A. Seaman, Post 38.

Department Commander: Now, Comrades, as the Adjutant wants your district, whoever is going to make the nomination will rise and make the nomination.

THE NOMINATION FOR DEPARTMENT COMMANDER.

District No. 5, Comrade Morley, Post 1: Considering my position in the Soldiers' Home and the interests of those of our Comrades who reside there, I feel myself qualified to speak in behalf of Comrade David Howard, who is a member of the Board and has a chance to show his feelings towards the Comrades afflicted. Knowing Captain Howard and his heart-felt actions, always in sympathy with the inmates, I, with the greatest of pleasure, want to nominate Comrade Howard, because he is the right man. I want to see the right man in the right place.

District No. 6, Comrade Stone: Comrades, in presenting a Comrade for Department Commander, I wish to name one who has an army record, and his Grand Army record is equal to any Comrade whose name has ever been mentioned for Department Commander in the past or will be in the future. While attending the State Normal School at Ypsilanti he enlisted July 22, 1862, in the Normal Company E. 17th Michigan Infantry, at the age of nineteen years. He was badly wounded during the famous charge at Stonewall and his thigh bone shattered in twenty places. He lay on the field two days and nights. The Union Army moved on; he with others was left there to die, but our Comrade was more fortunate than the rest, his case being brought to the attention of an old Confederate woman. After eight months he was brought back to Michigan on his bed. His record as a Grand Army man ranks at the top. He has been Commander of his Post several times, and has attended most of the Department and National Encampments. He has never been a candidate for any place. He has always declined it. He is highly honored and respected in the county and state in which he lives. He served four times in the County Clerk's office, was chosen Mayor of the city of Pontiac three times, City Treasurer two terms and has been honored in many other ways where honor and confidence were absolutely needed. He is at present a member of the Board of Managers of the Soldiers' Home. The name of our candidate is David A. Howard.

You know the Legislature meets next winter and if elected, being a member of the Board, he will have great weight with the legislators in asking for funds for the maintenance of the Home. Comrades, you will make no mistake in electing Comrade Howard for your next Department Commander. He has always made good in all offices and will, in my opinion, make good in this.

Comrade Van Kleeck, Bay City: I desire to support the nomination of Comrade Howard, and I want to say to you that I speak from personal experience. I remember very well when Howard went down. I served in the same regiment with him. I know what he is as a man and as a soldier. He has been a good Grand Army man. He is a clean citizen, and there can be no mistake in electing David A. Howard. As has been said, he was a student at our Normal College. He gave up his life at that time and became a member of the 17th Michigan Infantry, Company E, and he was one of those men who listened to the music and went down in that terrible battle, and he suffered as much as any man in this Encampment or any other Encampment ever suffered. Knowing Howard as I do, knowing what he has been as a citizen, knowing that he is a clean man, a gentleman in every respect, and knowing that he was a man and a soldier in the days when they needed such men, I support the nomination of Comrade Howard and hope he will be elected.

Comrade Raab: I told you last year that we would have a candidate from Flint this year and we still have that candidate. Comrades, there was no better soldier who served in the War of the Rebellion than the candidate we have got in Flint. The Comrade whom we propose was fortunate. He was not shot all to pieces, served nearly four years. Some of us were fortunate and some of us unfortunate. My friend, Comrade Howard, was one of the unfortunate ones. Now, Comrades, the Comrade whom I am going to present to you is a loyal Grand Army man and has always worked for the interests of the G. A. R., was Patriotic Instructor for four years, traveling all over the state, talked to 45,000 children during that time and paid all his own expenses. I am not going to say a thing against the other Comrades who are candidates. They are No. 1, every one of them. Comrades, whichever one you elect of these three you will not make a mistake. They are all right, each of them. Now, we have that Comrade, M. C. Barney, and we think, at this time, he is entitled to the election of Department Commander. He was a candidate once and I withdrew his name to make the election of the man who was elected by unanimous vote in that position. Now, Comrades, I solicit your support for Comrade M. C. Barney for Commander for the ensuing year, and if you elect him, I will guarantee that he will do you good work.

Comrade Lazell: I believe in short speeches. I was a member of the 17th Regiment Company E. I was with Comrade Howard and in behalf of our Post No. 42, I desire to state that we unanimously adopt the name of Comrade Howard. I believe that he is as good as we have got and they are all good, and I believe that Comrade Howard is entitled to it as well as any others. Please help us out with Comrade Howard.

Comrade Holmes, Post 111: In behalf of my Post, I endorse the name of Howard.

Comrade Schneider: I wish to second the nomination of David A. Howard. I want to say to you that we should on one account and there are many others honor him, as he is a member of the Board of Trustees of the Soldiers' Home, and elect him Department Commander. He has ever been active for the old soldiers in the years past. As long as he is alive he will be helping us. I shall be very happy if he is elected Department Commander and represents us at the National Encampment at

Oregon. I want to say to you that he is a man whom I know personally and he has filled every place very efficiently.

Comrade Jennings, Post 145: I desire to support the nomination of a candidate whose military record as well as what he has done and will do for the G. A. R. makes me proud to do so, a man who, if elected, will spend his time and money for the ensuing year for the G. A. R. of Michigan. I desire to place in nomination M. C. Barney.

Comrade Herbert, Post 5, Grand Rapids: If there is anything that has not been said in the way of good for Comrade Howard, I desire to see that he has it. I want to say this with regard to his influence at the Soldiers' Home. I had the honor of serving under his administration nearly four years. He has the confidence of the boys at the Home and they all are ready to swear by him. You will not make any mistake if you elect him Department Commander.

Comrade Manning: I rise to support the nomination of Comrade Barney. He made the best Patriotic Instructor this Department ever had. He has got plenty of money. He don't need one hundred and fifty dollars to visit every Post that Comrade Chase wanted them to have. I think he would stir up more patriotism than any other Comrade.

Comrade Barrett, Post 278: Every one of the candidates is A No. 1, but I want to present the name of a man who is clean, has got a good Army record, and I know he will give satisfaction. I know he will devote his entire time to the members of the G. A. R. and that man is Lamb.

District No. 11, W. W. Dean, Traverse City: I guess I am the only representative from our part of the country. Unfortunately I have nobody to make a speech for me. I have a record. I am proud of myself, but I want to say that I served in the Army from 1861 to 1865. If I am elected Department Commander of the State of Michigan I will give the thing undivided attention.

District No. 13, Comrade Parker, Detroit: Judge Gage, of Saginaw, was expected to make the nomination I am going to make. He was disabled yesterday and has requested me to take his place. The candidate whom I am going to present has already been named. I wish, however, to give you some more information in regard to his G. A. R. history and with regard to his history as a soldier. He enlisted in the 8th Regiment of Infantry, served in New Orleans, was severely wounded at that place during the battles around there; was some months in a hospital and did not recover from the wound for nearly fifteen years afterwards; many of you in this section know him. He lives at Mount Morris and served there some fifteen years as Postmaster. He was Commander of the Post there for two years; then he removed to Detroit and was transferred and made a part of Post No. 17, Department of Michigan. He has a clean record as a Grand Army man. You have heard his name. I want to call your attention to the fact that he has always served with cheerfulness in everything that he has been called upon to perform. No better friend to the soldiers exists in the State of Michigan. He came from Vermont. Vermont was known for its sheep some years ago. His name is Lamb. He is all wool and a yard wide.

Comrade George H. Keating, Bay City: It gives me great pleasure, Comrades, to rise here in my seat and support the nomination of Edwin F. Lamb.

Comrade Seaman: I move to support the nomination of Comrade Lamb.

A Comrade: He has all of the requisites that are required to make a good Department Commander. He has the time, means and money.

Comrade Higgins, Post 48: I desire, in behalf of Post 48, Department of Michigan, to second the nomination of Comrade Lamb.

Comrade Griffin Lewis, Bay City: I rise to support Comrade Lamb, for we know just what he is. I want to say I for one would like to support Comrade Lamb as one who will stand up for the Civil War musicians.

Comrade Ives, Mason: I rise to second the nomination of a candidate who has a military record. Four years is a long time for a man to carry his gun for his country. Comrade Barney carried his gun for that length of time. I am very proud to get up here and give my voice towards the election of Comrade Barney.

Department Commander: The Tellers will proceed to collect the ballots.

Department Commander: The Ladies of the W. R. C. are with us and I shall appoint the following Committee to escort them to the platform: Comrades Lawrence, Janes and Anthony.

Whereupon the Ladies of the W. R. C. were escorted to the rostrum.

Department Commander: Ladies of the W. R. C., I assure you that it is with great pleasure that the Comrades here assembled and their Department Commander receive you ladies, and we trust that you will enjoy our company here.

Department Commander: Comrades, it gives me pleasure to introduce to you the chairman of this delegation of the Ladies of the Woman's Relief Corps, Mrs. McConnell, of Flint.

REMARKS BY MRS. M'CONNELLY, OF FLINT.

Comrades, it seems as though Commander Lee, being an old Flint man, should know my name. I have known him for a great many years and I have been very much interested in him because he was from Flint, and here he doesn't know my name. He called me "Mrs. McConnell," and I am Mrs. McConnelly. I always like to go by my own name, especially when there are so many of the Flint men here.

I take pleasure in presenting to you the report of your auxiliary, the Woman's Relief Corps, for the year ending June, 1918:

Number of Corps in the Department.....	176
Members in good standing.....	8,251
Families assisted	796
Expended by Corps for relief.....	\$1,757.51
Cash expended for relief other than money.....	7,215.78
Cash on hand June 21, 1918.....	783.33
Cash in the relief fund.....	38.00

Your auxiliary expresses to you anew their loyalty and their allegiance.

MRS. HOLMES,
President.

Department Commander: I want to introduce to you Mrs. Maude Holmes, State President of the Woman's Relief Corps, who is here with us today. Mrs. Holmes has been working with me earnestly during our year of administration, and I want to say to you, Comrades, that Mrs. Holmes has been laboring earnestly for the Comrades of the State of Michigan, as well as our Comrades we have at the Soldiers' Home.

REMARKS BY MRS. MAUDE HOLMES, STATE PRESIDENT OF THE WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS.

Department Commander and Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic: I assure you it is indeed a great pleasure to me to meet with you in this room where you are assembled in convention. I never thought I would ever be granted this honor. My father was a Comrade, one of your Comrades in the War of 1861 to 1865. He was a Sharpshooter, Company C, and I stand before you as the wife of a veteran, and I stand before you as the mother of a son who is with the colors. I am not going to take up much of your time because I know you have business before you and have much to do, the same as we have with our own body of women, but I did want to say, How do you do, and shake some of your hands, and I thank you for this privilege. (Applause.)

REMARKS BY MRS. BLISS, THE WIFE OF THE FORMER GOVERNOR OF MICHIGAN.

Department Commander and Comrades: I hardly know why I am here, only that I like to be here. I have been away from home so long and your faces are rather unfamiliar. My old friend, General Alger, and others have all passed away. I thank you. I hope I am not taking too much of your time. (Applause.)

REMARKS BY MRS. FLORENCE BABBITT, OF YPSILANTI, PAST PRESIDENT OF THE WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS.

Department Commander and boys who left me behind: I just have one thought. I want you to always remember that Clara Barton started the Woman's Relief Corps in the way of the Red Cross work, and we are the prepared unit of the Red Cross. Now, I am not a speechmaker, nor am I very handsome. (Applause.)

REMARKS BY MRS. BAILEY, (ONE OF THE FAITHFUL WORKERS OF THE WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, FROM THE CITY OF DETROIT.)

Commander and Comrades: I am not going to take much of your time, for you have too much of importance right here before you. I love you all. That is what they tell us and I believe it.

Badges were then pinned on the various ladies by the Department Commander and the members of the Committee who escorted them to the platform.

The Tellers then announced the result of the first ballot for Department Commander as follows:

Whole number of votes cast.....	227
Comrade Lamb received.....	78
Comrade Howard received.....	82
Comrade Barney received.....	67
Scattering	3
Necessary to choice.....	116

REMARKS BY MRS. HALL, OF SAGINAW.

Department Commander and Comrades: This is one of the greatest pleasures and the greatest honors that could ever come to any one woman in this wide world to see your faces. I recognize the members from my own home Post, as well as those from the Department of Michigan. I do not want to take up your time, but I want to tell you I am not a Miss, but a Mrs. I am not an old maid.

REMARKS BY MRS. TURK, OF ALMA.

Commander Lee and Members of This Convention: This is the third time I have been privileged to come before you and say just a word. Considering the eloquence that has preceded me, I shall only take a moment of your time to tell you how glad I am to see you. I want to present to this convention a little bouquet in commemoration of the brave deeds done by you boys and my boys over there.

Department Commander: In behalf, Mrs. Turk, of the Woman's Relief Corps, I tender you our thanks.

REMARKS BY MRS. S. J. LAWRENCE.

Commander and Comrades: I will not take up your time and make any remarks because I can't make a speech. I shall recite Edward Guest's poem—HE ASKED US NOT TO SIGH, BUT THINK OF ME FROM DAY TO DAY AS ONE WHO IS AT HIS WORK.

Mrs. Lawrence then recited the above poem by Mr. Edward Guest, of Detroit.

REMARKS BY MRS. TERRY CORLISS, OF LANSING.

Comrades: I never was happier in my life when our Department President notified me that, inasmuch as I was the youngest Corps President in the State of Michigan, I was to have the honor to escort the ladies to the platform. I thank Comrade Lee for the words he has said in our behalf and I also thank you for the privilege of appearing before such a body of boys.

REMARKS BY MISS HOLMES.

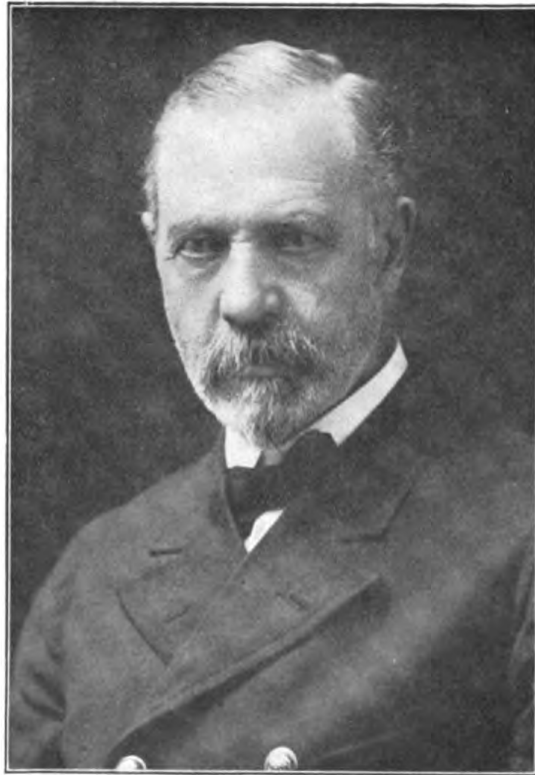
I am glad, I am happy, to come here today. This is the first privilege I ever had of meeting with you in your convention, and I am just going to say that I love you.

Department Commander: Your next officer to be elected is the Senior Vice Commander.

Comrade S. J. Lawrence, Detroit: I have been requested by Post 111, of Eaton Rapids, one of the most thriving Posts of our state, to present the name of Comrade J. J. Holmes. He is a great man all the way through.

Comrade Miner, Post 17: I second the nomination of Comrade Holmes.

Department Commander: The motion before the house is that the rules be suspended and the Assistant Adjutant General cast the entire vote of this Encampment for Comrade J. J. Holmes, Post 111, Eaton Rapids, as the Senior Vice Commander. Motion seconded and carried.



ROBERT LeBARRON
Medical Director, Dept. of Michigan

Whereupon the Assistant Adjutant General cast the vote of the Encampment for Comrade J. J. Holmes, of Eaton Rapids, for Senior Vice Department Commander for the ensuing year.

Department Commander: I now declare Comrade J. J. Holmes, of Eaton Rapids, elected as Senior Vice Department Commander of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic, for the ensuing year.

Department Commander: The next office is Junior Vice Department Commander.

Comrade Ives, Mason: I desire to present the name of Comrade Frank Lester for Junior Vice Commander.

Comrade Parker, Detroit: I desire to support the nomination of Comrade Lester.

Comrade S. J. Lawrence: I second the nomination of Comrade Lester.

Assistant Adjutant General: I desire to second the nomination of Comrade Lester.

Comrade A. L. Bryant, Post 255: I support the name of Comrade Lester.

Comrade F. L. Manning: I move that the rules be suspended and the Assistant Adjutant General cast the vote of this Encampment for Frank Lester for the position of Junior Vice Department Commander of the Department of Michigan. Motion supported and carried.

Whereupon the Assistant Adjutant General cast the vote of the Encampment for Comrade Frank Lester for Junior Vice Department Commander, and he was declared duly elected by the Department Commander.

Department Commander: The Tellers will please report the result of the ballot for Department Commander.

Whereupon the Tellers announced as follows:

Whole number of votes cast.....	221
Comrade Lamb received.....	72
Comrade Howard received.....	94
Comrade Barney received.....	55
Necessary to choice.....	111

Department Commander: It looks as though you will have to prepare your ballots again.

Comrade Ives, Mason: I desire to withdraw the name of Comrade M. C. Barney.

Department Commander: Comrade Barney has now withdrawn his name and you are at liberty to vote for Comrade Lamb and Comrade Howard.

Assistant Adjutant General: We might as well be filling in the time, and I wish to place in nomination a very efficient officer, and this is for Medical Director, Comrade Dr. LeBarron, whom you all know. He has taken care of us time after time when we have been out at our different Encampments. I desire to place in nomination the name of Dr. LeBarron for Medical Director of this Encampment.

Comrade Fenton: I move you that the rules be suspended and the Assistant Adjutant General cast the vote of this Encampment for Dr. LeBarron for Medical Director.

Whereupon the Assistant Adjutant General cast the vote of the Encampment for Dr. LeBarron for Medical Director and the Department Commander duly declared him elected to this office.

Comrade Stevens: The present Chaplain will not object if you see fit to elect him. Therefore, I desire to bring before the convention the name of Rev. Horace Palmer, of Adrian, Woodbury Post No. 45, a loyal, good soldier and a grand gentleman. If there is no other candidate here I move you that the rules be suspended and the Assistant Adjutant General be instructed to cast the vote of the Encampment for Rev. Horace Palmer, of Adrian, as Department Chaplain for the ensuing year. Motion supported and carried.

The Assistant Adjutant General then cast the vote of the Encampment for Rev. Horace Palmer, of Adrian, for Department Chaplain for the ensuing year, and the Department Commander declared him duly elected.

Department Commander: We will now listen to the report of the Tellers regarding the vote cast for Department Commander.

The Tellers announced the result as follows:

Whole number of votes cast.....	186
Comrade Lamb received.....	68
Comrade Howard received.....	118

Later Comrade Howard was declared elected Department Commander by a unanimous vote.

The Encampment then adjourned until 2:00 o'clock p. m.

The delegates reassembled in the Auditorium at 2:00 o'clock and elected the following delegates to the National Convention at Portland, Oregon:

Delegate-at-Large—R. A. Parker, Detroit.
Alternate—W. W. Dean, Post 18.

DELEGATES.

District No. 1—U. Gold, Post 384.
District No. 2—C. G. Drake, Post 45.
District No. 3—Emory M. Morse, Post 32.
District No. 4—W. A. Preston, Post 21.
District No. 5—John Bostock, Post 5.
District No. 6—Comrade Staley, Post 441.
District No. 7—A. A. Haskell, Post 98.
District No. 8—M. J. Whitney, Post 132.
District No. 9—A. A. Miner, Post 218.
District No. 10—Hiram Russell, Post 674.
District No. 11—John G. Berry, Post 263.
District No. 12—Comrade Nelson, Post 300.
District No. 13—Alva L. Sawyer, Post 17.

ALTERNATE DELEGATES.

District No. 1—S. D. Bailey, Post 17.
District No. 2—Jas. Sutton, Post 48.
District No. 3—Wm. Frick, Post 79.
District No. 4—John Sale, Post 14.

District No. 5—Theo. C. Putnam, Post 5.
 District No. 6—A. S. Shattuck, Post 42.
 District No. 7—Geo. J. Dart, Post 402.
 District No. 8—Wm. L. McNitt, Post 90.
 District No. 9—Chas. Miller, Post 7.
 District No. 10—R. H. Richardson, Post 69.
 District No. 11—Lorenzo Clark, Post 13.
 District No. 12—L. A. Beanston, Post 300.
 District No. 13—Allen H. Cady, Post 17.

Six additional delegates and alternates were then elected as follows:

DELEGATES.

Charles B. Andrews.
 Albert Dunham, Post 48.
 E. Lamb.
 Griffin Lewis, Post 67.
 A. L. Bryant, Post 255.
 Comrade Lazelle, Post 42.

ALTERNATE DELEGATES.

Geo. W. Howe, Post 98.
 B. F. Tower, Post 126.
 Geo. W. Northrup, Post 111.
 W. G. Miner, Post 132.
 Wm. Hubbard, Post 67.
 Comrade Wyckoff, Post 147.

Department Commander and Comrades of the Encampment: Your committee having carefully examined the report of the Assistant Adjutant General, wishes to extend their thanks and appreciation in regard to the able manner in which the Adjutant has kept his reports of the Department, and do recommend its acceptance and adoption by this Encampment.

S. J. LAWRENCE.
 J. J. HOLMES.
 U. H. LAZELL.

Motion supported and carried.

Department Commander: Comrade Devlin passed away at 4:05 last evening at Detroit. It has been moved that out of respect to Comrade Devlin, who has been a very active worker in the G. A. R., that we rise with bowed heads for one-half a minute.

Motion supported and carried.

This mark of respect was tendered to Comrade Devlin by the Comrades.
 Comrade Lawrence: There is another Comrade who is greatly missed in this Encampment, Capt. E. L. Negus, of Chelsea, of the Cavalry Brigade. He passed away not long ago, and I move you that we rise and bow respect to his memory for a moment. Motion supported and carried.

This mark of respect was tendered to Comrade Negus, of Chelsea.

Comrade Kanitz: A committee should be appointed to draft resolutions on the death of Comrade R. R. Pealer, who passed away during the year. Motion supported.

Department Commander: It has been moved and seconded that the chair appoint a committee of three to draft resolutions of respect on the death of Past Department Commander Russell R. Pealer. Motion carried.

Department Commander: I will so act. I would suggest that the committee send in the resolutions to the Assistant Adjutant General in order that he may get them in the minutes, and that a copy of the resolutions be sent to his bereaved family. I shall appoint on that committee the following Comrades: Comrades Gardner, Chase and Janes.

Assistant Adjutant General: I move you that when the resolution is completed it be printed in the Journal of the Encampment. Motion supported and carried.

Comrade Lamb: I move you that we proceed to elect the Council of Administration.

Whereupon the following Comrades were elected on the Council of Administration:

Comrade H. A. Chapin.

Comrade George W. Stone.

Comrade George H. Keating.

Comrade M. D. Richardson.

Comrade Albert Dunham.

There being no further business to present, Commander Lee announced that the installation of the newly elected officers would be the next in order and called on Past Department Commander O. A. Janes to act as Installing Officer.

The Installing Officer appointed Comrade S. J. Lawrence to act as Officer of the Day.

Installing Officer: The Assistant Adjutant General will call the names of the officers-elect.

The names were called and the following officers were installed into their respective offices:

David S. Howard, Department Commander.

J. J. Holmes, Senior Vice Department Commander.

Frank Lester, Junior Vice Department Commander.

Dr. Robert LeBarron, Medical Director.

Rev. Horace Palmer, Chaplain.

Department Commander Howard appointed Henry Spaulding, of Post 20, for Assistant Adjutant General, and Uriah H. Lazelle, of Post 42, for Assistant Quartermaster General, and they were regularly installed.

Department Commander: Is there any further business before we adjourn?

Comrade Janes: If there is nothing further, I move that we do now adjourn sine die.

Motion carried and the Encampment was declared adjourned.

HENRY SPAULDING,
Assistant Adjutant General.

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CHILDREN'S CAMP FIRE, HELD IN THE AUDITORIUM, SAGINAW, MICHIGAN,
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 19, 1918, 7:30 O'CLOCK P. M.

The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Georgia Lamb, the Department Patriotic Instructor of Michigan W. R. C., in charge of the program.

Opened by all singing "America."

Commander in Chief Orlando A. Somers, of the G. A. R., was then introduced and gave a fine address, which was received and duly appreciated by the audience. Short talks were given by Past Commander-in-Chief Gardner, Department Commander Lee and others, along the line of Patriotism, and the teaching of it in our schools, which seemed to meet the approval of all, especially the children.

The next number, the Camp Fire Girls (council fire), giving some of their work in Indian costumes, which was a pleasing number and greatly appreciated by the audience.

"Stars and Stripes Forever (Mrs. Florence Holmes).

Flag Presentation, Mrs. Georgia Lamb, Patriotic Instructor of the Department of Michigan W. R. C., in behalf of the Department, with a few well chosen words, presented a nice silk flag to the Hill or West Side High School.

It was received by and responded to by the Principal of the school in a very able speech, thanking the W. R. C. for this beautiful gift, Old Glory.

Flag Drill by Polish children.

"Old Glory," by Mr. Foreman.

Presentation of flag to Boy Scouts, from Georgia Lamb, Patriotic Instructor, in honor of her two sons overseas, Captain Merritt Lamb and Sergeant John R. Lamb.

Presentation of books, "My Scout," to Boy Scouts and Camp Fire Girls.

Carrie Parke Boggs, Commander-in-Chief of the Daughters of the G. A. R., gave a beautiful silk flag, made by herself, to the Boy Scouts, which was received by them with many thanks.

After singing the national anthem, "The Star Spangled Banner," and taps were sounded by the Boy Scouts, the audience was dismissed.

GENERAL CAMP FIRE, MASONIC TEMPLE, SAGINAW, THURSDAY EVENING, JUNE
20, 1918, 8 O'CLOCK P. M.

Department Commander: We will first have music by the Mueller quartette.

The quartette was received very nicely by the audience and responded to a number of encores.

Department Commander: We will now listen to an address by Mr. Mabley, Postmaster of the city of Saginaw.

REMARKS BY MR. MABLEY, POSTMASTER OF THE CITY OF SAGINAW.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen: This is one of the most auspicious moments in the life of the city of Saginaw, because it has demonstrated in a fitting and humane way an expression of patriotism that goes to the very life of this Republic. We who are residents of this community and the entire county of Saginaw can gain added inspiration in this present contest with the German Empire by the sight of these hun-

dreds and hundreds of men and their families who in the days of '61, from the time that Fort Sumter was fired upon to the surrender of Appomattox Court House in '65, carried their guns indefinitely, bore all the trials and tribulations that come from the hardships of war, and, finally, as a culmination we see the Stars and Stripes of this Republic floating as the signal standard of democracy. And so, my friends, when we see these living examples of real patriotism, it means something to us, to enable us to have the principle of human life and humane democracy, as expressed in the life of the American Republic, sink deeply into our hearts so that we may finally rise to the point where we are one hundred per cent American and will preserve that flag. (Applause.)

And that is true after all the trials and tribulations that our Republic has endured down to the present entanglement with the people of the German Empire. The Kaiser will never trample that flag in the dust. The Germans spread over Belgium and committed infractions of every rule of International Law that was ever made. They fired upon citizens in the Highway of Nations, and it became necessary for us to declare a state of war existed.

We have three million men upon land and sea fighting for the same old flag upon the western front in France, and if we need more ten million men will go forward. It is an assured fact that there will be a response to that call and that we will win the war. And, in order for us to accomplish success, my friends, it is necessary not only that we who are here this evening by the efforts of these men of '61 and '65 should back up this patriotic work; but the work should be pushed on until every man, woman and child in the United States realizes that the only way that the war can be won is to have universal American patriotism throughout this land. And so you soldiers, the boys of '61, some of you going into the service when you were fifteen and sixteen years of age, perhaps being a bugler at the head of the company or brigade, gave evidence of your patriotism. All of you men who were there were Americans and have proven your valor. We know that patriotism exists in the hearts of the men who fought in '61 and '65, and that it is in the hearts of all of those who have descended from them. All we need in this country is that same kind of patriotism. The men who have rendered valuable service to this country—their names are perpetuated by the deeds and accomplishments that they have made. Every patriotic endeavor has been written upon the pages of history. And the man and the woman today who is not willing to sacrifice as our boys on land and sea are doing now does not rise to the heights of American citizenship. (Applause)

Those who are holding back, who are not giving their full measure to this Government, whether it be in service in the Army, or whether it be in regard to Liberty Loan, Red Cross or War Savings, or any other activity, are not doing their full duty and they go into that same classification that the Army calls a "slacker."

Now, what we want is to spread this great spirit. Our war today is against the greatest barbarian that ever infested this earth. His acts of desolation are manifest over various European countries and wherever his foot has come desolation has followed, and if he ever gets to this side of the ocean that same course would be ours. Therefore, let us be spurred on by what we have heard about during the last three years over there.

Let us be inspired by what is before us tonight and make it absolutely necessary and certain that when our present war is fought and won that our present generation will have its inspiration from the soldiers of '61 and '65. (Applause)

My friends, you have a large program. I appreciate very much your kind attention and thank you.

Department Commander: We have met with some disappointment tonight. I regret to announce to you that Comrade John Clem, the Senior Vice Commander in Chief, who was supposed to be here, and who made all of his arrangements, has had a little misfortune with his paralyzed arm, which has prevented his getting here very much to his regret. I have received a telegram from our friend and Comrade, John McElroy, this day, stating that it will be impossible for him to be here, as the pressure of war business compels him to stay in Washington. I regret to announce that Judge Gage of this city, who was announced to be here with us this evening, has had the misfortune of having been overcome in the parade today and is in his bed tonight, so he cannot be here with us. As you are aware, the Governor was to be here, but pressure of war business compels him to be at another point, but he was here with the Comrades this afternoon. So those are our disappointments for tonight, but we have plenty tonight to take the place of those. We will now have the little folks give you a military drill on this stage—the little people.

Whereupon the military drill was given by the small folks, at the completion of which considerable applause greeted them.

Department Commander: Comrades, Ladies of the Woman's Relief Corps, Members of the Auxiliary Organizations, Ladies and Gentlemen: It gives me pleasure to introduce to you this evening Mrs. Tarbox, of Maine, National President of the Ladies of the G. A. R., who will now address you.

REMARKS BY MRS. TARBOX, OF MAINE, NATIONAL PRESIDENT OF THE LADIES OF THE G. A. R.

Commander in Chief, Mr. Toastmaster and Friends: It is a great pleasure for me to be here tonight. I met with the comrades this afternoon for a few minutes in their own hall. But it is always a pleasure to address an audience like this, especially along the line of patriotism. This is one of the grandest years in its time to think that the deeds that were perpetuated and performed over fifty-three years ago are more permanent today and more in evidence at this time than ever before during all that time.

Those changes have taken place since you Comrades of the Civil War returned fifty-three years ago from having accomplished the most valiant deeds that were ever performed, namely, having given to us the grandest heritage possible, having brought home that flag untarnished and undefiled and as pure as you took it away with you. Now, we are seeing that confidence and feeling more firmly entrenched with what you did than ever before when we see what the boys with your blood in their veins are going to do. When the call to the colors came, how they responded. The very finest young men in the country, Comrades, left their homes, and, Comrades and Friends, I am going to be egotistical and state that it is due, to a great extent, to the spirit inculcated by you, the Woman's

Relief Corps, the Ladies of the G. A. R., and the Daughters of Veterans. They all believe in preparedness and we have seen this exemplified within the last three minutes when the children appeared upon the platform. They are being prepared in the same manner as we women have been preparing the school children all of these years for what was before them. Little did we think or realize that we were going to reap the efforts that we put forth at that time. But we have and it is a pleasure. Our idea, when we first started in, was to teach true patriotism, which is the foundation of character; teach them the love of country that their ancestors from across the sea worshipped. We did not wish them to keep war before them, but to let them know the noble heritage which was theirs. And how they responded. How could they help it with the blood of you men flowing in their veins, and with the same object in view that you went forth for fifty-three years ago.

The flag that you brought home was a different proposition than the flag today. Your flag was different from the grand one today, whose stars declare an unbounded chain from the Atlantic to the Pacific, but it is the same flag that you fought for.

“One God, one flag, one country,
That flag, red, white and blue;
And the country that is the grandest,
The centuries ever knew.”

Again assuring you that it is a pleasure for me to be here with you tonight, I will now close, wishing you all many happy days and many happy reunions.

Department Commander: We will now listen to some songs by the Ladies' double quartette.

The ladies were very enthusiastically received and favored the audience with several encores.

Department Commander: Comrades, we have with us this evening a Comrade who has always been to the front in the aid and assistance of the Grand Army of the Republic and who has been associated with the Department of Michigan for a great many years, and I know you all will like to hear from him. I take pleasure in introducing Comrade O. A. Janes, of Detroit. (Applause.)

REMARKS BY COMRADE O. A. JANES, OF DETROIT.

Commander in Chief, Members of Allied Associations, Comrades and Fellow Citizens: Just a short time ago Department Commander Lee, at the hotel, came to me and he says: “There are so many of those upon the program who have disappointed us that I have got to work you in.” So I have been drafted. Then before he announced me he says: “I want you to talk only a few minutes.” He knew my proclivities for talking whenever I got upon the stage, so he warned me and said that he had a program that would last until late at night.

I come from the greatest automobile city in the world. I have observed that the longer the spoke the greater the tire. So the Commander has charged me that I was not to make the tire long. Then again, boys, you will recall when we were in the battlefield and met the enemy and those shells and bombs came over, we discovered the bigger the cannon the

greater the bore. The Commander-in-Chief is to follow, so I am going to make my speech short to give him all the time he wants. He is traveling from the Atlantic to the Pacific, and he can give you something of interest in regard to the Grand Army of the Republic and the sentiment existing at this time by the people of America in regard to the great war in which we are engaged.

I was very much interested in the address of the Postmaster of this city, calling attention to the fact of the sentiment of the opposition and the pro-Germanism that is existing today not only in this state, but throughout the Nation, and the great effort that the Government is making to stop it, to prevent it having a very disastrous effect upon the people, and trying to guard the people from the sentiment that is being uttered. Boys, don't you remember that we had the same thing in '61 to '65. While we were down at the front, with rifles in hand, meeting the enemy in the trenches, back in our rear existed the Knights of the Golden Circle, being armed and ready to stab us in the back whenever opportunity afforded. That was one of the things we had to contend with throughout the North. Copperheadism as we called it then. It is called "Pacificism" now. Stamp it out. It is dangerous. I say to the Government, pass the most stringent laws possible to prevent its success. (Applause.)

If they are not in favor of the prosecution of this war, not in favor of upholding "Old Glory" and the principles it represents, then go back to the country you came from and stay there. (Applause.) Go back there into those trenches where those Yankee boys can get at you and they will make history.

The records show that in that Army of '61 to '65, of two and one-half millions, that nearly two million of them were twenty-one years and under. We speak today about the selective draft taking them from twenty-one to thirty-one, yes, and taking the young men, say to fight the battles of this country. Why eight hundred thousand boys who were seventeen years of age fought in the Civil War and the law of the land only required those of military age who were between eighteen and forty-five years of age. But I believe today that if the law permitted it, thousands under eighteen years of age to go, you would see hundreds and thousands and thousands of the young volunteering as their fathers did before them to fight for their country. That was a volunteering army fighting for a principle that they volunteered their lives for, and that principle was what? Was that the Union established by our forefathers and George Washington might be preserved for all time. The principle of secession, of state rights, permitting any state to withdraw from the Union at pleasure was a false doctrine, and that was the principle upon which you went to war, wasn't it, boys, and you accomplished this—that this Union was one, and granted to the people of America liberty, life and the pursuit of happiness, and that the principles of democracy should prevail. What are we fighting for today? Isn't it the same principle? Your action, your sacrifice, your valor was to save America for the world. As I saw, we saved America for the world, and the world today is looking to America to save it for democracy, and so, friends, the efforts, the sacrifices and success made by the men of '61 and '65 have made it possible for America today to stand forth as the greatest Nation

of the world, and the great Nations of Europe are looking to America to win the war and put the Kaiser and all of his hordes down forever. This is going to be done just as sure as the sun rises and sets. The Yankee boys when they get over there in sufficient numbers are going to clean up that horde, that murderous element, and are going to proclaim to the world that government for the people and by the people shall be the government of the world. It is to America's representative they are to demand that policy at the head of the peace table. We do not know how soon or long it may be that the flag will come home victorious. Thousands and thousands are over there meeting with success, and the Kaiser has now found out that the Yankee Army is not a negligible factor, as he said in the first place. The Germans say they fight like Indians. They fight in the open. They are men like those of the sixties, with intelligence and resourcefulness, so that when they go into action they do not have to have officers there to move them, for they act upon their own responsibility, and Mr. Hun, if he gets into their clutches, goes back with them, because he is laid out.

So, my friends, ladies and gentlemen, I will say this—a great many of you wear the service badge. They have a son following in the good steps of his father, gone to fight as we did in '61 and '65. Another one is going, the only one they have left, and if it is the will of God to take him from me, I willingly abide by His verdict, but we hope they all will return. But the fight must go on even if it takes ten millions of men; it must go on until victory crowns their efforts and Old Glory returns victorious as it has in every war in which it has engaged.

“The flag of our country forever.
Then hail to Old Glory,
No blur on her brightness,
No stain on her stars.
She is the flag of our country forever.”

Department Commander: We will now listen to some music by the male quartette.

The audience was very much pleased with the rendition of this piece by the quartette and an encore was gladly given.

Department Commander: Comrades, we have the pleasure of one of the National Presidents in our midst. She is Miss Anna B. Dunham, of Lockport, New York, the National President of the Daughters of Veterans.

REMARKS BY MISS ANNA B. DUNHAM, NATIONAL PRESIDENT OF THE DAUGHTERS OF VETERANS, LOCKPORT, NEW YORK.

Commander in Chief, National President, Members of the Grand Army of the Republic, Members of Allied Associations and Friends: I bring you the greetings of every daughter of a veteran throughout the United States. Tonight we meet as one patriotic family around this camp fire, and although the Daughters are among the younger organizations, we claim the same place in the household as the daughter in the family, for it is to us that the rest go for everything. Our order was organized in 1885, for the purpose of assisting the Grand Army of the Republic and to keep green the memory of those who participated in that memorable

struggle to perpetuate the flag. We are past our age for growing and are able to stand alone, and instead of the Daughters leaning on the Grand Army of the Republic, the Grand Army of the Republic leans on the Daughters. Patriotism is not dead; neither does it slumber. We are beginning to realize more and more what the Civil War accomplished. Had it not been for Bull Run and many of the other struggles of those dark days, the world would know nothing of democracy.

I am proud tonight to be at the head of an organization that stands for so much. We are doing our best to help the boys to go over the top right, but it is no more than we ought to do, for these boys are just as dear to us as our fathers were to the mothers of over fifty years ago. Our boys are the soldier boys of today. Our prayer is for peace, but we must have it in the right way. The Huns must be beaten into submission before we can have peace. Everyone here tonight can help win the war. If we cannot give us our money we can give up our time. It is our business to stand behind the Government and keep the home fires burning. The Daughters are doing most admirably. Their work will not cease until every member of the Grand Army of the Republic has answered the last roll-call of the Great Commander. That Daughter will take up where you left off. While we have enjoyed your cordial hospitality, it is my wish that we will all meet at Portland at our National Encampment. (Applause.)

Department Commander: Is Comrade Bartlett in the room?

A Response: He is.

Department Commander: Comrade Bartlett, will you please come to the stage?

Department Commander: Comrades, Ladies and Gentlemen: It gives me pleasure to introduce to you Comrade Bartlett, of Detroit, "The Sweet Singer of Michigan."

Whereupon Comrade Bartlett favored the audience with a song entitled "When the Boys in Blue Are Gone," which was greeted with considerable applause.

Department Commander: Comrades, Ladies and Gentlemen: We are going to close the exercises tonight by having the Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic address you. He has been traveling from ocean to ocean and addressing the Departments of the Grand Army of the Republic in this great United States, and I take pleasure in introducing to you our Commander in Chief, Orlando A. Somers, of Kokomo, Indiana. (Applause.)

ADDRESS BY HON. ORLANDO A. SOMERS, COMMANDER IN CHIEF OF THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, KOKOMO, INDIANA.

Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, Woman's Relief Corps, Ladies of the G. A. R. and Our Other Allied Organizations, Ladies and Gentlemen: An evening or two ago I was speaking in another city. The Mayor, a man of some six feet two inches in height and in splendid form, delivered a great address of welcome and said their people were meeting us and receiving us in open arms. He looked around to see the people. The people I saw looked just like the most of this audience look. But we have a large audience tonight, and I cannot help but believe there are some citizens of this splendid city of Saginaw here. I am going to trust

to it anyway. When the Mayor had finished his address and it came my time to respond, I asked all the members of the Grand Army of the Republic, of the Woman's Relief Corps, of the Ladies of the G. A. R., and their kindred organizations to stand up and the entire audience arose, and then I addressed the citizens, or rather the citizen Mayor, who alone represented the city. I think Saginaw has done better than that. I see people here whom I do not believe belong to these organizations and I am glad to see them here. I have seen a little of this city for the time that I have been here, although I think this is my sixth attempt to make a speech. I think most of these organizations have heard me, and I am studying now what I said in the other places, because I do not want to be a repeater, and I am trying to rack my brains to see what I have said and to see what I shall say.

I come, primarily, to talk to the Grand Army of the Republic and their allies, consequently I come to talk to the other people. Over in Boston a few weeks ago the reporter asked me if I was going to say anything about the present war, and I asked him if he had listened to any prayer of any German that had not mentioned the present war and told him that he had better attend another church from the one which he attended, because the people of this Republic are talking about the present war. I am not going to talk altogether about that, because we are the representatives of another war and I must say something to my Comrades and our allies. I would like to have you people take a look at our Comrades. I am boasting that they are the finest body of men assembled anywhere in America. (Applause.)

You cannot, in any other society, no matter what it is called, church, creed, or association, civil, social, congressional, legislative, or any kind of a congregation meet anywhere, or can you find in any audience, outside of the Grand Army of the Republic, so distinguished a body of citizens as are in the Grand Army of the Republic. (Applause.)

Every one of them has offered his life for his country. What more can any citizen do than that? Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, I give you the sign of the order. (Thereupon the Comrades all stood up). People of Saginaw, look at these men and I dare say you will agree with me. (Applause.)

Don't blame me to be proud to be at the head of this organization.

I want to say something about our service first and our duty later. I want to call the attention of these people briefly to some of the things which distinguishes these men. I am afraid the present generation, when they hear money talked of by billions instead of millions and soldiers talked of by millions instead of thousands, will think it was not much of an army that we belonged to. If this Republic, at this hour, shall send as large a per cent of its fighting men over the sea as the republic sent when we went to war, we will have twelve millions of soldiers over there. (Applause.) And if we ever get twelve millions of soldiers beyond the sea, you will know what will happen to the Kaiser. (Applause.)

Now, in order that some of the present generation may grasp the idea of our army of which we are so proud, I will tell you, it is not written in the books, because when they wrote the history of the war a few years ago they charged us with trying to perpetuate the ill feelings engendered

during the war and they keep on charging us with that, and we could not scarcely mention a battle that some of them, the descendant of some old copperhead, would say, "You are shaking the bloody shirt." So, in one of the school histories of the Battle of Stone's River, one of the bloodiest battles of the Civil War, a battle in which the percentage of loss was greater than any other battle that has been fought across the sea, the historian describes the battle in five lines. He was not shaking the bloody shirt, not a bit. But, people, in our army we had seventeen hundred regiments of infantry. Now, I want you to remember that. None of you too old to remember that, nor none of you too young to forget it. Seventeen hundred regiments of infantry. That is men who marched on foot and carried muskets, and the loss in these regiments was sometimes one-half killed in battle, and we recruited the regiments as nearly as we could to normal strength. And we had two hundred and seventy regiments of cavalry. Now, there are two branches of the service and there is not a person in the audience but who can grasp the idea—seventeen hundred regiments of infantry, two hundred and seventy regiments of cavalry. And then we had nine hundred batteries of artillery, six cannon to the battery. Six times nine hundred equals fifty-four hundred pieces of artillery. If you would place them between New York and San Francisco, some three thousand miles, you would see there would be nearly two cannon to the mile and you could cover over the entire front by a fire from New York to San Francisco, and that is further than most of us have been away from home.

Just want you to grasp the idea that this was no little war in which we were engaged. Now you have got it, haven't you? I don't want you to leave this hall without getting this information. I want you to tell it to your children when you are encouraging your sons to go to war in a greater army than this, seventeen hundred regiments of infantry, two hundred and seventy regiments of cavalry, nine hundred batteries of artillery, and we formed a double line fifteen hundred miles long, not like they are now entrenched. I visited the Colonel's headquarters in one of the cantonments and I was thirty-five feet underground and I wish I was a Colonel and the engagement was on. You could not see a man on the battlefield unless you are sky high and then they are camouflaged until you cannot tell whether they are something or bushes. We stood out in the open and looked into our enemies' faces; stood up in line on two thousand two hundred and sixty-two battlefields or places of engagement and the people at whose faces we were looking into were American citizens too. And when the war was over, why we brought that flag home with just as many stars and one or two more in it than it had when the war commenced. (Applause.)

But for every stripe of unstained hue,
For every star in field of blue,
Ten thousand men had laid them down and died."

And that is the price of this republic and our army paid the price. We are proud of it and what about the fruits of it? We are fighting for a world democracy, and sometimes our speakers do not know what they mean when they say it.

There are peoples in this world who are not fitted for democracy. Some of them have tried it. We talked about the democracy to Russia,

one of our allies, and they got rid of the Czar and we found out, I believe, that speaking so many different languages they were not fitted for democracy, and Russia has gone to pieces and become the prey of Germany, and the German soldier who comes in where anarchy reigned is welcome to it. Democracy will not mean very much to Russia until it is fitted for democracy. Where people are not fitted for democracy they have to be governed by force. The American people are better fitted for democracy than any other people in the world because we have fewer illiterates. We do things here. We don't have a leader who tells us what to do and when to do it and how to do it and all that. We go at things here individually and accomplish things. In one of our regiments if all the officers had been killed, why we could have found plenty of men in the ranks who could have commanded the regiments. On one occasion when General Grant had given an order to assault the enemy's trenches at the foot of a hill six hundred feet high, and take the trenches and hold them—well, the order was obeyed. They took the trenches, but there was another trench right up there and they could fire right into the trenches. There was no further order. The men in the trenches had to die or retire. And without an order from any officer the boys went right up and on and took the trenches on the crest of Missionary Ridge. You will not find such a feat as that performed anywhere else, not even by the command of officers. At that time there was not a man in the company but what was able to command the company; scarcely a man in the regiment but what could command the regiment. This does not happen in any other nation in the world but America and we are fitted for democracy.

Now, I am not going to tell you just about what kind of a government should prevail in Great Britain, Germany, France, Italy or any other country. Personally, I want the citizens of any country to determine for themselves what kind of a country they shall have and not the Kaiser and some half a dozen people to determine it, and when the people of that country have determined their form of government, let them organize it and enforce it and they will not be intrenching upon the rights of other people.

For fifty years the Grand Army of the Republic has been preaching the gospel of patriotism, and they have been very lonesome part of the time and have had very small audiences, as much as they have in some of the churches when there is a collection to be taken up to pay the debt, but we have kept on preaching it on the Fourth of July, Washington's Birthday, Memorial Day and on Flag Day in the public schools, with the help of the Woman's Relief Corps. We have kept at it all of the time and we have never covered up a Comrade without preaching patriotism over his grave. We have despaired sometimes for fear that our country had lost patriotism. Nobody kept the fires alive on the altar of the country but the Grand Army of the Republic and nobody paid very much attention to them.

But men, we are encouraged, greatly encouraged; we see the fruitage of our work now, and, men, haven't we served our country just as well every year since the war as during the war, and are we not serving it just as well as we did at Gettysburg, Antietam, Shiloh or on any other battlefield, and then we have the women to help us. Anything that is worth fighting for will always bring the women to your aid, and you see here tonight—I discovered tonight that women did not live in this city

who did not raise their sons to be soldiers because they have commenced quite early to make soldiers out of them. I notice the men wearing the uniform are getting their shoulders more erect, etc. It has been so long since we had a war that our sons were getting stoop-shouldered. You scarcely will know that tall son of yours in a few months, and he has found himself, too, and when he comes home to mother she looks at him with the greatest pride and says, "Why, Johnny, how you have grown!" He has not grown at all. They have straightened the kinks out of him, that is all. I notice in these cantonments, when Uncle Samuel takes hold of these young men, he looks as though he will be a man. And, mothers, you have a son in this selective draft, you should be proud of him. The doctors have examined him and he has passed the examination and you know you have got a man for a son. That ought to be a sort of a great pride to you. **Well, a man can come back. If they had stayed at home so far their death rate would have been as great as it has been in our armies, but there may, some of them, stay beyond the sea, but remember the fittest place for a man to die is where he dies a man. That is the fittest place.**

I have been over the northern states, and, yes, over the southern states, and I have been studying the history of my country in the past, and studying the present history, and it is very interesting.

I was over to Washington in February to see the head of my government, the man we had elected under democracy to take charge of things down there. The more you look after an agent, the more careful he will be about business. The American always reserves the right, if he sees he is not doing the business right, to criticise. Now, men, there is a difference between criticism and knocking. We may criticise, but a friendly criticism sometimes helps us more than anything else. Well, when I was down there, I saw the President and his Secretary, the members of his Cabinet, and others, and I talked with them and felt a great deal of confidence in this administration, and, in a banquet which was given me, the Secretary of War was a guest. He sat to my left, and, at that time, he was on the gridiron. He was on the gridiron and there were some people kindling fire under it, and the fellows who were kindling the fire were in the audience sitting at the table, some of the committee, and during the course of my remarks I invoked High Heaven to give us now another Abraham Lincoln. (Applause.) And I prayed that Woodrow Wilson might have the wisdom to guide the affairs of this nation as wisely as Abraham Lincoln, and I invoked High Heaven to give us another man for Secretary of War like Stanton. I was pleased to hear Baker deliver an address afterwards. He has a splendid flow of language. I guess he is off the gridiron and doing the best he can. I think I could make him some very good suggestions, but I am busy with the boys now. After August I will be at his service. He is our servant and we are wishing him great success.

After I got through with Washington, I went to Philadelphia. I wanted to be in Independence Hall. I wanted to put my hand on the same table and use ink out of the same ink-well, and see the same chair. I also wanted to see the old liberty bell which is there. I felt for doing this that I was a little more patriotic. I told the President that I was going to travel over this country and I would teach patriotism, and that when ten thousand of my comrades went west to Portland, there would

be such a wave of patriotism go with their speeches that there would not be room for any I. W. W. or any traitor in the land.

I wanted to see the grave of Commodore Stephen Decatur, who gave his life to his country. They tried to get an expression from him as to whether it was right to go to war or not. When he heard both sides of that question he raised aloft his hand and said, "My Country, May She Ever Be Right; Right or Wrong, My Country." That toast was just right. When your country settles the question by declaring war, then you are behind your country or you are against it, and right or wrong, you must be for your country or be a traitor. (Applause.)

Just two sides to the question and when this country declared war after fifty years of pacificism, we are not all for it because the last verdict of the American people at the ballot box was that we wanted a President who had kept us out of war, and we all were not quite ready for it, so that some of us got back immediately because we remembered the toast of Stephen Decatur. When Congress declared war, well, then, immediately it was the duty of every American citizen to get behind the government. Now, you know during the Civil War there were some people who were behind the government. They were behind it in this way—with a knife in their hands ready to stab it in the back.

I want to show you that there can be no justification for treason in this republic. I was being driven around the city of Philadelphia, and my guide pointed to a man by the roadside that was the form of Benedict Arnold. I had forgotten that he ever had a home and died homeless, friendless and accused of being a traitor. How did he come to be a traitor and was he treated unjustly? He was one of the ablest Generals under Washington. During one of the winters he led the army up through the pine woods of Maine to Quebec. In the Battle of Saratoga General Arnold's limb was shattered. In the meantime, his wife died, and left him with three orphaned children. Again he went to Philadelphia. Meanwhile, hundreds of men of inferior rank had been promoted over his head and he felt the stain and injustice of it, of suffering from his wounds, bereft by the loss of his wife, stung by the injustice, he turned against his country. He was given command at Philadelphia and for some trouble was court-martialed and reprimanded by Washington. Meanwhile he married Mayor Shippen's daughter and he was surrounded by Loyalists in Philadelphia. He became a traitor in the British Army. Any time, Comrades, you should become untrue, you will have the stain of treason upon your brow and it will never be effaced. It would be an awful calamity to have anything like that come to any Union soldier.

As I came to Yale College, I found standing there in the camps near a window a statue of an admirable American man, Captain Nathan Hale, a graduate of Yale College. Disguised as a teacher he went through the British lines to obtain information and was ready to return when he was captured, tried by night, court-martialed and sentenced to be shot at daylight, and when he stood before the firing squad, his arms tied behind him, he was asked if he had anything to say. He said: "Yes, I have to say that my only regret is that I have but one life to give to my country." And every man by the name of Hale thanks God that his name is Hale and not Arnold. (Applause.)

Department Commander: The audience will now sing "The Star Spangler Banner," and this will end our program for tonight.

MEMORIAL ROLL.

ROLL OF DEAD—DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN.

FOR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1917.

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

Name.	Rank.	Company.	Regiment or branch of service.	Residence.	Date of death.
Alonzo Clark	Private	B	1st U. S. Infantry	Soldiers' Home	April 10, 1917
Calvin Whitney	Corporal	I	22d Mich. Infantry	Soldiers' Home	Oct. 25, 1917

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

Frank Rustine	Sergt.	I	11th Mich. Infantry	Quincy	June, 1917
Chris Perkins	Private	H	10th Mich. Infantry	Quincy	June 10, 1917
Nelson Runyan	Private	B	11th Mich. Infantry	Quincy	June 1917
William Herrick	Private	M	2d N. Y. Heavy Artillery	Quincy	June, 1917
O. D. Curtis	Private	M	5th Mich. Cavalry	Quincy	Dec. 21, 1917

CUSTER POST No. 5, GRAND RAPIDS.

Chas. A. W. Howard	Private	M	2d N. Y. Mounted Rif.	Grand Rapids	Jan. 4, 1917
Wm. R. Manchester	Private	C	19th Mich. Infantry	Grand Rapids	Jan. 23, 1917
John S. Daniels	Private	B	1st Mich. E. & M.	Grand Rapids	Feb. 4, 1917
J. L. Sweeney	Private	H	1st Mich. Heavy Artillery	Grand Rapids	Mar. 31, 1917
Cornelius Verstay	Private	E	1st Mich. Light Artillery	Grand Rapids	Mar. 14, 1917
A. B. Bartlett	Sergt.	D	16th U. S. B. A.	Grand Rapids	April 4, 1917
D. C. Krum	Sergt.	F	2d N. Y. Mounted Riflemen	Grand Rapids	May 9, 1917
E. F. Willey	Private	B	2d Iowa Infantry	Grand Rapids	Aug. 15, 1917
Wm. H. Rouse	Private	B	1st Mich. Light Artillery	Grand Rapids	Sept. 27, 1917

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

James Todd	Private	K	27th Mich. Infantry	Hillsdale	Jan. 2, 1917
James P. Turner	Private	I	12th Ill. Cavalry	Osseo	Jan. 29, 1917
Robert Jobes	Private	D	1st Mich. Cavalry		
	Private	E	38th Ohio Infantry	Hillsdale	Nov. 17, 1917

PHIL HEARNEY POST No. 7, MUSKEGON.

Edward P. Watson	Captain	K	26th Iowa Infantry	Muskegon	Jan. 27, 1917
John R. Bennett	Private	G	132d Ill. Infantry	Muskegon	Feb. 13, 1917
W. W. Stevens	Private	I	20th Ind. Infantry	Muskegon	Apr. 5, 1917
David F. Rowe	Private	H	44th Ind. Infantry	Muskegon	Apr. 8, 1917
George W. Childs	Private	B	3d Mich. Infantry	Muskegon	June 21, 1917
F. J. Close	Private	H	144 N. Y. Infantry	Muskegon	Junet 20, 1917

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

James O'Brien	Private	E	88th Pa. Infantry	Negaunee	July 27, 1917
Theodore M. Day	Corporal	E	18th Iowa Infantry	Ishpeming	Nov. 1, 1917

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JOHN A. DIX POST No. 9, HESPERIA.

Name.	Rank.	Company.	Regiment or branch of service.	Residence.	Date of death.
C. R. Reynolds	Private	A	179th Ohio Infantry	Hesperia	May 27, 1917
Thomas Lockhard	Private	D	44th Ill. Infantry	Hesperia	June 5, 1917
Sylvester Stanley	Private	F	15th Mich. Infantry	Hesperia	Nov. 4, 1917
Alvah Bell	Private	F	15th Mich. Infantry	Hesperia	Dec. 7, 1917
Tobias Haynor	Private	B	12th Ill. Infantry	Hesperia	Dec. 27, 1917

WM. BELL POST No. 10, DUNDEE

George Irish	Private	K	3d Mich. Cavalry	Dundee	Mar. 27, 1917
Peter Babcock	Private	H	129th Pa. Infantry	Dundee	June 7, 1917
L. B. Smith	Private	F	4th Mich. Cavalry	Dundee	Sept. 18, 1917
Abraham Masten	Private	C	5th Mich. Cavalry	Azalia	Sept. 21, 1917
A. A. Austin	Private	B	6th Mich. Heavy Artillery	Azalia	Sept. 21, 1917

RYDER POST No. 12, DEERFIELD.

Thomas Rhoderick	Private	G	152d Ill. Infantry	Deerfield	Mar. 14, 1917
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I. B. RICHARDSON POST No. 13, HARBOR SPRINGS.

Ruben Gleason	Private	B	157th N. Y. Infantry	Harbor Springs	Nov. 8, 1917
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GEO. H. THOMAS POST No. 14, BENTON HARBOR.

John E. King	Private	H	42d Ohio Infantry	Benton Harbor	Mar. 28, 1917
Oliver Boice	Corporal	F	203d Pa. Infantry	Benton Harbor	Apr. 24, 1917
Chas. W. Erwin	Private	C	129th Pa. Infantry	Benton Harbor	May 19, 1917
Dustin Wooden	Sergeant	B	12th Mich. Infantry	Benton Harbor	May 23, 1917
Marvin J. Vincent	Private	D	66th Ill. Infantry	Benton Harbor	June 1, 1917
Andrew J. Fisher	Private	F	3d Wis. Cavalry	Benton Harbor	July 15, 1917
Chas. M. Decker	Private	H	150th Ohio Infantry	Benton Harbor	Oct. 3, 1917
John E. Barnes	Private	I	12th Mich. Infantry	Benton Harbor	Nov. 2, 1917
Hiram M. Gage	Private	I	12 N. Y. Cavalry	Benton Harbor	Nov. 30, 1917
William Collins	Corporal	C	50th Ohio Infantry	Benton Harbor	Dec. 26, 1917
Thomas J. Richey	Private	I	191th Ohio Infantry	Benton Harbor	July 1916

PAP WILLIAMS POST No. 15, LUDINGTON.

Solomon H. Gleason	Private	K	86th Ohio Infantry	Ludington	Mar. 16, 1917
John L. Benson	Private	K	4th Ill. Infantry	Ludington	May 6, 1917
<i>Not Members of the G. A. R.</i>					
N. H. Rowlingson	Lieutenant	G	11th Mich. Cavalry	Ludington	Mar. 10, 1917
William Kennedy	Private	B	23d Ill. Infantry	Ludington	May 5, 1917
Seth S. Phillips				Ludington	May 9, 1917
Daniel C. Young	Private	D	1st Mich. Cavalry	Ludington	Mar. 14, 1917

SEDGEWICK POST No. 16, EVART.

W. A. Lewis	Lieutenant	B	23d Mich. Infantry	Evart	May 7, 1917
S. E. Scutt	Corporal	L	1st Mich. Eng. and Mech.	Evart	May 5, 1917

FAIRBANKS POST No. 17, DETROIT.

Name.	Rank.	Company.	Regiment or branch of service.	Residence.	Date of death.
John Delka	Private	H	1st Mich. Light Artillery	Detroit	Jan. 19, 1917
Valentine Wendell	Private	E	15th N. Y. Heavy Artillery	Detroit	Jan. 22, 1917
John W. Thompson	Private	A	5th Mich. Infantry	Detroit	Feb. 6, 1917
Frederick Schwarm	Private	A	8th U. S. Infantry	Detroit	Mar. 7, 1917
Peter Bittman	Private	K	1st Mich. Light Artillery	Detroit	Mar. 11, 1917
James Reid	Mate		Navy	Detroit	Mar. 14, 1917
George Jeffrey	Private	E	1st Mich. Cavalry	Detroit	Mar. 17, 1917
D. C. Overton	Private	A	1st Mich. Infantry	Detroit	Mar. 28, 1917
E. E. Thayer	Private	B	17th Pa. Cavalry	Detroit	Apr. 5, 1917
D. G. Holdridge	Private	M	15th N. Y. Engineers	Detroit	Apr. 8, 1917
John A. Lane	Private	E	5th Mich. Infantry	Detroit	May 7, 1917
Gilbert Vanderpool	Private	B	9th Mich. Cavalry	Detroit	May 26, 1917
Frederick Allen	Private	C	7th Conn. Infantry	Detroit	June 17, 1917
John W. Holcomb	Private	F	5th Mich. Infantry	Detroit	July 5, 1917
John Moody	Private	D	24th Mich. Infantry	Detroit	Sept. 21, 1917
E. F. Cavanaugh	Private	E	11th Conn. Infantry	Detroit	June 25, 1917
William Ross			U. S. Navy	Detroit	Oct. 27, 1917
James McDonald			U. S. Navy	Detroit	Nov. 26, 1917
Joseph Henning	Private	E	30th Mich. Infantry	Detroit	Dec. 8, 1917

M'PHERSON POST No. 18, TRAVERSE CITY.

Charles Norris	Private	C	15th Michigan Infantry	Traverse City	Mar. 9, 1917
O. M. Morse	Private	E	29th Michigan Infantry	Traverse City	Mar. 16, 1917

A. LINCOLN POST No. 19, BANGOR.

Chas. H. Schemerhorn	Private		8th N. Y. Battery Light Artillery	Bangor	Apr. 12, 1917
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ELLSWORTH POST No. 20, HARTFORD.

Seth Polmantear	Private	D	14th Mo. Infantry	Hartford	June 28, 1917
Duane Smith	Private	I	7th Mich. Cavalry	Hartford	
John A. James	Private	K	141st Ill. Infantry	Hartford	

A. W. CHAPMAN POST No. 21, SAINT JOSEPH.

George L. Wheeler	Private	D	65th Ill. Infantry	St. Joseph	Apr. 15, 1917
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WILLIAM PERROTT POST No. 22, BUCHANAN.

Harvey Haskens	Sergeant	K	25th Mich. Infantry	Buchanan	Dec. 26, 1916
John Graham	Captain	H	12th Mich. Infantry	Buchanan	Apr. 20, 1917
Henry Bradley	Private	E	24th Mich. Infantry	Niles	
John M. Rose	Private	K	25th Mich. Infantry	Buchanan	Apr. 2, 1917

COL. FENTON POST No. 24, FENTON.

Mulford Billings	Private	C	8th Mich. Infantry	Fenton	Jan. 17, 1917
George W. Barbour	Captain	D	6th Mich. Cavalry	Fenton	Mar. 8, 1917
Adam F. Andrews	Private		188 N. Y. Infantry	Fenton	June 10, 1917
Jerome B. Wheden			10th Mich. Infantry	Peole, Ind.	Oct. 20, 1917

DAVID BECKER POST No. 25, OGDEN CENTER.

David Pifer	Private	B	18th Mich. Infantry	Ogden Center	Jan. 13, 1917
C. T. Cheney	Corporal	K	11th Mich. Infantry	Jasper	Apr. 18, 1917

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JOE HOOKER POST No. 26, HART.

Name.	Rank.	Company.	Regiment or branch of service.	Residence.	Date of death.
James Reed	Private	K	75th Ind. Infantry	Hart	July 21, 1917
Richard Crockett	Private		55th Mass. Infantry	Hart	

BURNSIDE POST No. 27, DECATUR.

Reuben Calbitzer	Private	C	25th Mich. Infantry	Decatur	Jan. 16, 1917
A. J. Johnson	Private	E	13th Mich. Infantry	Decatur	Mar. 20, 1917
Edward Carney	Private	C	70th N. Y. Infantry	Decatur	May 10, 1917

GARFIELD POST No. 30, COLOMA.

William A. Baker	Corporal	K	178th Ohio Infantry	Coloma	
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BROADHEAD POST No. 31, PAW PAW.

William F. Dibble	Private	G	1st Mich. Eng. and Mech.	Paw Paw	Aug. 30, 1917
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FARRAGUT POST No. 32, BATTLE CREEK.

Alson Evans	Private	D	6th Mich. Cavalry	Battle Creek	Jan. 22, 1917
H. R. Wood	Private	E	8th Ohio Infantry	Battle Creek	Apr. 5, 1917
W. K. Jackson	Private	K	3d Mich. Cavalry	Battle Creek	May 17, 1917
Edgar D. Lewis	Sergeant	F	8th N. Y. Heavy Artillery	Battle Creek	May 22, 1917
Edward Cunningham	Private	A	3d N. Y. Artillery	Battle Creek	July, 1917

MYRON BAKER POST No. 33, MORENCI.

Joseph Borton	Private	A	67th Ohio Infantry	Morenci	Mar. 13, 1917
Francis M. Rice	Sergeant	I	1st Mich. Light Artillery	Morenci	Apr. 5, 1917
Willis N. Bailey	Private	A	6th Mich. Heavy Artillery	Morenci	Aug. 18, 1917
Vinson Smith	Sergeant	A	67th Ohio Infantry	Morenci	Nov. 13, 1917
William Price	Sergeant	A	67th Ohio Infantry	Morenci	Nov. 25, 1917
<i>Not Members of the G. A. R.</i>					
Daniel Staninger	Private	F	4th Michigan Infantry	Morenci	Jan. 10, 1917
Mathias L. Davis	Sergeant	I	4th Michigan Infantry	Morenci	Jan. 21, 1917

ZACH CHANDLER POST No. 35, SOUTH HAVEN.

S. M. Trowbridge	Private	F	10th Mich. Infantry	South Haven	Mar. 21, 1917
J. M. Underwood	Private	B	21st N. Y. Infantry	South Haven	Mar. 9, 1917
William Hurburt	Private	M	11th Mich. Cavalry	South Haven	May 15, 1917
J. E. Wileox	Corporal	G	9th N. Y. Heavy Artillery	South Haven	June 28, 1917
C. M. Balch	Private	I	84th Ohio Infantry	South Haven	
J. S. Donahue	Captain	E	8th Mich. Infantry	South Haven	
W. S. Bradley	Captain	D	110th N. Y. Infantry	South Haven	
George W. Eby	Private	K	6th Mich. Infantry	South Haven	
O. A. Dean	Private	B	75th N. Y. Infantry	South Haven	

STANTON POST No. 37, STANTON.

Jerome Pintler	Private	E	10th Mich. Cavalry	Stanton	
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SAGINAW POST No. 38, SAGINAW.

James T. Hale	Corporal	I	100th N. Y. Infantry	Saginaw	June 11, 1917
George M. Stowell	Private	B	24th N. Y. Infantry	Saginaw	Aug. 28, 1917

KILPATRICK POST No. 39, BERRIEN SPRINGS.

Name.	Rank.	Company.	Regiment or branch of service.	Residence.	Date of death.
James Ackerman.....	Private.....	I	12th Mich. Infantry.....	Berrien Springs.....	

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

Eugene B. Thomas.....	Corporal.....	G	75th N. Y. Infantry.....	Charlotte.....	Jan. 28, 1917
Burton H. Spears.....	Private.....	E	7th Mich. Cavalry.....	Charlotte.....	Feb. 7, 1917
John Vickery.....	Private.....	F	13th Mich. Infantry.....	Charlotte.....	July, 1917
James O. Berry.....	Private.....	A	6th Mich. Cavalry.....	Charlotte.....	Apr. 17, 1917
Charles Crosier.....	Private.....	H	42d Ohio Infantry.....	Charlotte.....	Sept. 15, 1917
William D. Stores.....	Private.....	F	9th Mich. Infantry.....	Charlotte.....	Oct. 13, 1917

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

T. E. Wood.....	Private.....	E	17th Mich. Infantry.....	Chelsea.....	Feb. 16, 1917
U. D. Streeter.....	Private.....	A	11th Mich. Cavalry.....	Chelsea.....	June 19, 1917
E. L. Negus.....	Captain.....	B	1st Mich. Cavalry.....	Chelsea.....	Jan. 7, 1918

CHARLES T. FOSTER POST No. 42, LANSING.

John J. Hall.....	Private.....	B	2d U. S. Col. Infantry.....	Lansing.....	Jan. 13, 1917
William W. Cook.....	Lieutenant..	B	9th Mich. Cavalry.....	Lansing.....	Jan. 26, 1917
Arthur Barrows.....	Private.....	E	193d N. Y. Infantry.....	Lansing.....	Jan. 26, 1917
Jabez B. Elkins.....	Private.....	E	8th Mich. Infantry.....	Lansing.....	Jan. 28, 1917
Lawrence Price.....	Sergeant.....	M	1st N. Y. Artillery.....	Lansing.....	Feb. 12, 1917
Gurdon Wight.....	Private.....	K	24th Mich. Infantry.....	Lansing.....	Mar. 8, 1917
Hanford Hawley.....	Sergeant.....	D	14th Mich. Infantry.....	Perry.....	Mar. 15, 1917
Charles A. Wallace.....	Private.....	A	1st Mich. Light Artillery.....	Lansing.....	Mar. 25, 1917
William A. Ransom.....	Private.....	E	1st Ohio Light Artillery.....	Lansing.....	Apr. 8, 1917
Charles T. Miller.....	Private.....	B	40th N. J. Infantry.....	Lansing.....	Apr. 15, 1917
John Roberts.....	Private.....	A	28th U. S. Colored Infantry.....	Lansing.....	Apr. 22, 1917
Joel Harrison.....	Musician.....	A	1st Mich. Cavalry.....	Lansing.....	May 5, 1917
H. S. Clawson.....	Private.....	A	50th N. Y. Engineers.....	Lansing.....	June 21, 1917
I. H. Burdick.....	Private.....	A	20th Michigan Infantry.....	Lansing.....	July 24, 1917
Lewis C. Beghold.....	Private.....	K	25th Ohio Infantry.....	Lansing.....	Aug. 26, 1917
Frederick Schneider.....	Colonel.....	B	182d Ohio Infantry.....	Lansing.....	Aug. 26, 1917
Elisha Watson.....	Corporal.....	C	2d Mich. Infantry.....	Lansing.....	Nov. 4, 1917
George A. Richards.....	Private.....	F	9th N. Y. Heavy Artillery.....	Lansing.....	Nov. 19, 1917
Orin P. Frary.....	Lieutenant..	A	81st Ohio Infantry.....	Lansing.....	Nov. 20, 1917
Charles E. Johnson.....	Private.....	D	111th Ohio Infantry.....	Lansing.....	Dec. 2, 1917
Charles E. Fink.....	Corporal.....	H	11th Mich. Infantry.....	Lansing.....	Dec. 19, 1917
<i>Not Members of the G. A. R.</i>					
William Decke.....	Private.....	I	8th N. Y. Cavalry.....	Lansing.....	Jan. 14, 1917
Martin Redman.....	Private.....	G	12th Mich. Infantry.....	Lansing.....	Aug. 26, 1917
Jacob Stroble.....	Private.....	B	2d U. S. Signal Service.....	Lansing.....	Dec. 8, 1917
Demus B. Payne.....	Private.....	I	3d Mich. Cavalry.....	Lansing.....	Dec. 8, 1917
Joseph Gage.....	Private.....	I	2d Mich. Cavalry.....	Lansing.....	Dec. 20, 1917

SCOTT POST No. 43, BLISSFIELD.

H. R. Wood.....	Private.....	E	8th Ohio Infantry.....	Battle Creek.....	Apr. 3, 1917
Peter Miller.....	Private.....	D	72d Ohio Infantry.....	Blissfield.....	May 25, 1917

WOODBURY POST No. 45, ADRIAN.

Name.	Rank.	Company.	Regiment or branch of service.	Residence.	Date of death.
Alonzo Farhman	Private	G	4th Mich. Infantry	Adrian	Jan. 15, 1917
John M. Cheever	Private	C	18th Mich. Infantry	Adrian	Jan. 16, 1917
Charles Cone	Private	D	12 Mich. Infantry	Adrian	Jan. 26, 1917
Charles Brockway	Private	H	15th Mich. Infantry	Adrian	Mar. 16, 1917
George Williams	Private	L	1st Mich. Eng. and Mech.	Adrian	Apr. 8, 1917
George Jennings	Private	B	18th Mich. Infantry	Adrian	May 17, 1917
John H. Dunbar	Private	F	26th Mich. Infantry	Adrian	May 26, 1917
Jared Bagley	Private	B	4th Mich. Infantry	Adrian	June 11, 1917
Tisdell B. Jones	Private	C	25 N. J. Infantry	Adrian	May 31, 1917
John W. Monagan	Private	I	7th Mich. Cavalry	Adrian	May 16, 1917
B. F. Graves	Captain	L	2d Ohio Cavalry	Adrian	Oct. 8, 1917
D. L. Gould	Private	B	7th Mich. Cavalry	Adrian	Aug. 1, 1917
Charles E. Rogers	Lieutenant	C	18th Mich. Infantry	Adrian	Oct. 27, 1917
Nathan Louth	Private	G	1st Mich. Eng. & Mech.	Adrian	Nov. 5, 1917
Charles D. Payne	Private	E	1st Mich. Infantry	Adrian	Dec. 9, 1917

B. H. RUTTER POST No. 47 DOWAGIAC.

H. R. Taylor	Private	M	1st Mich. Cavalry	Dowagiac	Apr. 18, 1917
John Nash	Private	D	66th Ill. Infantry	Dowagiac	Sept. 15, 1917
George Thornton	Private	H	102d U. S. Colored Infantry	Dowagiac	Dec. 23, 1917
<i>Not Members of the G. A. R.</i>					
Hardin W. Harris	Private		28th U. S. Infantry	Dowagiac	Oct. 1, 1917
James H. Martin	Private	H	20th Ind. Infantry	Dowagiac	Sept. 14, 1917

EDWARD POMEROY POST No. 48, JACKSON.

Jacob Dawson	Corporal	C	22d Mich. Infantry	Jackson	Jan. 11, 1917
Cornelius Segar	Private	A	25th Mich. Infantry	Jackson	Apr. 24, 1917
Alfred Williams	Private	A	9th Mich. Cavalry	Jackson	Apr. 25, 1917
A. G. Miller	Private	B	26th Mich. Infantry	Jackson	Apr. 26, 1917
C. L. Houseman	Private	K	7th Kan. Cavalry	Jackson	July 29, 1917
Charles N. Schick	Private	B	4th Mich. Infantry	Jackson	Aug. 25, 1917
O. W. Pierce	Sergeant	D	10th Mass. Infantry	Jackson	Oct. 31, 1917
Edgar Craft	Private	C	1st Mich. Infantry	Jackson	Nov. 28, 1917
J. A. Gifford	Private	C	145th Penn. Infantry	Jackson	Dec. 9, 1917

WADSWORTH POST No. 49, LAWRENCE.

Robert H. Scott	Private	F	10th U. S. Colored Infantry	Lawrence	Apr. 8, 1917
John H. Shoemaker	Sergeant	C	4th Mich. Cavalry	Lawrence	Apr. 17, 1917
Ezra McAllister	Corporal	G	28th Mich. Infantry	Lawrence	Dec. 17, 1917

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

O. W. Hayes	Private	C	124th Ohio Infantry	Manton	Aug. 12, 1917
Joseph Seaton	Private		14th Mich. Infantry	Manton	Nov. 14, 1917

HIRAM BARROWS POST No. 55, ARMADA.

David H. Curtis	Private	B	30th Mich. Infantry	Armada	July 26, 1917
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C. J. BASSETTE POST No. 56, ALLEGAN.

William H. Ely	Private	E	24th N. Y. Infantry	Allegan	Dec. 26, 1917
George I. Hanley	Private	G	14th Ohio Infantry	Allegan	Mar. 14, 1917
Jacob F. Weick	Private	C	180th Ohio Infantry	Allegan	Apr. 9, 1917
Lamson Wright	Private	{ B K	{ 29 Ohio Infantry 177th Ohio Infantry	Allegan	June 9, 1917
<i>Not Members of the G. A. R.</i>					
Job Gilpin	Private	K	23d Ind. Infantry	Allegan	Jan. 5, 1917
Nathan S. Dickinson	Private	C	18th Iowa Infantry	Allegan	June 9, 1917
Samuel M. Lemoine	Private	B	37th Ill. Infantry	Allegan	June 16, 1917

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A. COLVIN POST No. 59, GOBLEVILLE.

Name.	Rank.	Company.	Regiment or branch of service.	Residence.	Date of death.
W. H. Campbell	Private	G	13th Mich. Infantry	Kendall	Jan. 14, 1917
Henry Sheldon	Private	H	12th Mich. Infantry	Gobleville	Jan. 21, 1917
Stephen Martin	Private	G	23d Mich. Infantry	Gobleville	Jan. 26, 1917
John Deal	Private			Gobleville	Apr. 8, 1917
Thomas Welch	Private	E	18th Mich. Infantry	Gobleville	Apr. 16, 1917
George Lewis	Private	F	12th Mich. Infantry	Gobleville	June 6, 1917
B. S. Dalrymple	Private	G	13th Mich. Infantry	Gobleville	Dec. 31, 1917

DEWEY POST No. 60, LESLIE.

A. H. Laberteaux	Private	L	Merrill Horse	Leslie	
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JEWELL POST No. 62, CEDAR SPRINGS.

William H. Jones	Private	I	30th Mich. Infantry	Cedar Springs	Jan. 17, 1917
John F. Peterson	Private	F	2d Mich. Infantry	Cedar Springs	July 23, 1917
Joseph Chapman	Private	I	118th Ind. Infantry	Cedar Springs	Oct. 19, 1917
<i>Not Members of the G. A. R.</i>					
Edwin M. Blair	Private	F	6th Mich. Cavalry	Cedar Springs	Dec. 30, 1917
A. W. Howard	Private	D	1st Mich. Eng. and Mech.	Cedar Springs	Jan. 20, 1917
Joseph Bullock	Private	G	18th Wis. Infantry	Cedar Springs	Mar. 28, 1917
J. F. Whitaker	Private	I	7th Mich. Infantry	Cedar Springs	Apr. 19, 1917
George Church	Private	C	13th Mich. Infantry	Cedar Springs	May 2, 1917

G. K. WARREN POST No. 63, EAST TAWAS.

C. F. Adams	Private	F	15th Mich. Infantry	East Tawas	Jan. 16, 1917
J. E. Hill	Sergeant	H	107th N. Y. Infantry	East Tawas	Aug. 19, 1917

FRANK GRAVES POST No. 64, NILES.

Thomas Roach	Private		73d Ind. Infantry	Niles	July 7, 1917
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U. S. GRANT POST No. 67, BAY CITY.

Jason Mandley	Private	F	29th Ohio Infantry	Bay City	May 31, 1917
Henry Waters	Sergeant	B	11th Mich. Infantry	Bay City	June 6, 1917
Charles Smith	Private	E	8th Mich. Cavalry	Bay City	June 13, 1917
Joseph Peinor	Private	F	43d N. Y. Infantry	Bay City	Sept. 10, 1917
H. C. Green	Private	C	87th Ind. Infantry	Bay City	Oct. 11, 1917
Alfred Moorhouse	Private	H	56th Ill. Infantry	Bay City	Oct. 20, 1917
Henry West	Private	G	23d Mich. Infantry	Bay City	Nov. 8, 1917
John Nollett	Private	H	24th Mich. Infantry	Bay City	Nov. 26, 1917

SHIELDS POST No. 68, SHELBY.

W. H. Barry	Private	A	1st Mich. Light Artillery	Shelby	Aug. 5, 1917
Robert Fleming	Corporal	E	17th Mich. Infantry	Shelby	Sept. 8, 1917
George Getty	Private	D	45th Penn. Infantry	Shelby	Dec. 16, 1917

DWIGHT MAY POST No. 69, MIDLAND.

C. W. Sinclair	Private	C	1st Mich. Lancers	Midland	May 3, 1917
H. D. Northway	Private	I	105th Ohio Infantry	Midland	June 18, 1917

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

Name.	Rank.	Company.	Regiment or branch of service.	Residence.	Date of death.
Levi Keener	Private	D	7th Penn. Cavalry	Constantine	Feb. 23, 1917
Daniel W. Feas	Corporal	D	25th Mich. Infantry	Three Rivers	Sept. 16, 1917
Elias Engleman	Private	I	202d Penn Infantry	Three Rivers	Oct. 8, 1917
William M. Ferry	Private	C	25th Mich. Infantry	Three Rivers	Oct. 8, 1917
<i>Not Members of the G. A. R.</i>					
L. Lane Bradley	Private	E	11th Mich. Infantry	Three Rivers	June 3, 1917

WEATHERWAX POST No. 75, GRAND HAVEN.

Tony Boet	Private	D	8th Mich. Infantry	Grand Haven	May 1, 1917
A. B. Boeardman	Private	C	12th Vt. Infantry	Grand Haven	May 21, 1917
W. S. Walkley	Private	C	23d Mich. Infantry	Grand Haven	Aug. 19, 1917

JOSEPH R. SMITH POST No. 76, MONROE.

Jason Roob	Private	A	4th Mich. Infantry	Monroe	Mar. 25, 1917
Leander Wade	Private	C	7th N. J. Infantry	Monroe	

OROUTT POST No. 79, KALAMAZOO.

James E. White	Captain	G	13th Mich. Infantry	Kalamasoo	Mar. 11, 1917
Brasilla K. Dewey	Private	E	1st Penn. Reserve	Kalamasoo	Jan. 27, 1917
C. R. VanVoorhies	Private	K	1st N. Y. Infantry	Kalamasoo	Feb. 21, 1917
G. M. Evers	Lieutenant	C	17th Mich. Infantry	Richland	
George W. Doane	Private	K	19th Mich. Infantry	Kalamasoo	Nov. 18, 1917
F. P. Muhlenberg	Captain	G	1st Penn. Infantry	Galesburg	Dec. 19, 1917

HARLOW BRIGGS POST No. 80, HOPKINS.

Charles Tiefenthal	Chief Bugler		3d Mich. Cavalry	Hopkins	Jan. 31, 1917
<i>Not Members of the G. A. R.</i>					
William Ross	Private	C	13th Mich. Infantry	Hopkins	June 9, 1917
John McBride	Private	G	6th Mich. Infantry	Hopkins	Sept. 30, 1917

WILLIAM A. KENT POST No. 83, GREENVILLE.

Eli Rodgers	Private	D	8th Mich. Cavalry	Greenville	Jan. 12, 1917
Amos J. Cory	Private	E	196th Ohio Infantry	Greenville	Jan. 30, 1917
William Deary	Private	D	1st Mich. Eng. and Mech.	Greenville	Mar. 2, 1917
John Swarts	Private	A	121 Ohio Infantry	Greenville	June 16, 1917
James H. Edsall	Private	F	1st N. Y. Artillery	Greenville	Dec. 5, 1917

GENERAL LYONS POST No. 86, MANCELONA.

Henry C. Fenner	Private	A	185th N. Y. Infantry	Mancelona	Dec. 5, 1917
James A. Blair	Private	K	14th Wis. Infantry	Mancelona	Dec. 5, 1917
William Martin	Private	A	23d N. Y. Infantry	Mancelona	Nov. 19, 1917

JOSEPH WILSON POST No. 87, LOWELL.

James M. Hulbert	Private	I	1st Mich. Light Artillery	Lowell	1917
Roscoe Yelbae				Lowell	1917
John R. White	Private	B	25th Mich. Infantry	Lowell	1917
F. M. Godfrey	Private	I	30th Ind. Infantry	Lowell	1917

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CORBIN POST No. 88, UNION CITY.

Name.	Rank.	Company.	Regiment or branch of service.	Residence.	Date of death.
Thomas C Knapp.....	Private.....	K	7th Mich. Infantry.....	Union City.....	Jan. 11, 1917
A. J. Davis.....	Private.....	D	1st Mich. Light Artillery.....	Union City.....	Aug. 13, 1917
<i>Not Members of the G. A. R.</i>					
E. C. Mack.....	Private.....	E	7th Mich. Infantry.....	Union City.....	1917
A. H. Wilder.....	Private.....	A	1st Mich. Light Artillery.....	Union City.....	1917
John Kidney.....	Private.....	C	4th Mich. Infantry.....	Union City.....	1917

RANSOM POST No. 89, FLUSHING.

C. Penoyer.....	Private.....	E	23d Mich. Infantry.....	Flushing.....	1917
Chet Felton.....	Private.....	C	23d Mich. Infantry.....	Flushing.....	1917
Charles Lake.....	Private.....	E	111th N. Y. Infantry.....	Flushing.....	1917
H. H. Kale.....	Private.....	H	121st Ohio Infantry.....	Flushing.....	1917

J. N. PENOYER POST No. 90, SAGINAW, WIS.

Henry Brown.....	Private.....	B	24th Mich. Infantry.....	Saginaw.....	Mar. 8, 1917
John W. Foot.....	Private.....	A	8th N. Y. Heavy Artillery.....	Saginaw.....	Mar. 22, 1917
William Scott.....	Private.....	D	16th Mich. Infantry.....	Saginaw.....	Dec. 6, 1917
John Mahoney.....	Private.....	F	97th N. Y. Infantry.....	Saginaw.....	Dec. 23, 1917

WILLIAM D. WILKINS POST No. 91, ST. JOHNS

James Kelley.....	Private.....	D	16th Mich. Infantry.....	St. Johns.....	May 28, 1917
Brazillai M. Earl.....	Corporal.....	A	11th Mich. Infantry.....	St. Johns.....	Sept. 27, 1917

WILLIAM SANBORN POST No. 98, PORT HURON.

H. H. Hyde.....	Sergeant.....	E	7th Mich. Cavalry.....	Port Huron.....	June, 1917
S. V. Jones.....	Private.....	E	7th Mich. Cavalry.....	Port Huron.....	Dec. 21, 1917

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

A. S. Bunnell.....	Lieutenant.....	D	9th Mich. Infantry.....	Lyons.....	Mar. 11, 1917
N. B. Sherwood.....	Private.....	D	4th Mich. Infantry.....	Lyons.....	June 24, 1917

MOSES WISNER POST No. 101, ITHACA.

Joseph Haas.....	Private.....	M	1st N. Y. Artillery.....	Ithaca.....	Feb. 24, 1917
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ELI P. ALEXANDER POST No. 103, WILLIAMSTON.

Elliott B. Kinney.....	Private.....	K	16th Mich. Infantry.....	Williamston.....	May 4, 1917
B. F. Rockwell.....	Private.....	E	14th Ohio Infantry.....	Williamston.....	June 18, 1917

WORTH POST No. 105, TEKONSHA.

William H. Davis.....	Private.....	G	149th N. Y. Infantry.....	Tekonsha.....	Feb. 3, 1917
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TIM LEWIS POST No. 107, DIMONDALE.

John Rinkle.....	Private.....	A	11th Ind. Infantry.....	Dimondale.....	July 16, 1917
O. G. Andrews.....	Private.....	E	8th Mich. Infantry.....	Dimondale.....	Dec. 1, 1917

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EARL HALBERT POST No. 108, GRAND LEDGE.

Name.	Rank.	Company.	Regiment or branch of service.	Residence.	Date of death.
Charles M. Wood.....	Private.....	B	2d U. S. Sharp-shooters.....	Grand Ledge.....	Mar. , 1917
Lewis Barton.....	Lieutenant..	D	9th N. Y. Artillery.....	Grand Ledge.....	Mar., 1917
W. E. Hall.....	Private.....	K	50th Ohio Infantry.....	Grand Ledge.....	Mar. 1917
W. R. Pierce.....	Private.....	K	12th Mich. Infantry.....	Grand Ledge.....	May 6, 1917
George W. Sullivan.....	Private.....	A	24th Mich. Infantry.....	Grand Ledge.....	May, 1917
Benjamin Wallace.....	Private.....	I	11th Mich. Infantry.....	Grand Ledge.....	Oct. 10, 1917

BUTTERWORTH POST No. 109, COLDWATER.

A. B. Cleveland.....	Private.....	D	5th Mich. Cavalry.....	Coldwater.....	Jan. 22, 1917
George R. Purdy.....	Private.....	G	1st Mich. Sharp-shooters.....	Coldwater.....	Jan., 1917
Warren A. Blye.....	Private.....	I	9th Mich. Cavalry.....	Coldwater.....	Feb., 1917
Milan Wheeler.....	Private.....	E	18th Mich. Infantry.....	Coldwater.....	Apr., 1917
Percy W. Hillies.....	Private.....	G	9th Mich. Infantry.....	Coldwater.....	May 18, 1917
Alexander McEntyre.....				Coldwater.....	May 30, 1917
Ambrose Dowd.....				Coldwater.....	June 2, 1917
James E. Perry.....	Private.....	E	1st Mich. Infantry.....	Coldwater.....	Oct. 10, 1917
Edward Whitehead.....				Coldwater.....	Oct. 25, 1917
Jed Wilcox.....	Private.....	C	19th Mich. Infantry.....	Coldwater.....	Oct. 28, 1917
Oliver Lilley.....				Coldwater.....	Nov. 25, 1917
Andrew Nachbaur.....			Navy.....	Coldwater.....	Dec. 13, 1917
Pelig O. Carmer.....	Private.....	F	1st Michigan Light Artillery.....	Coldwater.....	Dec. 26, 1917

DE GOLYER POST No. 110, HUDSON.

Milanthan Bourst.....	Private.....	D	111th N. Y. Infantry.....	Hudson.....	May 19, 1917
Solomon B. Trumbull.....	Corporal.....	H	1st Mich. Light Artillery.....	Hudson.....	June 3, 1917
Benjamin F. Bush.....	Private.....	F	4th Mich. Infantry.....	Hudson.....	July 5, 1917
Orlando W. Haynes.....	Lieutenant..	G	41st Ohio Infantry.....	Hudson.....	Nov. 19, 1917

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

Eli Cook.....	Private.....	I	1st U. S. Sharp-shooters.....	Eaton Rapids.....	Feb. 21, 1917
M. J. Casler.....	Private.....	F	13th Mich. Infantry.....	Eaton Rapids.....	Feb. 24, 1917
M. C. Crannell.....	Private.....	G	101st Ohio Infantry.....	Eaton Rapids.....	Mar. 28, 1917
R. H. Wehr.....	Private.....	H	10th Mich. Infantry.....	Eaton Rapids.....	July 23, 1917
O. J. Peterson.....	Private.....	K	161st N. Y. Infantry.....	Eaton Rapids.....	Sept. 24, 1917
H. J. Milbourn.....	Private.....	H	6th Mich. Heavy Artillery.....	Eaton Rapids.....	Oct. 8, 1917
Adolphus Bennett.....	Private.....	I	7th Mich. Cavalry.....	Eaton Rapids.....	Oct. 28, 1917

JOHN GILLULY POST No. 114, FOWLerville.

Alonzo E. Fennio.....	Private.....	H	4th N. Y. Heavy Artillery.....	Fowlerville.....	Jan. 2, 1917
John W. Barnes.....	Private.....	F	148th N. Y. Infantry.....	Fowlerville.....	Oct., 1917
Cornelius Caldwell.....	Private.....	D	15th Mich. Infantry.....	Fowlerville.....	1917

ELLIOTT POST No. 115, WHITE PIGEON.

M. A. Stickney.....	Private.....	D	67th Ohio Infantry.....	White Pigeon.....	May 30, 1917
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WADDELL POST No. 120, HOWELL.

Squire Veselius.....	Private.....	I	30th Mich. Infantry.....	Howell.....	Feb. 14, 1917
M. W. Dickinson.....	Private.....	A	9th Mich. Infantry.....	Howell.....	Apr. 16, 1917
Elijah Musson.....	Private.....	D	5th Mich. Cavalry.....	Howell.....	May 22, 1917
Martin N. Brayton.....	Sergeant.....	D	6th Mich. Cavalry.....	Howell.....	Aug. 27, 1917
A. W. Messinger.....	Lieutenant..	E	26th Mich. Infantry.....	Howell.....	Oct. 23, 1917

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PAP THOMAS POST No. 121, CHESANING.

Name.	Rank.	Company.	Regiment or branch of service.	Residence.	Date of death.
Charles S. Masters.....	Private.....	D	5th Mich. Cavalry.....	Chesaning.....	Jan. 15, 1917
S. B. Vannocker.....	Corporal.....	H	15th Mich. Infantry.....	Chesaning.....	June 13, 1917
Lewis Waiser.....	Private.....	C	107th Ohio Infantry.....	Chesaning.....	Oct. 16, 1917
H. T. Weaver.....	Private.....	D	1st Penn. Rifles.....	Chesaning.....	July 11, 1917

CARVER POST No. 123, FRANKFORT.

C. C. Dodge.....	Captain.....	C	20th Mich. Infantry.....	Frankfort.....	
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FITZGERALD POST No. 125, HASTINGS.

F. D. Soules.....	Lieutenant.....	A	1st Mich. Sharpshooters.....	Hastings.....	Feb. 15, 1917
Wallace Kelley.....	Private.....	I	55th Ohio Infantry.....	Hastings.....	Apr. 25, 1917
J. C. Woodruff.....	Private.....	C	1st Mich. Eng. and Mech.....	Hastings.....	1917
Daniel E. Birdall.....	Lieutenant.....	E	5th Mich. Infantry.....	Hastings.....	July 14, 1917
John Lichty.....	Sergeant.....	F	15th Ohio Infantry.....	Hastings.....	Dec. 12, 1917

DAN S. ROOT POST No. 126, BELDING.

<i>Not Members of the G. A. R.</i>					
Horace Foreman.....	Private.....	E	3d Mich. Infantry.....	Belding.....	Oct., 1917
Wilson M. Philips.....	Private.....	H	10th Mich. Cavalry.....	Belding.....	July 5, 1917

H. M. LITTLE POST No. 131, COLON.

E. Smith.....	Private.....	D	11th Mich. Infantry.....	Colon.....	Mar. 12, 1917
James Kemberling.....	Private.....	A	11th Mich. Infantry.....	Colon.....	Dec. 13, 1917
W. H. A. Godfrey.....	Captain.....	C	130 N. Y. Infantry.....	Colon.....	1917

SAMUEL JUDD POST No. 133, NEWAYGO.

William H. Ostrom.....	Private.....	K	9th Mich. Infantry.....	Grant.....	Feb. 24, 1917
John Roseworn.....	Private.....	H	5th Wis. Infantry.....	Grant.....	Aug. 15, 1917
<i>Not Members of the G. A. R.</i>					
James Callender.....	Corporal.....	C	38th Ohio Infantry.....	Newaygo.....	1917
William H. Babcock.....	Private.....	D	4th Mich. Infantry.....	Newaygo.....	1917

BEERS POST No. 140, TECUMSEH.

G. N. Halsey.....	Private.....	C	9th Mich. Infantry.....	Tecumseh.....	1917
Davies Roberts.....				Tecumseh.....	1917

WHITE SIDE POST No. 143, CARO.

Oscar M. Wells.....	Private.....	H	26th Mich. Infantry.....	Caro.....	June 18, 1917
Daniel Cole.....	Private.....	G	7th Mich. Infantry.....	Caro.....	June 19, 1917
C. Beaman.....	Private.....		23d N. Y. Battery.....	Caro.....	Dec. 24, 1917

TURRELL POST No. 144, LAPEER.

Clement Waldron.....	Private.....	F	1st Mich. Cavalry.....	Lapeer.....	Jan. 30, 1917
William O. Fowler.....	Private.....	F	14th Mich. Infantry.....	Lapeer.....	July 20, 1917

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GOV. CRAPO POST No. 145, FLINT.

Name.	Rank.	Company.	Regiment or branch of service.	Residence.	Date of death.
William Argyle	Private	C	8th Mich. Cavalry	Flint	1917
Simeon W. Crosby				Flint	1917
William N. Cutler	Private	D	30th Ind. Infantry	Flint	1917
Jerry Cook	Private	F	29th N. Y. Infantry	Flint	1917
James C. Fuller	Private	G	8th Mich. Infantry	Flint	1917
Charles H. Penoyer	Sergeant	E	23d Mich. Infantry	Flint	1917
George A. Tyler	Private	I	1st Mich. Cavalry	Flint	Aug. 3, 1917
William Sperle	Private	B	152d N. Y. Infantry	Flint	July 28, 1917
Rufus Ranney	Private	C	23d Mich. Infantry	Flint	Sept. 1, 1917
William A. Bloomer	Private	G	7th Ind. Infantry	Flint	Sept. 20, 1917
Charles Baker	Private	G	9th Mich. Cavalry	Flint	Nov. 25, 1917

DICK RICHARDSON POST No. 147, PONTIAC.

J. E. Sherman	Private	I	10th Mich. Infantry	Pontiac	Jan. 18, 1917
W. H. Morgans	Sergeant	G	1st N. Y. Battery	Pontiac	Jan. 27, 1917
A. P. Pierson	Sergeant	H	7th Mich. Infantry	Pontiac	Feb. 1, 1917
Chauncey Brace	Private	E	9th Mich. Infantry	Pontiac	Mar. 11, 1917
W. E. Sprague	Private	C	10th Mich. Infantry	Pontiac	1917

RALPH ELY POST No. 150, SHEPHERD.

R. Wellman	Sergeant	G	160th N. Y. Infantry	Shepherd	Jan. 29, 1917
J. B. Northrup	Private	B	174th N. Y. Infantry	Shepherd	Apr. 30, 1917
B. A. Caboon	Private	F	8th Mich. Infantry	Shepherd	Sept. 26, 1917

WILLIAM MOYER POST No. 152, ALMA.

Gardner Clark	Private	K	N. Y. Infantry	Alma	Feb. 17, 1917
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CHAS. GRISSON POST No. 156, ST. JOHNS.

John Flynn	Private	I	27th Mich. Infantry	St. Johns	1917
Horace Tucker	Private	D	1st Mich. Cavalry	St. Johns	1917
John Cunningham	Private	D	28th Mich. Infantry	St. Johns	1917
Demetrius Glenn	Private	D	14th N. Y. Infantry	St. Johns	Aug. 12, 1917
George W. Shulters	Private	K	30th Mich. Infantry	St. Johns	Oct. 24, 1917

ALBERT ANDERSON POST No. 157, CASSOPOLIS.

James H. Farnum	Corporal	A	{ 1st N. Y. Battery 8th N. Y. Battery }	Cassopolis	Jan. 19, 1917
Jacob McIntosh	Sergeant	D	6th Mich. Infantry	Cassopolis	Mar. 7, 1917
James M. Cornice	Private	F	45th Ohio Infantry	Cassopolis	Mar. 19, 1917
Norris Richardson	Private	L	{ 20th Ill. Infantry 9th Iowa Cavalry }	Cassopolis	Sept. 1, 1917

COL. ELY POST No. 158, ELM HALL.

Urbin J. Dyer	Private	E	1st Mich. Light Artillery	Elm Hall	Jan. 4, 1917
Seneca Sly	Private	B	28th Mich. Infantry	Elm Hall	July 6, 1917
Thomas Fitzgerald	Private	D	55th Mass. Infantry	Elm Hall	Nov. 3, 1917

HENRY F. WALLACE POST No. 160, CORUNNA.

L. Wariner	Private	K	10th Ohio Cavalry	Corunna	May 21, 1917
A. L. Adams	Private	G	3d Mich. Infantry	Corunna	Aug. 21, 1917

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

Name.	Rank.	Company.	Regiment or branch of service.	Residence.	Date of death.
John Delker	Private.....	H	1st Light Artillery.....	Detroit.....	Apr., 1917

C. COLGROVE POST No. 166, MARSHALL.

Samuel B. Garrison	Private.....	D	9th Mich. Infantry.....	Marshall.....	Mar. 17, 1917
Myron Wright.....	Private.....	A	8th Mich. Cavalry.....	Marshall.....	Apr. 16, 1917
George F. Walts.....	Private.....	A	8th Mich. Cavalry.....	Marshall.....	Apr. 26, 1917
F. W. Deckey.....	Captain.....	M	2d Mich. Cavalry.....	Marshall.....	Apr. 28, 1917
S. Marble.....	Captain.....	F	9th Mich. Infantry.....	Marshall.....	Oct. 1, 1917

LOMBARD POST No. 170, PETOSKEY.

Henry Gates.....	Corporal.....	I	48th Ind. Infantry.....	Petoskey.....	Mar. 5, 1917
Jabes F. Israel.....	Sergeant.....	F	5th Ohio Cavalry.....	Petoskey.....	Apr. 5, 1917
Horace Crull.....	Private.....	H	11th Mich. Infantry.....	Petoskey.....	Apr. 6, 1917
		C	28th Mich. Infantry.....		
John E. Darrah.....	Private.....	B	57th Penn. Infantry.....	Clarion.....	July 31, 1917
<i>Not Members of the G. A. R.</i>					
Edwin Annabel.....	Corporal.....	H	7th Mich. Cavalry.....	Petoskey.....	Mar., 1917
William Compton.....	Private.....		Unassigned.....	Petoskey.....	Nov. 10, 1917
William J. Hill.....	Corporal.....	F	1st Oregon Infantry.....	Petoskey.....	May 27, 1917

JULIUS T. BARRETT POST No. 173, CARSON CITY.

James F. Filmore.....	Private.....	A	14th N. Y. Heavy Artillery.....	Carson City.....	June 8, 1917
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E. R. STILES POST No. 174, HANCOCK.

H. B. Rogers.....	Lieutenant..	D	6th Mich. Cavalry.....	Hancock.....	1917
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C. F. SMITH POST No. 175, ESCANABA.

Gaspard Lacombe.....	Private.....	D	8th N. Y. Cavalry.....	Gladstone.....	May 29, 1917
Norman A. Eddy.....	Private.....	C	11th Wis. Infantry.....	Escanaba.....	Nov. 23, 1917

DEWIT C. RUSSELL POST No. 179, BRIGHTON.

Samuel Avis.....	Private.....	G	3d Mich. Cavalry.....	Brighton.....	May 11, 1917
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CARPENTER POST No. 180, YPSILANTI.

Frank Joslyn.....	Private.....	B	5th Mich. Cavalry.....	Ypsilanti.....	Mar. 11, 1917
Martin Cryser.....	Private.....	B	20th Mich. Infantry.....	Ypsilanti.....	May 8, 1917
Spencer L. Shaw.....	Corporal.....	B	Halls Ind. Sharp-Shooters.....	Ypsilanti.....	June 12, 1917
Robert Wilson.....	Private.....	H	20th Mich. Infantry.....	Ypsilanti.....	July 8, 1917

HEBER LEFAVOUR POST No. 181, MILFORD.

H. W. Nichols.....	Lieutenant..	A	10th Mich. Infantry.....	Milford.....	May 11, 1917
E. K. Childs.....	Private.....	K	1st Mich. Eng. & Mech.....	Milford.....	1917

HACKETT POST No. 185, BRONSON.

Name.	Rank.	Company.	Regiment or branch of service.	Residence.	Date of death.
Jackson Ramage.....	Private.....	K	44th Ill. Infantry.....	Bronson.....	Aug. 28, 1917
Charles Hamilton.....	Lieutenant..		7th Mich. Infantry.....	Bronson.....	Sept. 25, 1917

FRANK POWELL POST No. 187, OXFORD.

Silas Casamer.....	Private.....	D	22d Mich. Infantry.....	Oxford.....	May 26, 1917
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JAMES BRADLEY POST No. 194, CLIO.

A. S. Shelley.....	Private.....	D	151st N. Y. Infantry.....	Clio.....	Apr. 19, 1917
J. J. Powell.....	Private.....	B	4th Mich. Cavalry.....	Clio.....	June 5, 1917

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

Hanson Kimball.....	Private.....	D	144th Ohio Infantry.....	Lawton.....	June 23, 1917
William Brace.....	Private.....	D	38th Ohio Infantry.....	Lawton.....	Dec. 20, 1917
<i>Not Members of the G. A. R.</i>					
A. J. Shaff.....	Private.....	G	19th Mich. Infantry.....	Lawton.....	Dec. 30, 1917
A. Cleveland.....				Lawton.....	Dec. 31, 1917

JOHN TUCKER POST No. 197, ORTONVILLE.

W. W. Carmer.....	Private.....	H	13th Mich. Infantry.....	Ortonville.....	Jan. 22, 1917
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McGINLEY POST No. 201, MANISTEE.

E. W. Muenscher.....	Captain.....	B	4th Ohio Infantry.....	Manistee.....	Apr. 15, 1917
Henry T. Hall.....	Private.....	A	187th Penn. Infantry.....	Manistee.....	Dec. 9, 1917
George Allen.....	Private.....	L	6th Mich. Cavalry.....	Manistee.....	
M. A. Hopper.....	Sergeant.....	G	N. Y. Light Artillery.....	Manistee.....	Jan. 27, 1918

ALBERT NYE POST No. 202, ROMEO.

J. W. Brooks.....	Private.....	D	13th Mich. Infantry.....	Romeo.....	July 14, 1917
Mac Crawford.....	Private.....		2d N. Y. Dragoons.....	Romeo.....	Nov. 28, 1917

I. B. QUACKENBUSH POST No. 205, OWOSSO.

Lawrence Fluck.....	Private.....	G	65th Ohio Infantry.....	Owosso.....	June 2, 1917
Sidney G. Main.....	1st Lieut.....	E	29th Mich. Infantry.....	Bruce.....	June 2, 1917
John P. Seeds.....	Private.....	K	31st Ind. Infantry.....	Owosso.....	July 6, 1917
Earl S. Hall.....	Sergeant.....	G	8th Mich. Cavalry.....	Owosso.....	Oct. 18, 1917
		B	2d Mich. Cavalry.....	Owosso.....	Oct. 18, 1917
Edwin Pasco.....	Private.....	K	106th N. Y. Infantry.....	Owosso.....	Nov. 29, 1917
James Price.....	Private.....	B	11th Mich. Cavalry.....	Owosso.....	Dec. 15, 1917
Oscar T. Bailey.....	Corporal.....	K	30th Mich. Infantry.....	Owosso.....	Dec. 26, 1917
<i>Not Members of the G. A. R.</i>					
Leonard Crouse.....	Private.....	E	20th Mich. Infantry.....	Owosso.....	Mar. 16, 1917
Thomas W. Murray.....	Corporal.....	D	6th Mich. Cavalry.....	Owosso.....	June 24, 1917
James F. Jones.....	Private.....	F	45th Ohio Infantry.....	Owosso.....	Aug. 8, 1917
John Reynolds.....	Private.....	C	30th Mich. Infantry.....	Owosso.....	Aug. 15, 1917
Nathan Willoughby.....	Private.....	G	78th Ohio Infantry.....	Owosso Township	Sept. 18, 1917
Charles J. Wimple.....	Private.....	H	8th Mich. Cavalry.....	Owosso Township	1917

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MAJOR WEBER POST No. 206, BELLAIRE.

Name.	Rank.	Company.	Regiment or branch of service.	Res dence.	Date of death.
George W. Montgomery.....	Private.....	D	19th Ohio Infantry.....	Bellaire.....	May 2, 1917

GEORGE A. CUSTER POST No. 208, GALIEN.

Benton B. Sterns.....	1st Lieut.....	E	12th Mich. Infantry.....	Galien.....	Jan. 18, 1917
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E. W. HOLLINGSWORTH POST No. 210, ALBION.

John N. Ford.....	Private.....	I	6th Mich. Infantry.....	Albion.....	Apr. 17, 1917
Eara C. Lounsbury.....	Private.....		23d N. Y. Battery.....	Albion.....	May 29, 1917
Emory Lamb.....	Private.....	I	6th Mich. Infantry.....	Albion.....	June 29, 1917
Samuel M. Horton.....	Captain.....	A	38th U. S. Colored Infantry.....	Albion.....	Sept. 23, 1917

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

Levi Heth.....	Private.....	K	10th Mich. Cavalry.....	Ionis Co.....	Mar. 14, 1917
A. H. Heath.....	Captain.....	A	99th Ind. Infantry.....	Ionis Co.....	Apr. 24, 1917
Julius Taubert.....	Private.....	E	1st Mich. Eng. and Mech.....	Ionis Co.....	Aug. 4, 1917
Norman L. Brookins.....	Private.....	D	105th Ohio Infantry.....	Grand Rapids.....	Aug. 15, 1917

JAMES B. MASON POST No. 213, BELLEVUE.

Mitchel Dralette.....	Private.....	G	20th Mich. Infantry.....	Bellevue.....	Jan. 18, 1917
George Church.....	Private.....	K	10th Mich. Cavalry.....	Bellevue.....	May 20, 1917
George Stevens.....	Private.....	M	Merrill Horse.....	Bellevue.....	Sept. 10, 1917
George Bishop.....	Sergeant.....	G	1st Mich. Eng. and Mech.....	Bellevue.....	Dec. 2, 1917
<i>Not Members of the G. A. R.</i>					
George Crowell.....	Private.....	B	28th Mich. Infantry.....	Bellevue.....	
S. H. Tucker.....	Private.....	L	2d Mich. Cavalry.....	Bellevue.....	

WM. RICHARDSON POST No. 214, MILLINGTON.

Stephen J. Harry.....	Corporal.....	I	14th Mich. Infantry.....	Millington.....	Feb. 23, 1917
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H. D. TERRY POST No. 216, MT. CLEMENS.

George W. Robertson.....	Captain.....	F	22d Mich. Infantry.....	Mt. Clemens.....	Aug. 9, 1917
Chauncey J. Case.....	Private.....	A	1st Minn. Infantry.....	Mt. Clemens.....	Sept. 16, 1917

MAURICE B. WELLS POST No. 218, LUTHER.

Alonso Woodruff.....	Private.....	I	1st U. S. Sharp-shooters.....	Luther.....	Feb. 10, 1917
Eugene P. Willard.....	Private.....	C	11th Mich. Infantry.....	Luther.....	Sept. 29, 1917

RUDDOCK POST No. 224, CHEBOYGAN.

Robert Braham.....	Private.....	A	13th N. Y. Cavalry.....	Cheboygan.....	May 26, 1917
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HARVEY TUCKER POST No. 229, MARINE CITY.

Merlin Campbell.....	Private.....	G	39th Ill. Infantry.....	Marine City.....	Oct. 6, 1917
Louis Cochr.....	Private.....	D	19th U. S. Infantry.....	Marine City.....	Oct. 15, 1917

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EDDY POST No. 231, PLYMOUTH.

Name.	Rank.	Company.	Regiment or branch of service.	Residence.	Date of death.
William Smitherman.....	Private.....	K	1st Mich. Eng. and Mech.....	Plymouth.....	.....

OSCAR BARTLETT POST No. 233, WALES.

Newell Bowen.....	Private.....	H	4th Mich. Infantry.....	Lamb.....	Jan. 11, 1917
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O. H. READ POST No. 234, HUBBARDSTON.

Alba S. Harris.....	Captain....	I	98th N. Y. Infantry.....	Hubbardston....	Apr. 6, 1917
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WALTER CLIFFORD POST No. 235, BOYNE CITY.

Sylvester Nelson.....	Private.....	G	14th Wis. Infantry.....	Boyne City.....	Sept. 18, 1917
<i>Not Members of the G. A. R.</i>					
Antoine Turcott.....	Private.....	H	5th N. H. Infantry.....	Boyne City.....	Feb. 19, 1917
William Covert.....	Private.....	H	7th Mich. Cavalry.....	Boyne City.....	Mar. 21, 1917
Henry U. Dyer.....	Private.....	G	188th N. Y. Infantry.....	Boyne City.....	June 27, 1917
Ashbel F. Herron.....	Private.....	H	18th Mich. Infantry.....	Boyne City.....	Nov. 26, 1917

PETER A. WEBER POST No. 237, ROCKFORD.

C. N. Grawbadger.....	.....	.....	.....	G. Rapids, S. H....	Feb. 14, 1917
Charles Jaqua.....	Private.....	H	21st Mich. Infantry.....	Rockford.....	July, 1917

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

Daniel C. Covert.....	Private.....	K	9th Mich. Cavalry.....	Mt. Pleasant.....	Apr. 16, 1917
H. G. Bacon.....	Private.....	B	13th Iowa Infantry.....	Mt. Pleasant.....	Sept. 15, 1917
Nicholas Lapenhold.....	Private.....	G	107th Ohio Infantry.....	Mt. Pleasant.....	Oct. 17, 1917

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

O. J. Knapp.....	Private.....	B	12th Ind. Infantry.....	Howard City.....	..... 1917
James Hatton.....	Private.....	C	115th N. Y. Infantry.....	Howard City.....	July 23, 1917

WILLIAM M. FENTON POST No. 258, ST. IGNAC.

C. S. Carr.....	Private.....	I	101st Ohio Infantry.....	St. Ignac.....	Feb., 1917
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STEWART POST No. 259, LITCHFIELD.

Jesse L. Hadley.....	Private.....	H	4th Mich. Infantry.....	Litchfield.....	Nov. 2, 1917
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A. C. VANRAALTE POST No. 262, HOLLAND.

George B. Hyde.....	Private.....	E	9th Mich. Cavalry.....	Holland.....	Jan. 31, 1917
Benjamin Van Raalte.....	Sergeant....	I	25th Mich. Infantry.....	Holland.....	Aug. 14, 1917
John H. Slotman.....	Private.....	I	13th Mich. Infantry.....	Holland.....	Sept. 21, 1917

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LYON POST No. 266, MENOMINEE.

Name.	Rank.	Company.	Regiment or branch of service.	Residence.	Date of death.
James C. Sherman.....	Private.....	F	12th Wis. Infantry.....	Menominee.....	Nov. 11, 1917
George W. Longhurst.....	Private.....	D	12th Wis. Infantry.....	Wallace.....	Dec. 4, 1917
<i>Not Member of the G. A. R.</i>					
Samuel Hayward.....	Private.....	F	14th Wis. Infantry.....	Ingallston.....	Feb. 1, 1917

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

Samuel Salliotte.....	Private.....	H	14th Mich. Infantry.....	Ecorse.....	1917
August Guenther.....				Ecorse.....	1917
Julius Bulley.....	Private.....	G	15th Mich. Infantry.....	Ecorse.....	1917
Dave Lesperence.....				Ecorse.....	Sept. 19, 1917

LUCIUS TAYLOR POST No. 274, MILAN.

John Steidle.....	Private.....	G	100th Ohio Infantry.....	Milan.....	Feb. 23, 1917
W. E. Howard.....	Private.....		1st R. I., Light Artillery.....	Milan.....	Apr. 13, 1917

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

George S. King.....	Private.....	I	2d Penn. Cavalry.....	North Muskegon.	June 11, 1917
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MORGAN PARKER POST No. 281, PETERSBURG.

Thurber Breningstall.....	Private.....	H	15th Mich. Infantry.....	Petersburg.....	Oct. 28, 1917
Ferdinand Reinhart.....	Private.....	K	128th Ohio Infantry.....	Petersburg.....	Dec. 9, 1917

HENRY H. KNAPP POST No. 284, DAVISON.

John O'Harron.....	Private.....	K	23d Mich. Infantry.....	Davison.....	Jan. 25, 1917
Louis D. Raisin.....	Private.....	C	10th Mich. Infantry.....	Davison.....	Feb. 18, 1917
Samuel A. Comstock.....	Private.....	A	29th Mich. Infantry.....	Davison.....	Dec. 16, 1917

COL. STEWART POST No. 285, TUSTIN.

Reese H. Jones.....	Private.....	C	151st Ind. Infantry.....	Tustin.....	Mar. 8, 1917
John Stansell.....	Private.....	I	3d Mich. Infantry.....	Tustin.....	Nov. 13, 1917

ANDREWS POST No. 294, BIG RAPIDS.

W. A. Whitney.....	Private.....		24th N. Y. Battery.....	Big Rapids.....	Feb. 11, 1917
H. S. Sawyer.....	Private.....	I	45th Penn. Infantry.....	Big Rapids.....	May 20, 1917
George A. Loucks.....	Private.....	F	75th Ill. Infantry.....	Rodney.....	Sept. 12, 1917
George Gotchel.....	Private.....	D	2d Ohio Cavalry.....	Muskegon.....	Oct. 24, 1917
A. C. Berge.....	Private.....	A	10th Mich. Cavalry.....	Big Rapids.....	Oct. 27, 1917

ALBERT JACKSON POST No. 300, MARQUETTE.

John Dooley.....	Private.....	E	111th N. Y. Infantry.....	Marquette.....	1917
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ORRIN WHITCOMB POST No. 302, BYRON CENTER.

Name.	Rank.	Company.	Regiment or branch of service.	Residence.	Date of death.
R. F. Haines	Private.....	E	14th Mich. Infantry.....	Byron Center....	Jan. 15, 1917
Alonso M. Green.....	Private.....	D	1st Mich. Eng. and Mech.....	Byron Center....	Jan. 15, 1917

BURSON POST No. 303, SCHOOLCRAFT.

Frank Carlton	Private.....	B	6th Mich. Infantry.....	Schoolcraft.....	July 25, 1917
Julius Hilton	Private.....	B	8th Mich. Cavalry.....	Schoolcraft.....	July 30, 1917
John Gilchrist.....	Captain....	K	25th Mich. Infantry.....	Schoolcraft.....	Aug. 22, 1917

G. J. HUDSON POST No. 317, MATTAWAN.

Thomas Thompson.....	Private.....	G	15th Mich. Infantry.....	Mattawan.....	May 14, 1917
Albert Newkirk.....	Private.....	K	2d Mich. Infantry.....	Mattawan.....	June 30, 1917

ALLEN M. HARMON POST No. 318, NORTHVILLE.

Jasper N. Elliott.....	Private.....	C	1st Mich. Cavalry.....	Northville.....	Jan. 23, 1917
Ezekiel Dingman.....	Private.....	D	2d Mich. Infantry.....	Northville.....	Feb. 10, 1917
George P. Ingersoll.....	Private.....	I	22d Mich. Infantry.....	Northville.....	Aug. 9, 1917

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

Lewis Barnes.....	Private.....	13th Mich. Battery.....	Prairieville.....	Aug. 23, 1917
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W. B. STUART POST No. 324, CRYSTAL.

W. S. Barger.....	Private.....	H	9th Ohio Cavalry.....	Crystal.....	1917
W. G. Griswold.....	Private.....	C	3d Mich. Infantry.....	Crystal.....	1917

MYRON HAWLEY POST No. 328, NAPOLEON.

James L. Hawley.....	Private.....	G	3d Mich. Cavalry.....	Napoleon.....	Nov. 23, 1917
<i>Not Members of the G. A. R.</i>					
Conrad Burch.....	.....	.....	.....	Napoleon.....	1917
John Keeling.....	.....	.....	.....	Napoleon.....	1917

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

J. C. Garner.....	Private.....	H	20th N. Y. Cavalry.....	Dexter.....	Feb. 7, 1917
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MATHEW ARTIS POST No. 341, CASSOPOLIS.

L. B. Stewart.....	Private.....	B	102d U. S. Colored Infantry.....	Cassopolis.....	Apr. 14, 1917
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E. H. LISCUM POST No. 343, SAULT STE. MARIE.

William Buchanan.....	Private.....	13th Mich. Battery.....	Echo Bay.....	Jan. 5, 1917
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S. D. HAIGHT POST No. 348, SCOTTVILLE.

Name.	Rank.		Regiment or branch of service.	Residence.	Date of death.
Thomas R. Barnes	Private.....	I	42d Ind. Infantry.....	Scottsville	Aug. 14, 1917
L. O. Bates.....	Private.....	K	4th Mich. Cavalry.....	Grand Rapids....	Oct. 21, 1917

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

Reuben Farnam	Sergeant....	H	29th Mich. Infantry	Sand Lake.....	Jan. 30, 1917
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COMSTOCK POST No. 352, MANCHESTER.

Almen F. Norton	Private.....	A	24th Ohio Infantry	Manchester.....	Mar. 28, 1917
James Douglas.....	Private.....	G	102d U. S. Colored Ind.....	Sharon.....	Sept. 25, 1917

ROWLEY POST No. 358, CLAYTON.

John Shults	Private.....	D	12th Mich. Infantry	Clayton.....	Nov. 16, 1917
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C. B. HUBBLE POST No. 364, COLEMAN.

Judson Coon	Private.....	F	50th N. Y. Infantry	Coleman.....	Jan. 17, 1917
Jasper N. Drake.....	Private.....	D	10th Mich. Cavalry.....	G. Rapids, S. H....	1917

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

George W. Reed	Private.....	C	6th Mich. Heavy Artillery.....	Benzonia.....	Nov. 3, 1917
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U. O. BRETZ POST No. 382, LAKE ODESSA.

William Fink	Private.....	H	12th Mich. Infantry.....	Lake Odessa.....	Feb. 2, 1917
Abel Bywater.....	Private.....	H	8th Mich. Infantry.....	Lake Odessa.....	Mar. 31, 1917
Joseph D. Bishop.....	Private.....	B	13th Mich. Infantry.....	Lake Odessa.....	July 6, 1917
Christian J. Yager.....	Private.....	D	9th Mich. Infantry.....	Lake Odessa.....	Sept. 7, 1917
S. H. Mallery.....	Private.....	H	4th Mich. Infantry.....	Lake Odessa.....	Sept. 25, 1917

DETROIT POST No. 384, DETROIT.

James B. Carney.....	Corporal....	M	9th N. Y. Heavy rtilery.....	Detroit.....	Jan. 24, 1917
Thomas A. Wadsworth.....	Private.....	A	24th Mich. Infantry.....	Detroit.....	Oct. 11, 1917
Charles G. Hampton.....	Captain.....	D	15th N. Y. Cavalry.....	etroit.....	Oct. 19, 1917
Robert Gibbons.....	Sergeant....	B	24th Mich. Infantry.....	Detroit.....	Nov. 16, 1917

MICHIGAN POST No. 393, DETROIT.

Fred Kraft	Private.....	D	1st N. Y. Cavalry	Detroit.....	Oct. 17, 1917
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A. B. WATSON POST No. 395, GRAND RAPIDS.

Charles M. Runyan.....	Sergeant....	L	3d U. S. Artillery.....	Grand Rapids....	Jan. 8, 1917
Harvey E. Derrin.....	Private.....	L	6th N. Y. Artillery.....	Grand Rapids....	Feb. 18, 1917
Royal M. Stewart.....	Private.....	H	105th Ohio Infantry.....	Grand Rapids....	Mar. 21, 1917
Honore P. Snyder.....	Musician....	D	15th Penn. Infantry.....	Grand Rapids....	Apr. 14, 1917
Hartwell C. Nichols.....	Private.....	E	8th Mich. Infantry.....	Grand Rapids....	May 11, 1917
Dwight S. Drake.....	Private.....	A	21st Mich. Infantry.....	Grand Rapids....	May 12, 1917
John T. Alleott.....	Private.....	D	123d N. Y. Infantry.....	Grand Rapids....	July 7, 1917
Jacob Swartout.....	Private.....	A	1st Mich. Cavalry.....	Grandville.....	Sept. 20, 1917
William Smith.....	Private.....	C	6th Ohio Cavalry.....	Grand Rapids....	Sept. 23, 1917
Elwood Newhouse.....	Private.....	M	1st Ohio Light Artillery.....	Grand Rapids....	Nov. 28, 1917

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GEO. WARD POST No. 398, ST. CHARLES.

Name.	Rank.	Company.	Regiment or branch of service.	Residence.	Date of death.
F. C. L. Addleberg	Private.....	E	116th N. Y. Infantry	Brant.....	Aug. 29, 1917
C. B. Spencer.....	Private.....	G	186th N. Y. Infantry	Brant.....	Dec. 20, 1917

BURLINGAME POST No. 402, AKRON.

John W. Ingersoll	Private.....	B	29th Ohio Infantry	Caro.....	July 7, 1917
William Portlo.....	Private.....	B	29th Mich. Infantry	Akron.....	July 29, 1917

GENL. W. T. SHERMAN POST No. 410, VASSAR.

John Scarlett	Private.....	F	96th N. Y. Infantry	Vassar.....	June, 1917
George Perry	Private.....	K	2d Ohio Cavalry	Vassar.....	June, 1917
Oliver C. Loomis.....	Private.....	B	13th N. Y. Infantry	Vassar.....	July, 1917

STEPHEN MUNGER POST No. 425, FREELAND.

Wayne E. Morris	Sergeant....	E	23d Mich. Infantry	Freeland.....	Dec. 16, 1917
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O. M. POE POST No. 433, DETROIT.

John Gil	Private.....	E	22d Mich. Infantry	Detroit.....	1917
John Hare	Private.....	D	30th Mich. Infantry	Detroit.....	1917
James P. Stout	Corporal....	D	14th Ohio Infantry	Detroit.....	1917
J. R. Fisher	Private.....	B	8th Mich. Cavalry	Detroit.....	1917

McCOOK POST No. 434, McBRIDES.

George Carpenter	Private.....	B	16th Mich. Infantry	McBrides.....	June 12, 1917
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WASHINGTON POST No. 444, CADILLAC.

Charles C. Dunham	Private.....	L	10th Mich. Cavalry	Cadillac.....	Aug. 18, 1917
George Holland	Private.....	G	9th Mich. Infantry	Cadillac.....	Dec. 11, 1917
John Vosburg	Private.....	A	11th Ind. Cavalry	Cadillac.....	Feb. 21, 1917

GENL. I. C. SMITH POST No. 451, REED CITY.

Irvin Miner	Lieutenant..	F	4th Mich. Infantry	Reed City.....	Jan. 9, 1917
Spencer Fradenberg	Private.....	I	42d Ind. Infantry	Reed City.....	Feb. 20, 1917

JAMES A. SAXTON POST No. 454, CENTRAL LAKE.

Amos J. Jackson	Private.....	G	6th Mich. Infantry	Central Lake....	1917
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JOHN HUNTER POST No. 455, MONTROSE.

Levi A. Bronson	Private.....	H	9th Mich. Infantry	Montrose.....	Apr. 5, 1917
William H. Parker	Private.....	G	8th Mich. Infantry	Montrose.....	Dec. 13, 1917

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STANSELL POST No. 456, SOUTH LYON.

Name.	Rank.	Company.	Regiment or branch of service.	Residence.	Date of death.
J. D. Haywood.....	Private.....	K	3d Mich. Cavalry.....	South Lyon.....	May 10, 1917

GEORGE BOYD POST No. 461, BOON.

R. C. Norris.....	Private.....	H	15th Vt. Cavalry.....	Boon.....	June 21, 1917
George W. Wheeler.....	Private.....	B	32d Wis. Infantry.....	Morrice.....	June 26, 1917
Sam Crum.....	Private.....	C	167th N. Y. Infantry.....	Boon.....	1917

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

Richard Towers.....	Private.....	C	7th Ohio Infantry.....	Rapid City.....	May 13, 1917
J. R. Riblett.....	Private.....	B	108th Ill. Infantry.....	Bellaire.....	June 17, 1917

GENERAL ORDERS ISSUED.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN,
 GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,
 CAPITOL BLDG., LANSING, JUNE 22, 1917.

General Orders No. 1, Series 1917-18.

1. Comrades, having been unanimously elected and duly installed into office as your Department Commander, June 22d, at Battle Creek, Mich., I now assume command of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic, fully realizing the great responsibilities of the high position to which I have been elevated.

II. The honor that has been conferred upon me is most highly appreciated. It shall be my ambition and most earnest desire to advance and maintain the high ideals which have characterized all previous administrations, and to advance in every right and just way, the best interests of the Grand Army of the Republic.

III. I am pleased to announce the following appointments: Comrades, Henry Spaulding, Assistant Adjutant General, Post 20, Hartford, and Allison L. Bryant, Assistant Quartermaster General, Post 255, Mayville.

They will be obeyed and respected accordingly.

IV. Other staff appointments will be made later, and promulgated through general orders.

V. Post Commanders are requested and expected to send to Headquarters at Lansing at once, names of active and earnest Comrades as Aide-de-Camp, from the various Posts, to whom commissions will be issued.

VI. Adjutants of Posts are requested to have a summary of General Orders published in their local papers, especially this order.

VII. All official communications should be addressed to the Assistant Adjutant General, Capitol Building, Lansing, Michigan.

All communications requiring the personal attention of the Department Commander should be sent to him direct, at Port Huron, Michigan.

VIII. That speedy and best results may be obtained, the Department Commander asks the hearty co-operation of every Post, and that Post Commanders and Adjutants use their best efforts to this end.

With hearty good wishes to all, I am,

Very truly yours, in F. C. and L.,

WILLIAM O. LEE,
 Department Commander.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN,
 GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,
 CAPITOL BUILDING, LANSING, JULY 5, 1917.

Circular Letter No. 1.

To the Auxiliary and Allied Patriotic Organizations of the Grand Army of the Republic, Greetings! The Woman's Relief Corps—the Ladies of the G. A. R.—the Daughters of Veterans—Daughters of the

G. A. R. and Sons of Veterans, you are, as you are aware, organized to aid and assist and help build up and maintain the Grand Army of the Republic. The time has come when the Department and the Department Commander, and his officers, want this proposition acted upon, and are going to appeal to all, and ask you for the good of the G. A. R., that all of your organizations get out and work and work for results.

From the records of the last reports at the last State Encampment, shows that only about one-third of the Comrades of '61 to '65 who were honorably discharged, belong to the G. A. R. We want the other two-thirds and they need us and it is up to the wives, daughters, sons, members and friends of our allied organizations to get them into our ranks.

Some of the Comrades are out, owing to their Posts disbanding, and they have not joined another, some have been suspended from negligence in not paying their dues, and some have never been members. They will all be accepted by the Post most convenient to them, by the payment of \$1.00, the regular admission fee, without any reference to past dues, providing their military record is clear and their moral standing acceptable.

We want them, for they are Comrades and should be with us for comradeship and its associations, but what is still of greater importance to them is that when the dread reaper appears for its final call, and the Comrade has passed to the great beyond, his Comrades will be able to lay him to rest with their beautiful and touching ceremony, when living, it is his wish and desire when the final end comes to be so cared for and his family wish it after he has passed away, but if he is not a member of the G. A. R., such a touching tribute cannot be tendered him.

If the Comrade hesitates putting in his application, from pecuniary reasons, I am desirous that the soliciting Auxiliary finance the Comrade for fees and dues.

Presidents, appoint your soliciting committees for this duty. Appoint those that are workers and are diplomatic. Start this work at your next meeting and do not lag on the work until every Comrade in your vicinity is in the ranks of the G. A. R. This is a work of love for your father, grandfathers, brother, uncles, cousins and friends. Make every effort for results and make a record for your corps.

With best wishes, I am Fraternally,

Yours in F. C. and L.,

WILLIAM O. LEE,

Department Commander.

HENRY SPAULDING,

Assistant Adjutant General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN,
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,
CAPITOL BUILDING, LANSING, July 10, 1917.

General Orders No. 2, Series 1917-18.

At the 39th Annual Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic of the Department of Michigan, held in Battle Creek, Michigan, 20th to 22nd of June, A. D. 1917, the following officers were elected and installed by Commander-in-Chief W. J. Patterson, as follows:

Department Commander, William O. Lee, Post 98, Port Huron.

Senior Vice Commander, H. W. Stevens, Post 140, Tecumseh.

Junior Vice Commander, E. E. Lewis, Post 109, Coldwater.
 Medical Director, Dr. Robert LeBarron, Post 147, Pontiac.
 Department Chaplain, Rev. Samuel Heininger, Post 45, Adrian.
 Assistant Adjutant General, Henry Spaulding, Post 20, Lansing.
 Assistant Quartermaster General, A. L. Bryant, Post 255, Lansing.
 Patriotic Instructor, F. L. Manning, Post 48, Jackson.
 Chief-of-Staff, E. K. Starkweather, Post 318, Northville.

COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION.

E. L. Negus, Post 41, Chelsea.
 George Raab, Post 145, Flint.
 H. A. Chapin, Post 31, Lansing, 512 Michigan Avenue W.
 Albert Griswold, Post 32, Battle Creek.
 Albert Dunham, Post 48, Jackson.

DELEGATES.

T. B. Main (at large), Post 69, Midland.
 Charles A. Bartlett, Post 17, Detroit.
 Albert Dunham, Post 48, Jackson.
 William Smalley, Post 109, Coldwater.
 S. P. Hartshorn, Post 57, Marcellus.
 Theo. C. Putnam, Post 5, Grand Rapids.
 John Davidson, Post 42, Lansing.
 George W. Howe, Post 98, Port Huron.
 R. C. Blair, Post 382, Lake Odessa.
 W. W. Dean, Post 18, Traverse City.
 Hiram Russell, Post 67, Bay City.
 Chris. F. Hankey, Post 170, Petoskey.
 William A. Jellison, Post 300, Marquette.
 Charles K. Radcliff, Post 17, Detroit.
 H. A. Chapin, Post 31, Lansing.
 E. W. Bordo, Post 37, Battle Creek.
 Geo. A. B. Cooke, Post 72, Three Rivers.
 J. A. Todd, Post 79, Kalamazoo.
 Griff Lewis, Post 67, Bay City.
 O. P. Coleman, Post 395, Grand Rapids.
 A. L. Bryant, Post 255, Lansing.
 James E. Mason, Post 242, Athens.

ALTERNATES.

George J. Dart, Post 402, Akron.
 Alex. S. McWilliams, Post 17, Detroit.
 E. L. Negus, Post 41, Chelsea.
 Geo. E. Wallace, Post 32, Battle Creek.
 Thomas Biddle, Post 35, South Haven.
 J. Brearley, Post 395, Grand Rapids.
 Isaac Morse, Post 53, Mason.
 Amos A. Haskell, Post 233, Port Huron.
 J. C. Thomas, Post 160, Lansing.
 A. J. Teed, Post 444, Cadillac.

Charles Bousch, Post 67, Bay City.
 W. R. Montgomery, Post 170, Petoskey.
 Thomas D. Nelson, Post 8, Ispeming.
 Henry Burbank, Post 17, Detroit.
 Frank Lester, Post 441, Mason.
 Henry Kahler, Post 242, Athens.
 C. E. Moore, Post 300, Marquette.
 D. Z. Kline, Post 395, Grand Rapids.
 J. F. Waltrous, Post 41, Chelsea.
 L. L. Harsh, Post 88, Union City.
 A. B. Chapin, Post 42, Lansing.
 Charles L. Seekel, Post 72, Three Rivers.

STAFF APPOINTMENTS.

Henry Spaulding, Assistant Adjutant General, Post 20, Hartford.
 A. L. Bryant, Assistant Quartermaster General, Post 255, Lansing.
 Col. O. A. Jones, Judge Advocate, Post 384, Detroit.
 N. D. Brown, Chief Mustering Officer, Post 98, Port Huron.
 F. L. Manning, Patriotic Instructor, Post 48, Jackson.
 Marsh Bellinger, Department Inspector, Post 32, Battle Creek.
 E. K. Starkweather, Chief-of-Staff, Post 318, Northville.
 Thomas R. Shaw, Senior Aid-de-Camp, Post 318, Northville.
 John Davidson, Sergeant Department Colors, Post 42, Lansing.
 George J. Dart, Sergeant National Colors, Post 402, Akron.
 Griff Lewis, Chief Bugler, Post 67, Bay City.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

E. L. Negus, Post 41, Chelsea.
 George Raab, Post 145, Flint.
 H. A. Chapin, Post 31, Lansing, 512 Michigan Avenue W.

COMMITTEE ON VISITING SOLDIERS' HOMES.

Samuel J. Lawrence, Post 384, Detroit, 370 Hamilton Avenue.
 Frank Lester, Post 441, Mason.
 J. J. Holmes, Post 111, Eaton Rapids.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE.

Washington Gardner, Post 210, Albion.
 E. B. Fenton, Post 384, Evanston, Ill., 2762 Woodbine Avenue.
 Frank R. Chase, Post 126, Belding.

MILITARY MUSEUM COMMITTEE.

George W. Stone, Post 42, Lansing.
 Uriah Lazelle, Post 42, Lansing.
 John G. Snook, Post 42, Lansing.

AIDS-DE-CAMP.

Chas. A. Warner, Post 14, Benton Harbor.
 J. B. Firman, Post 1, Grand Rapids (S. H.).
 Samuel B. Dixon, Post 17, Detroit.

W. W. Crooker, Post 48, Jackson.
 John H. Burgess, Post 410, Vassar.
 N. J. DeBar, Post 111, Eaton Rapids.
 Putnam N. Fish, Post 32, Battle Creek.
 A. N. Helmer, Post 374, Parma.
 William I. Markes, Post 214, Millington.
 E. O. Russell, Post 108, Grand Ledge.
 W. H. Scott, Post 229, Marine City.
 William A. Palmer, Post 20, Hartford.
 M. C. Wheaton, Post 31, Paw Paw.
 C. M. Hall, Post 88, Union City.
 John Carter, Post 20, Hartford.
 John H. Donaldson, Post 216, Mt. Clemens.
 Geo. W. Blackwell, Post 88, Union City.
 C. H. Kindig, Post 88, Union City.

THE NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT.

The 51st National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic will be held in Boston, Mass., August 19th to 25th, 1917.

It is the earnest wish and hope of the Department Commander that every officer of the Department and every delegate and alternate, elected at Battle Creek, will go to Boston with headquarters on the official train, and he earnestly hopes that many other Comrades will attend.

For convenience, comfort and satisfactory accommodation, all going should immediately notify the Assistant Adjutant General of such intention, also advise if sleeping car accommodations are wished.

Boston is planning and arranging to give the Comrades every comfort and convenience and the enjoyable time of their lives at this Encampment, and those Comrades who have attended previous Encampments there are very enthusiastic in their praise of how royally they entertain the members of the Grand Army; so it is the wish of your Department Commander that everyone that can arrange to go, do so, and notify the Assistant Adjutant General, that suitable transportation and hotel arrangements may be made.

Michigan Headquarters will be established at the Copley Square Hotel, Huntington avenue, Exeter and Blagden streets, while in Boston, where the business of the Department will be transacted, and where all Comrades are cordially invited to meet and be made welcome.

This is convenient to the Vendome Hotel, where National Headquarters is established.

Department Headquarters at Lansing will be closed from Friday, August 17, and remain closed until Tuesday, August 28, 1917.

BOSTON HOTELS.

Hotel accommodations are ample to care for all who may attend the Encampment, and reasonable rates. For full particulars consult circular letter No. 1, issued by the Committee on Accommodations—J. E. Gilman, Chairman, Boston, Mass. This letter was sent you with General Order No. 1, the last of June, 1917.

OFFICIAL ROUTE.

The Michigan Central is selected as the Official Headquarters route. For full particulars consult the enclosed circular, or write any of the officials named thereon.

The Department Commander especially desires that all delegates and Comrades and their friends, from Michigan, take advantage and go on the Headquarters' Special Train. The Department Commander is especially desirous that all Auxiliaries to the G. A. R. join with us on this Headquarters' Special, that we may become better acquainted to aid in working out successful results, for all patriotic bodies during the coming year.

Past Department Commanders and delegates to the National Encampment are invited to join the Staff of the Department Commander on the parade, and they, with the Aid-De-Camps, will report to Comrade E. K. Starkweather, Chief-of-Staff.

There will be a meeting of those entitled to seats in the National Encampment from this Department at Headquarters' Room, Copley Square Hotel, Monday evening, August 20th, at 5:00 p. m., to transact all such business as properly comes before the meeting and delegates to receive their delegate badges.

Delegates who were elected at Battle Creek, to attend the National Encampment, are requested and expected to advise the Assistant Adjutant General, Henry Spaulding, if they expect to attend the Encampment or not, so that alternates may be notified.

Attention, Post Commanders and Adjutants: The Michigan State Fair Association has set apart September 4th as Old Soldiers' Day at the State Fair, to be held in Detroit from August 31st to September 9th, and have extended a cordial invitation to all G. A. R. Comrades to attend on that day, as guests of the association.

The Commander or Adjutant of each Post in this jurisdiction is requested to communicate with G. W. Dickinson, Manager Michigan State Fair, Detroit, Mich., giving approximately the number of tickets required for your respective Posts, which complimentary tickets will be cheerfully furnished. Your Department Commander suggests that this information be immediately given.

By order of the Department Commander.

HENRY SPAULDING,
Assistant Adjutant General.

WILLIAM O. LEE,
Department Commander.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN,
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,
CAPITOL BUILDING, LANSING, July 20, 1917.

General Orders No. 3, Series 1917-18.

Comrades:—The 51st National Encampment of the G. A. R. will be held at Boston, Mass., August 19 to 23, and we hope you will be there.

It is the ambition and wish of your Department Commander that the Department of Michigan make as good an appearance as any Department there represented, while there, and in the parade, which will be on Tuesday forenoon, the 21st; so I suggest and trust every Comrade that

goes, and that can, will wear as near a regulation G. A. R. suit and hat as possible, and that all others will wear dark suits and dark hats.

Let's try to put Michigan to the front in appearance, as it will be lead by the finest Fife and Drum Corps that will be in Boston.

At the State Encampment, at Battle Creek, it was voted to take the Michigan Fife and Drum Corps with us, which will entail an expense of over (\$300.00) three hundred dollars; while we are allowed to draw from our general funds for music not to exceed (\$150.00) one hundred fifty dollars, in order to defray the extra expense, a subscription was started at Battle Creek, your Department Commander giving \$10.00; Fairbanks Post, Detroit, \$10.00; Past Department Commander Louis Kanitz, \$10.00; Chief Bugler Griffin Lewis, \$10.00; and other Comrades subscribing liberally, but so far we are short, so I feel that Posts should come to the front and help out all they can, so please send subscriptions to Assistant Adjutant General Henry Spaulding, Lansing.

Comrades, your Department Commander is very desirous of increasing every Posts' membership of this Department, during the coming year, not of course, with young blood, but with Comrades of '61 to '65, who are not members of the G. A. R. Bear in mind, only about one-third of the Comrades in the state are members, as reported by A. A. General. As Department Commander, I have issued a special appeal to all the affiliated societies to get busy and help us to get the outs into some Post. Commanders, see that your Adjutant has plenty of applications on hand, and Commanders should get in touch with the head of each auxiliary in your locality.

I trust every Post Officer in the state will look well to these requests and responsibilities.

We want all the Comrades, each and everyone, with us, and they need the G. A. R. Let vigilance be your motto, and your watchword.

Past Commanders and Adjutants, do not forget the old soldiers' day at the State Fair, nor neglect to get passes for your members.

ADDITIONAL AID-DE-CAMPS.

The following named Comrades are hereby appointed additional Aid-de-Camps; they will be honored and obeyed accordingly.

Ellwin Camburn, Post 140, Tecumseh.

Hiram Herrick, Post 210, Albion.

W. M. Loder, Post 210, Albion.

Joseph Jewett, Post 53, Mason.

William Emmons, Post 25, Blissfield, R. R. 5.

Chas. W. Pangler, Post 40, Charlotte.

With best wishes, I am Fraternally,

Yours in F. C. and L.,

WILLIAM O. LEE,

Department Commander.

HENRY SPAULDING,

Assistant Adjutant General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN,
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,
CAPITOL BUILDING, LANSING, September 20, 1917.

Circular Letter No. 2, Series 1917-1918.

The 51st National Encampment, Grand Army of the Republic, held in Boston, September 19 to 25, 1917, is now a matter of history, but will be remembered by all present as one of the best Encampments ever held.

The citizens of the old Commonwealth of Massachusetts by their generous hospitality made all visitors, and especially the G. A. R. and their allied organizations, feel that the welcome came from hearts full of patriotic loyalty. Nothing was left undone that would tend to make everybody happy.

Saturday, August 18, the Headquarters car left Lansing at 12:17 P. M. via the M. C. R. R., with fifteen aboard ticketed for Boston. The Commander and his two daughters, also many others, joined us at Detroit, leaving there at 6:20 P. M., with two standard Pullmans filled. We were to have a tourist sleeper and special day coach, but there was not enough who wished to go that way to warrant the placing them in the train. The only unpleasant feature of the trip was that those of the Drum Corps who chose the day coach were obliged to change cars at Buffalo and Albany and in the night; this was disagreeable, but no fault of the railroad company. The M. C. R. R. is entitled to credit for the good service we received from them.

We arrived at Boston about 4:00 P. M. of the 19th, immediately marching to the Copley Square Hotel, only a block away, led by our fife and drum corps, where Headquarters for Michigan G. A. R. was established, and we made no mistake in an all-around way in selecting this hotel for our Headquarters.

Monday, August 20, was visiting day until 5:00 P. M., when a business meeting was held at Headquarters rooms, officers and delegates all answering to roll call, delegate badges were issued, and routine business transacted.

Tuesday morning, August 21, at 9:00 A. M., the Comrades of Michigan under the directing of A. L. Bryant, Acting Chief-of-Staff, formed in line in front of the hotel, and led by our Drum Corps, marched to the place assigned for Michigan to form for the parade. At about 10:30 we fell in line seventy-five strong for the grand parade, marching steadily for one and one-half hours, passing dense throngs of people, packed from curb to buildings, every door, window and even the housetops were crowded; marching over hot pavements and scorching sunshine, but not a Comrade of Michigan faltered or fell out during the entire march, and in deportment and soldierly bearing were once more the soldiers of 1861 to 1865, and too much cannot be said in praise of our Drum Corps, who were always ready and willing for duty when called upon, with the old-time war music, the "Tramp, Tramp, Tramp," at the head of our Department made it very easy for the Comrades, and I assure you your Department Commander was very proud of the Michigan division; also that everybody was pleased with their appearance, as shown by the great ovations and applauding given them as they marched along from start to finish.

Wednesday morning at 9:00 A. M. the National Encampment opened for business in regular form in Symphony Hall, with the Michigan dele-

gation all present and in their seats, and all other Departments well represented, there being over 700 delegates present. It was announced from the platform that lunch would be served at noon in rooms adjacent to the convention hall by the Ladies of the W. R. C. of the Department of Massachusetts, and that tickets would be issued to the delegates for Wednesday and Thursday, which was done, and talk about lunch—we called it a full-sized banquet, and then some. The Ladies were entitled to great credit for their arduous work, which was given them by the Comrades, by a vote of thanks and three cheers.

The business of the convention was rapidly transacted, finishing the day with a spirited contest for the location of the convention of 1918, the cities of Atlantic City, N. J., and Portland, Ore., being the contestants. The result of the ballot showed that Portland won out by one vote. A motion to proceed to the election of officers was declared out of order, and that the election of officers would take place after the routine business was disposed of, this being in accordance with the order of business as adopted by the Encampment. The Encampment then took a recess until Thursday morning at 9:00 A. M.

Thursday morning at 9:00 A. M. convention opened in due form, proceeding with the regular order, routine business was completed, and the election of officers taken up resulting as follows: Orlando A. Somers, of Indiana, was elected Commander-in-Chief by acclamation, without opposition; General John L. Clem, who was a member of the 22d Michigan Infantry and the youngest G. A. R. Comrade, he being but 66 years old, was elected Senior Vice Commander, and your Commander was designated to conduct the Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief-elect to the platform.

A very spirited contest was put up for Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief. John M. Vernon, of Illinois, was elected. The balance of the National Officers were soon elected, when all were installed and assumed their duties as National Officers for the ensuing year. The convention then adjourned, and the delegates repaired to the dining quarters and partook of another sumptuous banquet, furnished by the Ladies of the W. R. C.

The convention was a grand success, and Boston, the most hospitable city the G. A. R. has ever held its convention in, they finishing their hospitality on Friday, the 24th, with a very pleasant boat ride down Boston Harbor, past the U. S. Navy Yards to Nantasket, where a fine fish dinner was served at Paragon Park to over 2,000 people at one sitting, and with many pleasing attractions and music during the meal. Thus ended the 51st National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Your Commander wishes to call your attention to one important change in the rules and regulations relative to semi-annual reports and per capita tax: The reports are made annual and on December 31st; the per capita tax is payable semi-annually as before, June 30th and December 31st of each year, as per the said annual report of membership. Commanders, Adjutants and Quartermasters, bear this in mind, and govern yourselves accordingly.

Comrades, put on your armor and put forth every effort for increasing the membership in your Posts.

The world is looking to the United States for Loyalty and Patriotism in this great struggle for Liberty and Democracy, and the young men of

the hour in America are looking to you Comrades of "'61 to '65," who fought to a victory the principles they are now being called upon to protect and defend, so let every Comrade and every Post rally to their support by Loyalty to Comrades and Fidelity to your Posts, and show to the world your Love and Loyalty for "Old Glory" and the principles that you so nobly fought to defend.

We cannot stop without saying a word or two regarding our return trip from Boston, leaving via the Grand Trunk railroad Saturday morning at 9:00 A. M., giving a beautiful daylight ride through New Hampshire and Vermont to Quebec and Montreal, Canada. The route took us in view of the White Mountains. The scenery was most beautiful all along the line, and greatly enjoyed by us all. We arrived in Lansing Sunday afternoon, and on time. The promises made us by the agents of the Grand Trunk railroad were carried out to the letter, which was duly appreciated by us all, and thanks were extended those in charge.

Very truly yours in F. C. and L.,

WILLIAM O. LEE,
Department Commander.

HENRY SPAULDING,
Assistant Adjutant General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN,
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,
CAPITOL BUILDING, LANSING, October 30, 1917.

General Orders No. 4, Series 1917-18.

Comrades :

I. The annual election of officers of the Posts, and delegates and alternates to the 40th Department Encampment, under the Rules and Regulations, must be held on the first regular meeting in December.

II. Blank forms for credentials of delegates, and alternates, also officers of the Post, Death Roll blanks, and Quartermaster's Bond blanks have been sent to the Adjutant of every Post. These blanks should be filled out, names, etc., plainly written, immediately after the election and sent to the Assistant Adjutant General at once.

Special care should be exercised in filling out the Credential blank in order that the name of every Comrade entitled to a seat and vote in the Encampment shall appear thereon, and the name written plainly and spelled correctly, as from these reports the official roll of the Encampment is made. Comrades, don't lay these one side and forget them.

III. Find enclosed blank forms A and B, for Adjutants' and Quartermasters' reports. These reports with the per capita tax of twelve and one-half (12½) cents on each member in good standing, December 31st, 1917, are due after the last meeting in December. Post Commanders are urgently requested to give personal attention to the prompt transmission of same.

Under the rules and regulations the newly elected officers cannot be installed until such reports have been received at Department Headquarters.

Checks, drafts and money orders must be made payable to Henry Spaulding, Assistant Adjutant General, and sent addressed: Henry

Spaulding, Assistant Adjutant General, G. A. R., Capitol Building, Lansing, Mich. Don't forget to add the G. A. R., as the Adjutant General of the state is in Lansing and mail gets mixed if the G. A. R. is left off.

Posts, Adjutants and Quartermasters will kindly note that after November 1st, 1917, the postage on first class mail will be three cents a letter and two cents on postal cards. See that your postage is paid in full.

IV. The attention of Post Commanders, Adjutants and Quartermasters has been repeatedly called to the delay in sending their returns, as well as the careless manner in which the semi-annual reports have been made out.

Now, this of necessity, gives the Adjutant General's office a great deal of unnecessary work and expense in correspondence, and in numerous cases two or three letters have to be sent before any corrections or even answers are made. This, Comrades, should not be. By being a little careful and following the printed form on the blanks this could be avoided, and as it is required by the National Body that the Department reports be at their Headquarters not later than January 20th, 1918, you see the necessity for the Posts to forward their returns at once, or immediately after their last meeting in December. This Department has always been noted for its complete and prompt reports. There should be no valid reason whatever but that these reports should be made out with military precision.

Attention is again called to the making up of these semi-annual reports. The number of members reported in good standing per last report of June 30th, 1917, will be found marked in red ink on the Adjutant's blank forms and must not be changed.

V. In compliance with the rules and regulations, the newly elected officers shall be installed into their respective offices at the first regular meeting in January, 1918, or they may be installed publicly and jointly with the officers of the Woman's Relief Corps, when no part of the opening or closing services, or signs or recognition, must be used.

The Chief Mustering Officer, Comrade N. D. Brown, will have charge of the installations, and in the absence of a special detail from these Headquarters, the Senior Past Post Commander present in each Post on installation night is hereby detailed to install the officers-elect of the Post.

VI. Installing officers are required, before installation, to ascertain whether or not all reports and dues have been forwarded to Department Headquarters, and when this has not been done, installation must not be proceeded with, unless the reports and dues are placed in their hands, but they shall immediately forward them to the Assistant Adjutant General. They shall also see that the Post Quartermaster files a satisfactory bond.

VII. The representation of the several Posts in the Department Encampment will remain same as heretofore, viz: One delegate and one alternate for every 25 members in good standing, reported June 30th, 1917, and one additional delegate and alternate for the fraction of more than half that number. Posts with less than 25 members are entitled to one delegate and one alternate. Post Commanders and Past Post Commanders in good standing are members of the Department Encampment.

VIII. The Commander urgently requests Post Officers and Comrades to use their best efforts to arouse enthusiasm in their Posts and to

encourage active recruiting along the line. There are numbers of old veterans on the outside who should be on the firing line and touch elbows with the Comrades of the Posts.

IX. I am pleased to say that the Sons of Veterans of the Michigan Division (our sons) are still forging ahead and the activity displayed by the members of this organization in securing members is gratifying alike to father and son, yet there are scores upon scores who are not yet enlisted in the good work. Their principles like ours—Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty—should inculcate in the hearts of every G. A. R. member a desire to have his sons or grandsons enrolled as members of the Sons of Veterans. We in our declining years need them, every one of them, to perpetuate the proper observance of Memorial and Union Defenders' Day. So let us all work in unison to increase the membership of the Sons of Veterans.

X. Inspection of Posts is a source of much trouble and expense without accomplishing any great amount of good, and as the rules and regulations leave the question of inspection optional with the Department Commander (see article 5, chapter 5, section 1), I shall only order inspection of Posts when I am so requested to by the Post Commander, or when I believe it for the betterment of a Post.

XI. Newly elected officers desiring rank straps and ribbons should order through the Post Quartermasters immediately after the election in order that they may receive them in time for installation.

Post Commanders are notified that the new rules and regulations up to 1917 are now on hand and can be purchased from the Assistant Adjutant General at Headquarters.

XII. The following named Comrades are hereby appointed additional Aid-de-Camps on the staff of the Department Commander: Thomas W. Hill, Thomas C. Williams, and Amos T. Hecock, of Post 10, Dundee. They will be honored and obeyed accordingly.

XIII. On October 2d, our Department Chaplain, Comrade Heininger, tendered his resignation (leaving the state the reason). The same was accepted and Comrade W. H. Herbert was appointed to fill the vacancy.

Post Chaplains and officers will take due notice of this change and send all reports and communications for that officer to Rev. W. H. Herbert, Department Chaplain, Soldiers' Home, Grand Rapids, Mich.

By command of

WILLIAM O. LEE,
Department Commander.

HENRY SPAULDING,
Assistant Adjutant General.

LANSING, MICH., January 8, 1918.

Special Order No. 1.

To Comrades and Citizens: February 12th is the 110th anniversary of the birth of our martyred President, Abraham Lincoln.

It is befitting and more than proper in these strenuous war times of our beloved country for the defense of Liberty and Democracy, for which great principles he labored and gave up his life, that we should properly recognize and honor the day.

Therefore, as your Department Commander, I request that the Com-

mander and Adjutant of each G. A. R. Post in this Department notify each pastor of churches in their respective communities, requesting that they devote one sermon on Sunday, February 10th, to his memory. Also notify the teachers in your schools that on Tuesday, 12th of February, requesting that they have special exercises in his honor as citizen, lawyer and statesman, and that his Gettysburg Address be read before the schools so that in every way it will be a Lincoln Day, a day for Patriotism, Liberty and Democracy.

It is farther requested that the Posts and all allied organizations have a meeting with an interesting patriotic programme befitting the occasion on the afternoon or evening of the 12th of February, open to the public.

February 22nd is the 187th anniversary of the birth of the father of his country, George Washington, therefore, in these stirring and critical times of war in our country, when the best manhood we have is being called to the trenches for the defense of this country, he so nobly and so successfully devoted the best years of his manhood to its upbuilding and which laudable efforts have been perpetuated for Liberty and Democracy.

It is most proper that this anniversary of his birth be given devoted consideration, therefore, I, as Department Commander, request that each Commander and Adjutant of G. A. R. Posts request each teacher in schools that they on Friday, February 22nd, have special exercises in honor of Washington, that they make it a Washington Day, and that each pastor of churches be requested to devote one sermon on Sunday, February 24th, to his memory.

I would also suggest and request that each Post and their allied organizations arrange a programme and meeting for the afternoon or evening of Friday, 22nd, by request. I farther suggest that these orders be published in your papers. Bear in mind that your Department Commander is ready to visit your Post on invitation.

In F. C. and L., I am,

Very truly yours,

WILLIAM O. LEE,

Department Commander of the G. A. R.

HENRY SPAULDING,

Assistant Adjutant General G. A. R.

Comrades, the foregoing orders suggested themselves through the patriotic and instructive circulars being sent to each school in the state of Michigan, by our very patriotic, energetic and painstaking Superintendent of Public Instruction, Fred L. Keeler, so, Comrades, give his laudable efforts your best assistance and able support by earnestly complying with the requests in this order, thereby inculcating patriotism and helping your Department.

WILLIAM O. LEE,
Department Commander.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN,
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,
CAPITOL BUILDING, LANSING, MICH., April 30, 1918.

General Orders No. 5, Series 1917-18.

I. In accordance with our established custom, and in compliance with General Orders No. 4 from National Headquarters, sent to each Post about April 1st, Thursday, May 30th, will be observed by the Grand Army Posts of this Department, and by patriotic citizens generally, as Memorial Day, and we call special attention to the eloquent appeal of the Commander-in-Chief regarding observance of our coming Memorial Day. The touching and tender sentiments addressed to the Comrades on this subject should enter deeply into the hearts and move us to make this, the 50th anniversary of the day, one of the greatest patriotic occasions in the history of our Nation, and add honor and prestige to the name of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Let all words and deeds on this day show devotion to our Comrades, love for our country, and gratitude to Almighty God for the blessings that have come to us as a reunited people.

Special attention is called to the worthy appeal of the Commander-in-Chief for contributions to the Southern Memorial Fund. Michigan has paid her assessment and it is hoped and expected that each Post in the Department will respond with their mite to this fund that the grave of every Comrade resting in the Southland may be properly decorated on this Memorial Day. Send all contributions to the Assistant Adjutant General as soon as convenient, who will send receipt to you for the same.

Your Commander requests every Post Commander to see the Mayor of his city or village and appeal to him to try and prevent any and all games of amusements on Memorial Day. Let all people hold this day sacred to the dead, that one day of the year may be a sacred day.

II. May 26th will be our Memorial Sunday, and in accordance with our established rules and customs, it is enjoined upon every Post to attend divine services that day, and invite their auxiliary and allied organizations to accompany them.

III. The Forty-fifth National Encampment, held at Rochester, N. Y., August, 1911, ordered that as a part of the public exercises of Memorial Day, bells be tolled from 12 o'clock noon to 12:05, that flags be placed at half mast, and that Comrades remain standing with uncovered heads during this period.

DEPARTMENT ENCAMPMENT.

The 40th Annual Encampment, Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic, will be held in the city of Saginaw, on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, June 19, 20 and 21.

Headquarters of the Department will be established at the Bancroft House, room 214, and will be open at 9 a. m. on Wednesday, the 19th, where all Comrades and their friends will be welcome. Headquarters at Lansing will be closed Monday June 17, at 4 p. m., and reopened again as soon after the Encampment as possible.

The Council of Administration will meet at Headquarters room at 10 a. m. on the 19th for the transaction of such business as may properly come before it.

The Committee on Credentials will consist of Henry Spaulding, Assistant Adjutant General, as chairman, and the following named Comrades: J. W. Clark, Post 38; H. F. Higgins, Post 48; C. A. Bartlett, Post 17, and C. W. Higgins, Post 98. They will meet in the ticket office of the Auditorium Wednesday, the 19th, at 9 a. m., to issue badges to those entitled to seats in the Encampment. Delegates and those entitled to these badges are urged to call upon the committee and present their credentials immediately after their arrival in the city.

Delegates must apply in person for their badges. No badges will be issued to alternates unless the delegate is absent. No proxies will be recognized.

Post Adjutants are requested to see that their delegates and representatives are properly reported, and the proper credentials furnished.

The 51st National Encampment enlarged the membership of the Department Encampment by admitting the S. V. and J. V. Post Commanders sitting as such. They will report to the Committee on Credentials and receive their badges.

The Department Commander hopes that there may be a large attendance. Let every Post in the Department be represented.

The Encampment is located in one of Michigan's most thriving cities. The loyal citizens will extend to you a hearty greeting. Let the members of the Grand Army of the Republic show their appreciation by the largest attendance for many years.

Commander-in-Chief Orlando A. Somers will be present and visit the Encampment, and address the camp fire to be held at the Auditorium Thursday evening, June 20th.

All of the Past Department Commanders are expected to be present and participate in the proceedings of the Encampment.

The Encampment will convene at 2 p. m. Wednesday, June 19th, in the Auditorium. The parade will be Thursday forenoon, forming at the Auditorium, and start at 10 o'clock sharp. The line of march is short, and the Department Commander desires that every Comrade in the city, who is able, join in the parade. Also as President of the Custer's Michigan Cavalry Brigade Association requests that each member attending the Encampment wear his red necktie, and report to Secretary Thos. W. Hill, that they may form a marching division by themselves in the parade under his command. For further information consult the program.

The Committee on Accommodations reports that all hotels are on the European plan, with rates for rooms from \$1 to \$4 per day, and private houses 75 cents to \$1 per day. Applications for rooms at hotels or private houses should be made to Chester M. Howell, Assistant Secretary, Saginaw Board of Trade, Saginaw, Mich.

Comrade G. T. Converse, of Post 38, is detailed as Officer of the Day, and Comrade Joseph Spaulding as Officer of the Guard. They will be honored and obeyed accordingly. They will report at Department Headquarters, Bancroft House, Wednesday forenoon, in uniform with side arms, for instructions, and report for duty at the Auditorium at 1:30 p. m. They select or detail four Comrades to act as guards, who will report to the Officer of the Guard for duty in uniform and with muskets.

SEMI-ANNUAL REPORTS.

The 51st National Encampment amended the rules and regulations of our order, changing the semi-annual to an annual, this to be made in December, but the per capita tax must be paid in June based on the membership in the December report. Post Commanders will see that this is attended to and that the money is in the hands of the Assistant Adjutant General on or before July 5th, 1918.

Blanks for the reports from the Chaplain and Patriotic Instructors have been sent to every Post. These reports are to be made and sent to the Department Chaplain or Patriotic Instructor immediately after Memorial Day. The Post Commanders will look after this and see that it is properly attended to, and it is hoped that not a Post in the Department will be delinquent, either in reports or per capita tax. Do not lay General Orders or business to one side, but take it up in proper time. It is done easier then than later.

FLAG DAY.

The 14th of June, Flag Day, should be observed by the members of the Grand Army of the Republic and all true American citizens, and they will display the flag this day in honor of the 141st anniversary of its adoption by the Congress of the United States.

This year the day should have special significance for us. Our country is at war, and thousands of our American young men are in a foreign country, fighting under the same flag under which we fought during the Civil War, for democracy and the freedom of the world. Let us do our part insofar as we are able to encourage and uphold these boys in their struggle. Our fighting days are over, Comrades, but "we can rally 'round the flag, boys, rally once again, shouting the battle cry of freedom."

AIDS-DE-CAMP.

The following named Comrades are hereby appointed additional Aides-de-Camp on the Department Commander's staff: Thomas Biddle, Post 35, South Haven; J. W. Wyckoff, Post 174, Houghton, and George Johnson, Post 174, Hancock. They will be honored accordingly.

By command of
WILLIAM O. LEE,

HENRY SPAULDING,
Assistant Adjutant General.

REGIMENTAL REUNION.

The First Regiment of Michigan Sharpshooters will hold their Thirty-fifth Annual Reunion in Saginaw, Mich., on Wednesday, June 19th, 1918, at 1 o'clock P. M. Headquarters will be at the Bancroft Hotel.

GEORGE W. STONE,
Secretary.

IN MEMORIAM.

Again it becomes our painful duty to announce the death of one more of our Past Department Commanders. Russell R. Pealer died at his home in Three Rivers, Mich., Thursday, March 7, 1918.

Comrade Pealer entered the service September 9, 1862, as a private in Company E, 16th Penna. Cavalry (known as Gregg's Cavalry). He served until August 11th, 1865, and during this time was repeatedly promoted for meritorious conduct, passing through all the grades to that of first lieutenant, and was recommended for promotion to a captaincy, but the close of the war stopped all further promotions. He was in over thirty-five battles and cavalry engagements, comprising all of the great battles fought by the heroic Army of the Potomac.

Comrade Pealer was an active and leading spirit in G. A. R. affairs, was elected Department Commander of Michigan June 22d, 1899, without any opposition.

In the death of Comrade Pealer this Department has sustained a great loss. We shall miss him from our Councils.

As is customary the charters of the Posts will be draped for a period of thirty days.

By order of
WILLIAM O. LEE,

HENRY SPAULDING,
Assistant Adjutant General.

The Annual Reunion of the Fourth Michigan Cavalry will be held in Saginaw, Mich., Wednesday afternoon, June 19th. Headquarters will be at the Bancroft Hotel.

C. F. FULLER,
Secretary.

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