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Department Commander

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HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN,

GRAND ARMY OF REPUBLIC,

LANSING, JUNE 30, 1923.

HON. ALEX J. GROESBECK, 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 14, 15, 16, 1922, to June 6, 7, 8, 1923, as I deem of interest to that organization and the people of the State of Michigan.

Respectfully yours in F. C. and L.,

WILLIAM MEARS,
Department Commander.

OFFICERS 1923-1924

COMMANDER—Lyman A. L. Gilbert.
SENIOR VICE-COMMANDER—John A. Miller.
JUNIOR VICE-COMMANDER—Albert C. Estabrook.
MEDICAL DIRECTOR—Dr. Robert Le Barron.
CHAPLAIN—Rev. Horace Palmer.
ASSISTANT ADJUTANT AND QUARTERMASTER GENERAL—Henry Spaulding.
JUDGE ADVOCATE—Oscar A. Janes.
PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR—Charles Gossler.
CHIEF OF STAFF—A. L. Bryant.
SENIOR AIDE—Fred Gill.
CHIEF MUSTERING OFFICER—Walter L. Funk.
INSPECTOR—F. L. Manning.
SERGEANT NATIONAL COLORS—Andrew Richard.
SERGEANT DEPARTMENTAL COLORS—James A. Sutton.
COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION—Albert Dunham, William O. Lee, D. S. Howard,
L. H. Ives, J. J. Holmes.

FORTY-FIFTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN

GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC

HELD AT

GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN, JUNE 6, 7 AND 8, 1923

Grand Rapids, Mich., June 6, 1:30 P. M., 1923.

The Forty-fifth Annual Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic was called to order by the Department Commander, William Mears, at the Hotel Pantlind at Grand Rapids, on Wednesday, June 6th, 1923, at 1:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

Department Commander: Please come to order. This is the annual meeting of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic. I take pleasure in introducing to you his honor, Julian Tisch, mayor of the city of Grand Rapids.

Mayor Tisch, in behalf of the city, gave a very pleasing address of welcome to the comrades of the Grand Army and their allied organizations, and tendered the freedom of the city, assuring them that they will be well cared for during their stay, and wishing them a pleasant and profitable encampment.

Department Commander Mears responded to the address of the mayor in a few well chosen words, in behalf of the Grand Army, thanking him and accepting the very cordial welcome.

Department Commander: Now those who are not members of the Grand Army will please retire. The Past Department Commanders will take seats on the platform, and Commander-in-Chief Willetts, I will ask you take a seat on the platform.

Commander: Comrades, you will come to order. Officer of the Day, are the approaches to this Encampment properly guarded?

Officer of the Day: They are.

Commander: Officer of the Day, see that the doors are closed and your guards on duty. Are all present members of the Grand Army of the Republic and entitled to seats in this Encampment?

Officer of the Day: The national countersign.

Commander: All delegates must have the badge. The members of the Grand Army not delegates will be seated back of the delegates.

Officer of the Day: All present are members of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Commander: Comrades, once more we have assembled in Encampment at our annual meeting. We meet in fraternity, charity and loyalty and may all our hearts unite as one in sustaining the great objects of our Association. Parade rest. Chaplain Palmer, invoke the divine blessing.

(Divine blessing invoked by Chaplain Palmer.)

Commander: I declare the Forty-fifth Department Encampment of the Department of Michigan now open in due form for the transaction of any business that may be lawfully brought before it. The first will be the calling of roll; you will listen.

Department Commander, William Mears.
 Senior Vice-Commander, S. D. Bailey.
 Junior Vice-Commander, John Seel.
 Medical Director, Dr. Robert Le Barron.
 Department Chaplain, Rev. Horace Palmer.
 Post No. 1, present.
 Post No. 2, present.
 Post No. 3, present.
 Post No. 4, present.
 Post No. 5, present.
 Post No. 6, present.
 Post No. 7, present.
 Post No. 8, present.
 Post No. 9, present.
 Post No. 10, present.

A Comrade: I move that the further calling of the roll be dispensed with.
 Supported.

Department Commander: If you have no objections it will be adopted. It is so adopted and the roll is called.

Motion put and seconded that we dispense with calling the roll further.
 Motion carried.

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, deceased.....New Lothrop, 1886
 L. G. Rutherford, deceased.....Hart, 1887
 Washington Gardner.....Albion, 1888
 Michael Brown, transferred to Department of Montana, deceased..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. Foote, deceased, died in office.....	Kalamazoo, 1908-9
Geo. L. Holmes, deceased, to fill vacancy.....	Detroit, 1909
James M. Greenfield, deceased.....	Flushing, 1909-10
Sam'l J. Lawrence, deceased.....	Detroit, 1910-11
Geo. W. Stone, deceased	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
William O. Lee	Port Huron, 1917-18
David S. Howard	Pontiac, 1918-19
Edwin F. Lamb	Detroit, 1919-20
Henry Spaulding	Lansing, 1920-21
J. J. Holmes	Eaton Rapids, 1921-22
William Mears	1922-23

PAST SENIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

H. M. Bigelow, deceased	Montague, 1878-9
	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. Frieske	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 Kleek, 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
Edwin B. Nugent	Bay City, 1908
J. J. Drake, deceased.....	St. Joseph, 1909
Henry P. Shutt, deceased.....	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, 1915
M. M. Andrews	Bay City, 1916
H. W. Stevens	Tecumseh, 1917
*J. J. Holmes	Eaton Rapids, 1918
George H. Keating	Bay City, 1919
M. D. Richardson	Lansing, 1920
E. A. Jennings	Flint, 1921
S. D. Bailey	1922-23

PAST JUNIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

S. B. Kitchell, deceased	Coldwater, 1878
W. A. Palmer	Grand Rapids, 1879
Dallas Johnson	Montague, 1881
O. A. Janes	Hillsdale, 1882
J. M. Keller, deceased	Saginaw, 1883
M. H. Bumphrey	Three Rivers, 1884
H. F. Higgins, deceased	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. Greenseld, deceased	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, deceased	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
*A. L. Bryant	Mayville, 1916
E. E. Lewis	Coldwater, 1917
*Frank Lester, deceased	Mason, 1918
William G. Minor	Portland, 1919
E. S. Post	Grand Rapids, 1920
George D. Freeman	Detroit, 1921
John Seel	1922-23

JOHN A. LOGAN POST NO 1, SOLDIERS HOME.
Chartered December 9, 1887. Membership 39.

Delegate. Henry O. Shirts. *Alternate.* Geo. W. Post.
Past Commanders. *E. S. Post. A. C. Hawley.
*D. L. Reynolds.

C. O. LOOMIS POST NO. 2, QUINCY.
Chartered January 22, 1876. Membership 27.

Delegate. Harvey J. Wood. *Alternate.* Byron Rustine.
Past Commanders. A. J. Warner. L. D. Reynolds.
A. A. Wilcox. Byron Rustine.

N. H. FERRY POST NO. 3, WHITEHALL.
Chartered May 27, 1877. Membership 6.

Delegate. E. M. Ruggles. *Alternate.* Joseph Pike.
Past Commanders. Frederick Norman. Francis Hiscutt.
Allen F. Casselman. E. M. Ruggles.

CUSTER POST NO. 5, GRAND RAPIDS.
Chartered September 27, 1878. Membership 87.

Delegates. John Krauskhoph. *Alternates.* John Snyder.
*Eugene Owens. *Duane Sweezey.
Past Commanders. Byron R. Pierce. S. D. Spooner.
*Wm. D. Frost. *Jas. R. Stephenson.
*Chas. P. Coffin. *Thomas Peacock.
W. B. Bostock. Robert Finch.
G. B. Schwab. W. H. Stokes.
Theo. C. Putman. *John Barrett.
J. S. Danks. John T. Pomeroy.
Walter L. Funk.

C. J. DICKERSON POST NO. 6, HILLSDALE.
Chartered February 26, 1879. Membership 58.

Delegates. Sidney Palmer. *Alternates.* L. J. Wood.
James J. Tubbs. G. W. Myers.
Past Commanders. D. F. Austin. Frank Hoover.
Lewis Deuel. George E. Porter.
C. S. Green. O. C. Nash.
G. A. Slayton. L. B. Wolcott.
D. D. Rhoads. Fred Wolf.
Nelson R. Masters. J. H. French.

FORTY-FIFTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT.

PHIL KEARNEY POST NO. 7, MUSKEGON.

Chartered July 31, 1879.

Membership 49.

*Commander, Charles Miller.

*Delegates.*James Heney.
Charles Loveletter.*Alternates.**Henry Hughson.
*E. E. Tyler.*Past Commanders.*John Sturgeon.
William F. Wiselogel.
*Chas. Miller.
Howard C. Bond.
Chas. H. De Puy.Horace Lovejoy.
B. H. Krebs.
Wm. F. Morrell.
E. W. Downing.
*Louis Kanitz.

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

Chartered September 17, 1889.

Membership 13.

Commander, Thos. D. Nelson.

Delegate.

Thomas Bashaw.

Alternate.

James McNeill.

Past Commanders.

John Scott.

Thos. D. Nelson.

JOHN A. DIX POST NO. 9, HESPERIA.

Chartered September 12, 1879.

Membership 11.

Commander, Chas. Robbins.

Delegate.

Jas. McConnell.

Alternate.

Jay Cockran.

*Past Commanders.*Chas. Robbins.
Chas. Wilber.
H. E. Waterman.W. R. Mathews.
J. D. Gowell.

WILLIAM BELL POST NO. 10, DUNDEE.

Chartered October 16, 1879.

Membership 28.

*Commander, F. H. Miller.

Delegate.

George Sisco.

Alternate.

L. L. Jackson.

*Past Commanders.**D. C. Spears.
*James Knowles.
Nelson Carney.George W. Hurd.
F. H. Miller.

RYDER POST NO. 12, DEERFIELD.

Chartered April 9, 1880.

Membership 13.

*Commander, E. E. Burnham.

Delegate.

Byron Stanbery.

Alternate.

Thomas Pettie.

*Past Commanders.**Byron Stanbery.
E. E. Burnham.

Thos. Pettie.

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

Chartered May 11, 1880.

Membership 12.

*Commander, Chas. Tanner.

Delegate.

F. M. Johnson.

Alternate.

Edward Brown.

*Past Commanders.*Fred. F. Main.
Lorenzo A. Clark.
C. C. Newkirk.C. S. Barton.
N. Thery.
Chas. Tanner.

GEO. H. THOMAS POST NO. 14, BENTON HARBOR.
Chartered May 24, 1880. Membership 52.

Delegates.
George F. Stewart.
James R. Crothers.

Commander, Chester Chorpening.

Alternates.
George Wolf.
Aaron Brower.

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

A. H. Rowe.
A. A. Covell.
F. L. Bradford.
W. E. Walker.

PAP WILLIAMS POST NO. 15, LUDINGTON.
Chartered May 26, 1880. Membership 12.

Delegate.
*J. S. Harrington.

Commander, Henry Quigley.

Alternate.
*Oren Barker.

Past Commanders.
*R. B. Patterson.
H. B. Smith.

Ed. Lockwood.
J. S. Harrington.
Henry Quigley.

SEDGWICK POST NO. 16, EVART.
Chartered August 24, 1880. Membership 16.

Delegate.
S. H. Dove.

**Commander, Gideon Bowley.*

Alternate.
J. R. Foster.

Past Commanders.
O. M. Bush.
S. E. Kirby.
G. W. Gardner.
*Frank Bone.
Gideon Bowley.

*J. R. Foster.
*Jos. H. Powell.
D. E. Waite.
R. S. Covert.
William Phillips.

FAIRBANKS POST NO. 17, DETROIT.
Chartered May 9, 1881. Membership 149.

Delegates.
George Beebe.
*Chas. A. Bartlett.
Lucien A. Smith.
*Chas. B. Andrews.
*John Dudley.
*Mathias Myer.

**Commander, David Plumadore.*

Alternates.
Fred Gerkin.
*H. Alfeltis.
*John Dorsey.
*W. H. Hibbard.
*D. H. Babbitt.
A. Nolde.

Past Commanders.
E. O. Durfee.
*C. K. Radcliff.
*T. Davey.
*D. S. Kimball.
*W. G. Fraser.
*A. L. Sawyer.
*F. A. Pierce.
I. B. Lachine.
*S. D. Bailey.
R. R. Williams.
Robert Morris.

*N. Repirs.
*Allen H. Cady.
*John T. Spillane.
*H. B. White.
Ed. H. Hill.
*D. W. Osborn.
*H. F. Serrine.
*Thos. F. Payne.
*Cornelius O'Dwyer.
*Chas. A. Bartlett.

FORTY-FIFTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT.

McPHERSON POST NO. 18, TRAVERSE CITY.

Chartered May 21, 1881.

Membership 38

Delegate. **F. D. Marvin.**
 Commander, C. D. Webster.
 Alternate. **B. F. Newhouse.**
Past Commanders.
M. D. Morgan. **C. D. Webster.**
F. D. Marvin. **W. W. Dean.**
C. H. Johnson. **A. C. Elder.**
H. W. Herrington. **F. M. Colby.**
H. F. Hopkins. **W. Furgus.**
O. P. Carver. **J. F. Beadle.**
B. F. Newhouse.

A. LINCOLN POST NO. 19, BANGOR.

Chartered May 20, 1881.

Membership 22.

Delegate. **J. J. Penoyer.**
 Commander, John H. Monk.
 Alternate. **Geo. E. Pentevost.**
Past Commanders.
***C. C. Phillips.** **O. A. Reynolds.**
Henry Delong. **W. H. Ashley.**
W. W. Fletcher. **I. W. Pierce.**
J. J. Penoyer.

ELLSWORTH POST NO. 20, HARTFORD.

Chartered June 20, 1881.

Membership 22.

Delegate. **Jas. Weston.**
 Commander, John Carter.
 Alternate. **Nathan Taplin.**
Past Commanders.
***Henry Spaulding.** ***W. A. Palmer.**
D. W. Sias. **John Carter.**

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

Chartered July 18, 1881.

Membership 10.

Delegate. ***Thomas Dalley.**
 *Commander, W. A. Preston.
 Alternate. **James Morrow.**
Past Commanders.
***W. A. Preston.** **August Morlock.**
***Albert S. Rowe.**

WILLIAM PERROTT POST NO 22, BUCHANAN.

Chartered July 11, 1881.

Membership 14.

Delegate. **Samuel Bunker.**
 Commander, John Curtis.
 Alternate. **Eli Helmick.**
Past Commanders.
Samuel Bunker. **Marion Huff.**
Steve Scott. **Eli Helmick.**
John C. Dick. **Geo. Hanley.**

COL. FENTON POST NO. 24, FENTON.

Chartered August 19, 1881.

Membership 16.

Commander, Chas. W. Sadden.
Alternate.
 Perry Bardsill.
Past Commanders.
 V. C. Smith. Chas. W. Sadden.
 E. T. Winters. *Ira Ford.

DAVID BECKER POST NO. 25, OGDEN CENTER.

Chartered August 20, 1881.

Membership 9.

*Commander, A. S. Beardsley.
Alternate.
 L. C. Drake.
Past Commanders.
 Geo. W. Wilt. A. S. Beardsley.
 G. W. Heckert. W. C. B. Smith.
 John Locke.

JOE HOOKER POST NO. 26, HART.

Chartered August 16, 1881.

Membership 21.

Commander, J. W. Montgomery.
Alternate.
 I. C. Brigham.
Past Commanders.
 M. Farley. Phineas Carter.
 J. W. Montgomery. Horace Tucker.
 Henry H. Feight. A. O. Aldrich.
 G. Elenisors. A. Fletcher.

BURNSIDE POST NO 27, DECATUR.

Chartered September 19, 1881.

Membership 13.

Commander, F. V. Nelson.
Alternate.
 George Reitz.
Past Commanders.
 Adam Dine. G. E. Mead.
 George Steel.
 D. W. Broadhead.

HURON POST NO. 28, BAD AXE.

Chartered February 18, 1919.

Membership 35.

*Commander, Calvin H. Foster.
Alternate.
 John D. Weeks.
Past Commanders.
 James McNeal. Calvin H. Foster.
 Geo. S. Farrar.
 John G. Collins.

BROADHEAD POST NO. 31, PAW PAW.

Chartered October 21, 1881.

Membership 22.

Commander, William Killifer.
Alternate.
 G. W. Cate.
Past Commanders.
 J. C. Horning. John Reed.
 *H. A. Chapin. I. P. Bates.
 O. W. Rowland. Geo. L. Tuttle.
 William Killifer.
 M. C. Wheaton.

FORTY-FIFTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT.

FARRAGUT POST NO. 32, BATTLE CREEK.

Chartered November 31, 1881.

Membership 72.

*Commander, Wm. Forward.

*Delegates.*C. M. Stephens.
Wm. Pratt.*Alternates.*P. M. Fish.
Geo. Godsmark.*Past Commanders.**J. W. Taylor.
*J. G. Bohnett.
C. J. Shoemaker.
John Easey.
*R. M. Bellinger.
Enos Short.
G. Hodges.
C. W. Berry.
A. H. Geddes.John W. Walker.
Chas. H. Browning.
*Geo. E. Wallace.
Wm. Pratt.
E. W. Bardo.
*W. E. Dockry.
*A. E. Griswold.
*Emory Morse.

COL. MYRON BAKER POST NO. 33, MORENCI.

Chartered December 29, 1881.

Membership 29.

Commander, I. W. Sheffield.

Delegate.

John D. Hanna.

Alternate.

J. H. Dennis.

*Past Commanders.*Loren W. Chapin.
Fred B. Sheffield.
James Haynes.
John Palmer.Wm. Onweller.
*Wm. H. Chappell.
J. W. Sheffield.
Jacob Whitehead.
James W. Chappell.

ZACH. CHANDLER POST NO. 35, SOUTH HAVEN.

Chartered November 30, 1881.

Membership 46

Commander, Byron Ferrell.

Delegate.

A. Ceryer.

Alternate.

R. F. Daw.

*Past Commanders.*T. Biddle.
J. S. Hicks.
A. H. Cook.
A. R. Carr.
Jos. Hines.*James Martin.
Jas. H. Holsworth.
Robert Payne.
S. F. Hill.
Geo. O. Chapman.

STANTON POST NO. 37, STANTON.

Chartered November 30, 1881.

Membership 20.

*Commander J. S. Holcomb.

Delegate.

James Graham.

Alternate.

John Miller.

*Past Commanders.*H. H. Hinds.
J. A. Crocker.
A. T. Willard.F. M. Warner.
Joe Tishen.
J. S. Holcomb.

SAGINAW POST NO. 38, SAGINAW.

Chartered December 14, 1881.

Membership 37.

*Commander, Fred Gill.

Delegate.

Chris Wasserman.

Alternate.

Alonzo Crawford.

*Past Commanders.*W. G. Gage.
M. V. Foley.
E. B. Metcalf.
*W. J. Clark.O. S. Bishop.
*F. D. Keeler.
Fred Gill.
M. A. Griffin.

GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC.

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KILPATRICK POST NO. 39, BERRIEN SPRINGS.
Chartered February 15, 1882. Membership 12.
Commander, Henry Moyer.

Delegate. J. A. Burkett. *Alternate.* C. M. Wyms.
Past Commanders. A. W. Haskins. Orlando Nelson.
*Henry Moyer. J. Burkett.

A. S. WILLIAMS POST NO. 40, CHARLOTTE.
Chartered February 8, 1882. Membership 50.
*Commander, Asa N. Smart.

Delegates. William H. Hungerford. *Alternates.* J. V. O'Neill.
Joseph Whitaker. G. C. Hubbard.
Past Commanders. Wm. Jordan. Fred G. Warren.
Asa Smart. C. W. Pangler.
Evander Dunning. E. D. Young.
James Umbarger.

CHAS. T. FOSTER POST NO. 42, LANSING.
Chartered February 2, 1882. Membership 115.
*Commander, Fred Schipp.

Delegates. J. W. Braden. *Alternates.* Geo. Smalley.
Albert Porter. L. D. Smith.
Past Commanders. *Edwin R. Havens. *Albert Spink.
W. P. Treadway. Seymour Foster.
*J. A. Wardell. Thomas Blossan.
*C. T. Lord. Francis Shipp.
Franklin Payne. John Oatley.
*W. A. Bolter. John G. Snook.
*Uriah Lazell. *W. L. Mosher.
*A. B. Chapin.

SCOTT POST NO. 43, BLISSFIELD.
Chartered February 16, 1882. Membership 15.
*Commander, N. T. Stoner.

Delegate. Henry Turner. *Alternate.* Ely Drioullerd.
Past Commanders. Geo. F. Ford. N. T. Stoner.
W. H. Colyer. Geo. Dickinson.
John Rentz.

WOODBURY POST NO. 45, ADRIAN.
Chartered February 13, 1882. Membership 86.
*Commander, D. B. Morgan.

Delegate. George Dible. *Alternate.* C. A. Carpenter.
Past Commanders. C. W. Decker. *T. F. Graves.
Oliver H. Beach. *Horace Palmer.
*D. B. Morgan. C. M. Walker.
R. P. Butrick. A. Dobbins.
*C. G. Drake. *Martin V. Loop.

FORTY-FIFTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT.

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

Chartered August 28, 1914.

Membership 19.

Commander, James H. Momany.

Delegat.

Jack Reynolds.

Alternate.

Duane Withill.

Past Commander.

James Momany.

EDWARD POMEROY POST NO. 48, JACKSON.

Chartered March 9, 1882.

Membership 115.

*Commander, Josiah Creque.

Delegates.

*Dean La Banta.

D. La Banta.

Jas. Stewart.

Alternates.

J. T. Bemy

*Jas. Sutton.

Past Commanders.

*E. E. Stone.

*Albert Dunham.

*D. J. Wilson.

*Josiah Creque.

*Dean La Banta.

*B. F. Lair.

*Frank White.

*B. G. Winchester.

Dewitt C. Faxon.

*Thos. Daniels.

*Samuel Ravin.

*W. W. Crocker.

Dehl Ellis.

*F. L. Manning.

L. C. Spink.

WADSWORTH POST NO. 49, LAWRENCE.

Chartered March 16, 1882.

Membership 9.

Commander, Silas Devon.

Delegate.

Geo. A. Cross.

Alternate.

Oscar D. Martin.

Past Commanders.

Thomas C. Tyner.

George A. Cross.

Silas L. Secor.

Francis Branch.

Chas. Cook.

George W. McFern.

JOHN T. REYNOLDS POST NO. 52, PENTWATER.

Chartered November 18, 1887.

Membership 13.

Commander, F. O. Gardner.

Delegate.

E. A. Wright.

Alternate.

N. J. Nilson.

Past Commanders.

F. O. Gardner.

John Beckwith.

J. S. Harrington.

Geo. Houseman.

A. Jacobs.

F. A. Wagar.

PHIL M'KERNAN POST NO. 53, MASON.

Chartered April 8, 1882.

Membership 20.

*Commander, Theo. Bortle.

Delegate.

Henry Peters.

Alternate.

Fred Hines.

Past Commanders.

*Theo. Bortle.

*Isaac Morse.

*Orrin L. Morse.

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

Chartered April 15, 1882. Membership 11.

Delegate. James Ivans. *Commander,* William Mears. *Alternate.* Joseph Bersey.
Past Commanders. R. A. Carey. A. A. Clawson.
 W. W. Byer. *William Mears.

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

Chartered June 4, 1895. Membership 7.

Delegate. Walter Tennant. *Commander,* Frederick Kipp. *Alternate.* J. P. Curtis.
Past Commanders. Homer G. Sperry. *William Hamlin.
 Marion Bates. Frederick Kipp.
 E. A. Gibson.

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

Chartered April 25, 1882. Membership 37.

Delegate. Joseph McKorkle. *Commander,* Albert C. Estabrook. *Alternate.* A. B. Seary.
Past Commanders. *W. W. Warner. L. T. Cady.
 N. W. Houser. Sam'l F. Murphy.
 J. W. Eley. Emerson Allen.
 Wm. Burnett. A. C. Estabrook.
 L. W. Bellenger. A. E. Calkins.
 Dr. W. Cady. Mortemor Culver.

THOMAS MANNING POST NO. 57, MARCELLUS.

Chartered May 19, 1882. Membership 23.

Delegate. William Beardsley. *Commander,* G. I. Nash. *Alternate.* A. J. Maxam.
Past Commanders. J. B. Fortner. E. W. La Barre.
 G. I. Nash. C. H. Beardsley.
 Isaac De Con. Levi Denni.

A. COLVIN POST NO. 59, GOBLEVILLE.

Chartered May 22, 1882. Membership 16.

Delegate. L. Coffinger. *Commander,* E. Mathias. *Alternate.* H. Frye.
Past Commanders. Elias Nash. Richard Hill.
 J. S. Eastman.

DEWEY POST NO. 60, LESLIE.

Chartered May 25, 1882. Membership 17.

Delegate. S. Bailey. *Commander,* W. D. Smith. *Alternate.* Joseph Christie.
Past Commanders. J. B. Scovel. *W. D. Longyear.
 James Coon. *W. D. Smith.

FORTY-FIFTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT.

G. K. WARNER POST NO. 63, EAST TAWAS.
Chartered June 20, 1882.

Membership 6.

Delegate.
W. C. Stevens.

Commander, Reuben Wade.
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 9.

Delegate.
E. D. Lombard.

Commander, W. Hillis Smith.
Alternate.

Past Commander.
W. Hillis Smith.

STEVENS POST NO. 66, EAST JORDAN.
Chartered December 4, 1882.

Membership 10.

Delegate.
Alden Townsend.

Commander, William Harrington.
Alternate.
A. B. Ostrander.

Past Commanders.
Geo. Pringle.
W. Harrington.
A. Bush.

F. L. Smith.
Alden Townsend.
A. R. Ostrander.

U. S. GRANT POST NO. 67, BAY CITY.
Chartered June 12, 1882.

Membership 45.

Delegates.
Alex Printis.
*Geo. Keating.

Commander, Willard Hoffman.
Alternates.
John Chase.
Daniel Chapman.

Past Commanders.
James Van Kleeck.
J. P. Day.
Chas. Gossler.
*Chas. Roach.
O. F. Kellogg.
*Geo. M. Rood.

*L. A. Gilbert.
*John Sirmyer.
*L. T. Houck.
*W. Hubbard.
*Hiram Russell.

SHIELDS POST NO. 68, SHELBY.
Chartered July 27, 1882.

Membership 18.

Delegate.
W. Satterley.

Commander, E. S. Randall.
Alternate.
A. B. Withenberry.

Past Commanders.
Samuel Wright.
F. A. Pitts.
A. H. Towne.

C. E. Butterfield.
E. S. Randall.

DWIGHT MAY POST NO. 69, MIDLAND.
Chartered June 29, 1882.

Membership 7.

Delegate.
F. E. Butters.

Commander, Geo. W. Frost.
Alternate.
Moses Elnyar.

Past Commanders.
T. B. Main.
W. A. Finney.
F. E. Butters.

J. L. Hart.
Jas. L. Rivers.

JAMES D. MORGAN POST NO. 70, ONAWAY.

Chartered April 2, 1914.

Membership 13.

Delegate.

S. P. Hayes.

Alternate.

Theo. Borders.

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

Chartered September 7, 1882.

Membership 33.

Delegate.

W. H. Hatch.

*Commander, J. D. Wolf.

Alternate.

A. N. Snyder.

Past Commanders.

S. M. Snyder.
Jeff. P. McKey.
W. C. Porter.

*Geo. A. B. Cook.
*J. D. Wolff.

WETHERWAX POST NO. 75, GRAND HAVEN.

Chartered September 13, 1882.

Membership 18.

Delegate.

Oren D. White.

*Commander, Enno J. Pruis.

Alternate.

Ahira Scott.

Past Commanders.

C. E. Soule.
Eugene Gardiner.
Enno J. Pruis.
Martin O. Hurless.

C. N. Dickinson.
A. S. Baker.
John Jackson.

JOSEPH R. SMITH POST NO. 76, MONROE.

Chartered September 12, 1882.

Membership 25.

Delegate.

John B. Robert.

*Commander, Burton Parker.

Alternate.

Bernard Sturn.

Past Commanders.

Burton Parker.
M. Plumadore.

*J. J. Sorter.

ORCUTT POST NO. 79, KALAMAZOO.

Chartered September 20, 1882.

Membership 92.

Delegates.

*J. P. Silley.
A. D. Stryker.
Peter Stevens.
P. W. Lawrence.

Commander, H. W. Harvey.

Alternates.

S. H. Carlton.
D. R. Bright.
J. A. Hill.
*Morris Kent.

Past Commanders.

John D. Sumner.
Aaron Miller.
Ogden Tomlinson.
*Geo. Clark.
H. W. Harvey.
Geo. W. Downey.

*Eli Strong.
C. W. Davenport.
*J. A. Todd.
S. H. LaPorte.
Charles Prange.

HARLOW BRIGGS POST NO. 80, HOPKINS STATION.

Chartered September 25, 1882.

Membership 6.

Delegate.

John Linsley.

Commander, W. W. Clark.

Alternate.

John Smala.

Past Commander.

A. Brockway.

FORTY-FIFTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT.

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

Chartered October 6, 1882.

Membership 25.

Commander, C. A. Peasley.

Delegate.

G. M. Conklin.

Alternate.

John Peck.

*Past Commanders.*A. J. Cole.
C. O. Jennison.
O. W. Green.
C. A. Peasley.*J. J. Riley.
John W. Finch.
O. J. Cary.

GEN. LYON POST NO. 86, MANCELONA.

Chartered October 10, 1882.

Membership 5.

*Commander, John W. Wallace.

Delegate.

Jas. Mills.

Alternate.

Chas. Odell.

Past Commanders.

F. W. Bradley.

Jno. W. Wallace.

JOS. WILSON POST NO. 87, LOWELL.

Chartered October 16, 1882.

Membership 24.

*Commander, Merritt Sayles.

Delegate.

W. K. Andrews.

Alternate.

D. C. Shiar.

*Past Commanders.*Merritt Sayles.
D. O. Shearer.

W. R. Andrews.

CORBIN POST NO. 88, UNION CITY.

Chartered October 17, 1882.

Membership 21.

Commander, Wm. W. Fenno.

Delegate.

Leo A. Frisket.

Alternate.

Geo. W. Blackwell.

*Past Commanders.*J. M. Wells.
George Eberhard.
W. W. Fenno.
A. E. Thayer.C. M. Hall.
G. W. Blackwell.
M. F. Buell.

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

Chartered November 14, 1882.

Membership 15.

*Commander, William Poyfair.

Delegate.

Hugh McLean.

Alternate.

Elija Hough.

*Past Commanders.*J. Frank Brann.
*Frank McPhillips.
*W. L. McNitt.
Henry Schwinck.
John La Mott.*J. P. Schwaann.
Daniel Crane.
*L. B. Chamberlain.
Adolph Poyfair.

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

Chartered October 25, 1882. Membership 28.

<i>Delegate.</i>		<i>Alternate.</i>
Frank Frear.		Henry Shippy.
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
A. B. Darragh.		L. B. Longwell.
C. H. Crandall.		L. L. Cornell.
*Henry Davison.		*J. E. Holton.
H. W. Forney.		W. H. Bartholomew.

WALLACE POST NO. 95, FLAT ROCK.

Chartered December 9, 1882. Membership 12.

<i>Delegate.</i>		<i>Alternate.</i>
David Valrance.		Chas. Straving.
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
J. M. Van Riper.		Sherman Rice.
*Albert W. Wagar.		*F. Ferstel.
Chas. Straving.		*H. W. Moses.
John Brown.		John R. Vreeland.

CARTER POST NO. 96, UNION,

Chartered December 21, 1882. Membership 7.

<i>Delegate.</i>		<i>Alternate.</i>
H. H. Calkins.		J. C. Kyle.
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
H. F. Garman.		J. C. Kyle.
C. C. Parker.		Benj. Probst.

JOHN J. BAGLEY POST NO. 97, HERSEY.

Chartered December 27, 1882. Membership 3.

<i>Delegate.</i>		<i>Alternate.</i>
Elijah Tracy.		I. N. Owens.
	<i>Past Commander.</i>	
	*B. F. Corey.	

WILLIAM SANBORN POST NO. 98, PORT HURON.

Chartered December 30, 1882. Membership 48.

<i>Delegate.</i>		<i>Alternate.</i>
Simon Miller.		William Gilbez.
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
*Geo. W. Howe.		*G. B. Windover.
J. D. Kinney.		*Edwin S. Petit.
*Wm. O. Lee.		*John Hill.
*N. D. Brown.		

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

Chartered January 10, 1883. Membership 8.

<i>Delegate.</i>		<i>Alternate.</i>
Wallace Halstead.		L. E. Morse.
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
Chas. W. Lung.		B. H. Stevens.

FORTY-FIFTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT.

ELI P. ALEXANDER POST NO. 103, WILLIAMSTON.

Chartered January 16, 1883.

Membership 10.

Commander, Charles E. West.

Delegate.

*Chas. E. West.

Alternate.

George Byers.

*Past Commanders.**Mathias Coad.
C. E. West.

R. H. Wiggins.

TIM LEWIS POST NO. 107, DIMONDALE.

Chartered March 17, 1883.

Membership 11.

*Commander, Samuel Leseney.

Delegate.

Jacob Reigle.

Alternate.

John Hetrick.

*Past Commanders.**N. P. Bateman.
Samuel Leseney.

*E. D. Butler.

EARL HALBERT POST NO. 108, GRAND LEDGE.

Chartered March 15, 1883.

Membership 13.

*Commander, J. D. Summers.

Delegate.

*J. W. Moyer.

Alternate.

A. E. Elliott.

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

BUTTERWORTH POST NO. 109, COLDWATER.

Chartered March 9, 1883.

Membership 59.

Commander, Chas. Smith.

Delegates.

Joseph Morgan.

Alternates.

S. J. Treat.

*L. L. Bosserman.

Edgar Sears.

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

DE GOLYER POST NO. 110, HUDSON.

Chartered March 12, 1883.

Membership 16.

*Commander, Russell H. Brooks.

Delegate.

Curtis Baxter.

Alternate.

C. Van Ness.

*Past Commanders.*A. H. Boles.
J. A. Dillon.
F. K. Barkway.Wm. A. Barnard.
B. E. Westfall.
R. H. Brooks.

J. B. BRAINARD POST NO. 111, EATON RAPIDS.
Chartered March 14, 1883. Membership 75.
Commander, L. D. Chapman.

Delegates.

*John Henderson.
*Ward Moore.

Alternates.

*R. A. Canfield.
Amos Canfield.

Past Commanders.

*G. W. Norton.
H. B. Olmstead.
Roswell West.
*John Thompson.
*L. D. Chapman.
*D. B. Beman.
A. Chaney.
*C. B. Fowler.

*J. J. Holmes.
John Putnam.
L. A. Fowler.
S. D. Weber.
N. J. De Barr.
B. K. Crandall.
Geo. B. Nobles.

JOHN GILLULY POST NO. 114, FOWLerville.

Chartered March 22, 1883. Membership 25.
*Commander, A. H. Smith.

Delegate.

A. F. Ward.

Alternate.

*G. L. Simpson.

Past Commanders.

G. D. Hamilton.
C. E. Dunstan.

A. H. Smith.
A. W. Cooper.

ELLIOTT POST NO. 115, WHITE PIGEON.

Chartered March 23, 1883. Membership 5.
*Commander, Daniel Saunter.

Delegate.

Chas. Steveson.

Alternate.

Albert Wicket.

Past Commanders.

Martin Luther.

*Daniel Saunter.

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

Chartered March 22, 1883. Membership 10.
*Commander, L. C. Kanouse.

Delegate.

John Schnitz.

Alternate.

Albert Campbell.

Past Commanders.

*G. LaDue.

*L. C. Kanouse.

WADDELL POST NO. 120, HOWELL.

Chartered April 5, 1883. Membership 13.
*Commander, R. D. W. Woodworth.

Delegate.

Walter Holmes.

Alternate.

Frank Watkins.

Past Commanders.

Frank Jordan.
Geo. Barnes.
*R. D. W. Woodworth.
Marshall Borden.

Asa Parshall.
H. J. Sweet.
M. W. Bullock.

FORTY-FIFTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT.

CARVER POST NO. 123, FRANKFORT.

Chartered April 7, 1883.

Membership 16.

Delegate. *Commander, C. C. Forney.
 J. J. Bockoven. *Alternate.*
 Geo. Simmons.
Past Commanders.
 *C. C. Forney. Peter Louck.
 Lot Nevins. F. O. Wickham.
 I. A. Conklin.

FITZGERALD POST NO. 125, HASTINGS.

Chartered April 11, 1883.

Membership 24.

Delegate. Commander, Delton Durhain.
 F. G. Pierce. *Alternate.*
 T. S. DeMott.
Past Commanders.
 Delony Hopkins. J. C. Wardell.
 H. W. Palmieter. A. E. Phillip.
 B. F. Taylor. I. R. Daley.
 *Frank Pierce. O. H. Greenfield.

DAN S. ROOT POST NO. 126, BELDING.

Chartered April 14, 1883.

Membership 36.

Delegate. *Commander, Frank R. Chase.
 J. M. Thomas. *Alternate.*
 M. J. Warren.
Past Commanders.
 *B. F. Tower. *Frank R. Chase.
 *W. R. Olds. W. H. Eckler.

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

Chartered April 15, 1883.

Membership 7.

Delegate. Commander, *Robert Anderson.
 Robert Anderson. *Alternate.*
 M. D. Winsor.
Past Commanders.
 Robert Anderson. J. E. Jones.

JOHN MEGARRAH POST NO. 132, PORTLAND.

Chartered April 27, 1883.

Membership 26.

Delegate. *Commander, Samuel McVeigh.
 *Chas. Hastings. *Alternate.*
 Joseph Hanchott.
Past Commanders.
 H. W. Holcomb. Horace Gliner.
 *Wm. G. Miner. J. D. Woodbury.
 John W. Klotz. Geo. E. Friend.
 Jas. Fraser. S. A. McVeigh.
 Jonas Ackley.

WELCH POST NO. 137, ANN ARBOR.

Chartered May 8, 1883.

Membership 21.

Delegate. Commander, Silas P. Hill.
 C. L. Minnier. *Alternate.*
 A. F. Russell.
Past Commanders.
 T. M. Saran. Silas P. Hill.
 Chas. Manley. Oliver H. Perry.
 Robt. Campbell. Arthur Lyon.
 Walter H. Jackson.

HORACE S. ROBERTS POST NO. 139, ALPENA.
Chartered May 23, 1883. Membership 7.

Delegate. *Commander, Frank Hasell.
Oliver Hennes. *Alternate.* Frank Hamilton.
Past Commander.
*Frank Hasell.

BEERS POST NO. 140, TECUMSEH.
Chartered May 18, 1881. Membership 29.

Delegate. *Commander, H. W. Stevens.
Thomas Langton. *Alternate.* F. M. McLure.
Past Commanders.
Elwin Camborn. *Geo. J. Keyser.
J. W. Shull. A. Van Valkenberg.
J. M. Ingersoll. H. J. Sweet.
H. C. Daniels. Henry Wagner.
*H. W. Stevens.

WHITESIDE POST NO. 143, CARO.
Chartered May 25, 1883. Membership 9.

Delegate. *Commander, D. S. Arnold.
*A. L. Richard. *Alternate.* Chas. Bills.
Past Commanders.
*L. C. Grady. *John L. Myers.
*D. S. Arnold. *J. S. Hockey.
Joseph Stadley. *Joshua Moore.
James Westfall. Lyman Gady.

TURRILL POST NO. 144, LAPEER.
Chartered May 29, 1883. Membership 22.

Delegate. *Commander, A. L. Taylor.
Manton Miller. *Alternate.* Lester Weston.
Past Commanders.
G. W. Cramton. David R. Laing.
L. J. Beers. Stewart Guntors.
*F. C. Mason. A. L. Taylor.
*George E. Holman.

GOV. CRAPO POST NO. 145, FLINT.
Chartered June 7, 1883. Membership 59.

Delegates. *Commander, M. C. Barney.
Thomas Fouch. *Alternates.* Uray Mitchell.
*E. G. Hermes. George Jewell.
Past Commanders.
O. F. Lockhead. *Joseph Rush.
*M. C. Barney. *Geo. Raab.
*John W. Begg. *James H. Failing.
Frank E. Willetts. *E. A. Jennings.
*Ed. C. Marsh. *Chas. Benty.
*T. A. Willets. C. Van Tassell.
William R. Pratt.

FORTY-FIFTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT.

DICK RICHARDSON POST NO. 147, PONTIAC.

Chartered June 11, 1883.

Membership 26.

Delegate. Wm. Teygerdine. *Commander,* S. H. Giles. *Alternate.* *Arthur Carpenter.

Past Commanders. E. C. Smith. S. J. Cloonan.
*D. S. Howard. Wm. Cheals.
*Samuel Giles. *A. B. Parmelee.

RALPH ELY POST NO. 150, SHEPHERD.

Chartered June 12, 1883.

Membership 11.

Delegate. R. Wellman. *Commander,* S. H. Fordyce. *Alternate.*

Past Commanders. William Suix. S. H. Fordyce.
Geo. W. Fonts. J. B. Strubel.

WILLIAM MOYER POST NO. 152, ALMA.

Chartered July 11, 1883.

Membership 17.

Delegate. *A. O. Davis. *Commander,* Henry Card. *Alternate.* A. Crooks.

Past Commanders. Jos. Sartor, Sr. C. A. Walker.
*A. Crooks.

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

Chartered July 5, 1883.

Membership 47.

Delegate. William Goddard. *Commander,* David Miller. *Alternate.* *E. A. Sitts.

Past Commanders. John W. Bradner. L. L. Trask.
*David Miller. John Fitzgerald.
M. B. Drake. Noble Parmale.
O. E. Wilson. David French.

ALBERT ANDERSON POST NO. 157, CASSOPOLIS.

Chartered July 6, 1883.

Membership 9.

Delegate. Frank N. Reese. *Commander,* H. C. Walker. *Alternate.* *B. L. Rudd.

Past Commanders. *Jas. M. Shepard. *H. C. Walker.

COLONEL ELY POST NO. 158, ELM HALL.

Chartered July 10, 1883.

Membership 16.

Delegate. A. E. North. *Commander,* A. Wiser. *Alternate.* S. Miller.

Past Commanders. Geo. Rockafellow. *Geo. Oliver.
William Parks. Chas. D. Hills.
R. Schnepf. L. A. Cramer.
W. C. Mallery. A. G. Wiser.
*L. A. Van Dusen.

HENRY F. WALLACE POST NO. 160, CORUNNA.
Chartered July 12, 1883. Membership 20.

<i>Delegate.</i>	*Commander, J. J. Peacock.	<i>Alternate.</i>
E. Hasbrook.		L. Requa.
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
J. C. Thomas.		Wm. Morrison.
James J. Peacock.		Wm. E. Jacobs.

EDWARD DWIGHT POST NO. 163, VERMONTVILLE.
Chartered July 30, 1883. Membership 20.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, H. H. Brown.	<i>Alternate.</i>
S. A. Fuller.		C. B. Stone.
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
D. M. Purchis.		Israel Boyer.
*C. F. Fuller.		Edwin Tyler.
C. S. Snell.		H. H. Brown.

C. COLGROVE POST NO. 166, MARSHALL.
Chartered August 4, 1883. Membership 19.

<i>Delegate.</i>	*Commander, David Walkinshaw.	<i>Alternate.</i>
*Harry Walkinshaw.		Ruggles Rotheck.
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
Arthur Philips.		S. B. Shotwell.
*David Walkinshaw.		R. Z. Case.
Henry A. Clute.		

MAJOR LUSK POST NO. 167, ELSIE.
Reinstated October 5, 1918. Membership 8.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, Chas. H. Preston.	<i>Alternate.</i>
Erastus Walter.		Frank Brown.
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
W. A. Linman.		C. H. Preston.
Erastus Walter.		

LUMBARD POST NO. 170, PETOSKEY.
Chartered August 11, 1883. Membership 44.

<i>Delegates.</i>	Commander, S. S. Puckett.	<i>Alternates.</i>
Chas. Haney.		Clark Riddle.
C. E. Harris.		V. A. Baker.
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
V. A. Baker.		D. M. Purchis.
Melvin Burch.		Sylvester S. Puckett.
Edwin A. Dunton.		J. A. C. Rowan.
Wilbur F. Lawton.		J. E. Warren.
S. S. Puckett.		Louis A. Labadie.
W. R. Montgomery.		

JULIUS T. BARRETT POST NO. 173, CARSON CITY.
Chartered August 22, 1883. Membership 7.

<i>Delegate.</i>	*Commander, Geo. Van Dusen.	<i>Alternate.</i>
J. A. Osborn.		Benton Smith.
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
D. M. Shelley.		*G. W. Churchill.
G. D. Van Dusen.		Lorenzo Lyons.
John A. White.		

FORTY-FIFTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT.

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

Chartered August 30, 1883.

Membership 15.

Delegate.
W. H. Mason.

**Commander,* Wm. H. Mason.
Alternate.
J. W. Wyckoff.

Past Commanders.
*W. H. Mason. Geo. Johnson.

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

Chartered September 1, 1883.

Membership 8.

Delegate.
Hiram Wellman.

Commander, Emil Glaser.
Alternate.
John Doetsch.

Past Commanders.
*A. H. Rolph. Emil Glaser.

MONTCALM POST NO. 176, STANTON.

Chartered December 6, 1895.

Membership 5.

Delegate.
Thos. E. Dunn.

**Commander,* John B. Cole.
Alternate.

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

CARPENTER POST NO. 180, YPSILANTI.

Chartered August 30, 1883.

Membership 25.

Delegate.
J. D. Kimball.

**Commander,* S. B. Mereness.
Alternate.
James Chambers.

Past Commanders.
*S. B. Mereness. Henry Nieman.
*J. C. Tuttle. Eugene Holbrook.
J. H. Callinder. David Ballinger.

HEBER LE FAVOUR POST NO. 181, MILFORD.

Chartered September 3, 1883.

Membership 16.

Delegate.
J. D. Rowe.

**Commander,* A. J. McCall.
Alternate.
H. Dingman.

Past Commanders.
Alex J. McCall. Asa Prior.
*J. F. Beaumont. Samuel W. McCall.
*Geo. W. Sturdevant. Judson Fielden.
*J. D. Rowe. *N. D. Babcock.

J. B. McPHERSON POST NO 183, HOLLY.

Chartered September 20, 1883.

Membership 6.

Delegate.
Chas. Woodworth.

Alternate.
Joseph Halstead.

Past Commander.
Edwin J. Eisenberg.

HACKETT POST NO. 185, BRONSON.

Chartered September 25, 1883.

Membership 15.

Delegate.
*C. W. Albertson.

Commander, Fred Gentting.

Alternate.
T. A. Eberhard.

Past Commanders.
R. L. Whipple.
*Burnley Foote.
Fred Gentting.

Edgar Moses.
T. A. Eberhard.

FRANK POWELL POST NO. 187, OXFORD.

Chartered September 27, 1883.

Membership 17.

Delegate.
*W. L. Whipple.

Commander, D. C. Nale.

Alternate.
Daniel Nale.

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

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

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

Chartered October 5, 1883.

Membership 6.

Delegate.
Frank Bowles.

Commander, Lucius Sandborn.

Alternate.
John Paslean.

Past Commanders.
J. P. Suiter.
*N. N. Green.

Lucius Sandborn.

JAMES BRADLEY POST NO. 194, CLIO.

Chartered October 28, 1883.

Membership 18.

Delegate.
Leander Allen.

Commander, Cyrus Perigo.

Alternate.
Ira H. Phillip.

Past Commanders.
John Sloan.
Wm. A. Wood.
Chas. Woolson.

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

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

Chartered October 28, 1883.

Membership 18.

Delegate.
*Harvey Harper.

Commander, W. H. Stanton.

Alternate.
Jas. Hall.

Past Commanders.
Chas. D Hooper.
Wesley Longcoy.
Jas. Hall.
Samuel Maxan.

C. Held.
C. J. Russell.
A. A. O'Rourke.
W. H. Stanton.

JOHN TUCKER POST NO. 197, ORTONVILLE.

Chartered November 2, 1883.

Membership 9.

Delegate.
W. F. Gollers

Commander, Wm. H. Moore.

Alternate.
*J. F. Wilders.

Past Commanders.
*Wm. H. Hoore.

*F. M. Jones.

FORTY-FIFTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT.

JAMES STEADMAN POST NO. 198, REED CITY.
Chartered November 5, 1883.

Membership 8.

Commander, W. A. Minor.
Delegate. Aaron Bowman. *Alternate.* *C. A. Randall.
Past Commanders. Chas. Randall. W. A. Minor.
C. W. Beecher.

L. B. QUACKENBUSH POST NO. 205, OWOSSO.
Chartered December 21, 1883.

Membership 66.

Commander, Geo. H. Brock.
Delegates. E. J. Marshall. *Alternates.* Christian Bushell.
Samuel Dick. Samuel Spencer.
Past Commanders. Chas. Freeman. Wm. Guipe.
Willard Knapp. Leonard S. Bowles.
*R. C. Hamilton. Gilbert L. Osborn.
G. Ruess. Thomas Gladden.
*S. Z. Watson. A. E. Ferry.
Thos. M. Wiley.

MAJOR WEBER POST NO. 206, BELLAIRE.
Chartered December 21, 1883.

Membership 20.

Commander, Roswell Leavitt.
Delegate. John Buck. *Alternate.* J. T. Wakeman.
Past Commanders. Roswell Leavitt. C. S. Smith.
C. L. Cleveland. W. J. May.
Simon Flavallen. Jas. E. Matthews.

GEORGE A. CUSTER POST NO. 208, GALIEN.
Chartered December 28, 1883.

Membership 8.

Commander, H. Keefer.
Delegate. Daniel Salisbury. *Alternate.* Geo. N. Lee.
Past Commanders. Henry Keefer. Samuel Jackson.
Wm. H. Beach.

ELI ALVORD POST NO. 209, MONTGOMERY.
Chartered December 2, 1883.

Membership 12.

Commander, G. N. Mead.
Delegate. Geo. W. Meade. *Alternate.* E. R. Fitzsimmons.
Past Commanders. C. W. Hall. G. N. Mead.
Chas. Reynolds.

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E. H. HOLLINGSWORTH POST NO. 210, ALBION.
Chartered January 4, 1884. Membership 33.

<i>Delegate.</i>	<i>Commander,</i> Chas. Pickett.	<i>Alternate.</i>
Willard Durkee.		*Wm. Muffley.
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	E. G. Knapp.
O. G. Hubbard.		Washington Gardner.
*J. H. Perine.		Hiram Herrick.
R. R. Robinson.		*Chas. Pickett.
W. M. Loder.		
Levi S. Warren.		

WM. H. BORDEN POST NO. 211, IONIA.
Chartered December 23, 1883. Membership 39.

<i>Delegates.</i>	<i>Commander,</i> Samuel Stowell.	<i>Alternates.</i>
*E. G. Shattuck.		*Geo. Pattingl.
A. Guernsey.		L. Carpenter.
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	C. C. Eyster.
C. A. Cornell.		J. C. Taylor.
J. H. Laden.		Sam Kelly.
Edward Barringer.		

JOS. B. MASON POST NO. 213, BELLEVUE.
Chartered January 4, 1884. Membership 6.

<i>Delegate.</i>	<i>Commander,</i> Frank Hughes.	<i>Alternate.</i>
F. Campbell.		John Manzer.
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	L. B. Cook.
Wm. Hawley.		John Manzer.
Frank Hughes.		
*F. Campbell.		

WM. RICHARDSON POST NO. 214, MILLINGTON.
Chartered January 4, 1884. Membership 14.

<i>Delegate.</i>	<i>Commander,</i> Asa M. Davis.	<i>Alternate.</i>
Daniel Storms.		Melvin Cobb.
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	Asa M. Davis.
*W. J. Haines.		Ira Sprague.
*Isaac T. Damon.		E. Howard.
I. Van Wagen.		E. J. Whitcomb.
*W. I. Marks.		

JOSEPH SMITH POST NO. 215, FULTON.
Chartered January 12, 1884. Membership 9.

<i>Delegate.</i>	<i>Commander,</i> A. A. Holcomb.	<i>Alternate.</i>
Jonathan Weaver.		W. J. Guthrie.
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	*A. A. Holcomb.
U. C. Case.		H. H. Kindig.
S. C. Rosenberry.		
O. M. Gates.		

FORTY-FIFTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT.

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

Chartered January 7, 1884.

Membership 23.

Delegate. Samuel Clark. *Alternate.* John Gooley.
Past Commanders. *Rozell Widrig. Edwin Tharett.
 J. F. Cotton. August Steltzer.
 *M. L. Skillman. *Gilbert Lacroix.

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

Chartered January 8, 1884,

Membership 11.

Delegate. Henry Cutler. *Alternate.* John Grice.
Past Commanders. A. A. Miner. Chas. B. Streeter.
 G. Gundrum. N. R. Menold.

RUDDOCK POST NO. 224, CHEBOYGAN.

Chartered February 8, 1884.

Membership 14.

Delegate. Mathew N. King. *Alternate.*
Past Commanders. Geo. P. Humphrey. Wm. N. Cross.
 Robt. Braham. Nelson Burdo.

GEO. MARTIN POST NO. 227, EASTPORT.

Chartered February 22, 1884.

Membership 6.

Delegate. Fred Lactoo. *Alternate.* W. H. Blow.
Past Commanders. John McPherson. A. W. Hartwell.
 O. K. Whitney. H. H. Chamberlain.

HARVEY TUCKER POST NO. 229, MARINE CITY.

Chartered February 22, 1884.

Membership 20.

Delegate. *Aug. Horn. *Alternate.* Dan Blanchard.
Past Commanders. Wm. Kiddel. Chas. Barney.
 Chas. F. Farnam.

EDDY POST NO. 231, PLYMOUTH.

Chartered February 22, 1884.

Membership 24.

Delegate. *James Pardee. *Alternate.* James King.
Past Commander. O. P. Showers.

OSCAR BARTLET POST NO. 233, LAMB.

Chartered February 4, 1884.

Membership 14.

*Commander, Wm. Grunwell.

*Delegates.*Racellus Laurence.
*Orville Cowles.*Alternates.*Robert Mutart.
Henry Huffman.*Past Commanders.**William Grunwell.
*Wm. Smith.
*Wm. Baldock.*Henry Maurer.
*H. C. Mudge.

WALTER CLIFFORD POST NO. 235, BOYNE CITY.

Chartered March 20, 1884.

Membership 9.

Commander, John A. Newville.

Delegate.

William Wallace.

Alternate.

A. L. Eaton.

*Past Commanders.**John A. Newville.
John Jones.

F. M. Gates.

JOSEPH MASON POST NO. 248, WACOUSTA.

Chartered April 25, 1884.

Membership 8.

*Commander, Chas. T. Andrus.

Delegate.

Alonzo Waldron.

Alternate.

*Frank Snyder.

Past Commander.

*Chas. T. Andrus.

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

Chartered April 29, 1884.

Membership 12.

Commander, B. C. Moore.

Delegate.

B. C. Moore.

Alternate.

Simon Dancer.

*Past Commanders.*Geo. M. Doty.
M. H. Hallock.C. B. Moore.
J. H. Hoskins.

LONSON POST NO. 255, MAYVILLE.

Chartered May 29, 1884.

Membership 14.

*Commander, Al Minard.

Delegate.

Wm. Turner.

Alternate.

S. Devillery.

*Past Commanders.**J. R. Perry.
Eli Brooks.
*W. H. Turner.*J. W. James.
*A. L. Bryant.

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

Chartered June 21, 1884.

Membership 6.

Commander, P. D. Bissell.

Delegate.

Ronald M. Corey.

Alternate.

A. J. Gennell.

Past Commanders.

A. J. Gennell.

P. D. Bissell.

FORTY-FIFTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT.

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

Chartered July 17, 1884.

Membership 16.

Delegate.
John Wise.

**Commander,* Gerrit Van Schelven.
Alternate.
*Louis deKraker.

Past Commanders.
*Gerrit Van Schelven. G. W. Edgler.

GEN. HARKER POST NO. 263, VANDERBILT.

Chartered July 7, 1884.

Membership 9.

Delegate.
D. W. Stewart.

**Commander,* John G. Berry.
Alternate.
Eugene Van Buren.

Past Commanders.
W. H. Claspill. Wm. Karslake.
A. Van Auken. Royal Stone.
*John G. Berry.

LYON POST NO. 266, MENOMINEE.

Chartered August 2, 1884.

Membership 8.

Delegate.
Andrew Gram.

Commander, A. W. Bill.
Alternate.

Past Commanders.
Andrew Gram. A. W. Bill.
A. B. DeBell. M. Durocher.
M. Caughey. Jesse Hubbard.
James E. Lyons.

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

Chartered February 27, 1890.

Membership 4.

Delegate.
*Sylvester Thomas.

**Commander,* Peter W. Reeves.
Alternate.
Louis Pattnander.

Past Commander.
*Peter W. Reeves.

LUCIUS TAYLOR POST NO. 274, MILAN.

Chartered September 1, 1884.

Membership 12.

Delegate.
C. W. Pullen.

Commander, Peter Swick.
Alternate.
James E. Johnson.

Past Commanders.
Chas. A. Heath. S. H. Evans.
*James E. Johnson. Peter Swick.
*William Losee. Linn Barnes.

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

Chartered September 12, 1884.

Membership 9.

Delegate.
Worthy Perry.

**Commander,* William Barrett.
Alternate.
John Wilber.

Past Commanders.
*A. W. Dorland. *William Barrett.
Hiram Braley.

MORGAN PARKER POST NO. 281, PETERSBURG.

Chartered October 18, 1884.

Membership 5.

Delegate. John Spaulding. *Alternate.* J. W. Johnson.
Past Commanders. *Josiah M. Elder. *H. J. Breningstall.

SAMUEL W. GRINNELL POST NO. 283, SUNFIELD.

Chartered October 23, 1884.

Membership 11.

Delegate. S. Slater. *Alternate.* A. Fender.
Past Commanders. *Wm. Edwins. A. Kreamer.
 E. W. Taylor. *Wm. Edwins.
 Geo. Richards. A. Kreamer.
 B. Peabody.

HENRY H. KNAPP POST NO. 284, DAVISON.

Chartered October 16, 1884.

Membership 9.

Delegate. W. M. Knapp. *Alternate.* James Cooley.
Past Commanders. Wm. M. Knapp. J. Cottrell.
 A. A. Elmore. Wm. N. Monroe.
 B. F. Sanford. John Reeser.
 James Cooley. M. H. Hewitt.
 J. F. Cartwright.

COL. STEWART POST NO. 285, TUSTIN.

Chartered October 28, 1884.

Membership 6.

Delegate. H. Chapman. *Alternate.* D. T. Jaques.
Past Commander. *J. W. Loomis.

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

Chartered December 2, 1884.

Membership 9.

Delegate. Theodore Hamann. *Alternate.* D. B. Mills.
Past Commanders. Theodore Haman. Geo. W. Marshall.
 Andrew Chapman. Greforey Lambert.
 Wilber F. Long. Daniel B. Mills.

ANDREWS POST NO. 294, BIG RAPIDS.

Chartered January 15, 1885.

Membership 43.

Delegate. *Frank G. Rice. *Alternate.* G. L. Dailey.
Past Commanders. W. A. Northrup. M. D. Ford.
 A. B. Knapp. L. T. Loveless.
 E. C. Moore. Thomas Shaw.
 S. G. Webster. Eli Frederick.
 N. H. Hill.

FORTY-FIFTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT.

ALBERT JACKSON POST NO. 300, MARQUETTE.
Chartered March 7, 1885. Membership 17.
Commander, E. C. Anthony.

Delegate. Robert P. Pyra. *Alternate.* Andy Seass.
Past Commanders. E. C. Anthony.
A. O. Kruger. C. E. Moore.
P. C. Beanston.

ORIN WHITCOMB POST NO. 302, BYRON CENTER.
Chartered March 30, 1885. Membership 5.
*Commander, Geo. Moorman.

Delegate. *Geo. Moorman. *Alternate.* Geo. Moorman.
Past Commanders. L. L. Hickox.
*A. H. Hamilton.

BURSON POST NO. 303, SCHOOLCRAFT.
Chartered April 16, 1885. Membership 8.
*Commander, Robert Johnson.

Delegate. Charles Cronk. *Alternate.* Will Snyder.
Past Commanders. Robert E. Johnson.
M. S. Burson. Joseph Mercer.
Chas. Cronk. Chas. Simmons.
Will Snyder.

M. R. ROGERS POST NO. 308, IMLAY CITY.
Chartered May 9, 1885. Membership 9.
*Commander, W. Harwood.

Delegate. *Wm. Harwood. *Alternate.*
Past Commander.

G. J. HUDSON POST NO. 317, MATTAWAN.
Chartered August 17, 1885. Membership 8.
*Commander, L. D. Wheeler.

Delegate. *L. D. Wheeler. *Alternate.* H. Freeman.
Past Commander.
*L. D. Wheeler.

ALLEN M. HARMON POST NO. 318, NORTHVILLE.
Chartered August 22, 1885. Membership 15.
*Commander, L. C. Mead.

Delegate. Andrew Houk. *Alternate.* *Geo. F. Goodell.
Past Commanders. *L. C. Mead. A. Woodmansee.
C. S. Mead.

MYRON HAWLEY POST NO. 323, NAPOLEON.
Chartered October 1, 1885.

Membership 6.

Delegate. *J. C. Garlinghouse.
Alternate. N. W. Snyder.
Past Commanders. Murry Hess.
N. W. Snyder. W. R. Fuller.

COL. H. H. JEFFORDS POST NO. 330, DEXTER.
Chartered November 5, 1885.

Membership 5.

Delegate. L. S. Miles.
Alternate. C. F. Bates.
Past Commanders. *L. S. Miles.
*D. M. Litchfield.

MATHEW ARTIS POST NO. 341, CASSOPOLIS.
Chartered March 10, 1886.

Membership 6.

Delegate. James Dungey.
Alternate. Aspery Ash.
Past Commanders. Solomon Griffin.
Bennet Allen.

E. H. LISCUM POST NO. 343, SAULT STE. MARIE.
Chartered March 10, 1885.

Membership 9.

*Commander, James A. Troutt.
Alternate. J. W. Donildson.
Past Commanders. Jas. A. Troutt.
J. W. Donildson.

BILLY CRUSON POST NO. 347, BRECKENRIDGE.
Chartered March 16, 1886.

Membership 12.

Delegate. A. A. Root.
Alternate. Geo. Wood.
Past Commanders. W. H. Weed.
P. Van Orman. C. K. Fox.
Barney Swope.

S. D. HAIGHT POST NO. 348, SCOTTVILLE.
Chartered March 27, 1886.

Membership 17.

Delegate. P. S. Mills.
Alternate. Albert Nash.
Past Commanders. N. I. Kinnie.
Edgar Lockwood. J. N. Clark.
Fred J. Buck. W. C. Wanamaker.
H. S. Jenks. Frank Comon.

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COMSTOCK POST NO. 352, MANCHESTER.

Chartered May 18, 1886.

Membership 13.

Delegate.

*F. J. Temner.

James Kelley.
George Nisle.
*T. F. Rushton.

Commander, Geo. Nisle.

*Past Commanders.**Alternate.*

Wm. Neebling.

R. M. Teeter.
G. B. Sherwood.

ROWLEY POST NO. 358, CLAYTON.

Chartered July 12, 1886.

Membership 7.

Delegate.

A. E. Terwilliger.

D. H. Warren.
A. E. Terwilliger.
Wm. Hawkins.

*Commander, J. H. Badgley.

*Past Commanders.**Alternate.*

E. E. Hindes.

J. H. Badgley.
John Minty.

KILBOURN POST NO. 361, SHERWOOD.

Chartered September 27, 1886.

Membership 16.

Delegate.

Henry Runyan.

Henry Runyan.
James Locke.
E. W. Watkins.

*Commander, E. W. Watkins.

*Past Commanders.**Alternate.*

J. H. Watkins.

Samuel Frye.
Geo. B. Hass.

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

Chartered October 28, 1886.

Membership 3.

Delegate.

D. A. Curtice.

F. Hanley.

Commander, Fred Hanley.

*Past Commanders.**Alternate.*

S. Plew.

*D. A. Curtice.

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

Chartered March 5, 1887.

Membership 14.

Delegate.

E. Linkletter.

L. P. Judson.
Roswell J. Reed.
I. P. Covey.
W. H. Reynolds.

Commander, J. C. Chandler.

*Past Commanders.**Alternate.*

John Higgins.

Z. E. Clark.
C. C. Judson.
Samuel Davidson.

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

Chartered March 9, 1887.

Membership 8.

Delegate.

Elijah Soule.

Past Commander.
A. M. Helmer.

*Commander, A. H. Helmer.

Alternate.

Wm. Hammil.

WM. P. EVERETT POST NO. 377, ROCHESTER.
Chartered April 1, 1887. Membership 8.

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

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

Commander, Geo. W. Dingman.
Delegate. A. A. Walter. *Alternate.* W. H. Sutphin.
Past Commanders. Geo. W. Dingman. W. H. Sutphin.

U. O. BRETZ POST NO. 382, LAKE ODESSA.
Chartered April 27, 1887. Membership 18.

*Commander, Ed. Turman.
Delegate. Porter Parker. *Alternate.* Chancey Fair.
Past Commanders. Robt. Musgrove. Ed. Thurman.
A. A. Walters.

C. B. WHEELER POST NO. 383, MARTIN.
Chartered May 19, 1887. Membership 6.

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

DETROIT POST NO. 384, DETROIT.
Chartered May 21, 1887. Membership 59.

*Commander, James A. Ells.
Delegates. *Jos. S. Kean. *Alternates.* Fred Holzhamer.
*Uriah Gould. Wm. Young.
*E. B. Fenton. Wm. C. D. Lowrie.
Past Commanders. Marvin Preston. Josiah A. West.
W. S. Green. *Frank C. Trowbridge.
Wm. T. Gage. *Oscar A. Janes.
Chas. A. Coolidge. *Nicholas Woods.
L. H. Chamberlain. G. R. Osmun.
*Gus S. Smith. Felix A. Lemke.
W. H. Mitchell. N. C. Thomas.
Geo. A. Winslow. John Davis.
*E. B. Fenton. Sidney Dixon.

CHAS. GRIFFIN POST NO. 386, FARWELL.
Chartered July 21, 1887. Membership 17.

Commander, Sylvester Coon.
Delegate. *Herbert Glass. *Alternate.* Elisha White.
Past Commanders. J. H. Wood. Chas. H. Clark.
*H. Glass. S. Coon.

FORTY-FIFTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT.

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

Chartered November 15, 1888.

Membership 71.

*Commander, Oliver L. Fox.

Delegates.

R. Johnson.
Francis Tindd.
Charles Green.
E. Child.

Alternates.

Ebenezer Childs.
Kominer Esveld.
O. P. Coleman.

Past Commanders.

J. R. Breasley.
J. S. French.
E. A. Green.
*Geo. L. Antisdell.
Geo. D. Barden.
C. S. Wilson.
*Abraham Eddy.
James H. Martin.

John A. Miller.
*Edwin H. Stein.
Wesley Wheeler.
G. W. Osborn.
*H. W. Diamond.
Chas. A. Green.
Oliver L. Fox.

WOLLSEY POST NO. 390, NORTHPORT.

Chartered January 19, 1889.

Membership 4.

*Commander, W. H. Porter.

Delegate.

Thos. Haynes.

*Alternate.**Past Commanders.*

W. H. Porter.
John Thomas.

W. B. Green.

BURLINGAME POST NO. 402, AKRON.

Chartered April 23, 1889.

Membership 10.

Commander, Zach. Hess.

Delegate

J. C. Davis.

Alternate.

*E. A. Anable.

Past Commanders.

R. J. Jameson.
L. C. Wilbur.

Z. T. Hess.
E. J. Mathew.

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

Chartered May 13, 1903.

Membership 7.

Commander, Chas. Hooker.

Delegate.

J. Wallace Grace.

Alternate.

R. S. Cushman.

Past Commanders.

J. L. Richard.
R. S. Cushman.

Chas. Hooker.
T. B. Musser.

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

Chartered June 29, 1891.

Membership 14.

Commander, Ralph Hawley.

Delegate.

E. J. Tivey.

Alternate.

Ransom Pearce.

Past Commanders.

R. Hawley.
O. B. Randall.

John H. Burgess.
S. H. Camp.

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

Chartered August 1, 1891.

Membership 6.

*Commander, John Wayman.

*Delegate.**Alternate.*

Past Commander.
John Wayman.

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H. P. MERRILL POST NO. 410, BAY CITY.
Chartered February 19, 1892.

Membership 8.

Delegate.

Commander, M. M. Andrews.

Alternate.

Past Commanders.

M. M. Andrews.
J. W. Knaggs.
H. B. Landon.

F. L. Wilson.
W. H. Colburn.

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

Membership 5.

Delegate.

Commander, W. D. Wiltsie.

Alternate.

Past Commanders.

E. G. Allen.

G. W. Radle.

Henry Manwell.
A. D. McGrive.

A. McGuire.

O. M. POE POST NO. 433, DETROIT.
Chartered November 18, 1896.

Membership 48.

Delegates.

*Commander, E. H. Davis.

Alternates.

Milton Streeter.
*M. T. Blair.
*Joseph Fuller.

W. T. Baer.
Thomas Courtney.

Past Commanders.

*A. T. Phelps.
*S. A. Widrig.
*Geo. D. Freeman.
*E. H. Davis.

*B. C. Brainard.
*A. F. Chappell.
*Walter Kinsler.
James Gilboy.

STEELE BROS. POST NO. 441, MASON.
Chartered December 31, 1897.

Membership 16.

Delegate.

Commander, John Staley.

Alternate.

Nelson DeCamp.

George Monk.

Past Commanders.

J. C. Squires.
*L. H. Ives.
John Staley.

John Sayre.
H. O. Call.

WASHINGTON POST NO. 444, CADILLAC.
Chartered April 14, 1898.

Membership 16.

Delegate.

*Commander, A. J. Teed.

Alternate.

H. A. Spencer.

C. M. Dodge.

Past Commanders.

D. E. Cook.
*R. L. Dalzel.
*M. D. Richardson.
George Morgan.

*A. J. Teed.
Thomas Fitzgerald.
William Stewart.

GEN. I. C. SMITH POST NO. 451, REED CITY.
Chartered April 28, 1900.

Membership 13.

Delegate.

Commander, G. H. Gilbert.

Alternate.

Andre Ritter.

W. R. C. Pitts.

Past Commanders.

*Isaac Grant.
Geo. H. Gilbert.
Aretus Corwin.

David J. Randall.
Livingston Hall.
C. D. Woodruff.

FORTY-FIFTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT.

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

Chartered June 23, 1900.

Membership 26.

Commander, Edward Cook.

Delegate.

Henry Nurwander.

Alternate.

Joseph Blair.

*Past Commanders.*A. J. Teall.
Philander Karr.
J. S. Hilton.
Edward Cook.Chas. L. Clary.
A. J. Shepard.
E. W. Pratt.

HARLOW PELTON POST NO. 453, KINGSTON.

Chartered July 21, 1900.

Membership 6.

*Commander, E. Parker.

Delegate.

B. S. Franklin.

Alternate.

Edward Parker.

*Past Commanders.*W. C. Lockwood.
Benj. Franklin.
R. King.
E. Parker.J. B. Hickey.
John Booth.
L. Lamway.

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

Chartered July 17, 1900.

Membership 7.

Commander, W. H. Greenman.

Delegate.

W. H. Greenman.

Alternate.

Lewis Deline.

Past Commanders.

W. H. Greenman.

J. H. Hemphill.

JOHN HUNTER POST NO. 455, MONTROSE.

Chartered November 21, 1900.

Membership 10.

*Commander, John Burleson.

Delegate.

N. C. Bouck.

Alternate.

*Geo. England.

*Past Commanders.*W. G. Bouck.
*G. W. England.
Aug. Locke.John Burleson.
John W. Barber.

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

Chartered February 9, 1903.

Membership 21.

*Commander, W. T. Kinsey.

Delegate.

John Oltus.

Alternate.

Wm. Edgecombe.

*Past Commanders.**W. T. Kinsey.
Joshua Brown.
Wm. White.*S. W. Eddy.
Ansel Walker.
William Dunn.

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

Chartered November 2, 1907.

Membership 7.

Commander, Edward Smith.

Delegate.

Edward Smith.

Alternate.

Harry Smith.

*Past Commanders.*Peter Desmond.
Edward Smith.

R. J. Baldwin.



SAMUEL D. BAILEY
Senior Vice Dept. Commander

Department Commander: The rules governing the National Encampment, Grand Army of the Republic, will govern us unless there are objections. I hear none.

The Senior Vice Commander will please take the chair.

Senior Vice Department Commander Bailey presiding.

Department Commander Mears then gave his report as follows:

Report of Commander's address is as follows:

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

Comrades: I think I visited over 70 of the Posts in Michigan before my health gave out, so I had to stop, and the work that I have done has been a work of love. The work that I have done has been an inspiration to me and I have loved it. The way in which I have been received would be an inspiration to any soldier to meet with them.

The Assistant Adjutant will tell you what compensation I will receive for the work that I have done, but the inspiration I have received and the love and courtesies shown me have more than compensated me.

I should have a written report, but as I have been unable to do it, you will please accept this excuse if you can call it that for not having a written report.

Thanking you for the work you have done and for the courtesies you have shown me during the year and asking that my successor receive that same warm, hearty support you have given me. I hope that the work will go on well and prosper.

Assistant Adjutant General Spaulding: I know something of the condition of the Department Commander officially, I have visited several posts with him. I know that his heart is in the work, and I know that his health has been in such a condition that he has had to give up the work for the last three or four months, and it is almost impossible for him to get down here and attend this meeting and impossible for him to give a written report, and I move now that the report as made by our Department Commander be received without reference and be written up in shape and good order in our Journal.

This motion was carried.

The Senior Vice Commander's report was then read.

Mr. Henry Spaulding,
Assistant Adjutant General,
Department of Michigan.

Dear Comrade: We are assembled here once more to greet our comrades that are spared to be with us at this 45th Annual Encampment.

One year ago you elected me Senior Vice Commander. I have appreciated the honor you have conferred upon me.

The Commander has been very lenient with me and my duties have been light. By his orders I arranged the trip from Detroit to the National Encampment at Des Moines over the Michigan Central and Rock Island Railway. We left Detroit September 24th, 1922, at 12:35 Central Standard time, arriving at Chicago on time. Mr. Johnson, the Rock Island agent, made arrangements for transfer and sleeping car accommodations and to the comfort of all on board, leaving Chicago at 10 p. m. and arriving at Des Moines

about 10 a. m., September 25th, where we were met by autos and taken to our headquarters. A very enjoyable trip. Too much praise cannot be given the citizens of Des Moines for the most delightful encampment we ever had. Our Commander being in poor health last winter, I was privileged to represent him at a delightful affair at Jackson, April 25th, 1928. The Department President of the Woman's Relief Corps and her Department Officers arranged a very fine program for the service of planting a tree in Withington Park, at Jackson, in memory of that grand patriotic woman, Clara Barton. In representing the Grand Army of the Republic, I was being honored by being asked to place the last few shovels of earth on that tree, and the shovel used in that work now rests in a choice corner in my home. My work thus accomplished, I wish to thank you all for the kindness and courtesy I have received during the year.

Yours in F. C. and L.,

S. D. BAILEY,
Department Senior Vice Commander.

The motion was made and carried that this report be received and adopted without reference.

The report of the Department Chaplain was then given.

Comrades: I am embarrassed for this reason. I cannot see to read or write on account of difficulty with my eyes. I do not know that I can be heard, but I want to say this, that up to the present moment I think just nineteen reports have been received from the Department Chaplain. So it is hard for me to make a report.

They should tell me how many graves were decorated, how many attended Memorial services on Sunday, and how many on May 30th. I beg to ask therefore, to have this chance of making this verbal report with the privilege of requesting that these reports be given to me in time for the printing of the general minutes.

I am not inclined to speak about how many have died this year, I am rather inclined to say that with the same number of men at any place of the same ages, the percentage of deaths would have been as large as it was at the Soldiers' Home this year. I think they are getting along there very well, and instead of referring to the fact that men are dying, I think I will speak of the fact that about the time that Spaulding came on the board a wedding was held up there at the Soldiers' Home and a comrade was married to a widow from the annex, and the council hall was filled. They are as much interested in varied things that are going on as anyone else. As has been said, "While we are musing the fire burns," and there is great work for us to do.

HORACE PALMER,
Department Chaplain.

On supported motion this report was accepted and adopted without reference.



JOHN SEEL
Junior Vice Department Commander

Committee appointed to wait upon the delegation from the Spanish War Veterans.

MR. RAVENS: Chairman: It is a great pleasure to me to again be called upon to visit the old boys and comrades of '61. When you were young like we are today to find partners in the war. There was a long period between your war and ours. Before we even anticipated our being veterans of the war we always cherished the boys of '61. Never in the history of the world has there been a war like that of '61. Some boys went away, some thirteen, fifteen years of age and some fifty years of age, all boys together. They made a record for this grand United States that no war has ever done and will ever be able to do. Had it not been for your record of '61 we would have had no record at all, and the present generation of veterans would not have been, so you are really the fathers of all of the veterans, and when we come here and say, "comrades," we mean just exactly what that word "comrades" implies. "Comrade." That is the word that is on many occasions misused. When a man says "comrade" he should mean comrade, and he should be ready to grasp your hand and say "comrade." That means so much to a comrade. Civilians have no right to use that name "comrade," because it means so much to the veterans, not only the word comrade means much but the organization that you belong to, that I belong to, that the newer veterans belong to, is an organization that you should well be proud of, not only to say, "Why, I fought in the Civil War, I'm a G. A. R. soldier, I'm a Spanish War veteran, I'm a World War veteran," but you should feel that you still have a fight before you in regard to pension. Now stand by your officers and don't get negligent in your attendance at the meetings. There is lots to be done. We Spanish War veterans are your guardians.

The Lansing crowd has decided to have you come to Lansing and honor us with your presence in 1924, and I sincerely hope and trust that you will all be there. We are going to make your stay in Lansing just as happy as we can possibly make it. We all know the boys of '61 and love them, you deserve a good time and you will have it in Lansing.

FRANK L. FINCH, Spanish War Veteran: From the Spanish War veterans I extend to you, comrades, greetings. There is nothing that means more to me than brotherly love, and that is the feeling that exists between the Spanish War veterans and the boys of '61, there is a comradeship between them. What I wish is that the Spanish War veterans be considered as next to you, and that we are going to stand up and take your place when you are gone to the rewards that await you. We will uphold the flag and carry on and we also hope that when we are gone the World War veterans will come on in escort of us.

We are practically insignificant compared to you, but we volunteered and it is not our fault that we did not have the chance to fight a war like you did. In the World War there were thousands of thousands of boys at Battle Creek who did not get a chance to go across and it was not their fault. They were anxious to go to France and willing to fight.

The Spanish War veterans are not pleading in any way. We are taking our stand, and that is that we should be mixed with Civil War veterans insofar as the defense of the flag is concerned.

I wish to say again that I am very glad to meet with you and hope that we may see you all again a year hence.

Badges were placed upon these delegates and they were escorted by the committee selected for that purpose out of the room.

Committee appointed to wait upon the delegation from the Daughters of the G. A. R.

CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE, MRS. BOGGS: I am bringing greetings from the Junior Department, the children of the Daughters of the G. A. R. They have for the last two years appeared in body, but they were so far away this year and in school. They love every G. A. R. man. We are personally teaching the children to love the G. A. R., not only now, but to hand it down from generation to generation, and in Detroit, if you will speak to any Detroit man, I think he will tell you what the children of the D. A. R. are doing there. These are your grandchildren and your great grandchildren, and we feel that if this work is to be carried on it must be done by these children. We are telling them the true history of the Civil War. We know that the history of the Civil War as taught in some of our schools is not true history.

And on behalf of the children of the D. A. R. I am presenting to your Department Commander these roses from the children of the G. A. R., our Junior Department.

COMMANDER MEARS: It gives me great pleasure at this time to thank you for this bouquet. I know the children love us and we love them, and we are very glad to thank them through you for this emblem. We are glad you are teaching the children to be American patriots, and we trust you are instructing our youth to honor Old Glory. (Presenting badges.)

Committee appointed to wait upon the delegation of the Daughters of the G. A. R.

CHAIRMAN OF DELEGATION: We wish to extend our hearty appreciation and thanks for what you have done for us, and we are glad to know that we can be with you once more. I am only a granddaughter and I have no grandfather living, so I claim all of you. I would like to have you meet with us at our meeting at the Elks Temple tomorrow afternoon. We cordially invite you to come.

As an expression of our appreciation we wish to present you with this bouquet.

Badges were placed upon the ladies and they were escorted by the committee selected for that purpose out of the room.

Report of the Junior Vice Department Commander, Seel:

To Henry Spaulding, Assistant Adjutant General, Department of Michigan,
Grand Army of the Republic.

In compliance with the rules and regulations of the Grand Army of the Republic, I have the honor to submit the following report as Junior Vice Department Commander for the term ending with this encampment. In the absence of work assigned me, I made myself useful in bringing back into our



ROBERT LEBARRON,
Medical Director, Department of Michigan.

order quite a number of comrades; some for reinstatement and others from disbanded posts. The honorable position of Junior Vice Department Commander is not involving specially onerous service upon its fortunate incumbent except that he holds himself in readiness at all times when called upon by the commander or camp fires and other gatherings. Installed two Posts and one Relief Corps and I am pleased to bear testimony to the fact that there is no fraternity so universal and responsive as the comradeship of the Grand Army of the Republic.

In closing my report I wish to thank the Department Commander and Assistant Adjutant General for the courtesy shown me and all the comrades for the honor conferred on me one year ago in electing me Junior Vice Department Commander.

Yours in F. C. and L.,
(Signed) JOHN SEEL,
Junior Vice Department Commander.

On supported motion this report was accepted and adopted without reference.

Report of the Medical Director:

I haven't any particular report to make from the fact that I have been on the sick list for the last two months, but I will say this, that ever since I have been your Medical Director I haven't charged one of the boys one cent for my services, my services were free and always given willingly. The last year and this year I have been asked to prescribe a little tonic that you used to get in the army—a little quinine and a little whiskey, but the Volstead law has knocked the whiskey out and I can't furnish anything but quinine.

Now, my comrades, I want to know how many of you sent sons to the World War? Raise your hands. Are you satisfied with the way the boys have been treated? You know there were over two million of our men and sons who were sent over to France and do you think they have been treated well since? The signing of the armistice meant the end of the war, and then what happened? 150,000 of our boys came back crippled, and came back as veterans, and they offered their whole physical being as a living being to be sacrificed to the name of liberty, democracy and humanity. They have been sacrificed to the extent that they were crippled for life, some with one leg off, some with two, some with arms off, some blind, and do you think that during the last few years of Wilson's administration that congress was legislating for those boys when those boys have been turned over to our poor houses. In one cemetery in France, there are to be seen long rows of white crosses and each cross represents what? One of our sons who when he was in the pink of manhood, offered his physical being as a living sacrifice in the name of liberty, democracy and humanity.

You will have the satisfaction that the name of those boys will be emblazoned on the tablet of liberty to be handed down through all ages, as having done their duty to their country and their flag, as having done their duty to their God, while those pussillanimous specimens of humanity long since have been forgotten, after they are living in the realms of his satanic majesty.

This report was accepted and adopted without reference.

Committee appointed to wait upon the delegation of the Sons of Veterans.

Chairman, Comrades of the G. A. R.: It has been the pleasure of the last thirty years nearly to come before your body in your capacity as representing the Sons of Veterans of the State of Michigan. Many of your faces are known to me and mine doubtless is to you. In all these years our fraternal relationship, like that of father and son, has only grown stronger. Our bonds of fraternity have only been welded more and more. We come to you today to bring to you the hearty thanks of these sons of yours and your comrades of the past and the present for the kind courtesy which we have received at your hands. We come not with the sense of duty, we come just exactly as son would to father and with the same feeling, as we are flesh of your flesh and bone of your bone.

I have what is to me, a somewhat touching duty. There are faces that I miss and I know that they have gone to their reward. There are not many years left to us. Now, comrades, we come to you not with a specific request, but there are certain features which we do dearly desire. We have always stood back of the name under which we were first organized, that of the Sons of Veterans. Many suggestions have been offered in regard to the change in names for this organization, but, comrades, there is one thing, I may possibly be voicing just a personal feeling in connection with this matter, but we are down deep in our hearts, hoping that some day an action will be taken by your organization which will lead to a change of name which will indicate us as the logical successors of your organization, something along the line of Sons of the G. A. R. Times have changed since our organization was first started, at that time you were the only veterans. There have been two wars since then and there is often a confusion about our name. We are asking you to do what you can, if you feel so disposed, to bring this matter to a focus. We want to forever be known as the sons of the grandest organization of men that ever was, men who had the courage to endure the hardships of '61 and '65. It was just three years ago I laid away my dear old father, and this was the one organization of all that he has belonged to, next to his church, to which he gave faithful allegiance. What I want to do is to carry on this same allegiance for the balance of my lifetime, but I want, if possible, to have this organization the logical successor to your organization, not as the G. A. R., but as an auxiliary to your body, and going down and down and down the same as the sons of the American Revolution.

We bring you Godspeed in your connection with your convention, and we hope that we will see the same faces next year, and that you can decide about the matter of a name for us.

Badges were placed upon the men.

E. J. WILSON, Post 48: At the last meeting of this encampment you will recall a resolution was made to change the name of the Sons of Veterans to the name of "The Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War." Has that matter been taken up?

ASSISTANT ADJUTANT GENERAL SPAULDING: That matter was taken up. The G. A. R. has no control over that matter. They simply asked them to settle on some name that they wanted. The name that Comrade Wilson speaks of was passed on to our national department. We have to

be governed by our national department. This has been brought up for the last three years in a way, and the G. A. R. is perfectly willing to let you select a name that you want, providing you don't take the G. A. R. It was left that way.

CHAIRMAN, SONS OF VETERANS: There is only one trouble about this matter, and it is this: We don't get anywhere. We go to our national body and they refer us to the G. A. R., and we go to the G. A. R. and they say it is up to the Sons of Veterans. In a few years the G. A. R. will be gone and we are attempting to crystallize some sentiment that will carry this name on down through the ages.

ASSISTANT ADJUTANT GENERAL SPAULDING: Colonel McGurrin, commandant of the Soldiers' Home, wished me to say that the G. A. R. is invited to visit the home during the time they are here, and as I understand it, after the parade tomorrow morning, there will be autos at the park to take them out to the home. The parade will be at 9:30, and they will go out to the home immediately after the parade.

COMRADE BARRETT: Colonel McGurrin requested me to invite everyone in the State of Michigan that is here to visit the home sometime during the convention. Tomorrow they will have open house all day long. You are to walk right in and make yourselves at home, and take all the liberties you took during the war time. You know then if a soldier saw anything he wanted he helped himself. You can get a good square meal free any time after breakfast. The colonel wanted me to say to you that if you wanted to stay over night, they could accommodate you until the beds were all filled. You are all welcome. You will find someone ready to show you around the building, and everyone will make it as interesting as they can. There will be ice cream and cake served to all that come.

Committee appointed to wait upon the delegation of the Auxiliary of the Spanish-American War Veterans.

CHAIRMAN: Comrades: We know you are just as tired and warm as we are, but we just want to extend our greetings. Grand Rapids is a nice place to be in I find, and we want you to know that we are always ready to help you. We feel that you are the fathers of the boys of '98, and we just can't help but love you. (Presenting badges to Senior Vice Commander and Post Commander.) We want to present this little badge, it looks like yours, but the words are different and it means so much to us.

Badges were placed upon the ladies and they were escorted by the committee selected for that purpose from the room.

Committee appointed to wait upon the delegation of Daughters of Veterans of the Civil War.

CHAIRMAN: Comrades of the Grandest Army of the Republic: I can't begin to tell you what a joy it was to me when our department president of the Daughters of the Civil War Veterans named me on the committee to bring greetings to our fathers, and I am sure there is no one that we think more of than we do of our fathers. The fact that you made it possible for us to call ourselves the Daughters of the Civil War Veterans and to think

that the same blood that flows in your veins flows in ours makes us proud, and I am mighty glad that my father fought in the Civil War, and gave me the right to be called the daughter of a Civil War veteran.

So, in presenting greetings from the Daughters of the Civil War Veterans, I wish to present to you these flowers. You will see they have the red and white of your colors and you all have the blue, the true blue, that goes with it.

Ladies are presented with badges and then escorted by the committee selected for that purpose out of the room.

NATIONAL COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF WILLETTS: What I would like to do would be to talk over your pension matter with you, while I have the old crowd here. When you all meet here together tomorrow I would like to explain to you the pension matter, for I have been in at the defeat and am sorry that we were defeated.

I am pleased to be with you. Leaving Fort Dodge, Ia., last night at 10 o'clock we arrived today at 1:50 p. m. I would like to talk to you in open session about your pension, so that we may have a definite understanding as regards the situation as your Commander-in-Chief sees it. I am delighted to be here with you not only in spirit but in flesh. You are perhaps the twentieth encampment it has been my pleasure to meet with during my administration, and I hope I will be in a good condition the remainder of the month so I can fill out the itinerary of this month in which you are included.

You are a pretty healthy old bunch. I think I will consider you are from 75 to 85 years young.

Committee appointed to wait upon the National Commander-in-Chief of the Spanish War Veterans.

The address of the National Commander-in-Chief of the Spanish War Veterans was then given.

Comrades: Really this is a pleasure that I did not expect—to meet with you in company with your National Commander-in-Chief. I wonder if it will not be of just a little interest to you, comrades of mine, to know that the legislation equalized the consideration of compensation for the veterans of all wars in this country.

We are conscious of the fact that the veterans of the late war have had better success in getting their pensions than we had. It took over twenty years for you boys of the Civil War and the boys of the Spanish War to get theirs, and at the end of two years after the end of the World War, the boys are getting what is coming to them, and I am mighty glad. But no one can ever do the things you boys of '61 did, and if it had not been for you we would not have had a country to defend in our later wars. The G. A. R. are our best boys. And we Spanish War Veterans are closer to you G. A. R. boys than any other group, we are closer because our ties are nearer, we represented a school of the freest and best patriots than there has ever been since. I don't see just the kind of patriotism nowadays that we saw then, I wish we could. I can see coming across the great Atlantic and Pacific a new influence, an influence that tries to undermine that sort of patriotism, and to spread distrust. I am frightened at the possibility of those countries coming over here and planting their seeds of distrust in America.

I came to day to tell you that the Spanish War Veterans are going to stand back of you in helping our government, and as long as we live we are going to tell our boys and our girls and their children about you, we are never going to let them forget the heroism of '61.

I hope that I may come to be a power for good in this country, but whatever I do, I hope that I may be able to help to put a stop to the desecration of Memorial Day and the Sabbath in this country. These careless people of the world have taken the Lord's day and desecrated it, we have got to save this day, and there is going to come the day when the machinery of industry will be still long enough to review the parade of the courageous citizens who have made the supreme sacrifice, and I hope that this day may become our big, pure Sabbath of America.

We Spanish War Veterans are going to keep up the good work you have started and made possible for us, and we are going to carry on. We are going to see to it that the correct and true history of that great period of time shall be taught in our schools. Our country is facing a time of stress and trouble and our coming generations must be made fit to grapple with these problems. And it is our duty to teach patriotism and Americanism to those foreigners who come to our shores, and do our best to stop the propaganda that they are stealthily distributing to our citizens. We are going to make these foreigners good, respectable Americans, and then and only then, will come the big inspiration for the Sabbath of America, the 80th day of May.

Committee appointed to wait upon the delegation from the Ladies of the G. A. R.

CHAPLAIN OF THE LADIES OF THE G. A. R.: I have an honor that has never been given to me before of coming to you as the chairman of the committee from our organization, and there is nothing, nothing that has ever appealed so strongly to me, for I am a Grand Army woman. I began my work as a child and all through the years I have worked for and loved the Grand Army, and I consider myself unusually honored and blessed to have had a comrade in the army and to feel that I can be one of you, and whenever I see a comrade I feel that I have a small claim on him, and I, in the name of the Department of the Ladies of the G. A. R., bring to you these blossoms. They will wither in a very short time, but the love and the good wishes that accompany them will live and live as long as eternity.

A bouquet was presented to Department Commander Mears by these ladies. A committee was appointed to present these ladies with badges and they were escorted out.

A committee was appointed to wait upon the delegation from the Women's Relief Corps.

MRS. MAUDE HOLMES, Department President: It is a great pleasure and a great honor to be placed as chairman on the committee to bring to you greetings of your auxiliary, the Women's Relief Corps. It is a pleasure to meet with you again, as a body in convention, and it is a pleasure to do the work that we are privileged to do as the direct auxiliary of the G. A. R., and we trust that we will never fail you. We have a national organization of

over 200,000 members and in our department of Michigan there are over 10,000, and we are all willing, anxious and ready to serve you at any time and all times. We wish you success in your convention.

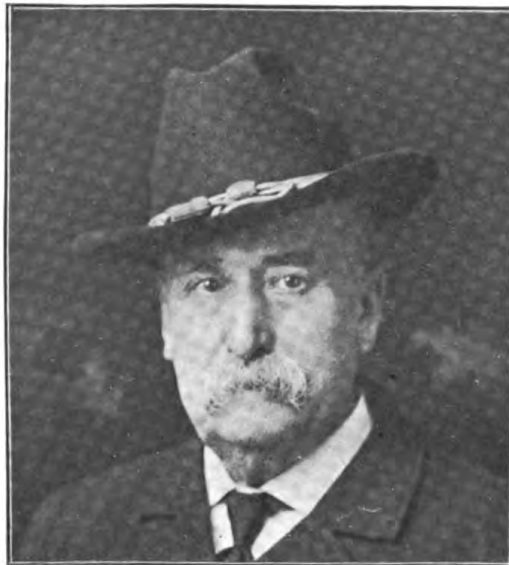
Ladies were presented with badges and escorted by the committee selected for that purpose out of the room.

A committee was appointed to wait upon the delegation from the Daughters of Veterans: Mrs. Elliott, National President; Mrs. Clark and Mrs. Scott, Past Presidents.

MRS. ELLIOTT: I am only going to talk but a minute. Now, I am coming to you today, not only as the National President of the Daughters of Veterans, but I'm coming to you as a member of the G. A. R., so I am one of the convention with you. You see this badge that I wear up here on my shoulder, when I was in Massachusetts about a month ago, over in Cambridge, they had a bean supper for me, a bean supper with brown bread and everything that goes with it, and after the supper the commander of the post got up and told how when Marshal Foch was here and visited Massachusetts and Cambridge, the post made him an associate of the Grand Army and he said, "The honor that I felt in placing that badge on Marshal Foch was as nothing compared with the honor that I feel today in placing it on a Daughter of the Veterans of the Civil War," and now I am a member of the G. A. R. I'm an old soldier now. There isn't anything could come to me that I would consider as much an honor as it is to wear a badge of the G. A. R. My father and my grandfather both wore these same bronze buttons that you wear, so you see I am doubly a Daughter of Veterans. So I'm glad to meet these boys of the different states. We hope to see you in Milwaukee at the national encampment.

Ladies were presented with badges and escorted from the room.

The report of the Assistant Adjutant General and Quartermaster General, Henry Spaulding, was then read.



HENRY SPAULDING
Asst, Adjutant and Q. M. General

REPORT OF ASSISTANT ADJUTANT AND QUARTERMASTER
GENERAL, DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN, GRAND
ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,

for the Year Beginning June 1, 1922, and Ending June 1, 1923

To William Mears, Department Commander of Michigan G. A. R.:

In accordance with the rules and regulations, I herewith submit my annual report for the year ending June 1, 1923.

MEMBERSHIP

			Posts 197	Memb's 3886
Number in good standing Dec. 31, 1921				
Gain—	Posts	Memb's		
By muster		40		
By transfer		27		
By reinstatement		38		
From delinquent reports.....	2	14	2	119
Aggregate total	2	119	199	3505
Loss—				
By death		311		
By honorable discharge.....		8		
By transfer		35		
Suspension		68		
By delinquent reports	4			
By surrender of charter.....	2		6	400
Number in good standing June 1, 1923			193	3105

HENRY SPAULDING,
Assistant Adjutant General.

QUARTERMASTER GENERAL'S FINANCIAL REPORT
FOR THE YEAR

RECEIPTS

Amount on hand June 1, 1922.....		\$3348.61
Received during year—		
From per capita tax	\$825.52	
From sale of supplies	26.25	
From W. R. C.	200.00	
From interest on deposit	180.00	
From donations for Drum Corps.....	105.75	
		1887.52
Total receipts for the year.....		\$4726.18

DISBURSEMENTS

Paid out on vouchers during the year—a check with each voucher—total	1679.60
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Balance on hand this date.....	\$3046.53
Certificate of deposit with the Standard Loan Asso- ciation of Detroit, interest at 6%.....	\$3000.00
Cash on hand	46.53
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	\$3046.53

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

Department Commander William Mears, I cannot close this report without thanking you for appointing me as your assistant adjutant and quartermaster general. I have enjoyed the work with you very much and hope that I have done my work in a satisfactory manner to you. Again I thank you, commander, and to your personal staff I certainly appreciate their kindness to me during the year. Also to the comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic I must thank you all for the kindness shown me during my term as assistant Adjutant. I remain loyally,

Yours in F. C. and L.,

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

DEATH ROLL FOR THE YEAR 1922

Post No.	Name.	Rank.	Company.	Regiment.	Date of Death.
1	Seldon Caldwell	Private	C	1st N. Y. Cavalry	Mar. 6, 1922
1	Gideon D. Reed	Private	B	21st Mich. Infantry	June 22, 1922
	David Hofer				Dec 18, 1922
3	Francis Hiscutt	Private	I	108th N. Y. Infantry	April, 1922
4	Robert D. Lane	Corp.	I	18th Mich. Infantry	Nov. 20, 1922
5	Wesley Bloss	Private		13th Mich. Lt. Art.	Dec. 16, 1922
5	Erastus Bates	Private	F	18th Mich. Infantry	April 25, 1922
5	Oscar Foster	Sergeant	I	3rd Mich. Infantry	Nov. 30, 1922
5	A. D. Pease	Private	B	6th Mich. Cavalry	Sept 18, 1922
5	E. G. Raymond	Private	G	44th Mass. Infantry	Aug. 5, 1922
5	William Widdicomb	1st Lieut.	B	1st Mich. Infantry	Nov. 27, 1922
5	Jesse Sebring	Private	B	4th Mich. Cavalry	Jan. 9, 1922
6	Luther Lane			5th Ill. Artillery	Sept. 1, 1922
6	George H. Young	Private	K	10th Mich. Infantry	Oct. 30, 1922
6	Samuel Carlile	Private	F	18th Mich. Infantry	Nov., 1922
6	Chas. B. Foeler	Private	G	30th Mich. Infantry	Dec. 26, 1922
7	John Bail	Corp.	I	6th Mich. Cavalry	Jan. 25, 1922
7	John Thornton	Private	H	33rd N. Y. Infantry	Feb. 2, 1922
7	Peter Beo	Private	D	4th Ohio Cavalry	April 25, 1922
7	Cyrus McConnell	Private	E	120th Ohio Infantry	May 31, 1922
7	George Brueno	Farrier	H	9th Mich. Cavalry	Aug. 5, 1922
9	Chas. Wilber	Private	E	72nd N. Y. Infantry	Jan. 6, 1922
9	John D. Gowell	Private	A	19th Maine Infantry	Aug. 4, 1922
9	L. R. Mills	Private	H	1st Mich. Infantry	May 29, 1922
	A. C. Marlin	Private	F	4th Iowa Infantry	Dec. 10, 1922
10	Ebenezer Lockwood	Private	C	15 Mich. Infantry	Jan. 27, 1922
13	W. H. H. Davis	Private	L	1st Mich. Cavalry	June 22, 1922
14	Franklin Ripley	Private	K	1st Mich. Cavalry	Jan. 12, 1922
14	Luther Hemlinway	Private	B	24th Mich. Infantry	Jan. 30, 1922
14	Byron B. Taylor	Private	B	6th Mich. Infantry	Mar. 20, 1922
14	James Aspell	Private	D	69th N. Y. Infantry	April 12, 1922
14	John M. Daigneau	Private		6th Mich. Cavalry	May 25, 1922
14	Eugene R. Sly	Private	C	100th Ill. Infantry	May 28, 1922
14	George W. Garrett	Private	A	19th Ill. Infantry	June 17, 1922
14	James P. Versaw	Private	K	28th Mich. Infantry	Oct. 23, 1922
14	George W. Collins	Sergeant	M	4th Mich. Cavalry	Oct. 28, 1922
29	John Akin	Private	G	3rd N. Y. Artillery	April 3, 1922
30	Isaac Maddux	Private	O	25th Mich. Infantry	May 31, 1922
31	George E. Chaddack	Private	F	72nd Ill. Infantry	May 2, 1922
32	James W. Ludy	Corp.	C	110th Ohio Infantry	June 19, 1922
	Francis H. Goodenough	Private	E	20th Ind. Infantry	June 30, 1922
	Louis Vogel	Private	H	45th N. J. Infantry	Nov. 13, 1922
16	Oliver Clark	Private	A	80th Ohio Infantry	Feb. 27, 1922
16	Stanley E. Crosby	Private	I	1st Ohio Infantry	Jan. 6, 1923
17	James M. Strasburg	Musician		46th Ohio Infantry	Jan. 28, 1922
17	Geo. H. Dewey		K	24th Mich. Infantry	Jan. 30, 1922
17	Chas. O. Bryce		D	23rd Mich. Infantry	Feb. 11, 1922
17	Ezra Martin		B	10th N. Y. H. Art.	Mar. 17, 1922
17	Samuel E. Pittman			A. A. G. U. S. V.	Mar. 30, 1922
17	Richard W. Allen		D	16th N. H. Infantry	April 8, 1922
17	Gilbert Moran	Lieutenant	B	15th Mich. Infantry	April 17, 1922
17	Jacob Becker		L	7th Mich. Cavalry	April 26, 1922
17	Elisha H. Kelly		D	4th Mich. Cavalry	April 4, 1922
17	Robert McKinstry		C	70th N. Y. Infantry	May 14, 1922
17	Charles Gaffney		K	24th Mich. Infantry	May 6, 1922
17	Watson F. Bisbee		D	10th Mich. Infantry	July 14, 1922
17	Samuel Dixon		Sea.	Miss. Squadron	Aug. 4, 1922
17	John Dunn		C	97th N. Y. Infantry	Aug. 19, 1922
17	August Fortney		A	8th Ohio Infantry	Sept. 3, 1922
17	Edwin B. Davies	Landsman		U. S. N.	Sept. 25, 1922
17	William W. Ellsworth		E	150th Ohio Infantry	Oct. 18, 1892
18	George Getchel	Corp.	E	10th Mich. Cavalry	April 24, 1922
18	James W. Hilliker	Private	E	8th Mich. Cavalry	May 12, 1922
18	Thomas Fitch	I. C. Boy		U. S. S. Gen. Grant	Sept. 3, 1922

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18	Freeborn Gardner.	Private.	M	4th Ind. Cavalry.	Oct. 5, 1922
	Henry A Key	Private.	A	11th Mich. Infantry.	Feb. 28, 1922
	Napoleon Chapman.	Private	G	134th Illinois.	Mar. 22, 1922
	Arthur H. Tibbitts		D	5th U. S. Lt. Artillery.	July 5, 1922
	Ashley S. Dobson.	Private.	D	124th Ind.	Jan. 14, 1922
	Idsal Wilson	Private.	K	M. Clanghise	July 21, 1922
	William Green	Corporal.	D	128th Ind.	July 16, 1922
19	William Freetline.	Private.	G	36th Ill. Infantry	Dec. 9, 1922
20	Joseph Henderson.	Private.	L	64th Ohio Infantry	
20	Lyman Nutting	Private.	F	14th N. Y. Heavy Art.	
20	Eugene Richardson	Private.	G	106th N. Y. Infantry	
20	Wm. Moilfts	Private.	B	12th Mich. Infantry.	
20	Gus Thomas	Private.	G	179th Ohio Infantry.	
	Charles Chakles		C	3rd Minn.	
	Royce Kelley			1st N. Y. S. S.	
24	Joel Dibble	Private.	L	11th Ind. Cavalry.	Nov.
	Hiram Hodges	Private.	E	47th Wis. Infantry.	Oct.
	Semor Thompson	Private.	E	138th Pa. Infantry	Aug.
26	Henry Feight	Private.	E	138th Pa. Infantry.	Oct. 10, 1922
27	Joseph Nichols				Jan. 4, 1922
27	Newton McIntyre				Oct., 1922
	W. H. Clark				Oct., 1922
28	John B. Weeks.	Private.		U. S. Navy	Feb. 14, 1922
28	Henry Gill	Private.	H	3rd Mich. Cavalry	July 14, 1922
28	Spencer H. Blakely	Private.	B	189th Ohio Infantry.	Nov. 11, 1922
31	David Dillon	Private.	C	4th Mich. Cavalry	July 4, 1922
	W. H. Carr				Sept. 15, 1922
32	George McCreary	Sgt. Mjr.		145th Penn. Infantry.	Jan. 9, 1922
	A. A. Beach	Private.		U. S. Navy	Feb. 13, 1922
32	Draper Green	Seaman.		U. S. Navy	Mar. 10, 1922
32	Albert Geddes	Private.			Mar. 15, 1922
32	J. H. Stevens	Private.	A	1st Mich. S. S.	April 1, 1922
32	J. H. Clark	Private.		3rd Mich. Infantry	Aug. 8, 1922
32	Albert Griswold	Sergeant.	L	Merrill Horse	Oct. 21, 1922
32	Jonathan Johnson.	Bugler.	D	11th Mich. Cavalry	Nov. 2, 1922
32	Alonzo Traver	Private.	D	20th Mich. Infantry	Nov. 12, 1922
32	C. J. Shumaker	Private.	D	17th Mich. Infantry.	Nov. 17, 1922
35	George W. Brown.	Sailor.		Steamer Reindeer	Nov. 14, 1922
35	A. F. Henderson.	Private.	H	149th N. Y. Infantry.	Sept. 15, 1922
37	J. T. Pickard	Private.	L	4th Mich. Cavalry.	Dec. 25, 1922
38	John Rank	Private.	M	3rd Mich. Cavalry	Jan. 20, 1922
38	Louis LaBrak	Private.	I	106th N. Y. Infantry.	May 25, 1922
38	Orin F. Bishop	Private.	H	156th Ill. Infantry	Sept. 22, 1922
28	Henry Ostrander.	Private.	B	5th Mich. Cavalry	Dec. 19, 1922
40	John Brown	Private.	D	N. Y. Infantry	Jan. 23, 1922
40	John J. Otney	Private.		Frontier Cavalry.	June 8, 1922
40	Henry Brouse	Private.	B	152nd Ind. Infantry.	June 30, 1922
	William Kellogg				Nov. 30, 1922
42	Ralph Taylor	Private.	B	101st Ohio Infantry.	April 4, 1911
42	E. P. Chadwick	Saddler.	D	3rd Mich. Cavalry	Mar. 12, 1922
42	Lewis Miller	Private.	K	4th N. Y. Artillery	April 5, 1922
42	James Lampher.	Private	A	20th Mich. Infantry.	April 9, 1922
42	Harrison Moore	Private.	H	41st Ohio.	June 6, 1922
42	Hiram Norris	Private.	Un.	12th Mich. Infantry	July 12, 1922
42	Edward Cahill	Private.	A	89th Illinois Infantry.	July 27, 1922
42	John Ballou	Private.	B	3rd Mich. Cavalry	Aug. 10, 1922
42	G. H. Bailey	Private.	H	1st Mich. Infantry	Sept. 30, 1922
42	John Bolton	Private.	B	3rd Mich. Cavalry	Aug. 10, 1922
42	Ralph E. Taylor	Private.	B	101st Ohio Infantry.	April 4, 1922
42	Arthur H. Tibbitts	Private.	D	5th U. S. Artillery.	Jan. 6, 1922
42	G. H. Bailey	Private.	H	1st Mich. Infantry	Sept. 30, 1922
42	Edward Cahill	Captain	A	102nd U. S. Col. Inf.	July 27, 1922
42	E. A. Shadwick	Private.		Unknown	Mar. 12, 1922
42	James Landfare	Private.	A	20th Mich.	April 9, 1922
42	L. A. Miller	Private.	R	4th N. Y. Heavy Art.	April 5, 1922
42	Harrison Moore	Private.	H	41st Ohio Infantry.	June 6, 1922
42	Hiram Norris	Private.		12th Mich. Infantry.	July 12, 1922
43	John Saxton	Private.	I	2nd Ohio Cavalry	Sept. 24, 1922
	Isaac Starks	Private.	A	177th Ohio Infantry.	1922
45	Squire Johnson		K	18th Mich. Infantry.	Nov. 12, 1922
45	Alfred Dobbins		G	12th Ind. Infantry	Oct. 23, 1922
45	George Durfee			11th Mich. Infantry	Nov. 12, 1922
45	William H. Barron		E	4th Mich. Cavalry	Nov. 24, 1922
45	Alfred T. Avery		A	17th Mich. Infantry.	Dec. 8, 1922
47	Samuel A. Brown	Private	A	12th Mich. Infantry.	Oct. 15, 1922
47	John Cameron.	Private	B	3rd Maryland Inf.	May 2, 1922
47	W. A. Huntington	Private.		88th Illinois Infantry.	Nov. 21, 1922
	John Sheline	Private.	I	74 Ind. Infantry.	Oct. 16, 1922
48	Martin Sawdry	Private.	I	136th N. Y. Infantry.	Feb. 5, 1922
48	O. J. R. Hanna				June 2, 1922

Post No.	Name.	Rank.	Company.	Regiment.	Date of Death.
48	L. P. Welling	Corporal.	G	10th Mich. Infantry	April 10, 1922
48	W. A. Gibson				Aug. 15, 1922
48	E. C. Edfell	Private.	G	115th Ohio Infantry	April 11, 1922
53	Thomas Bush	Private.	B	7th Mich. Infantry	Oct. 23, 1922
53	Henry Bignal	Private.	A	20th Mich. Infantry	Feb. 6, 1922
53	Watson Miller				July 2, 1922
53	Birdeye McClough	Private.	B	Mich. Infantry	Mar. 1922
54	L. A. Pope	Corporal.	E	28th Mich. Infantry	1922
54	Loren Daggett	Private.	A	3rd Mich. Cavalry	1922
54	N. W. Houser	Private.	G	Ohio Infantry	1922
54	J. W. Ducan	Private.	E	21st Mich. Infantry	1922
57	William Colier	Private.	C	47th Penn. Infantry	Dec. 23, 1922
57	Joseph Brown	Private.	E	11th Mich. Infantry	July 8, 1922
57	Norman Davis	Private.	A	19th Mich. Infantry	Jan. 31, 1922
57	William Holloway	Private.	A	14th Mich. Infantry	Jan. 20, 1922
59	Jacob Hoffman	Corporal.	I	33 Penn. Infantry	Mar. 25, 1922
60	Chas. H. Wood	Private.	B	9th Mich. Infantry	Feb. 5, 1922
66	John Comming	Private.	D	7th N. Y. Lt. Artillery	Aug. 27, 1922
67	A. L. Pond	Private.	I	2nd Mich. Cavalry	Feb. 13, 1922
67	Nathaniel N. Murphy	Private.	I	N. Y. Cavalry	Oct. 21, 1922
67	William Maxson	Private.	D	Mich. Cavalry	Aug. 5, 1922
68	C. C. Johnson	Sergeant.	K	19th Ohio Infantry	Dec. 8, 1922
69	Moses Unger	Private.	D	195th Pa. Infantry	1922
69	James Rivers	Private.	L Art.	Indiana Infantry	1922
69	Josh Hart	Private.	L Art.	132nd Ohio Infantry	1922
69	Silas L. Pyer	Private.	A	136th Ill. Infantry	1922
72	Wilkinson C. Porter	Sergeant.	G	25th Mich. Infantry	1922
76	L. J. Townsend	Private.	I	8th Vt. Infantry	April 29, 1922
76	Neh F. France	Private.	C	46th N. Y. Infantry	May 8, 1922
76	Leonard Mitchel	Corporal.	I	26th Wis. Infantry	Oct. 14, 1922
79	S. H. LaPorte	Private.	B	34th Ind. Infantry	Jan. 18, 1922
79	John Langdon	Private.	C	23rd Ill. Infantry	Jan. 22, 1922
79	John Lamb	Lieutenant.	D	11th Mich. Infantry	Feb. 24, 1922
79	Wm. J. Pike	Private.	D	25th N. Y. Lt. Art.	Mar. 15, 1922
79	John Hotop	Private.	A	15th U. S. Infantry	May 1, 1922
79	Chas. E. Reynolds	Private.	I	19th Mich. Infantry	May 14, 1922
79	P. H. Blodgett	Private.	D	5th Wis. Infantry	May 17, 1922
79	Darwin I. Russell	Private.	I	128th Ohio Infantry	May 18, 1922
79	M. F. Poole	Private.	D	17th Mich. Infantry	June 5, 1922
79	John Groves	Private.	C	12th Mich. Infantry	June 25, 1922
79	W. F. Beacraft	Private.	M	1st Mich. Cavalry	July 26, 1922
79	John K. Plummer	Private.	D	2nd Maine Cavalry	Sept. 22, 1922
79	Geo. W. Downey	Private.	H	30th Mich. Infantry	Sept. 22, 1922
79	Patrick Sage	Private.	B	14th U. S. Infantry	Feb. 2, 1922
79	Allen Coleman				April 25, 1922
79	Andrew Cross	Private.		5th Mich. Cavalry	June 4, 1922
79	Wm. N. Worth	Private.	D	12th Mich. Infantry	June 18, 1922
79	Benj. F. Collins				June 27, 1922
79	Andrew Weed				Aug. 25, 1922
79	Wm. Pinney	Private.	F	12th Mich. Infantry	May 2, 1922
79	Clayton Carr				June 5, 1922
79	Geo. W. McFee				Dec. 26, 1922
79	Simeon Robins	Private.	G	55th. Mass. Infantry	Oct. 3, 1922
79	Benj. Clenerinck	Private.	G	1st Mich. Infantry	Dec. 9, 1922
79	O. P. Bestor	Private.	D	69th Ill. Infantry	Dec. 12, 1922
80	John Smalley	Private.		Lt. Artillery	May 27, 1922
80	Charles Gurney	Private.	L	4th Mich. Cavalry	Feb. 17, 1922
83	Charles O. Jenison	1st Lieut.	D	1st N. Ham. Infantry	Dec. 8, 1922
83	A. J. Cole	2nd Lieut.	K	16th Mich. Infantry	Dec. 28, 1922
88	Henry Kahler	Private.	A	5th Vet. Res. Cps.	May 3, 1922
95	Sherman Rice	Private.	K	24th Mich. Infantry	May 12, 1922
98	William J. Warner				Jan. 10, 1922
98	John Hill				Mar. 6, 1922
98	David Valentine				Aug. 7, 1922
98	William H. Streeter				Aug. 15, 1922
98	William Streeter				Oct. 12, 1922
98	William Justin				Dec. 18, 1922
98	S. S. Stanley				Dec. 25, 1922
103	Richard Wiggins	Private.	I	26th Mich. Infantry	Jan. 16, 1922
103	Manley White	Private.	K	46th N. Y. Infantry	Feb. 15, 1922
103	W. L. Robson	Private.	F	17th Mich. Infantry	Dec. 18, 1922
109	Charles W. Simmons	Private.	C	11th Mich. Cavalry	May 28, 1922
109	M. M. Dickerson	Private.	C	9th Mich. Infantry	April 29, 1922
109	William Cory	Private.	D	1st Mich. Artillery	Nov 22, 1922
109	Thomas S. Osborn	Private.	C	12th Ind. Cavalry	Dec. 14, 1922
109	Henry Firth	Private.	C	28th Mich. Infantry	Dec. 17, 1922
109	Alfred Terpening	Private.	F	11th Mich. Infantry	Dec. 18, 1922
109	William Gillett	Private.	H	19th Mich. Infantry	Dec. 29, 1922
110	James Hodges	Private.	G	85th Ohio Infantry	April, 1922
110	J. P. Cartter	Corporal.	G	23rd Mich. Infantry	May 1, 1922

Post No.	Name.	Rank.	Com-pany.	Regiment.	Date of Death.
111	Charles Knapp	Private.	H	15th Mich. Infantry	Mar. 17, 1922
111	Walter P. Daniel	Private.	B	24th Mich. Infantry	Feb. 22, 1922
111	Charles D. Chaplin	Private.	E	1st L. Artillery	Jan. 2, 1922
111	Aurena Holbrook	Private.	A	95th Illino's Infantry	Feb. 17, 1922
111	Augustine Baumer	Private.	E	39th O. S. T.	May 24, 1922
111	Seymour Porter	Private.			Feb. 2, 1922
111	Hector Bentley	Private.	N	10th Mich. Cavalry	Mar. 20, 1922
111	Charles Lorce	Private.	L	3rd Mich. Cavalry	Jan. 20, 1922
114	Henry W. White	Private.	B	76th N. Y. Vol. Inf.	Nov. 8, 1922
114	A. W. Cooper	Private.	G	11th Mich. Infantry	Dec. 7, 1922
120	Marshall Borden	Sergeant.	G	3rd Mich. Cavalry	April 20, 1922
123	E. G. Gould	Private.	A	9th N. Y. Artillery	June 6, 1922
123	J. B. Doane	Private.	K	19th Mich. Infantry	June 24, 1922
125	Fred Bergaman				Jan. 2, 1922
125	Henry Chase				Mar. 10, 1922
125	Delar Freeman				1922
125	W. S. Lansaw				May 18, 1922
125	G. W. Garrson				Oct. 13, 1922
125	Leo Reed				
125	Merit Reed				
125	Fred Noys				Jan. 19, 1922
125	Andrew J. Fenchiles		K	82nd Ohio Infantry	July 7, 1922
126	M. A. Filkins	Private.	E	6th Mich. Cavalry	June 20, 1922
126	Morris Urch	Private.	I	8th Mich. Cavalry	Nov. 20, 1922
127	J. C. Jones	Private.	K	11th N. Y. Cavalry	July 19, 1922
132	Horace Clines	Sergeant.	D	9th Mich. Infantry	April 16, 1922
132	W. H. Miner	Private.	D	9th Mich. Infantry	Sept. 20, 1922
132	Charles Hastings	Private.		12th Ill. Infantry	Oct. 10, 1922
132	Geo. Graft	Private.	D	13th Ohio Infantry	Dec. 5, 1922
140	Geo. Chaplin	Private.	D	3rd Mich. Cavalry	1922
140	A. L. Bargee	Private.	E	48th Wis. Infantry	1922
140	C. E. Barry	Private.	B	8th N. Y. Infantry	1922
140	D. C. Omdeff	Private.	D	4th N. Y. Heavy Art.	1922
143	Aaron Burges				Dec. 4, 1922
143	Alton Knowles	Private.	A	7th Mich. Cavalry	April 1922
144	W. H. Cliff	Private.	F	10th Mich. Infantry	Mar. 30, 1922
144	C. W. Cox	Private.	C	12th Vt. Infantry	April 16, 1922
144	L. J. Beem	Private.	B	23rd Mich. Infantry	May 12, 1922
145	Geo. Sweet	Private.	I	1st Mich. E. M.	Jan. 26, 1922
145	O. I. Sarkman	Corporal.	F	156th Ohio Infantry	Feb. 6, 1922
145	Dewitt C. Hallock	Private.	I	8th Mich. Infantry	Mar. 27, 1922
145	William Ramey	Corporal.	C	23rd Mich. Infantry	Aug. 17, 1922
145	John Grieson	Private.	K	8th Mich. Infantry	May 15, 1922
145	John R. Buchman	Private.	B	29th Ind. Infantry	June 26, 1922
147	William Cheal	Private.	I	24th Mich. Infantry	Mar. 22, 1922
147	Israel Disbrow	Private.	K	16th Mich. Infantry	Feb. 5, 1922
147	Samuel Brown	Private.	I	24th Mich. Infantry	Nov. 7, 1922
152	H. J. Winchell	Private.	B	138th Ind. Infantry	April 25, 1922
156	J. M. English				Mar. 18, 1922
156	Jessie Evert				April 7, 1922
156	A. L. Baron				May 13, 1922
156	J. A. Bradner				June 19, 1922
157	George B. Crandall	Private.	K	12th Mich. Infantry	April 11, 1922
158	L. A. VanDusen				Feb. 22, 1922
158	S. Miller	Private.	G		Oct. 10, 1922
158	L. A. Carmer	Private.	M	1st Mich. Lt. Artillery	Nov. 19, 1922
160	D. S. Post	Private.	G	23rd Mich. Infantry	Mar. 19, 1922
160	Charles Twitchell	Private.	B	7th Mich. Cavalry	Mar. 25, 1922
160	J. W. Moore	Private.	D	105th N. Y. Infantry	Feb. 24, 1922
160	John Northwood	Private.	B	16th Mich. Infantry	July 22, 1922
160	William Lindsey	Private.	K	2nd Ohio Cavalry	Dec. 14, 1922
166	William Kidney	Private.	M	2nd Mich. Cavalry	Aug. 11, 1922
167	W. A. Linman	Private.	D	1st Mich. Cavalry	May 19, 1922
170	J. A. Allen				1922
175	Boyle Maurice	Sailor	USN	Susquehanna	1922
180	Ezra Stearns	Private.	H	1st Mich. Infantry	Aug. 16, 1922
181	Asa Prior	Private.	A	22nd Mich. Infantry	Feb. 18, 1922
181	M. M. Johnson	Private.	H	4th Mich. Cavalry	May 6, 1922
181	Windham W. Hewitt	Private.	H	22nd Mich. Infantry	Dec. 6, 1922
185	Roman I. Whipple	Private.	K	6th Mich. Heavy Art.	Feb. 2, 1922
185	William W. Millman	Private.	D	1st Mich. Cavalry	Dec. 21, 1922
187	William Clark	Private.	H	10th Mich. Infantry	Oct. 11, 1922
187	L. H. Van Antwerp	Private.	I	1st Mich. Cavalry	Nov. 18, 1922
188	L. E. Bally	Private.	C	16th Mich. Infantry	Nov. 15, 1922
188	J. P. Smiter	Private.	B	84th Ill. Infantry	Dec. 13, 1922
196	James M. Ritter	Private.	E	131st Penn. Infantry	Mar. 31, 1922
196	Charles E. Bradshaw	Private.	H	12th Mich. Infantry	Dec. 31, 1922
196	Andrew Cross	Private.			1922
205	Alonzo D. Beardaley	Private.	B	22nd Mich. Infantry	May 2, 1922
205	William Caldwell	Sergeant.	C	9th Mich. Infantry	July 17, 1922
205	Stephen A. Crane	Corporal.	F	9th Mich. Infantry	Sept. 27, 1922

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Post No.	Name.	Rank.	Com-pany.	Regiment.	Date of Death.
205	John Hoose	Private	F	8th Mich. Infantry	Oct 19, 1922
205	Richard C. Hamilton	Private		10th Mich. Cavalry	Dec. 9, 1922
210	C. H. Magee	Private	F	11th Mich. Cavalry	1922
210	John Aikens	Private	G	3rd N. Y. Artillery	1922
210	Spencer Stevens	Private	B	160th N. Y. Artillery	1922
210	Levi Warren	Private	H	4th Mich. Cavalry	1922
210	Wesley McCintic	Private	A	28th Mich. Infantry	1922
211	Chas Evans				Jan. 22, 1922
211	Leon Barnard				April 15, 1922
211	Geo. Corey				Aug. 26, 1922
211	Joseph Shafer				Dec. 13, 1922
213	John Mancor	Private	A	14th V. R. C.	Nov. 1, 1922
214	B. F. Cramtom	Private	K	12th Mich. Cavalry	Dec. 13, 1922
	Jonas Locy	Private	K	4th Mich. Infantry	1922
	William Warren	Private			1922
	William King	Private	H	1st Mich Lt. Artillery	1922
215	H. H. Kindig	Sergeant	H	18th Mich. Infantry	April 7, 1922
215	V. C. Case	Sergeant	A	6th Mich. Infantry	Oct. 18, 1922
216	Charles W. Yates	Private	B	5th Mich. Cavalry	April 2, 1922
216	Charles B. Peltier	Corporal	H	3rd Mich. Cavalry	Nov. 7, 1922
216	Abram Shanavar	Corporal			June 12, 1922
218	John A. Nelson	Private	F	97th Pa. Infantry	Mar. 24, 1922
218	L. J. Sours	Private	I	1st Mich. Artillery	1922
235	Geo. W. Heaton	Private	F	13th Mich. Infantry	Mar. 3, 1922
	Alfred Courtright	Private	F	48th N. Y. Infantry	Feb. 12, 1922
250	James Vining	Private	I	9th Mich. Infantry	Mar. 24, 1922
250	William Carnahan	Private		24th N. Y. Artillery	Nov. 8, 1922
250	John N. Stacey	Private	A	67th Ohio Artillery	Feb. 27, 1922
250	George W. Schooley	Private	L	Mich. Merrill Horse	Dec. 3, 1922
252	P. H. Ingle	Private		3rd Mich. Infantry	1922
255	Ed. Chaffee	Corporal	H	6th Vt. Infantry	Jan. 16, 1922
255	Abe Butterfield	Private	B	5th Mich. Infantry	Sept. 22, 1922
255	John Wagner	Private			Oct. 17, 1922
258	Frank S. Waller	Musician	D	15th N. Y. Cavalry	Feb. 11, 1922
258	A. W. Burrows	Private	F	20th Ill. Infantry	1922
262	Reuke DeVries	Private	I	25th Mich. Infantry	1922
262	Geo. W. Edgler	Private	F	4th R. I. Infantry	1922
262	D. H. Clark	Private	K	128th Ohio Infantry	1922
266	Andrew Gram	Private	H	12th Wis. Infantry	Feb. 9, 1922
266	Charles H. Jones	Private	I	41st Wis. Infantry	Dec. 28, 1922
270	Peter W. Reeves	Seaman			Nov. 1922
274	Charles A. Heath	Private	H	18th Mich. Infantry	June 21, 1922
274	Ezekiel Johnson	Private	C	1st Mich. Cavalry	Nov. 22, 1922
278	Hiram Braley	Corporal	B	10th Mich. Infantry	Dec. 15, 1922
284	Milo H Hewitt	Private	A	23rd Mich. Infantry	Jan. 25, 1922
294	D. A. Moore	Corporal	F	92nd N. Y. Infantry	July 9, 1922
294	J. B. Jones	Private	E	3rd Mich. Cavalry	July 30, 1922
294	Thomas Shaw	Bugler	C	6th Mich. Cavalry	Sept. 16, 1922
294	Geo. W. Bush	Private	I	16th Mich. Infantry	July 16, 1922
294	Benj. Stroup	Private	E	44th Ind. Infantry	May 16, 1922
294	C. E. Blossom	Private	E	13th Mich. Infantry	July 4, 1922
294	G. W. Fuller	Private	C	17th N. Y. Cavalry	May 9, 1922
321	David W. Leightner	Private	D	9th Mich. Infantry	Mar. 27, 1922
341	James Monroe	Private	C	12th U. S. C. T.	Dec. 10, 1922
343	Henry Mills	Private	L	13th N. Y. Heavy Art.	Oct. 3, 1922
348	Geo Ainsworth	Private	H	3rd Mich. Cavalry	Feb. 22, 1922
348	John Vansirkle	Private	D	1st Mich. Cavalry	April 21, 1922
352	James Kelly	Private	B	9th Mich. Infantry	July 17, 1922
	W. F. Tower	Private	A	10th Mich. Infantry	May 1, 1922
	Calvin Resch	Private	K	4th Mich. Cavalry	Oct. 7, 1922
374	Nelson J. Depuy	Corporal	G	27th Ill. Vol. Infantry	April 9, 1922
380	William Campbell	Private	A	9th N. Y. Infantry	Aug. 16, 1922
384	Charles Creusere	Private		1st N. Y. Infantry	June 4, 1922
384	Jas. G. Sidey	Private		140th N. Y. Infantry	Dec. 8, 1922
386	William Hatfield	Private	D	118th Ohio Infantry	Feb. 12, 1922
386	Robert Malcolm	Private	F	34th Ind. Infantry	June 2, 1922
386	Chas. H. Clark	Private	F	4th Mich. Infantry	July 4, 1922
386	W. H. Ford	Private	H	160th N. Y. Infantry	Sept. 23, 1922
395	John Stoner	Private	I	13th Wis. Infantry	Dec. 23, 1922
395	LeGrand Rathbone	Private	D	10th Mich. Infantry	Feb. 13, 1922
395	George W. Osborn	Private	C	52nd Wis. Cavalry	April 5, 1922
395	George L. Antisdal	2nd. Lieut.	F	12th Mich. Infantry	April 15, 1922
395	Allen D. Linn	Corporal	C	1st Wis. Heavy Art.	May 26, 1922
395	Hiram Corbin	Private	G	1st Mich. E. & M.	June 25, 1922
395	Asa L. Porter	Private	C	10th Mich. Cavalry	Aug. 29, 1922
395	William Short	Private	C	6th N. Y. Heavy Art.	Oct. 25, 1922
395	Lewis M. Blackwell	Private	K	8th N. Y. Heavy Art.	Oct. 24, 1922
395	George W. Failing	Private	C	8th N. Y. Cavalry	Nov. 19, 1922
405	Robert S. Cushman	Private	C	186th Mich. O. V. I.	Nov. 12, 1922
410	James K. Gibson	Private	K	1st Mich. Infantry	Feb. 11, 1922
410	Isaac F. Leonard	Private	N	2nd Ohio Heavy Art.	Mar. 17, 1922

Post No.	Name.	Rank.	Company.	Regiment.	Date of Death.
419	Geo. W. Butterfield	Private.....	G	22nd Mich. Infty.....	1922
419	F. L. Wilson	Private.....	B	6th Mich. Art.....	1922
433	R. E. Mathues .....	.....	B	7th Ohio Infantry.....	May 9, 1922
433	James F. Harris .....	.....	.....	.....	Aug. 12, 1922
441	Geo. James	Private.....	C	75th Ill. Infantry.....	July 11, 1922
441	Isaac Springs	Chaplain.....	.....	3rd Wis. Cavalry	Oct. 12, 1922
454	Nelson W. Doty	Private.....	G	16th Mich. Infantry.....	July 19, 1922
454	James Carney	Private.....	G	1st Ver. Cavalry.....	July 1, 1922
454	Charles Peete	Private.....	B	1st Ohio Vol.....	Nov. 27, 1922

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

ANNUAL REPORT OF DEPARTMENT PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR TO THE DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN, G. A. R.

Bay City, Mich., June 6, 1923.

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

Comrades: I have the honor to make the following report for the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic.

1. Have Post Patriotic Instructors been appointed and installed? In but a few posts.
2. If not, state reason. But few of the commanders able to attend to the work.
3. Number of school buildings in your department. 9,246.
4. Are the school buildings supplied with flags? Yes, generally.
5. Estimate number of private schools. 68.
6. Number of pupils in the schools? 103,986.
7. Do pupils generally take an interest in the raising and lowering of the flag at opening and closing of school sessions? Not generally; they think that is the janitor's work.
8. Is there a state law making it obligatory to fly the flag on schools while in session? Yes.
9. Is the salute to the flag a part of school exercises? Yes. Daily? Yes.
10. Number of schools giving military instruction. Two.
11. Number of schools having retired army officers as instructors. Three or four.
12. Is there observance of patriotic days in schools? Birthdays of Washington, Lincoln, Memorial Day, Flag Day (June 14th).
13. Do comrades visit the schools to assist in the work? In the larger cities, generally.
14. Do teachers show a lively interest in patriotic observances? In most of schools.
15. Name the patriotic organizations cooperating with you during the year. W. R. C., Ladies of the G. A. R., Sons of Veterans, American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, their auxiliaries, also D. A. R., Daughters and Granddaughters of Veterans.
16. Describe in a few lines the observance of Memorial Day in the schools. Patriotic exercises in a great majority of the schools, consisting of

- music, recitations and fine patriotic numbers by the teachers and school children.
17. How many flags have been supplied to schools the past year? 86 large, 12,000 small ones.
 18. Has Lincoln's Gettysburg Address been placed prominently in school buildings? Yes.
 19. Are prizes given to pupils of high schools for patriotic essays? In a very few schools.
 20. Was Memorial Sunday observed in churches with patriotic exercises? Yes, generally.
 21. Did the governor of the state recognize Flag Day by proclamation? Yes.
 22. Estimate cost of carrying on the work this year. \$8296.00.
 28. Has the State Superintendent of Public Instruction been requested to furnish flags and Manuals of Patriotism to schools? No.

Respectfully submitted,

L. A. L. GILBERT,
Department Patriotic Instructor.

The report of Committee on Soldiers' Home was then read:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON THE SOLDIERS' HOME
In Grand Rapids, Mich.

Went to the home May 2, 1928; was met by Col. McGurrin, who escorted me through the home. Found everything in a fine shape, with clean rooms and beds and everything for the comrade's convenience there. There are 501 comrades there now, and 600 wintered there. There were 98 comrades died there last winter, and 87 ladies. There are 2254 comrades and 242 ladies buried in the home cemetery now; total of both, 2496. Went from the home to the hospital and there was met by Dr. Grube, who escorted us through the several wards, where we also found everything fine and in a strictly sanitary condition. There are 100 comrades in the hospital now and 76 ladies. In the sick ward were nine ladies and twenty comrades. Having in attendance fifteen nurses and sixty employes. Dr. Grube was having to work overtime, caused by the recent death of his helper.

The next day we visited the annex and were escorted through by Mrs. Pond, who has charge of that department, "and who is truly fitted for that position." Giving the ladies such excellent care and service. There are 91 ladies in the annex now and 75 out on furlough. There were 176 wintered there.

We did not hear a word of complaint while there on our visit to the home or annex, and we highly commend the board of managers for the excellent service they render in the institution. We cannot speak too highly of them.

Signed: B. K. CRANDALL,
J. J. HOLMES,
Committee.

Motion was made and carried that this report be placed on file without reference.

Report of the Judge Advocate was then made verbally, by Oscar A. Janes:

I have no written report to make. Fortunately, the harmony existing within the post has been such that there were no questions submitted to me for my opinion. I have not received from the Department Commander any request for a written opinion upon any question.

I had one request from a post, the one at Battle Creek, stating that a comrade of the Civil War was in Battle Creek wearing the G. A. R. button, having been a member of a post, but had withdrawn from it. They asked me if he had any right to wear that button when not a member of a post. My reply was this: That the button of the G. A. R. was private property, and that no one could take it from him. It was his. And if he left the post there was no way to recover the button. But there is a statute law in this state, that a person wearing a badge not entitled to, who uses that badge to obtain charity, they may take the badge from him, but it is up to the officers of that part of the state to enforce this law, if they find that he is using the button to obtain charity when not entitled to it.

This report was accepted and placed on file.

Comrade Wm. O. Lee: For your information I will say to you that the legislature of 1923 has passed a bill and made it a law that on and after July 1st, Old Glory is to float over every voting precinct in the State of Michigan until sundown. Now there is an amusing, unpatriotic tale connected with that bill. I introduced that bill and it was referred to the committee. I went to the chairman and asked him what was going to be done with that bill, and he said, "I think we will table it, that bill would make the flag too common." Did you ever hear of the flag being too common? He also said it would be too great an expense, especially since the bill stated that the flag was not to be smaller than 8 feet by 5 feet on a staff. The next day the chairman advised me that he had had a letter from the president of the Daughters of the Revolution, asking that a committee be permitted to visit Lansing in behalf of the flag at the voting precincts. They were granted this request and they came before the committee, and the committee finally decided they would report the bill out without recommendation. It was. The bill came on, they beat us by two votes, but I asked for a reconsideration. The bill was laid on the table, and when the time was ripe, it was put on again. A lot of them got ashamed of themselves and we beat them 77 to 7.

L. A. L. Gilbert, Post 57, moved for a recess until 2 o'clock the following afternoon. This motion was supported by Assistant Adjutant General Spaulding, and the motion carried.

Thursday Afternoon, June 7th, 1923.

Junior Vice Commander (in the absence of the Commander and Senior Vice Commander) called the assembly to order. Officer of the Day, are the approaches to this Encampment duly guarded?

Officer of the Day: They are.

Department Commander: Are those present entitled to a seat in this Encampment?

Officer of the Day: Commander, I believe they are.

Department Commander: The chaplain will invoke the divine blessing.

Department Chaplain Horace Palmer invoked the divine blessing.

Commander: Comrades, the Encampment is now open for the transaction of business.

Adjutant General: Commander, if there is no further business to come up at this time, I move you that we proceed to the selection of the place of the next encampment. Motion carried.

Adjutant General: I have an invitation from the city of Lansing, from the Chamber of Commerce, signed by the secretary, Chas. H. Davis, and one from the city council. They ask us in a nice, pleasant way to visit them. It has been ten years since the encampment met there. They guarantee us a good time. The invitation follows:

May 31, 1923.

State Encampment Grand Army of the Republic and the United States War Veterans, in Convention Assembled, Grand Rapids, Mich.

Gentlemen:

Through this communication the Chamber of Commerce of the city of Lansing wishes to urge that you hold your next annual meeting in the Capital City of your state.

We now have ample hotel accommodations and it is unnecessary to advise you of the desirability of Lansing as a convention city. All the state buildings will be open for your inspection, together with the industrial plants of the city.

We, as citizens, would deem it a great honor to have with us the Grand Army of the Republic as well as the United Spanish War Veterans. The great principles which your organization stands for will indeed be a great inspiration to our citizens, and every Lansingite will do his share in making your convention a success.

Trusting that you will honor us with your presence, beg to remain

Yours very truly,

LANSING CHAMBER OF COMMERCE,

Chas. H. Davis, Secretary.

June 5, 1923.

G. A. R. Encampment and United Spanish-American War Veterans.

Gentlemen:

At a meeting of the city council of this city held on June 4th, a resolution was adopted to invite your organizations to hold their 1924 encampment in Lansing. The resolution read as follows:

By Ald. Leonard.

Whereas, the place of holding the state encampment of the G. A. R. and Spanish War Veterans for the year 1924 has not been determined, therefore be it

Resolved, that the city of Lansing does hereby extend to them an invitation to hold their encampment for the year 1924 in this city.

Adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—Ald. Avery, Clapham, DeCamp, Dymond, Fowler, Howe, Kircher, Klock, Leonard, Main, McComb, McKale, Phillips, Templeton, Vandervoort—15. Nays—0.

Yours very truly,

BERTHA RAY, City Clerk.

Commander: Are there any more invitations?

Comrade Strong, Past Commander: There is. I have an invitation from Kalamazoo. It is some seven or eight years since we met at Kalamazoo.

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

KALAMAZOO

To the Annual Department Reunion,
Grand Army of the Republic,
In Session at Grand Rapids This Sixth Day of June, 1923.

Comrades of the Grand Army:

As mayor of the city of Kalamazoo I wish to extend you an invitation to meet for your 1924 annual department conference in our city. Kalamazoo citizens would consider it a deep honor to entertain you and your auxiliary bodies in state convention.

We trust that you will accept the invitation and assure you that Kalamazoo will do its utmost to entertain you while in assembly. Kalamazoo has come to be known as one of the leading convention cities of Michigan. It is so situated that it can well care for thousands of visitors. Our attractions and entertainment facilities are very favorable and we have halls sufficiently large to accommodate big conventions.

The Chamber of Commerce, civic and social clubs, and city officials of Kalamazoo join with me in extending you this invitation. Let Kalamazoo entertain the 1924 departmental convention.

Respectfully,

Signed: CORNELIUS VERBURG,

Mayor.

Per LLR.

Tellers were appointed to take care of balloting on place for next encampment, Comrade Barrett, Comrade Ship and Comrade Strong.

Comrade Rabb: I move that all ballots must be brought up to the table and placed in a hat, and not be allowed to be floating around the room in handfuls. Motion carried.

Result of voting was 40 votes for Kalamazoo and 75 for Lansing. Next encampment will be held at Lansing.

Comrade W. O. Lee, Post 98: One of the board members of the Soldiers' Home passed away last week. There is a vacancy. I wish to offer a resolution that the next member of that board be selected from the G. A. R. I move that this resolution be handed the governor. Motion carried.

Comrade Rabb asked that a resolution be sent to the governor asking that W. O. Lee be appointed to that position:

It was ruled that that would be a mistake. That the resolution should go as first stated.

Assistant Adjutant General: I wish to nominate a comrade for delegate to the next encampment, the national encampment. I wish to nominate Albert Dunham. Motion was supported and carried.

Comrade Beetle, Post 395, nominated Comrade Stine as alternate. Motion was carried.

Commander-in-Chief Willets then gave an address regarding pensions.

I don't like this fool time that they have around here. We thought this meeting was to be 2 o'clock standard time.

I promised you when I saluted you yesterday that at this afternoon session I would give you the history of the pension proposition, so I am going to in as brief a way as I can, in order that you may understand as much of it as I think I do.

The first pension bill that was introduced in the Senate the latter part of 1922 specified \$72.00 pension for everyone of you. That is, all persons entitled to receive a pension under the then existing act would have their pension increased from \$50 to \$72. I came on the scene before the session of 1923 and I had very reason to believe from an interview with the president and others that that bill would become a law. This law would give widows of soldiers \$50 a month. They began to put riders on this bill when it came into the House, and the riders killed the bill. One rider provided that if the widow or survivor lived in cohabitation for two years with the soldier preceding the death of soldier it would entitle the widow, as a common law wife, to \$50 a month for her natural life. As the bill provided that it should be extended to 1915, there was an addenda to that bill that proof of a woman living with a soldier for two years next preceding the death of soldier, would give to that woman the status of a common law wife. Now, we all respect the marital relations and it would have been wrong for the president to have signed the bill with rider attached to it. Now, if I wished to criticise the president's action, it would be this criticism. If he had wished to help the comrades of the Civil War in this increased pension he could have called Judge Fuller and Pension Committee together and said, "Here, gentlemen, I can't sign this bill with this objectional rider, and I want you to withdraw it," and I believe it would have been withdrawn. But that is a mere suggestion of your commander-in-chief. He didn't do it in that way. I feel that the vote was inspired by the president in connection with the enactment of pension legislation, and under the circumstances, I don't believe that the president ought to be censured, but we have a right to criticise a president and I am only venturing these things as a criticism. As the bill was passed to a final conclusion, passed by both houses, and it was to run its natural course, there was no other alternative but to veto the bill. We thought the only thing to do was to introduce another bill. Senator Bursum's bill was introduced with limitations as to the age, a limit of 78 for the soldier and 68 on the part of the widow. The Fuller bill passed to the House from the committee on pensions without any limitations whatever as to age, soldiers getting \$50 would be given \$72 under the Fuller bill, and the widow getting \$82 would be given \$50. Under the Bursum bill the limit was made to 78 for the soldier and 68 for the widow. When the Bursum bill came up for consideration and voted on, if it had not been for the filibuster attached it would have passed the Senate, and I know it would have crossed to the House and would have become a law. As it was South Carolina that first fired on the Stars and Stripes, it was the senator from South Carolina that was tying a filibuster on to that bill. Then the time arrived for the close of Congress and the bill was lost. Now that is the history of the pension legislation. I did my best. Your commander-in-chief worked early and late. We are compelled to report a defeat. I would have been proud of my administration had we succeeded in putting the pension bill through Congress. I trust that we have committed no error. We have done our best and we could do no more.

Let me make a suggestion to you. It is quite a little while before next December, quite a while before another bill will be introduced. You are not getting old, you are still in possession of your mental faculties, but your

bodies are more or less weak, and there are many of you today that are all right but tomorrow you may have to carry a cane or a crutch. And there are many of you that are now entitled to the increase to \$72 a month under the bill lost. My suggestion to you is that you take the necessary steps to start your bill to rolling down the calendar. Many of you feel sure of your health, but here's an illustration: The commander of my post, No. 24, was a young soldier—76 years of age—looked as healthy and strong and vigorous as I think I do at this time, and within 24 hours of the time he looked that way, without any warning whatever, he was paralyzed, and now he has to be wheeled around in a wheel chair, and he requires constant attendance of a member of the family all the time. I hope and trust that as many of you as are entitled to this increase will take the necessary steps to put your application in and to start it going. That is my advice to you, and I have completed my report as regards the pension matter. I'm sorry but that don't do any good. We leave the matter with you with the abiding faith and belief that you will have confidence that our explanation is sincere and that we did our best. I thank you.

Commander Mears: I move we give our commander-in-chief a rising vote of thanks. Motion was carried by all rising and giving a vote of thanks.

William Barrett, Thomas Fouch, John Seel and Horace Palmer were named as delegates to the national encampment.

Walter Funk, Hiram Russell, William Smith and William A. Palmer were elected alternates.

Comrade W. O. Lee then gave the report of the Assistant Quartermaster General: The committee has examined the books of the Quartermaster General, checked up the receipts, checked up every voucher, and we find the condition to be thusly: We have a certificate of \$3000 on deposit, with a certificate of deposit drawing interest at 6%, that is giving us an income of \$180 a year. Of this surplus outside of that certificate received during the year, has been used for expenses of our department enough to leave in the treasury \$46.53. We therefore have a financial standing today of \$3046.53. The books, as I have stated, have been thoroughly examined and checked up and signed by the members of the committee. I don't think there will be any chance for a lawsuit or question as regards the matter of the use of money on the part of the Quartermaster General.

It was moved, supported and carried that this report be adopted and placed on file without reference.

A committee was appointed to wait on the delegation from the Women's Relief Corps. The president, Mrs. Rice, presented the commander with a bouquet.

Miss Beals, secretary, gave the following report:

William Mears, Department Commander, and Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic:

It is my pleasant duty to submit to you the report of the Women's Relief Corps for the year ending June 8th, 1923, for your consideration:

Number of Corps March 31st, 1922.....	163
Number of Corps March 31st, 1923.....	152
Number members reported March 31st, 1922.....	10,894
Number members reported March 31st, 1923.....	10,287
Cash received from former treasurer in all funds.....	\$805.43

Cash expended by corps for relief.....	2,088.56
Value of relief other than money.....	14,608.45
Amount turned over to posts	1,004.76
Amount expended by corps for flowers for sick and deceased comrades and members	3,884.66
Cash expended by department relief committee.....	90.00
Amount expended for patriotic work	3,720.20

Dear Comrades:

The work is done, how well
Only the Master knows.
One never sees the fruit
Of all the seed he sows.

Loyally submitted in F. C. and L.,
(Signed) ELLA M. RICE,
Department President.

Mrs. Rice: I can only stay a minute. I love the Grand Army. My father and my husband's father were Grand Army men. I have worked this year for you and I shall continue to work for you. I hope you will have a prosperous convention.

Comrade Manning then gave a talk on a circular he has had framed and distributed in the schools of Jackson, entitled, "The Flag and How to Display It." He urged everyone to do this same work because there is not enough of this taught in schools today.

Assistant Adjutant General Spaulding: I wish to add a little supplement to my report. You all understand that by banking rules you have to have \$50 in a bank on your commercial account or else you have to pay a certain sum. We had some bills to pay and there wasn't enough money in the bank in our Quartermaster's fund to pay without drawing below the \$50. I took from my own personal account and deposited \$50 in this. I kept it there until I drew it out as a settlement for this. This saved the G. A. R. 50 cents a month. You noticed by the report that we had \$46.58, and we would have lost money if I hadn't put in my own money. I don't ask any thanks for that, it cost me nothing. But it saved our certificate of deposit. All checks were attached to the vouchers, and when my monthly statement was made I attached that check to the voucher, so every cent paid out is accounted for.

I thank you all for dealing with me as you have and I don't think there is any further business to come before the encampment tonight.

Comrade Gilbert, Post 67, Patriotic Instructor: I wish to request that a committee be appointed to look over these reports from patriotic instructors from several posts.

Osborn, Gill and Bryant were appointed. They are to look over these reports and report on them.

Comrade Rabb moved that a recess be called until the next morning at 9 o'clock. Supported by Comrade Lee. Carried. Convention was adjourned until tomorrow morning (Friday, June 8th). The G. A. R. Campfire to be held this evening at the Armory at 8 o'clock.

G. A. R. Campfire, June 7th, at Armory.

Lee H. Bierce, Secretary of the Association of Commerce, was master of ceremonies.

The Daughters of Veterans from Detroit gave a drill. They were dressed in blue uniforms, scarlet capes and white hats.

The Elks' band and the University Trio furnished the music. The Boy Scouts served as ushers.

Mrs. Ella Rice, president of the Woman's Relief Corps, introduced the following: John Barrett, commander of Custer post, representing the G. A. R. on this committee; Claude M. Hurd, representing the Association of Commerce; Wm. E. Rice, representing the Spanish War Veterans, and Fred Pantlind, representing the American Legion.

Mrs. Ella Rice presented Fred Pantlind with a flag: My few remarks this evening will be on patriotism and respect for the flag. To some patriotism may mean the doffing of the hat, or the saluting of the flag, or a cheer perhaps, but true patriotism is more than that, it is that which has made this country, this Grand United States what it is today.

Speaking of patriotism brings an incident to my mind. Some time ago, in passing along the street one day, my attention was attracted to a small group of boys having a squabble about something that they were putting in the puddle. Drawing nearer, I discovered it was the American flag. A little Belgian boy, seizing an opportunity, grabbed the flag and pressing it to his bosom, the tears streaming down his face, said, "My liberty, my liberty!" This incident, it seemed to me, expressed true patriotism for our flag in "the land of the free and the home of the brave."

And now, Mr. Pantlind, I take great pleasure in presenting to you this emblem of liberty as a token of esteem in which you are held by the Woman's Relief Corps. May this flag ever be to you a reminder of the true spirit of democracy, and that we may regard Grand Rapids, not only as a good place to live, but a place where our flag is respected, is our wish.

Mr. Pantlind: I can't tell everybody here how this affects me. I know how we all love this emblem which stands for everything that is true. We hope it will be but a short time before Grand Rapids will have the honor of entertaining these welcome visitors to our fair city again. I thank you.

Rev. Alfred W. Wishart, pastor of Fountain Street Baptist Church, then gave an address:

Comrades and Friends: It is a pleasure which I highly esteem to speak to you tonight. The presence of members of the Grand Army in our country throughout towns, and cities and villages, is a constant incentive to patriotism on the part of the younger generation. We all have short memories and it is a common fault of all people to forget true history. It was the promise of freedom to worship as they pleased which induced our ancestors to break away from English hypocrisy, God led them from English tyranny to the land flowing with milk and honey, and we need to be reminded from time to time of the cost of American history, of the price that has been paid for our free constitution. We need to be reminded of the fact that liberty did not come of itself, that government of the people, for the people, and by the people, was an achievement, and not a gift. It was won by the struggle made by those people, the contest between common people and the autocracy any tyranny that attempted to dominate the human race.

There have been four great periods in American history, epoch making periods, turning points in American lives. The first was when our forefathers left foreign soil in order to worship God, in order to escape the tyranny which had threatened to stifle the beginning of popular government. In the early colonial life we see two winters of struggle of brave men and women to establish a righteous government that should respect and love our God and should express the will of God in their common social life, and then after 150 years of experiment and development the great contest for human rights was transferred from English shores to American soil, and the struggle for human freedom took place. The organization of these colonies into an independent government, self-governing, was fought by the soldiers of the colonial army. We are all more or less acquainted with that hard, bitter, costly struggle. We know their sufferings, their hardships, how at times they were dejected at the thought of failure in carrying on the contest. We know how they were ill-clad, how their feet, bleeding, pressed the snow. We know of the plots and counterplots connected with that great struggle, but at last the free state emerged with a constitution that has withstood the test of more than a century, supported by every loyal American. The Stars and Stripes came into being and the great country of freedom and righteousness and truth moved forward to the goal, no matter how many evils, plots, etc., assailed it, and no matter if the class hatred, sectional strife and other destructive evils again asserted themselves and threatened to disrupt the Union.

We must remember that we belong to a race of men who have proved themselves equal to any who inhabit the globe, and that it has taken millions of years to bring us where we are today. What we fight for is not merely the temporary peace of man, but a peace and freedom that may forever be an inheritance of all ages. The caveman was unable to form civilized society because the caveman could not appreciate law, and all through the thousands of years that preceded the establishment of civilization there always has been this bitter warfare between them, they showed no respect for law and order. As we travel this globe today we see this spirit of antagonism between man and man, this desire for the subjugation or removal of inferior races, this willingness to sacrifice individuality and stifle state rights in the interests of a larger unity and a wider co-operation, brought on by the great Civil War, not the first Civil War in history, but the greatest in history.

Now there comes that fourth great period out of which we are just emerging, but perhaps more widely and truly speaking, submerging, into which we have just entered, for this period in which we now live has just begun. During all these years of struggle and hardships we have had our soldiers who loved their land and who were willing to die for the cause in which they believed, but in this virtue we are not exceptional, for in traveling the great world in which we live, from land to land, you will find that patriotism in a race is a common virtue of mankind, all rightminded people love the land of their birth. They love the hills, the mountains, the streams and woods, they love the flag which is the emblem of their land and their liberty, they love their institutions, and every soldier who knows the truth of the great World War will tell you that it was difficult to pick out the traitors of the flag. Everywhere there is fighting and everywhere there is a flag to be defended, and so if we are to find that which is worthy of praise in the history of this land it must not be in the fact that we have been patriotic, for all people are patriotic, it must not be merely in the fact that we have a flag, for all people have a flag, but it must be in the consideration

of the principles to which we were devoted, in a consideration of that for which this flag stands. Our history has differed from the history of other countries only in the ideals for which we have fought, only in the work that God has given us to do. We must then look to our principles and ideals if we are to find that which augurs our future advancement and growth. America is not merely a piece of land, America is a spirit, America is an opportunity, America is a burning passion, America is respected, America is a longing for higher and better achievements which surges through the breasts of American people. Columbus didn't discover America, he discovered a piece of land named America, but he never discovered America. America was discovered by the men who had in their souls the love of freedom and the willingness to fight against despotism. We got Americanism from the great Anglo-Saxon people, it was the Anglo-Saxon strain of Dutch and English that gave the U. S. A. trial by judicial parliament, governing the rights of men. These were the ideals, that coming into the light in the early colonial days, were better stated than they had ever been stated before, that were more clearly grasped by the American people, giving freedom from all pressure and conditions, than they have ever been grasped by people before. But we are not out of the woods in the United States yet, and we have a great mission before us in the betterment of the whole world. You men of the Grand Army ought to feel proud that you are linked in faith, in heroism, in sacrifice with men all over the world, you were fighting for the enrichment of life, for the overthrow of all despotism and tyranny, that is what gives peculiar significance to your struggle, that is what bestows upon it its true value. Your goal was not the goal of other nations, it was to maintain complete, unbroken and independent a union of free men who have always had a world-wide mission, and so you men may rejoice that it has been your privilege to live to see this land which you helped to maintain in unbroken union, go on from progress to progress, enriching itself, enlarging itself, spreading its wisdom over the world, and I maintain that any man who fought through those years of the Civil War, and has lived until today, ought to feel that God has been good to him and that life has been rich, even if he dies tomorrow. And I know that every old soldier throughout the whole country today stands face to face with that goal from which no traveler returns and I do not see anything saddening in that outlook. I do not believe in having any fear or dread of death, because I am a Christian and because I believe in the immortality of the soul, that the soul is imperishable, that it lives on through all ages, because it is made in the image of God. So I feel that every man who has been permitted to live his four score and ten or more, even though his step be feeble and his eyesight grow dim, even though he lack the vitality of the days when he carried the musket in the war, I believe that that man should go on through these decreasing years with a smile, a smile on his lips and contentment in his heart. Why? Because he has had a share in the work of God in the war. God doesn't do these things by ages. He does this work by men and by women, whenever he has a purpose to fulfill, he fulfills it through the heart and brain of our men and women, and if the preservation of the American Union for the good of the world may be in the purpose of God, you men may rejoice that God through you carried out his purpose and saved the Union for the good of the world. And you men may well rejoice that you are assisting in the work of today, in the work of developing our institutions and broadening our mission in the world, and that after you enter that great world that lies

beyond, you will go on to a yet nobler and better work. Those were hard conditions that you faced in the war, those were hard conditions that you have lived through since and are living in now, but bless you, men, you know those hardships of your early lives have faded away. Why, you think you remember those days, you think you remember those hardships, but is it not hard to keep alive the vivid memory of those awful trying days? And so it will be when we go on into the great world that lies beyond, the memory of the struggles and hardships we are facing today will fade away like childish troubles and what seems so hard now will be forgotten in the achievements of that better and higher world. You men know it was worth the price you paid, you know if you had it to do over again you would do it willingly and gladly. Because the world was worth the saving. And so men, we have ideals today that are worth fighting for, worth sacrificing for, and it isn't as hard as it may seem to be because by and by we shall realize that all our trials and endurance of misfortune were trivial matters compared with the great things that have been achieved by human lives, by human love and by human sacrifice.

And now, men, what did we save America for, America's sake? For the sake of the flag? To me that flag means not only freedom for America, but it spells democracy and freedom for the whole world. The days which we are entering now you men will never see close, perhaps none of us will, because it is going to take us many many years of argumentation, public discussion, debate, parliamentary struggling, to open up the minds of men to the great issues that are pending among the nations of the world. It is going to take a great deal of argument to convince people that the old conditions have passed away and that we are coming to a new day where old principles will not apply. We live in a different world. It is like the farmer who moved in from the farm to the city. He had to adopt city rules. Out there in the country he was able to do as he liked, but when he came into the city he had to conform to the ways of the city. He had a new set of rules to follow, he had to take on a city mind, and a city feeling. So it is with us today, we have to have new methods, new standards, new sets of rules, new kinds of ideas, in order to push on to a wider and bigger achievement.

It is the same today as in the days after the war of 1812, they were fighting long in the United States after the peace had been declared. We are still fighting the effects of the World War.

Do not think that we can live alone, that we can live an isolated life from all other nations. We can't. We have a mission and that is to spread democracy over the world. The time will come when the whole world shall have decreed the death of isolation. I want you men to feel that you have had a share in the betterment of the whole world, I want you to have a sense of greatness in your souls because of the fact that you helped to save a country that is going to be the leader of the nations of the world in a new form of world co-operation and justice. And so again, your sacrifices and risks of those days give no significance when interpreted in a world sense, the day is coming when we shall realize that we are not even desirable Christians unless we think of these people, not in terms of America, or Germany, or France, or England, but in terms of man. I remember one time when representatives of 27 nations came upon the platform and each carried the flag of his country, and it was great to think that America was calling the students from all over the world to educate them with American ideals,

educating them so they can go back to their country and teach their people how to live higher and better lives. Then two American boys came on and they had a long bar, and they placed that above all those flags, and printed on that bar was, "Above all Nations is Humanity." That is what Americanism means to me, that we are showing people good government standards, that we are showing the world that we can be splendid, earnest and devoted in the cause of humanity, and that we are working for international growth and enrichment. Let us work for rule and order everywhere, let us stop giving these young men that we love as food for cannon. If all men killed in action in the World War, not those who died later from the effects of the war and from disease in camps, but all those killed in action, were to march past a given point in New York on Fifth Avenue, from curb to curb, and beginning at sunrise in the morning and marching steadily all day long from curb to curb until sundown at night, and keep that up day after day, it would take four months and one-half for these men to march past. We say ten or twelve million men killed, we don't know what it means. Are we going to let this sacrifice go for nothing? We have got to make this great human sacrifice what it should be. We must spread democracy over the world. We cannot live by ourselves. Foreigners are coming every day to our shores, bringing with them disease. In order to stop this we must go over there to those other countries and do away with those dread diseases and educate them to live properly. During the late war thousands and thousands died miserably in these camps of influenza. What is influenza? It is an oriental plague. It starts over there in India or China, bye and bye it crosses the Atlantic Ocean and it gets in here and spreads all over the United States of America. We can't live without any regard for the health of these foreigners, and we must keep them from coming here and corrupting our government with their false ideals, as well as our health with their diseases. We must put a stop to all this propaganda that these foreign people are spreading in our country, and the way to do this is to educate those people in the right way of living, and we have got to bring about international peace before we can go much farther in this great work. We have got to crush class hatred, and we have got to exalt true freedom and exalt unity in our land, that is the work you begun in the Civil War and that is the work before us now.

God bless you, men, may the remaining days of your life be happy, cheerful and contented; forget that you are not as young as you used to be, but live to the full all the days that are left you. Don't think of death as a dreadful end, but that you are going to God's garden to begin a life that is bigger, better and higher than this; let the remainder of your life here be a preparation for the life in the world that is to come.

The Woman's Relief Corps then presented the Department Commander of the G. A. R. with a gift of \$200 in gold.

Address given by Commander-in-Chief Willets:

Department Commander, Comrades, Societies and Fellowships: It is at this time a great pleasure to me to appear on this rostrum tonight. I have been intensely interested and entertained by the music of the splendid band and the trio, and with the patriotic speech of the reverend gentleman who has just preceded me. And it may interest you to know at this time that at my request the reverend gentleman spoke first. When you are in a strange

environment and you have had some of the experiences your commander-in-chief has had in the tour of the last nine months, you will realize the necessity of feeling your way. I have felt my way and I am satisfied with the result. I congratulate the reverend gentleman on his grasp of history of this nation and the conditions under which we labor today.

Perhaps before I enter upon my remarks it might be well for me to add a few words to what has been spoken pertaining to the \$200 that has just been given to the department of the State of Michigan. You will observe the little woman here who had that package of money, you recall the fact that she belongs to the Woman's Relief Corps, you heard her tell you about their alliance with the G. A. R., and I have a little story to tell that I tell sometimes that applies to that Relief Corps. I told it to a part of the company, but a good many of them were not present at that time and you boys have not heard it unless you heard it second hand, but as I tell the story, a farmer who had been selling his produce through a middleman in the city, had tired of the result, and one day decided to take a load of produce to market and dispose of it himself. I don't know whether he lived near Grand Rapids, or somewhere else in the State of Michigan, but he sold the produce and pocketed the cash, put his car in the garage and went down town to see the sights, and as he was walking down the sidewalk he saw a sign out over the sidewalk and an open door, and the sign read, "Woman's Exchange Here." He entered, and as he stepped into the room, a lady occupying the position of saleslady rose to her feet and said to him, "Can I do anything for you?" He said, "I don't know but what you can; passing your door I saw a sign up over there, 'Woman's Exchange,' be you the woman?" "I am," she replied. He looked her over from her head to her feet, and turned away, and as he turned expressed himself thus: "Well, I guess I will stick to Mirandy." You want to stick to Mirandy when she comes around once a year with a gift of \$200 in gold, together with the affection of an alliance that has lasted for the last forty years.

Now, as regards the issues of the moment. I am not going to weary your patience. However, there are some things I would like to say and in doing so, I do not say anything in antagonism to the splendid address made by the reverend gentleman, but I may say many things that are supplementary to it and I thank him for the cue, although I needed not a cue to furnish me something to talk about. I have been talking to the G. A. R. and the patriotic people of the United States wherever the Grand Army has a foothold and we could get a hearing for about nine months, and we expect to keep it up all through the month of June. Then we hope we may have this work done so we can do some of the office work of the national department of the G. A. R. We have a pretty good office force, and things are getting along fairly well. True, it is that the first war was caused by the action of that imbecile prince of Britain. I am imbecile because anyone who will read their history relative to the difficulties between this country as colonists and the mother country will wonder when they stop to think why in the name of common sense a government with as wise people in it as Britain had at that time should yield to an arbitrary prince in his exacting manner to the colonists. It ought to have been settled by arbitration and should have been settled and would have been settled by arbitration, and by giving the colonists a voice in the affairs of the British nation, had it not been for the vaporizings of an arbitrary despot. This country was thus founded, as explained to you by the learned gentleman, and we prospered fairly well. The contest was

made arbitrarily so far as the mother country was concerned, and we had no incentive except the question of liberty and independence of government as against the tyrannical efforts of the mother country. Thus was brought about the first and only war of the United States that savors of conquest. I am going to lay my premise and from there draw a conclusion, and if when I have finished, if I have convinced you after amplifying the remarks already made to you, then I will be satisfied and must be satisfied in that event.

In the war of 1812 we fought a new fight with the old country to settle our rights upon the high seas and not for conquest.

In the war of 1846 with Mexico we were led into that strife because of the fact that citizens of this country had wandered south into northern Mexico and had organized there what they called the Lone Star Republic of Texas. They were living under a state of tyranny and it looked as though the Mexican government would overcome that little people and massacre every one of them. That led us to the Mexican War, the result of the war was the acquisition of Texas, but it was done by mutual consent between the Mexican government and the United States in the interest of protection of people that inhabited the small republic of Mexico; it seemed that they wanted to become a part of the United States, and I say to you now without fear of successful contradiction, that the Mexican War is the only contest that was ever fought by the nation that savors on conquest.

The Civil War was fought to protect the flag and constitution and to save the Union and not for the primary object of freeing the slaves. If you will read your history you will find that the emancipation proclamation was not the only incentive to war, it was secession on the part of the southern states, and when an effort was made to mediate, an effort to bring about an adjustment of the difficulties without war, they said, unless you permit us to recede in peace we must fight and fight we will. Now, my comrades, you know that when you came home you were told by newspapers all up and down the land and by the busy scandal tongues, that the deuce would be to pay and that riots would prevail and that they would take charge of the country. You know that was what was said about it and you know what was done. You came home over one million strong, and you went to work with willing hands and willing hearts and you brought order out of the chaotic conditions of the times. We began to prosper and our money increased in value from 33 1-3 cents on the dollar to 100 cents on the dollar and you made this great country blossom as the roses. You took up the waste lands and made those prosper, and what of all this? This of it—the War of Rebellion was a war to save this Union and not a war of conquest.

The next war we had was with Spain, and you know that that war was fought for humanity's sake and that we were goaded into it. We had seen for practically a century or more the manner in which the Spanish government was ruling the inhabitants of the little island of Cuba. It was a scab on the face of the world. It was to say the least, an abomination on the edge of a great free country. Shortly before that war commenced, you know that through the evil imaginings of the Spanish authorities, the Maine, with its precious human freight, was blown to atoms and many of our brave boys were murdered in a neutral harbor. That brought about the declaration of war, the war that is known as the Spanish-American War, and we brought them to a showdown in 113 days. And now for the first time since the Civil War the foreign nations sat up and took notice, we were put on the map as a great nation among the big nations of the earth, and what was

our gain in that war? We gave to Cuba as a result of that war, a humane and independent government. True, we took Porto Rico, inhabited by a mangy lot of Indians, Negroes, Italians, etc., that class of people that were congregated there and that had been reduced to a nonentity, and we accepted Porto Rico in the treaty and we took that island and we have brought order out of the unfortunate conditions of things on that island, which was a mere bagatelle of what the Spanish war was fought for. But, me thinks I hear you say you thought we got the Philippine Islands, but did we? The Spanish government whined and said that they had no money with which to reform their government and that we were a great nation and that we should oversee them. We said we will give you twenty million dollars if you will give us the Philippines. They took the money. Who wouldn't under the circumstances? This then, was not a war of conquest.

Now we come to the late war, the World War. What did we get out of it? Pecuniarily what did we get out of it? What was taken and what is being taken, except the payment of money that we loaned, except the expense of maintaining a division of a regiment or two in the vicinity of the Rhine—in order that we may keep peace. You know that the Germans and vandals under the leadership of the prince planned to rule the world, because they were obsessed with the idea that they could conquer the whole world. You know that when they resorted to destruction of private property on the high seas, you know that when the Lusitania was attacked and destroyed with living souls on it, that was a cause for war and we should then in my judgment have made a declaration of war, but we stood in abeyance, and made it worse and worse. Until France was finally driven back and stood with her back to the wall, and it looked as though the German host would overrun France, and then but a step to the English Channel and then into the British Isles, and they would have been compelled to submit to the kaiser, and he would have tried to go and lick the whole world and we would have had to fight the Huns alone. If I'm not right about this, then we had no place in that war. If that is not true, we had no business in that war at the time we were in, but it is true. When the work of centuries was about to go down and be lost forever, we came to the rescue, and when it looked as though German government would prevail over the entire world we came to the rescue and you know the result. It took us over a year of careful preparation to get a single division of American troops to the front in France, and when we did the tide of destiny began to turn in favor of the allies. I don't care how many books and how many pieces of manuscript say that England won the World War, it was the doughboy who won the war. But I maintain that we stopped fighting too soon, we should have gone to Berlin and when we got to Berlin made peace in that city. If we had, we would have peace today in Europe. This was not a war of conquest. This is a peaceful nation, and we have never gone to war until we were driven to it in self defense or in the cause of humanity. We believe in peace, but when it is necessary for this nation to go to war to preserve this peace and to fight in the cause of humanity, we do it. I believe that we should make this nation so strong and powerful in its doctrines that we can influence the whole world in the right way of living and governing, and then there will be no cause for war.

I think I have covered my point, and it is this—that we are a peaceful nation and we only take up the sword in defense of our country or in the defense of humanity, and I believe we should always stand ready to do this notwithstanding the hazards of war.

Friday Morning, June 8th, 1923.

Department Commander Mears called the encampment to order. Officer of the day, are the approaches to this encampment duly guarded?

Officer of the Day: Commander, they are.

Department Commander: Are you satisfied that those present are entitled to a seat in this encampment?

Officer of the Day: Commander, I am.

Department Commander: Will those who are not delegates keep to the rear of the room and not enter into any of the business of the day. The chaplain will now invoke the divine blessing—Chaplain Horace Palmer.

Comrade W. O. Lee: This last session of the legislature, 1923, I was the only Civil War veteran in the legislature. The Speaker of the House appointed me as chairman of the Committee on Military Affairs. Very soon after taking the seat in the legislature I introduced a bill making Memorial Day a sacred day instead of a day of amusement, whereby we could cut out horse racing, baseball, circuses, etc. Unfortunately I was taken very ill and was unable to be at the House. But as soon as I got back I called the committee together and took up the bills we had under consideration. And I called up our bill for Memorial Day. Now, we had a very small committee, only five, while others had seven, and I had a minister of the gospel (he said he was) as one of that committee, and I felt confident that we would have no trouble in reporting the bill out from the committee. When the bill was brought up, even in the face of nearly 1,000 names from comrades, Woman's Relief Corps, Daughters of Veterans, etc., in a resolution that had been sent us asking for the passage of the bill, this divine gentleman moved that the bill be placed on the table. The motion was carried—4 to 1. I said nothing and waited my time. Later, we had other bills to take under consideration, and I was called down again, and I brought this bill up again, this reverend gentleman immediately got up and said he was strictly opposed to the bill and again presented the resolution that we table the bill, and with all the pleading and arguments I could produce, he still insisted. Finally, one of the members said that if we would change the hours from six in the morning to two in the afternoon, instead of six to six, they would consider the bill. Gentlemen, we were not accomplishing anything whatever. The resolution was passed and the bill was tabled—where it is today.

Comrades, it is up to you as voters, when you are looking around for your candidate to send to the legislature, look them over and find whether there is any red blood in their veins.

Then I introduced another bill, asking that Old Glory be placed at every voting precinct within the borders of the commonwealth of the State of Michigan. The bill went into the hands of the committee. I asked them what they proposed doing with it. They said they would probably table it. They said that would make the flag too common. Was it too common when you were fighting for it? They said it would be too great an expense. The city of Detroit would have to buy 400 or 500, this city would have to buy 100 flags. Fortunately the women came to my relief, as they have been coming to our relief for the last 20 years. They asked for the privilege of coming before the committee. This request was granted. They fixed the date, and the women were there at 9 o'clock in the morning. The president of the Daughters of the Revolution made the appeal. It was patriotic and from

the heart, and after all the women had said their say, they were excused. The subject of the flag was talked over again, and they decided they would report the bill out without recommendation, so it was reported out. We lost by two votes. I asked for a reconsideration of the bill and it was granted, and a few of the non-patriotic representatives were quietly taken under consideration, and in place of having the bill placed on the calendar, I had it placed on the table and had it called up at the proper time and it was put to a vote and a lot of them apparently got cold feet, the bill won 77 to 7, and after July 1st, or at the time of the next primary, Old Glory will be floating from every voting precinct in the State of Michigan, and it is up to the comrades to see that it does.

Do you know that we pay thousands and thousands of dollars every year to educate our young people in the normal schools to make teachers of them, and when they graduate they come before the school superintendent and ask to be placed upon the roll as teachers and to get a certificate. I introduced in the legislature a bill asking that every one of those men and women whenever they are to be examined that they take the oath of allegiance to our flag and to the constitution of the U. S. A. It is there in the committee today.

Then I asked for another consideration. I presume some of you are aware of the fact that we have had a good many comrades that have been working for the State of Michigan for a number of years, and we introduced a bill asking that when they reached an age when they were incapacitated, they receive a pension of one-half pay. The committee considering that bill asked me to appear before them, which I did. There was a committee of nine, five of them were democrats. I said: "We have a man on our payroll that has been there 50 years, we have others on that payroll that have been there 88, 84 or 85 years." They said, "Weren't some of those old soldiers?" I said, "Yes." "How much pension do they receive?" "Fifty dollars a month." "Well, can't they live on \$50 a month?" and the bill is in the hands of that committee yet. Now, do we want to send that kind of men to legislature? As long as we send that kind of men to congress our bills will fail. Now, comrades, you've got to stand by your guns.

Commander Mears: Four of our past commanders have passed on and I think we should appoint a special committee on resolutions on the death of these four past commanders. I appoint Janes, Anthony, Kanetz and Spaulding to act on that committee.

Assistant Adjutant General Spaulding: The committee appointed on resolutions was Comrades Janes, Gardner and Wm. O. Lee. I haven't heard from them.

Comrade Lee: I have one here:

The Department of the G. A. R. of Michigan in convention wish to extend their hearty and gratified appreciation and thanks for the hospitality and courteous treatment and care extended to this our 46th encampment by the citizens of Grand Rapids, including special thanks to officers of the G. A. R. posts, Boy Scouts and Mr. Fred Z. Pantlind, manager of Hotel Pantlind.

OSCAR A. JANES,

WM. O. LEE,

Committee.

Comrade Wm. O. Lee: I move that this resolution be adopted. Motion was carried.

Assistant Adjutant General: The reports of the nominees for delegates and alternates from the different districts are now in.

Dist. No.	Alternate
1 A. L. Sawyer, Post No. 17.	E. H. Hull, Post No. 17.
2 James Sutton, Post No. 48.	F. L. Manning, Post No. 48.
3 B. K. Crandall, Post No. 111.	Loren D. Chaplain, Post No. 111.
4 Albert S. Rowe, Post No. 21.	Albert Estabrook, Post No. 56.
5 Abraham Eddy, Post No. 395.	Duane Sweezy, Post No. 5.
6 Geo. Smalley, Post No. 42.	L. D. Smith, Post No. 42.
7 A. L. Bryant, Post No. 255.	R. Workmaster, Post No. 98.
8 A. E. Perry, Post No. 205.	F. M. Freer, Post No. 91.
9 Chas. Miller, Post No. 7.	W. R. Mathews, Post No. 9.
10 Chas. Rousch, Post No. 67.	O. F. Kellogg, Post No. 67.
11 S. S. Huggett, Post No. 170.	J. L. Tanner, Post No. 18.
12 Thos. D. Nelson—Ishpeming.	Peter Truedell, Post No. 300.
13 Robert Morris, Post No. 17.	H. L. Fultus, Post No. 17.

You have heard the nominations. I move that the nominees as read from the different caucuses be elected as delegates and alternates to the national convention at Milwaukee. Motion was carried.

Comrade Wm. O. Lee: I presume nearly every comrade in the room remembers Comrade Bartlett, the beautiful singer of Michigan, who has never missed an encampment. Today he is lying on his sick bed, as a result of a slight stroke, and I offer the resolution that we send to Comrade Bartlett at Detroit, through our Adjutant General, a telegram sympathizing with his affliction and wishing him a speedy return to health.

This motion was supported and carried.

Assistant Adjutant General Spaulding: I would suggest that we proceed with the council of administration for next year, and I wish to present in nomination one of our most efficient workers, Albert Dunham.

Other nominations were: Lucien Ives, Wm. O. Lee, V. S. Howard, J. J. Holmes.

Assistant Adjutant General: I move that these five be elected.

This motion was supported and carried.

Assistant Adjutant General: I move that we proceed to the election of officers of this encampment for next year. The office of Department Commander will be first in order.

Comrade Janes: I nominate L. A. L. Gilbert, U. S. Grant Post, Bay City, Mich.

Comrade A. L. Bryant, Post 75, supported this motion.

Comrade W. O. Lee: I nominate M. D. Richardson, Post 444, of Cadillac. Supported by Comrade Huggett, Petoskey.

Comrade Richardson withdrew his name and moved that the rules be suspended and that the Adjutant General be instructed to cast a unanimous vote for Gilbert. This motion was supported and when put to a vote there was one no. After some discussion it was again put to a vote and carried. Adjutant General then cast a unanimous vote for Mr. Gilbert.

Comrade Gilbert: I cannot talk to you now. To me it has been a solemn occasion. To me, to try and look into the future even one year away is almost more than I am able to do, but again when I look in your faces and see the kind expressions, it seems as though the boys of Michigan are going to stand

by me. I will give to you in the next year the best there is in me, if I make a mistake it will be of the head and not of the heart. We have a great deal of work to do, but we have the best backing in the world; we owe today our existence to the Woman's Relief Corps and other help that is assisting them and us. I know you are all tired and sick of this kind of talk and you will hear enough in the near future from me, so please excuse me. I thank you heartily for what you have done for me.

Comrade Chas. A. Green, Watson Post 395: I nominate John A. Miller, Post 395, as Senior Vice Commander.

Comrade Chas. P. Coffin, Post 5, supported this motion.

Comrade Raab: I move that the rules be suspended and that the Assistant Adjutant General be instructed to cast a unanimous vote for Comrade Miller as Senior Vice Commander. Motion was supported and carried, and Assistant Adjutant General Spaulding cast a unanimous vote for Comrade Miller.

Assistant Adjutant General: I nominate Comrade A. C. Estabrook, Post 56, of Allegan, as Junior Vice Commander. Nomination was supported and unanimous vote was cast for Comrade Estabrook.

Comrade S. H. Childs, 147: I move that Dr. Robert LeBarron be re-elected Medical Director. Motion supported and carried unanimously.

Comrade Raab: I move that Horace Palmer succeed himself as Chaplain. Motion was supported and carried unanimously.

Chaplain Palmer: I thank you for this re-election, but I want to say this: Please go home and tell your department chaplains to send their reports in to me regularly and promptly. It is almost impossible for me to make a report when I do not receive reports from the chaplains.

Comrade Janes: I move that the resolution to be drawn up on the death of the four past commanders be drafted and sent to the Adjutant General to be incorporated in the journal. Motion supported and carried.

Comrade W. O. Lee: I move that we resolve that this department authorize the purchase of a badge to be given our retiring department commander, cost not to exceed \$50. Motion carried.

Commander Mears: I will appreciate that badge more than I can tell you, and I pray that when I am laid away, that badge be laid away with me. I have appreciated this work and I have done the best I could. I thank you for this manifestation of your good will toward your past commander.

Comrade Wm. Barrett, Post 278: I move that we appropriate \$100 for the expense of the drum corps to Milwaukee for our national encampment. We want our drum corps there. It has made a reputation for itself. Motion carried.

Comrade Stoll: I wish to introduce an endorsement that we commend action of Comrade Lee in the legislature, and we do our best to help make Memorial Day a sacred day. Motion carried.

There was much discussion over the problem of Memorial Day.

The new Department Commander appointed as Assistant Adjutant General and Quartermaster General, Comrade Henry Spaulding.

The new officers were then duly installed by Commander-in-Chief Willetts.

Comrade Janes: I think we should express our thanks to our Commander-in-Chief for installing our new officers and for staying with us during the entire encampment. I move that the thanks of this encampment be extended to the Commander-in-Chief for what he has done for us. Motion supported and carried by a rising vote of thanks.

Commander-in-Chief: Just a word. The department encampment of the

State of Iowa is closing today. I was there on Tuesday, the first day. I filled an appointment at the camp fire that night, and twenty minutes of 10 o'clock left for Chicago, thence to your city, believing that under the circumstance my own department could do without me, inasmuch as they have the honor of having the Commander-in-Chief chosen from their jurisdiction, and that your splendid department of the State of Michigan was entitled to my fealty and presence during your entire encampment. The fact that you have thus recognized the fact that I have been here during the entire encampment, shown by your vote of thanks, which is made a matter of record in the journal of your proceedings, is extremely pleasing to me, and that you recognize the further fact by that vote that I have at least made an effort to do the performance of my duty is also pleasing to me, and when I leave Grand Rapids it will be with fondest recollections and generous memory of the hospitality of the city and its environments and for your exceeding hospitality as members of our great organization. I thank you.

Assistant Adjutant General: Past Commander Mears, as it has been resolved unanimously by this encampment to procure a badge by which you shall be known as a Past Department Commander, I have done so, but the badge is not yet here. Therefore I shall perform the ceremony using my badge.

I don't know of any more fitting time to perform this ceremony and you are now recognized as a Past Department Commander and welcome to our organization of Past Department Commanders, and this being your eighty-first birthday, I deem it fittingly appropriate that this duty be performed.

Past Department Commander Wm. Mears, your service as commander of this department has been highly appreciated by your comrades, and I now present you with this badge of your position. Wear it over a heart so loyal and brave to our country and our flag. May it ever be an incentive to you, comrade, to do your work as you always have, faithfully, to this noble organization, the G. A. R.

Past Department Commander Mears: I wish I could tell you the feelings of my heart at this time, how I appreciate the honor you have bestowed upon me. How I appreciate the help you have given me. I have made mistakes, but they have been of the head and not of the heart. I appreciate all that has been done for me. Until the last sixty days when I was taken sick, I worked hard for the department. I thank you for the honor you have bestowed upon me. At this time I wish to thank Assistant Adjutant General Spaulding for the way he has stood by me.

Assistant Adjutant Spaulding: I did what I felt was my duty. It has been a great pleasure to work hand in hand with you.

The new Department Commander, Gilbert, then appointed Oscar A. Janes for Judge Advocate General. He will name other appointments and committees later.

Comrade Raab moved for adjournment. This motion was supported and carried. The encampment was then adjourned to meet in Lansing in June, 1924.

HENRY SPAULDING, Asst. Adjt. General.

Headquarters Department of Michigan
Grand Army of the Republic
Lansing, Mich., June 26, 1922.

General Orders No. 1, Series 1922-23.

I. Having been elected and installed Commander of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic, at the Forty-fourth Annual Encampment, held at Detroit, Mich., June 16th, 1922, I hereby assume command and

tender my sincere appreciation of the honor, and trust to receive the cordial support of all my comrades.

II. The following named comrades were elected to the offices designated:

Department Commander—William Mears, Post No. 54, Manton.

Senior Vice Department Commander—Samuel D. Bailey, Post No. 17, Detroit.

Junior Vice Department Commander—John Seel, Post No. 14, Benton Harbor.

Medical Director—Dr. Robert LeBarron, Post No. 147, Pontiac.

Department Chaplain—Rev. Horace Palmer, Soldiers' Home, Grand Rapids, Post No. 45, Adrian.

Council of Administration—Thomas Davey, Post No. 17, Detroit; D. J. Willson, Post No. 48, Jackson; George Rabb, Post No. 145, Flint; Eli Strong, Post No. 79, Kalamazoo; William O. Lee, Post No. 98, Port Huron.

Delegates to the Fifty-sixth National Encampment—Albert Dunham, at large, Post No. 48, Jackson; James A. Ells, Post No. 384, 340 Trowbridge Ave., Detroit; James A. Sutton, Post No. 48, 123 S. Jackson St., Jackson; William Taylor, Post No. 32, 1145 Lafayette Ave., S. E., Grand Rapids; Harvey Harper, Post No. 196, Lawton; J. R. Stephenson, Post No. 5, R. R. No. 4, Grand Rapids; E. E. Hennis, Post No. 145, 721 Bryan Place, Flint; William I. Marks, Post No. 214, Millington; Edgar Shattuck, Post No. 211, Ionia; M. D. Richardson, Post No. 444, Box No. 402, Lansing; Hiram Russell, Post No. 67, 201 S. Lincoln Ave., Bay City; John G. Berry, Post No. 263, Vanderbilt; W. H. Mason, Post No. 274, Hancock; Charles A. Bartlett, Post No. 17, 2081 Clairmount Ave., Detroit; A. L. Sawyer, Post No. 17, 3176 16th St., Detroit; M. C. Barney, Post No. 145, 1105 Lapeer St., Flint; Walter L. Funk, Post No. 5, 414 Clancey Ave., S. E., Grand Rapids; J. L. Drake, Post No. 45, Adrian.

Alternate Delegates—A. J. Teed, at large, Post No. 444, Cadillac; B. C. Brainard, Post No. 433, 2655 Johnson St., Detroit; F. L. Manning, Post No. 48, 1212 Washington St., Jackson; B. K. Crandall, Post No. 111, Eaton Rapids; John H. Monk, Post No. 19, Bangor; Charles Maus, Post No. 395, 33 Putnam St., Grand Rapids; John Davidson, Post No. 42, 332 East South St., Lansing; George Holman, Post No. 144, Lapeer; L. E. Morse, Post No. 100, Lyons; D. E. Cook, Post No. 444, Cadillac; Charles Rousch, Post No. 67, R. R. No. 2, Bay City; William H. Claspil, Post No. 263, Vanderbilt; B. H. Babitt, Post No. 17, Detroit; C. B. Andrews, Post No. 17, Redford; W. G. Miner, Post No. 132, Portland; D. H. Davis, Post No. 433; Gideon Bowley, Post No. 16.

III. The following staff appointments are hereby announced:

Assistant Adjutant and Assistant Quartermaster General—Henry Spaulding, Post No. 20, P. O. Box 225, Lansing.

Department Patriotic Instructor—L. A. L. Gilbert, Post No. 67, 206 5th Ave., Bay City.

Chief of Staff—Isaac Grant, Post No. 451, Reed City.

Senior Aide—A. L. Bryant, Post No. 255, 108 Short St., Lansing.

Chief Mustering Officer—George H. Saxton, Post No. 42, 508 Michigan Ave. W., Lansing.

Department Inspector—F. L. Manning, Post No. 48, 1212 Washington St., Jackson.

Sergeant National Colors—John Davidson, Post No. 42, 332 East South St., Lansing.

Sergeant Department Colors—James A. Sutton, Post No. 48, 128 S. Jackson St., Jackson.

They will be obeyed and respected accordingly.

IV. The Department Commander directs the attention of the Post Commanders to the importance of forwarding the per capita tax, due June 30th, 1922, so that the department per capita tax may be remitted to national headquarters promptly. The amount of the per capita tax is the same as of December 31st, 1921.

Drafts, checks and money orders should be made payable to Henry Spaulding, Assistant Adjutant General, G. A. R., address Box 225, Lansing, Mich.

V. Post Commanders are requested to at once recommend for appointment as "Aide-de-Camp" on the staff of the Department Commander a comrade who by activity and devotion to the Grand Army of the Republic should be thus honored.

VI. The Department Commander requests that he be advised of dates upon which county or district associations meet, as it is his intention to be present at as many of these annual reunions as possible.

VII. The encampment voted \$150 to help defray the expense of the Michigan G. A. R. drum corps to the national encampment at Des Moines, Iowa. The Department Commander asks each post in the department to contribute something toward this fund. Just what you feel like donating will come very acceptable, and the thanks of the Commander is hereby extended.

By order of

HENRY SPAULDING,
Assistant Adjutant General.

WILLIAM MEARS,
Department Commander.

Headquarters Department of Michigan
Grand Army of the Republic

Lansing, Mich., August 25th, 1922.

General Orders No. 2, Series 1922-23.

I. The fifty-sixth annual encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic will be held in Des Moines, Iowa, during the week beginning September 24th, 1922.

II. Department headquarters will be established at the Franklin hotel, Monday, September 25th, at two o'clock p. m., where representatives and comrades will report, register and receive the "Michigan" ribbon.

There will be a meeting of the delegates and those entitled to seats in the national encampment, from Michigan, at department headquarters, Hotel Franklin, Tuesday morning, September 26th, at ten o'clock, to transact such business as may properly come before the meeting, and to distribute badges to the delegates. Let all be present at roll call that their places may not be filled by alternate delegates.

III. Department headquarters in Lansing will be closed from Saturday, September 28, until Monday, October 2, 1922.

IV. Comrades wishing to engage hotel accommodations or rooms in private residences should write to Mr. G. E. Hamilton, chairman of hotels and housing, Chamber of Commerce, Des Moines, Iowa.

V. Railroad Rates—A special rate of one first-class fare for the round trip on identification certificates for members of the Grand Army of the

Republic, wives and dependent members of their families, widows of deceased members, army nurses of the Civil War, and members of the several allied organizations of the Grand Army and dependent members of their families.

VI. Tickets can be procured from local ticket agents to Des Moines and return upon presentation of identification certificate, in accordance with the railroad arrangements. Certificates will be furnished by the Assistant Adjutant General, Box 225, Lansing, Michigan, upon application. These tickets will be good going and returning by the same route only and will be available for going trip September 20 to 26, with a final return limit to reach original starting point October 31st. Stop-overs will be allowed on application to conductor at all points within the final limit of the tickets on both going and returning trips. No validation of tickets will be required.

VII. The official headquarters train will leave Lansing, Mich., Sunday, September 24th, at 8:28 a. m., via the M. C. R. R., arriving at Chicago at 8 p. m.; leave Chicago at 6:10 p. m. via the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul R. R. A standard sleeper will be furnished at Chicago for the benefit of the Michigan delegation going via this route. It will be attached to the national headquarters train, a special for the commander-in-chief and his staff. Rates for sleeper: For lower double berth \$3.75, for upper \$3.00, from Chicago. Reservations can be obtained from Henry Spaulding, Assistant Adjutant General, Box 225, Lansing, Michigan.

The Department Commander will be very much pleased to have the W. R. C. ladies of the G. A. R., Sons and Daughters of Veterans and all comrades, and others who care to, to join him on this train.

VIII. There will be a special G. A. R. car leaving Detroit Sunday, September 24th, at 1:35 p. m. via the M. C. R. R. to Chicago; leave Chicago at 10 o'clock p. m. via the Rock Island Railroad. Enclosed see schedule of time and connections. Senior Vice Department Commander S. D. Bailey, 1567 Clark Ave., Detroit, will have charge of this car. Any information wanted see or address him as above.

IX. There will be special cars leaving Grand Rapids for Des Moines, Monday, September 25th, at 12:05 p. m., via the Pere Marquette and the Pennsylvania System railroads. Schedules and information has been sent to every G. A. R. post and allied organization in the state. Study it over well; if further information is wanted, see or address Walter L. Funk, 414 Clancey Avenue, S. E., Grand Rapids, Michigan.

X. The Michigan G. A. R. drum corps will have a special chair car from Lansing to Des Moines via the M. C. and Rock Island railroads, leaving Lansing Sunday night, or rather Monday morning at 12:35 a. m.

All who desire to go on this train write Comrade A. B. Chapin, 519 Michigan Ave. West, Lansing, Mich. Read carefully the enclosed circular.

XI. Commanders and adjutants of posts will kindly see that the per capita tax due July 1st is promptly mailed to Henry Spaulding, Assistant Adjutant General, G. A. R., Box 225, Lansing, Mich.

Many posts are in arrears now and it is hoped that every one will report promptly.

XII. The department headquarters of Michigan at Lansing, will be closed from September 23 to October 2, 1922. Posts wishing supplies will govern themselves accordingly.

XIII. The following named comrades are hereby appointed Aide-de-Camps on the staff of the Department Commander. They will be honored and obeyed accordingly: E. S. Post, Post No. 1; Harvey Wood, Post No. 2;

Francis Hiscutt, Post No. 3; E. D. Lane, Post No. 4; Theo. C. Putnam, Post No. 5; Fred Wolf, Post No. 6; Charles Miller, Post No. 7; Thomas D. Nelson, Post No. 8; F. H. Miller, Post No. 10; W. E. Walker, Post No. 14; Gideon Bowley, Post No. 16; Robert Morris, Post No. 17; W. J. Fraser, Post No. 17; C. D. Webster, Post No. 18; T. D. Combs, Post No. 18; C. C. Phillipps, Post No. 19; John Carter, Post No. 20; W. A. Palmer, Post No. 20; W. A. Preston, Post No. 21; A. S. Roe, Post No. 21; F. V. Nelson, Post No. 27; S. H. Blakely, Post No. 28; William Killefer, Post No. 31; E. M. Morse, Post No. 32; William Pratt, Post No. 32; A. S. Neally, Post No. 35; Robert Payne, Post No. 35; Fred Gill, Post No. 38; F. D. Keeler, Post No. 38; H. J. Moyer, Post No. 39; E. D. Young, Post No. 40; Fred G. Warren, Post No. 40; Fred Shipp, Post No. 42; C. T. Lord, Post No. 42; D. B. Morgan, Post No. 45; J. H. Momany, Post No. 47; Josiah Creque, Post No. 48; Joshua Dodge, Post No. 48; Theo. Bortle, Post No. 53; A. C. Estabrook, Post No. 56; W. H. Smith, Post No. 64; O. F. Kellogg, Post No. 67; C. E. Butterfield, Post No. 68; T. B. Main, Post No. 69; Jeff P. McKey, Post No. 72; C. N. Dickinson, Post No. 75; H. W. Harvey, Post No. 79; S. H. Carlton, Post No. 79; W. R. Andrews, Post No. 87; C. M. Hall, Post No. 88; Frank McPhillips, Post No. 90; Harvey Lyon, Post No. 91; N. D. Brown, Post No. 98; C. W. Lung, Post No. 100; C. E. West, Post No. 108; J. W. Moyer, Post No. 108; R. H. Brooks, Post No. 110; A. H. Boies, Post No. 110; Geo. W. Norton, Post No. 111; R. D. W. Woodworth, Post No. 120; W. R. Olds, Post No. 126; W. G. Miner, Post No. 132; Hi. A. Sweet, Post No. 137; H. W. Stevens, Post No. 140; E. E. Hennes, Post No. 145; S. H. Giles, Post No. 147; W. E. Jacobs, Post No. 160; S. S. Pucket, Post No. 170; S. B. Mereness, Post No. 180; Harvey Harper, Post No. 196; M. M. Andrews, Post No. 419.

In Memoriam—Comrade John Northwood, Past Department Commander of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic, died at New Lothrop, Michigan, July 22, 1922. He was 84 years of age.

He enlisted as a private in Co. B, 16th Michigan Infantry, August 3, 1861, aged 23 years. He was wounded at the battle of Gaines Mills, Va., June 27, 1862, in both arms, the right being amputated. He was discharged August 18, 1862, on Surgeon's Certificate of Disability.

Comrade Northwood was elected Department Commander in 1886.

By order of

HENRY SPAULDING,
Assistant Adjutant General.

WILLIAM MEARS,
Department Commander.

Headquarters Department of Michigan
Grand Army of the Republic

Lansing, Mich., October 25, 1922.

General Orders No. 3, Series 1922-23.

I. The 56th National Encampment, Grand Army of the Republic, has passed into history, and it will be recorded on its pages as one of the most enjoyable and successful in the history of the Grand Army of the Republic.

It was held in Des Moines, Iowa, September 24 to 29, 1922. Representatives and comrades, with their allied organizations, were welcomed by the patriotic people of Des Moines with true fraternal hospitality, they surely

made good all their promises made to the Grand Army when they invited them to hold their encampment there this year.

Seldom, if ever, have the veterans of the Civil War and their friends attended an encampment where so many courtesies and kindnesses were extended to the visitors as at Des Moines, Iowa. Absolutely nothing seemed to be neglected or forgotten by the citizens to show welcome and a good time to their 20,000 guests during the encampment week.

II. The headquarters of this department was established at the Franklin Hotel on Monday morning, September 25, and Michigan made no mistake in selecting this hotel. The manager guaranteed that we would be satisfied with our treatment while there, and his word was made good, not a word of fault could be found from any source, and we have only thanks and praise for the Franklin Hotel.

III. General Orders No. 1 from national headquarters are being enclosed with this, giving full information as to the work of the encampment.

Election of Officers

IV. The time for the election of officers is near at hand. The Department Commander calls upon all comrades to give this matter their most serious consideration. At the first regular meeting in December you will elect all but the appointive officers of your post; also delegates and alternates to the 45th department encampment, G. A. R., to be held in the city of Grand Rapids, June 6, 7, 8, 1923; installation of post officers to take place at the first regular meeting in January, 1923.

V. Blanks for election returns of post officers, also credential blanks for return of election of delegates and alternates, post commanders, senior and junior vice post commanders, and past post commanders. These blanks should be filled out with names plainly written and forwarded to the Assistant Adjutant General immediately after the election. Observe the instructions carefully, that the name of every comrade entitled to a seat or vote in the encampment shall appear thereon, as from these reports the official roll of the encampment is made up.

Blank forms A and B, for adjutants and quartermasters reports, are also enclosed. These reports with the per capita tax of 12½ cents per member in good standing are due at once after the last regular meeting in December, 1922. Post commanders are requested to give personal attention to the prompt transmittal of all reports.

Checks, drafts or money orders must be made payable to Henry Spaulding, Assistant Adjutant General, G. A. R.

The memorial or death roll should be made out and sent in with the annual reports; carefully observe the instructions printed on the blanks.

Give name in full, rank, company and regiment, and date of death; don't omit anything if possible, as this is an important record to file.

VI. The Department Commander congratulates his comrades for the large attendance at the national encampment in Des Moines. Michigan's register shows 250 present, and nearly 200 in line on parade, and about one-half of them in uniform. Michigan as well as the Department Commander, has a right to feel proud of their comrades' conduct during their entire stay in Des Moines.

The Commander desires to thank all the members of his staff for their

helpful work both at headquarters and during the parade, also in looking after the registration, which was well taken care of by the committee.

The following additional Aides-de-Camp on the staff of the Department Commander are hereby appointed, they will be honored and obeyed accordingly: A. E. Ferry, Post No. 205; Roswell Leavitt, Post No. 206; C. S. Smith, Post No. 206; O. G. Hubbard, Post No. 210; Edgar Shattuck, Post No. 211; I. T. Damen, Post No. 214; A. A. Holcomb, Post No. 216; M. L. Skillman, Post No. 216; George P. Humphrey, Post No. 224; John A. Newville, Post No. 285; Chas. T. Andrus, Post No. 248; H. E. Deuel, Post No. 250; B. C. Moore, Post No. 252; J. W. James, Post No. 255; G. VanSchelven, Post No. 262; John G. Berry, Post No. 263; A. W. Bills, Post No. 266; William Barrett, Post No. 278; L. T. Loveless, Post No. 294; M. Hess, Post No. 328; J. N. Clark, Post No. 248; G. B. Sherwood, Post No. 352; L. P. Judson, Post No. 372; A. A. Walter, Post No. 382; Gus F. Smith, Post No. 384; Abraham Eddy, Post No. 395; R. J. Jameson, Post No. 402; Chas. Hooker, Post No. 405; O. B. Randall, Post No. 410; W. D. Wiltsie, Post No. 425; B. C. Brainard, Post No. 433; H. O. Call, Post No. 441; A. J. Teed, Post No. 444; Geo. H. Gilbert, Post No. 451; A. J. Teal, Post No. 452; W. H. Greenman, Post No. 454; John Barber, Post No. 455; W. T. Kimsey, Post No. 460.

The following committees are hereby announced:

Executive Committee C. of A.—William O. Lee, Post No. 98; D. J. Willson, Post No. 48; George Raab, Post No. 145.

Committee to Visit the Soldiers' Home—B. K. Crandall, Post No. 111; C. H. Johnson, Post No. 18; Henry Spaulding, Post No. 20.

Legislative Committee—Albert Dunham, Post No. 48.

Committee on Military Museum to Act with Board of State Auditors—A. E. Ferry, Post No. 205; A. B. Chapin, Post No. 42; William Barrett, Post No. 278.

By order of

HENRY SPAULDING,
Assistant Adjutant General.

WILLIAM MEARS,
Department Commander.

Headquarters Department of Michigan
Grand Army of the Republic

Lansing, Mich., April 20th, 1923.

General Orders No. 4.

I. The Forty-fifth Annual Encampment of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic, will be held in the city of Grand Rapids, June the 6th, 7th and 8th, 1923. Headquarters will be established at the Pantlind Hotel, Wednesday, June 6th, 1923.

II. The committee on credentials is hereby announced: Assistant Adjutant General Henry Spaulding; Comrades Albert Dunham of Post No. 48, Jackson; H. A. Chapin of Post No. 81, Paw Paw; Arthur E. Ferry of Post No. 205 of Owosso; W. W. Fletcher of Post No. 19, Bangor. The committee will meet at the Pantlind Hotel, Wednesday, June 6th, at 9 o'clock A. M., to receive credentials and issue badges to members of the encampment only.

III. The following appointments are hereby announced: Edgar A. Green of Post No. 395, as Officer of the Day, and Duane Swazey of Post No. 1, Officer of the Guard. They will hold their positions during the session of

the encampment, and appoint a sufficient number of comrades to act as guards at the entrance of the auditorium room. It is the request of the Department Commander that all officers appear in G. A. R. uniform; also the members so far as possible. The Officer of the Day and the Officer of the Guard, with their details, will report to the Assistant Adjutant General for duty Wednesday, June 6th, at 1 o'clock P. M. sharp.

IV. The Council of Administration will meet in headquarters room, Pantlind Hotel, Wednesday morning, June 6th, at 9:30 A. M., for the transaction of any business that may properly come before them, the Executive Committee to audit the books and accounts of the Assistant Adjutant and Assistant Quartermaster Generals.

V. The first business meeting of the encampment will be held in the hotel ball room, on Wednesday, June 6th, at 1:30 P. M. All members must be in possession of the national countersign for 1923, and have a delegate badge on to gain admission to the meeting. Look well to this to avoid confusion at the doors.

VI. Rates over all railroads in Michigan of one and one-half fare for the round trip on the identification certificate plan, to all Grand Army comrades and their families; also to the auxiliaries and allied organizations. Certificates have been sent to the headquarters of each order to be issued to their members. Each G. A. R. post will receive a supply for their members. Tickets will be on sale June 2nd to 8th, good to return not later than June 14th, 1923. Grand Rapids intends to give us one of the best times we ever have had; let all come who can and show them that the G. A. R. is still a live wire and appreciates their invitation to meet in their beautiful city.

VII. The following is a list of the principal hotels and their rates:

The Pantlind Hotel, \$2.00 and up, per day.

The Rowe Hotel, \$2.00 and up, per day.

The Livingston Hotel, \$1.50 and up, per day.

The Cody Hotel, \$1.50 and up, per day.

The Crathmore Hotel, \$1.50 and up, per day.

The Mertins Hotel, \$1.50 and up, per day.

The Eagle Hotel, \$1.50 and up, per day.

VIII. For information as to meetings, parade and camp fires, consult the program, which will give a complete itinerary of each organization, and be for general distribution. "Remember the dates, etc."

MEMORIAL DAY

IX. Wednesday, May 30th, will be observed as Memorial Day. The Forty-fifth National Encampment has ordered that as part of the public exercises, bells be tolled from 12 o'clock noon until 12:05, that flags be placed at half mast and that comrades stand "at attention," heads uncovered, during said period of time.

As part of the ceremonies, Lincoln's Gettysburg address should be read, also General Order No. 11, issued by Commander-in-Chief John A. Logan, dated May 5th, 1868.

X. During the week preceding Memorial Day, comrades and posts will arrange to visit all the schools, impress upon the scholars the importance of sacredly observing Memorial Day, and where possible arrange for patriotic programs.

XI. May 27th, Sunday preceding Memorial Day, posts, auxiliary organi-

zations and invited guests will attend divine services and should previously arrange for such services.

Since Memorial Day was instituted, May, 1868, our country has been engaged in war with Spain, Philippine insurrection and the recent World War. I recommend that the posts of the Grand Army of the Republic invite the survivors of the above mentioned wars to join with us in a more sacred observance of the day; to protest against games and sports, make it a sacred day, and all join in the ceremonies of decorating the graves of all wars.

IN MEMORIAM

XII. Past Department Commander James Van Kleek died at his home in Bay City, Michigan, Tuesday evening, February 6th, 1923, of pneumonia. Comrade Van Kleek served as a private in Company D, 17th Michigan Infantry, during the war and was wounded at the battle of Antietam, Md., November 17th, 1862, from which he never recovered. He served as Department Commander in the year 1901.

Past Department Commander Ellory C. Cannon was born in Mecosta County, Michigan, December 28th, 1842, and died at his home in Ewart, Michigan, March 5th, 1923. Comrade Cannon enlisted in Company B, 22nd Mich. Infantry, August 8th, 1862, and was mustered out at Nashville, Tenn., June 26th, 1865.

He was elected Department Commander of Michigan G. A. R., in 1904. He was very active in the interests of the Grand Army of the Republic.

XIII. To the adjutants and quartermasters of posts, I call your attention to the fact that to be entitled to representation in the department encampment, posts must have their annual reports on file in the Assistant Adjutant General's office. Many posts have failed to do this. These reports are due December 31, 1922, with the per capita tax, also the credential reports. You know whether your post is in arrears or not; if you are I urge you to get busy at once and send reports in that you may be entitled to a vote in the meeting. We are promised one of the best times we ever had; if you are left out, don't blame the department.

XIV. I presume this is the last General Order I will issue as your Department Commander. I want to thank my comrades for electing me to this high and honorable position, which I think more of than being the governor of the state, and for the many favors I have received on my various visits to the posts in the department. And to my official staff I extend special thanks for their kindness and assistance, which has made it possible for me to get through the year as well as I have.

And to the W. R. C., our auxiliary, and other allied orders, "God bless them." The cordial welcome I have received from them will never be forgotten by me, but will remain as a bright and shining light during the remainder of my days. "Thanks to them all."

By order of

WILLIAM MEARS,
Department Commander.

HENRY SPAULDING,
Assistant Adjutant General.

REUNIONS

The Old 8th Michigan V. V. Infantry will hold their 53rd Annual Reunion in Lansing, July 31st, 1928. Headquarters will be at G. A. R. hall, No. 117½ South Washington Ave. Let there be a good attendance as there will not be many more reunions.

FRED J. SHIPP, President.

A. B. CHAPIN, Secretary.

ANNUAL REUNION CUSTER'S MICHIGAN CAVALRY BRIGADE
ASSOCIATION

June 5th and 6th of this year, our Association will meet in Grand Rapids, in the city where the 6th and 7th Regiments rendezvoused 1862 and 1868 and left there for the front.

Headquarters will be at the Hotel Pantlind; registration beginning at 9 A. M. of the 5th; regimental reunions at 2:30 P. M.; banquet at 6:30 P. M., and a royal feed for all; camp fire following the banquet. Prominent speakers will be there to entertain at the camp fire. Brigade business meeting at 9:00 A. M. the 6th. All business will be at the Pantlind Hotel. After our business meeting, will be the G. A. R. encampment. All arrange to be on hand and take advantage of the special railroad rates given to the encampment.

WILLIAM O. LEE, President,
Port Huron, Michigan.

CHAS. H. JOHNSON, Secretary.
Dowagiac, Michigan.

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