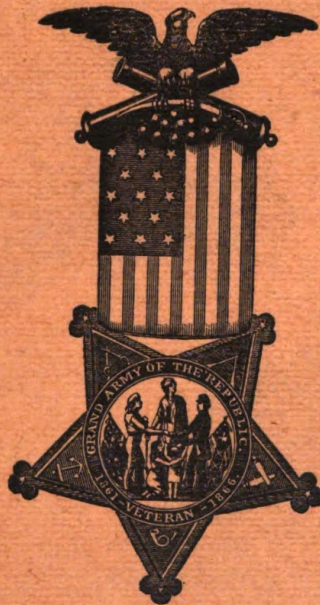


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WITH ADDRESS OF

CHARLES A. BARTLETT, *Department Commander*  
AND REPORTS OF OTHER DEPARTMENT OFFICERS  
GENERAL ORDERS, ETC.

*A spirit of true comradeship was beautifully exemplified by the  
citizens of Kalamazoo.*

*Verily "I was a stranger and ye took me in."*

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LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL

Headquarters Department of Michigan,  
Grand Army of the Republic.

Lansing, July, 1928

Hon. Fred W. Green, Governor of the State of Michigan:

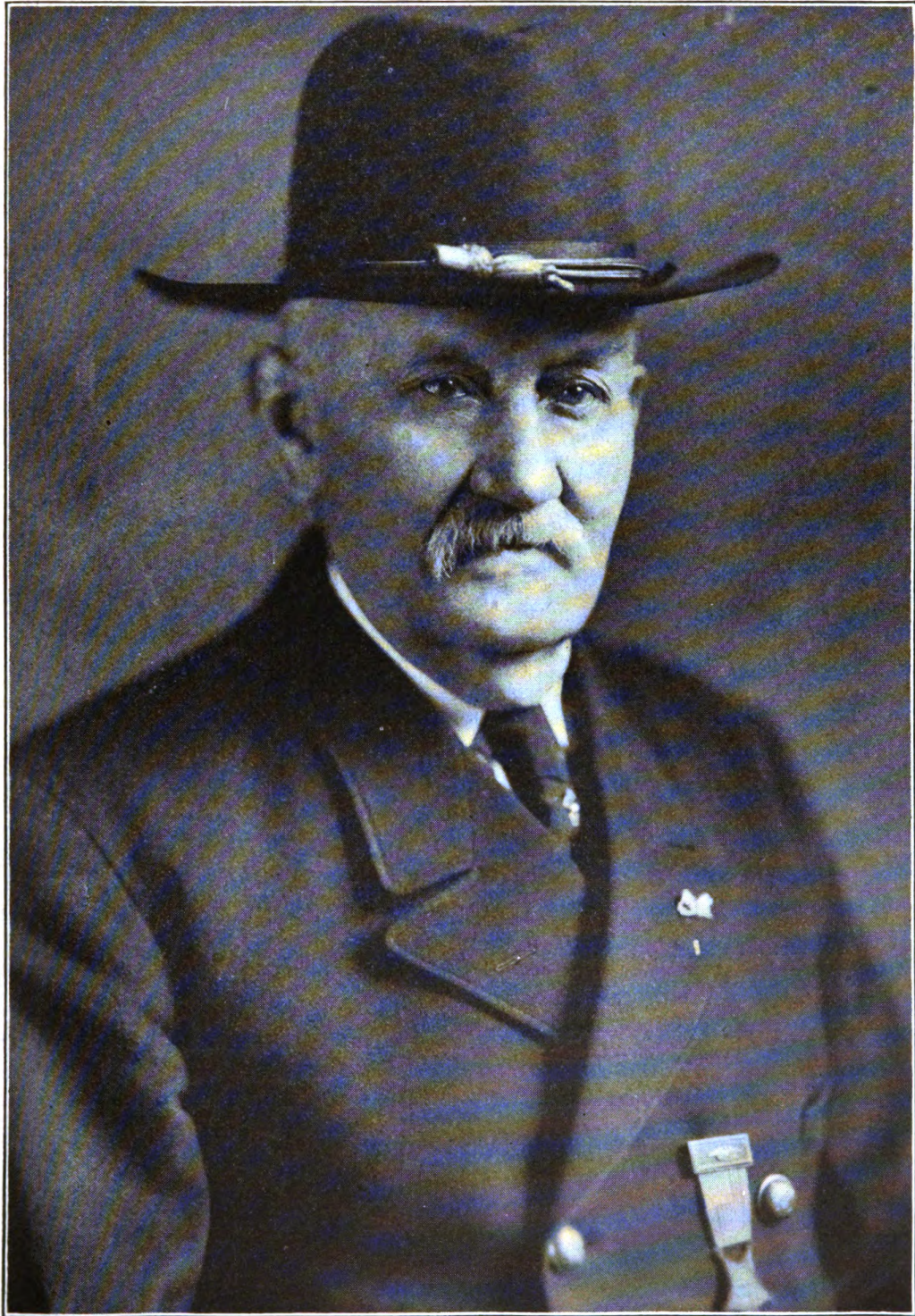
Sir: I have the honor, in compliance with the law, to transmit to you such portions of the transactions of the Grand Army of the Republic as have taken place in this Department during my administration as its Commander from June 8, 9, 10, 1927 to June 6, 7, 8, 1928 as I deem of interest to that organization and the people of the State of Michigan.

Respectfully yours in F. C. and L.,

CHARLES A. BARTLETT,

Department Commander.





CHARLES A. BARTLETT  
Department Commander

## DEPARTMENT OFFICERS, 1927-1928

- DEPARTMENT COMMANDER**—Charles A. Bartlett, Post No. 17, Detroit.
- SENIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER**—Wm. E. Walker, Post No. 14, Benton Harbor.
- JUNIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER**—J. P. Riley, Post No. 79, Kalamazoo.
- MEDICAL DIRECTOR**—Dr. James R. Stephenson, Post No. 5, Grand Rapids.
- DEPARTMENT CHAPLAIN**—Charles W. Gardner, Soldiers' Home, Grand Rapids.
- ASSISTANT ADJUTANT AND QUARTERMASTER GENERAL**—H. A. Chapin, Post No. 31, Paw Paw.
- JUDGE ADVOCATE**—Oscar A. Janes, Post No. 384, Detroit.
- PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR**—Frank D. Keeler, Post No. 38, Saginaw.
- CHIEF OF STAFF**—Isaac Grant, Post No. 451, Reed City.
- SENIOR AIDE**—E. B. Metcalf, Post No. 38, Saginaw
- CHIEF MUSTERING OFFICER**—Fred J. Shipp, Post No. 42, Lansing.
- DEPARTMENT INSPECTOR**—F. A. Pierce, Post No. 17, Detroit.
- SERGEANT NATIONAL COLORS**—Peter P. Miller, Post No. 17, Detroit.
- SERGEANT DEPARTMENT COLORS**—John Monk, Post No. 19, Bangor.
- COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION**—Albert Dunham, Post No. 48, Jackson; A. C. Estabrook, Post No. 56, Allegan; Wm. Barrett, Post 278, Bay City; Fred Gill, Post No. 38, Saginaw; George W. Howe, Post 98, Port Huron.



## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

Russell A. Alger, deceased	Detroit, 1867
Wm. A. Throop, deceased	Detroit, 1868
Wm. Humphrey, deceased	Adrian, 1870
C. V. R. Pond, deceased	Lansing, 1878-9
A. T. McReynolds, deceased	Grand Rapids, 1880
Byron R. Pierce, deceased	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, 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 VanKleek, deceased	Bay City, 1901-2
Edward C. Anthony, deceased	Negaunee, 1902-3
D. B. K. Vanraalte, deceased	Holland, 1903-4
Geo. H. Hopkins, deceased	Detroit, 1904-5
E. C. Cannon, deceased	Evart, 1905-6
Joseph B. Griswold, deceased	Grand Rapids, 1906-7
William Jibb, deceased	Adrian, 1907-8
Charles Foote, deceased, died in office	Kalamazoo, 1908-9
Geo. L. Holmes, deceased, to fill vacancy	Detroit, 1909
James M. Greenfield, deceased	Flushing, 1909-10
Samuel 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, deceased	Detroit, 1914-15
Henry Rankin, deceased, died in office	Ypsilanti, 1915-16
Eli Strong, to fill vacancy, deceased	Kalamazoo, 1915-16
Lucius H. Ives, deceased	Mason, 1916-17
William O. Lee, deceased	Port Huron, 1917-18
David S. Howard, deceased	Pontiac, 1918-19
Edwin F. Lamb, deceased	Detroit, 1919-20
Henry Spaulding	Lansing, 1920-21
J. J. Holmes, deceased	Eaton Rapids, 1921-22
William Mears, deceased	Manton, 1922-23
Lyman A. L. Gilbert	Highland Park, 1923-24
Marvin C. Barney, deceased	Flint, 1924-25
John Seel, deceased	Benton Harbor, 1925-26
James R. Stephenson, deceased	Grand Rapids, 1926-27
Charles A. Bartlett	Detroit, 1927-28

## PAST SENIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

H. M. Bigelow, deceased	Montague, 1878-9
No record for 1880 or 1881	
G. R. Wright, deceased	Benton Harbor, 1882-3
M. A. Merrifield, deceased	Union City, 1884
George L. Fisher	Fowlerville, 1885
S. A. Hosmer	1886
W. W. Cook, deceased	Lansing, 1887
True Hart, deceased	Midland, 1888
William H. Russell	Clio, 1889
E. L. Negus, deceased	Chelsea, 1890
C. L. Brundage, deceased	Muskegon, 1891
James A. Crozier, deceased	Menominee, 1892
L. M. Ward, deceased	Benton Harbor, 1893
Herman C. Frieseke, deceased	Owosso, 1894
Norm G. Cooper, deceased	Sturgis, 1895
Lucian W. Lyon, deceased	Saginaw, 1896
L. W. Sprague, deceased	Greenville, 1897
Moses F. Carleton, deceased	Port Huron, 1898
J. C. Bontecou, deceased	Petoskey, 1900
Theo C. Putnam	Grand Rapids, 1901
Marvin C. Barney, deceased	Flint, 1902
L. D. Vankleek, deceased	Pontiac, 1903
S. A. Aldrich, deceased	Muskegon, 1904
John J. Cornwell, deceased	Battle Creek, 1905
M. D. Morgan	Traverse City, 1906
Riley L. Jones, deceased	Saginaw, 1907
Edwin B. Nugent, deceased	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
Frank L. Manning	Jackson, 1914
Eli Strong, deceased	Kalamazoo, 1915
Thomas Davey	Detroit, 1915
M. M. Andrews, deceased	Bay City, 1916
H. W. Stevens	Tecumseh, 1917
J. J. Holmes, deceased	Eaton Rapids, 1918
George H. Keating, deceased	Bay City, 1919
M. D. Richardson	Lansing, 1920
E. A. Jennings, deceased	Flint, 1921
Samuel D. Bailey	Detroit, 1922-3
John A. Miller	Grand Rapids, 1923-4
Edwin R. Havens	Lansing, 1924-25
George W. Howe	Port Huron, 1925-6
Willis W. Crocker	Jackson, 1926-27
Wm. E. Walker	Benton Harbor, 1927-28

## PAST JUNIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

S. B. Kitchell, deceased.....	Coldwater, 1878
W. A. Palmer.....	Grand Rapids, 1879
Dallas Johnson.....	Montague, 1881
Oscar A. Janes.....	Hillsdale, 1882
J. N. Keller, deceased.....	Saginaw, 1883
M. H. Humphrey, deceased.....	Three Rivers, 1884
H. F. Higgins, deceased.....	Petoskey, 1885
Thomas H. Williams, deceased.....	Jackson, 1887
George W. Stone, deceased.....	Harrison, 1889
William Jibb, deceased.....	Adrian, 1890
Wm. H. Marston, deceased.....	Grand Rapids, 1891
Thomas M. Wiley, deceased.....	Owosso, 1892
E. C. Anthony, deceased.....	Negaunee, 1893
James M. Greenfield, deceased.....	Flushing, 1894
Oscar Palmer, deceased.....	Grayling, 1895
Ren Barker, deceased.....	Reed City, 1897
D. C. Spears, deceased.....	Azalia, 1898
S. H. Mallory, deceased.....	Lake Odessa, 1900
Samuel J. Lawrence, deceased.....	Wyandotte, 1901
M. D. Richardson.....	Lake City, 1903
Dan J. Wilson.....	Jackson, 1905
S. M. Kent, deceased.....	Grand Rapids, 1906
Henry Spaulding.....	Hartford, 1908
George W. Wheeler, deceased.....	Boon, 1909
Albert Dunham.....	Jackson, 1910
George I. Nash, deceased.....	Marcellus, 1911
J. J. Holmes, deceased.....	Eaton Rapids, 1912
Charles A. Coolidge, deceased.....	Detroit, 1913
Marvin C. Barney, deceased.....	Flint, 1914
Thomas Davey.....	Detroit, 1915
Alison L. Bryant.....	Mayville, 1916
E. E. Lewis, deceased.....	Coldwater, 1917
Frank Lester, deceased.....	Mason, 1918
William G. Miner, deceased.....	Portland, 1919
E. S. Post, deceased.....	Grand Rapids, 1920
George D. Freeman.....	Detroit, 1921
John Seel, deceased.....	Benton Harbor, 1922-3
A. C. Estabrook.....	Allegan, 1923-24
Arthur E. Ferry.....	Owosso, 1924-25
Josiah Creque.....	Jackson, 1925-26
George S. Farrar.....	Port Austin, 1926-27
J. P. Riley.....	Kalamazoo, 1927-28



# ROSTER OF MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT G. A. R.

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

Chartered December 9, 1887

Membership 20.

Past Commander, C. E. Redner.

*Delegates*

O. Crosby.  
L. J. Winters.

*Delegates*

Eugene Owen.  
John Riley.

*Past Post Commanders*

Henry O. Shirts.  
Charles Redner.  
Albert Hawley.

D. L. Reynolds.  
Jesse McBaine.

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

Chartered Jan. 22, 1876

Membership 14

Post Commander, Harvey J. Wood.

No Delegates Reported.

*Past Post Commanders*

L. D. Reynolds.

Harvey J. Wood.

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## CUSTER POST NO. 5, GRAND RAPIDS.

Chartered September 27, 1878.

Membership 26

Post Commander, Wm. H. VanLeeuwen.

*Delegate.*

Walter L. Funk.

*Past Post Commanders*

John Barrett.  
W. D. Frost.  
Geo. B. Schwab.

Theo C. Putman.  
John T. Pomeroy.  
LaFayette Stevens.

Walter F. Funk.

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

Chartered February 26, 1879

Membership 20.

Post Commander, L. B. Wolcott.

*Delegate.*

H. G. Bryant.

*Past Post Commanders*

L. B. Wolcott.  
O. C. Nash.  
Geo. A. Slayton.

James H. French.  
Frederick Wolf.  
D. D. Rhodes.

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## PHIL KEARNY POST NO. 7, MUSKEGON.

Chartered July 31, 1879.

Membership 26.

Post Commander, Charles Miller.

*Delegates*

Louis Kanitz.

*Delegates*

Royal A. Jenkins.

*Past Post Commanders*

Louis Kanitz.  
Charles Depuy.  
John Sturgeon.

W. T. Wiselogel.  
Howard C. Bond.  
E. W. Downing.

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## CHARLES P. TOWN POST NO. 8, ISHPEMING

Chartered September 17, 1889

No Delegates Reported.

## JOHN A. DIX POST NO. 9, HESPERIA.

Chartered September 12, 1879.

Membership 5.

Post Commander, H. E. Waterman.

No Delegates Reported.

*Past Post Commanders*

Charles Robbins.

W. R. Mathews.

H. E. Waterman.

## WILLIAM BELL POST NO. 10, DUNDEE.

Chartered October 16, 1879.

Membership 8.

Post Commander, Francis H. Miller.

*Delegate.*

James Knowles.

*Past Post Commanders*

James Knowles.

Francis H. Miller.

Albert Johnson.

Chester Daniels.

Fred Alshure.

## J. B. RICHARDSON POST NO. 13, HARBOR SPRINGS.

Chartered May 11, 1880

Membership 8

Post Commander, Charles A. Farmer.

No Delegates Reported.

*Past Post Commanders*

Charles Farmer.

Fred F. Main.

## GEORGE H. THOMAS POST NO. 14, BENTON HARBOR.

Chartered May 24, 1880.

Membership 30.

Post Commander, C. B. Holmes.

*Delegates*

James Brent.

*Delegates*

Thomas Stevens.

*Past Post Commanders*

Ambrose H. Rowe.

Wm. E. Walker.

Charles S. Hopkins.

James M. Brent.

A. A. Covell.

Chester Chorpensing.

Merritt F. Covell.

## FAIRBANKS POST NO. 17, DETROIT.

Chartered May 9, 1881.

Membership 72.

Post Commander, M. J. Whitney.

*Delegates*

F. A. Pierce.

Joseph Stadler.

Robert Cheyne.

*Delegates*

John Dudley.

Charles A. Bartlett.

Peter P. Miller.

*Past Post Commanders*

John T. Spillane.

Holden B. White.

Samuel D. Bailey.

Freeman A. Pierce.

Robert Morris.

David Plumadore.

A. F. Chappell.

George C. Beebe.

Edward H. Hill.

Charles K. Radcliff.

Wm. J. Fraser.

Napoleon Peppin.

J. B. Lachine.

Thomas Davy.

**McPHERSON POST NO. 18, TRAVERSE CITY.**

Chartered May 21, 1881.

No Further Report.

**A. LINCOLN POST NO. 19, BANGOR.**

Chartered May 20, 1881.

Membership 7.

Post Commander, W. H. Ashley.  
*Delegates*  
 John Monk. John C. Crall.  
*Past Post Commanders*  
 W. H. Ashley. I. W. Pierce.  
 John H. Monk.

**ELLSWORTH POST NO. 20, HARTFORD.**

Chartered June 20, 1881.

Membership 5.

Post Commander, William A. Palmer.  
*Delegates*  
 Edward Stark. W. A. Palmer.  
 Henry Spaulding.  
*Past Post Commanders*  
 William A. Palmer. Henry Spaulding.

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

Chartered July 18, 1881.

Membership 6.

Post Commander, Aug. Morelock.  
 No Delegates Reported.  
*Past Post Commanders*  
 Albert S. Roe. Aug. Morelock.

**WILLIAM PERROTT POST NO. 22, BUCHANAN.**

Chartered July 11, 1881.

Membership 6.

Post Commander, Samuel S. Bunker.  
*Delegate.*  
 John S. Curtis.  
*Past Post Commanders*  
 John C. Dick. George Hanley.  
 Eli Helmick. Samuel S. Bunker.

**COL. FENTON POST NO. 24, FENTON.**

Chartered August 19, 1881.

No Further Report.

**DAVID BEEKER POST NO. 25, OGDEN CENTER.**

Chartered August 20, 1881.

Membership 4.

Post Commander, A. S. Beardsley.  
 No Delegates Reported.  
*Past Post Commanders*  
 George W. Witt. A. S. Beardsley.  
 John Locke. W. C. Smith.

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**JOE HOOKER POST NO. 26, HART.**

Chartered August 16, 1881.

Membership 14.

Post Commander, J. W. Montgomery.

<i>Delegates</i>		<i>Delegates</i>
R. E. Levy.		H. D. Tucker.
	<i>Past Post Commanders</i>	
H. D. Tucker.		Geo. Enslow.
Geo. Dennison.		M. Farley.
J. H. Montgomery.		A. O. Aldrich.

**HURON POST NO. 28, BAD AXE**

Chartered February 18, 1919.

Membership 4.

Post Commander, C. Foster.

<i>Delegate.</i>		
George S. Farrar.		
	<i>Past Post Commanders</i>	
Calvin Foster		George S. Farrar.
	John Clark.	

**BRODHEAD POST NO. 31, PAW PAW.**

Chartered October 21, 1881.

Membership 11.

Post Commander, William Killefer.

<i>Delegate.</i>		
J. C. Horning.		
	<i>Past Post Commanders</i>	
Geo. L. Tuttle.		John Reed.
	H. A. Chapin.	

**FARRAGUT POST NO. 32 BATTLE CREEK.**

Chartered November 31, 1881.

Membership 27.

Post Commander, Wm. Forward.

<i>Delegates</i>		<i>Delegates</i>
Henry C. McLeod.		Wm. Forward.
John L. Bohnet.		John W. Walker.
	<i>Past Post Commanders</i>	
John W. Walker.		E. M. Morse.
Enos Short.		A. B. Latta.
W. E. Dockey.		James Gardner.

**COL. MYRON BAKER POST NO. 33, MORENCI.**

Chartered December 29, 1881.

Membership 12.

Post Commander, Jacob Whitehead.  
No Delegates Reported.

	<i>Past Post Commanders</i>	
Wm. Onweller.		Abram Babcock.
James N. Chappell.		Wm. H. Chappell.
L. W. Chapin.		Jacob Whitehead.
Fred B. Sheffield.		

**ZACH CHANDLER POST NO. 35, SOUTH HAVEN.**

Chartered November 30, 1881.

Membership 15.

Post Commander, Thomas Biddle.

<i>Delegate.</i>		
E. S. McGurm.		
	<i>Past Post Commanders</i>	
Thomas Biddle.		A. L. Nealley.
James Martin.		J. A. Richards.



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STANTON POST NO. 37, STANTON.

Chartered November 30, 1881.

Membership 7.

Post Commander, J. S. Holcomb.  
No Delegates Reported.  
*Past Post Commanders*

Joe Tishen.

J. B. Graham.

SAGINAW POST NO. 38, SAGINAW.

Chartered December 14, 1881.

Membership 20.

Post Commander, Fred Gill.

*Delegates.*

*Delegates.*

Frank D. Keeler.

Fred Gill.

*Past Post Commanders*

Fred Gill.

E. B. Metcalf.

Frank D. Keeler.

W. J. Clark.

M. A. Griffin.

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

Chartered February 8, 1882.

Membership 19.

Post Commander, Asa N. Smart.  
No Delegates Reported.  
*Past Post Commanders*

Asa N. Smart.

L. B. Taggart.

Charles W. Pangler.

Evander Dunning.

Silas May.

F. C. Warren.

CHARLES T. FOSTER POST NO. 42, LANSING.

Chartered February 2, 1882.

Membership 41.

Post Commander, Fred Shipp.

*Delegates.*

*Delegates.*

A. B. Chapin.

J. A. Hamilton.

W. P. Treadway.

A. L. Bryant.

John C. Snooks.

E. Havens.

M. D. Richardson.

*Past Post Commanders*

E. R. Havens.

W. P. Treadway.

Thomas B. Blosser.

Fred J. Shipp.

Franklin Paibe.

E. D. Weale.

A. B. Chapin.

Benj. Olinger.

M. D. Richardson.

John C. Snooks.

Seymour Foster.

A. L. Bryant.

SCOTT POST NO. 43, BLISSFIELD.

Chartered February 16, 1882.

Membership 3.

No Further Report.

WOODBURY POST NO. 45, ADRIAN.

Chartered February 13, 1882.

Membership 36.

Post Commander, R. P. Butrick.

*Delegate.*

Wm. P. Treadway.

*Past Post Commanders*

D. B. Morgan.

H. L. Jefts.

N. D. Chew.

G. W. Dickerson.

R. P. Butrick.

Maurice Long.

Charles Adams.

D. S. Kimball.

A. L. Drake.

Charles A. Carpenter.

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

Chartered August 28, 1914.

Post Commander, L. J. Carr.  
No Further Report.

Membership 2.

**EDWARD POMEROY POST NO. 48, JACKSON.**

Chartered March 9, 1882.

Post Commander, John Killeen.

Membership 43.

*Delegates.*Albert Dunham.  
T. W. Whiting.  
John Killeen.*Delegates.*James A. Sutton.  
F. T. Scofield.  
A. H. Lightcap.

Wm. N. Carroll.

*Past Post Commanders*Albert Dunham.  
Delos Ells.  
F. L. Manning.  
A. N. Soba.  
W. W. Crocker.Josiah Creque.  
D. J. Wilson.  
S. A. Davis.  
B. F. Lair.  
Frank White.

Wm. M. Carroll.

**WADSWORTH POST NO. 49, LAWRENCE.**

Chartered March 16, 1882.

Post Commander, Oscar D. Martin.  
No Further Report.

Membership 4.

**PHIL McKERNAN POST NO. 53, MASON.**

Chartered April 8, 1882.

Post Commander, Theo. Bortle.  
No Further Report.

Membership 4.

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

Chartered April 25, 1882.

Post Commander, Luzerne Durand.

Membership 17.

*Delegates.*J. W. Parks.  
Charles T. Wilson.  
Edmond Rogers.*Delegates.*A. J. Johnson.  
Henry Merchant.  
A. C. Estabrook.

Geo. Eberhart.

*Past Post Commanders*A. C. Estabrook.  
Mortimer Culver.  
Wm. Burnett.L. Y. Cady.  
A. E. Calkins.  
Luzerne Durand.**COLVIN POST NO. 59, GOBLES.**

Chartered May 22, 1882.

Post Commander, R. Hill.

Membership 6.

*Delegates.*

J. S. Eastman.

*Delegates.*

O. E. Corning.

Henry Frye.

*Past Post Commanders*

Elias Nash.

G. K. Warner.

J. S. Eastman.

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

Chartered June 20, 1882.

Membership 3.

Post Commander, Reuben Wade.  
No Further Report.

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

Chartered June 12, 1882.

Membership 20.

Post Commander, Charles Pineo.  
No Delegates Reported.  
*Past Post Commanders*

John Syrmeyer.  
O. F. Kellogg.  
W. H. Hubbard.

John Van Buren.  
George Rood.  
Willard Hoffman.

Charles Pineo.

SHIELDS POST NO. 68, SHELBY.

Chartered July 27, 1882.

Membership 6.

Post Commander, J. B. Dorrance.

*Delegate.*

J. B. Dorrance.

*Past Post Commanders*

Samuel Wright.  
F. A. Pitts.

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

A. H. Towne.

JOSEPH R. SMITH POST NO. 76, MONROE.

Chartered September 12, 1882.

Membership 11.

Post Commander, Justus Sorter.  
No Delegates Reported.  
*Past Post Commanders*

Burton Parker.

M. Plumadore.

ORCUTT POST NO. 79, KALAMAZOO.

Chartered September 20, 1882.

Membership 30

Post Commander, H. W. Harvey.

*Delegates.*

John P. Riley.  
S. H. Carlton.  
H. W. Harvey.  
Henry H. Gilbert.  
James A. Hill.

*Delegates.*

Geo. W. Cate.  
Peter Stevens.  
Louis Sergent.  
S. D. Becker.  
Wm. Allen.

Wm. H. Snyder.

*Past Post Commanders*

Wm. Snyder.

Charles Prange.

WILLIAM A. KENT POST NO. 83, GREENVILLE.

Chartered October 6, 1882.

Membership 8.

Post Commander, John J. Riley.

*Delegate.*

John W. Finch.

*Past Post Commanders*

John W. Finch.  
J. J. Riley.

C. A. Peasley.  
Martin W. Kelsey.

## FIFTIETH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

## CORBIN POST NO. 88, UNION CITY.

Chartered October 17, 1882.

Membership 5.

Post Commander, J. M. Wells.  
 No Delegates Reported.  
*Past Post Commanders*

A. E. Thayer.  
 C. M. Hall.

Geo. Eberhard.  
 J. M. Wells.

## J. N. PENOYER POST NO. 90, SAGINAW.

Chartered October 17, 1882.

Membership 8.

Post Commander, Joseph Brumby.  
 No Delegates Reported.  
*Past Post Commanders*

Levi Chamberlain.  
 Daniel Crane.  
 John LaMott.

Wm. L. McNitt.  
 Frank McPhillips.  
 Henry Schwick.

## WILLIAM D. WILKINS POST NO. 91, ST. LOUIS.

Chartered October 25, 1882.

Membership 7.

Post Commander, George Wilcox.

*Delegate.*

George Wilcox.

*Past Post Commanders*

A. B. Darragh.  
 Wm. Bartholomew.  
 George Wilcox.

L. B. Longwell.  
 J. E. Holton.  
 H. W. Forney.

## WALLACE POST NO. 95, FLAT ROCK.

Chartered December 9, 1882.

Membership 3.

Post Commander, A. W. Wagar.  
 No Delegates Reported.  
*Past Post Commanders*

A. W. Wagar.  
 Charles Struing.

J. M. VanRiper.  
 David Valrance.

## WILLIAM SANBORN POST NO. 98, PORT HURON.

Chartered December 30, 1882.

Membership 19.

Post Commander, Bartlett Lynch.  
 No Delegates Reported.  
*Past Post Commanders*

George W. Howe.  
 N. D. Brown.

Edwin S. Pettit.  
 John Hill.

## ELI P. ALEXANDER POST NO. 103, WILLIAMSTON.

Chartered January 16, 1883.

Membership 3.

Blanche West W. R. C., Act. Adjt.  
 No Further Report.

## TIM LEWIS POST NO. 107, DIAMONDALE.

Chartered March 17, 1883.

No Report.

**BUTTERWORTH POST NO. 109, COLDWATER.**Chartered March 9, 1883. Membership 29.

<i>Delegates.</i> Stuben Filkins. L. L. Bosserman.	Post Commander, Lewellen S. Daniels. <i>Delegates.</i> James Davis.
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<i>Past Post Commanders</i>	
Charles W. Bennett.	E. E. Lewis.
S. H. Camp.	L. S. Daniels.

**DE GOLYER POST NO. 110, HUDSON.**Chartered March 12, 1883. Membership 7.

Post Commander, R. H. Brooks.	
No Delegates Reported.	
<i>Past Post Commanders</i>	
A. H. Boies.	W. A. Barnard.
John A. Dillon.	R. H. Brooks.

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

<i>Past Post Commanders</i>		
A. H. Boies.	W. A. Barnard.	
John A. Dillon.	R. H. Brooks.	
Chartered March 14, 1883.		Membership 16.
Post Commander, C. T. Hartson.		

<i>Delegates.</i>	<i>Delegates.</i>
L. D. Chatman.	George B. Nobles.
<i>Past Post Commanders</i>	
Charles Gifford.	Alonzo Cherry.
George B. Nobles.	Charles Wilbur.
John Putnam.	T. D. Chatman.
C. B. Fowler.	J. W. Norton.

**JOHN GILLULY POST NO. 114, FOWLerville.**Chartered March 22, 1883. Membership 4.

Post Commander, Alfred H. Smith.	
No Delegates Reported.	
<i>Past Post Commanders</i>	
Alfred H. Smith.	George Hamilton.

**WADDELL POST NO. 120, HOWELL.**Chartered April 5, 1883. Membership 2.

Post Commander, George Barnes.	
No Other Reports.	

**CARVER POST NO. 123, FRANKFORT.**Chartered April 7, 1883. Membership 6.

Post Commander, C. C. Forney.	
No Delegates Reported.	
<i>Past Post Commanders</i>	
Lot Nevins.	A. B. Benton.

## FIFTIETH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

## FITZGERALD POST NO. 125, HASTINGS.

Chartered April 11, 1883. Membership 17.  
 Post Commander, Francis M. Craig.  
*Delegates.* *Delegates.*  
 J. C. Wardell. Joseph L. Ashalter.  
 Francis M. Craig. S. Heffelbower.  
 Freeman O. Weber.  
*Past Post Commanders*  
 T. H. Taylor. J. R. Daley.

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## DAN S. ROOT POST NO. 126, BELDING.

Chartered April 14, 1883. Membership 16.  
 Post Commander, Frank R. Chase.  
*Delegates.* *Delegates.*  
 Frank R. Chase. J. M. Thomas.  
*Past Post Commanders*  
 B. F. Tower. W. R. Olds.  
 Frank R. Chase.

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## WELCH POST NO. 137, ANN ARBOR.

Chartered May 8, 1883. Membership 9.  
 Post Commander, W. H. Jackson.  
*Delegate.*  
 W. H. Jackson.  
*Past Post Commanders*  
 Zebulon Gray. Thomas M. Saran.  
 Wm. Russell. Charles Manley.

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## HORACE S. ROBERTS POST NO. 139, ALPENA.

Chartered May 23, 1883. Membership 13.  
 Post Commander, Frank Hassell.  
 No Other Reports.

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## BEERS POST NO. 140, TECUMSEH

Chartered May 18, 1883. Membership 14.  
 Post Commander, A. Van Valkenberg.  
 No Delegates Reported.  
*Past Post Commanders*  
 J. D. Shull. S. P. Hosmer.  
 H. W. Stevens. J. M. Ingersoll.  
 H. J. Sweet. A. Van Valkenberg.

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## WHITESIDE POST NO. 143, CARO.

Chartered May 25, 1883. Membership 5.  
 Post Commander, Orlando Lavalley.  
 No Delegates Reported.  
*Past Post Commanders*  
 Lyman C. Grady. John L. Myers.  
 D. S. Arnold. B. F. Reed.

**TURRELL POST NO. 144, LAPEER.**

Chartered May 29, 1883. Membership 7.  
 Post Commander, N. C. Hayes.  
 No Delegates Reported.  
*Past Post Commanders*  
 C. W. Cramton. A. L. Taylor.  
 N. C. Hayes. Levant Carter.

**GOVERNOR CRAPO POST NO. 145, FLINT.**

Chartered June 7, 1883. Membership 27.  
 Post Commander, Ira G. Ormsbee.  
*Delegates.* *Delegates.*  
 Ira G. Ormsbee. Geo. Raab.

**DICK RICHARDSON POST NO. 147, PONTIAC.**

Chartered June 11, 1883. Membership 10.  
 Post Commander, S. H. Giles.  
*Delegates.* *Delegates.*  
 James Churchill. C. D. Barber.  
S. H. Giles.  
*Past Post Commanders*  
 J. J. Cloonan. James D. Tinney.  
 S. H. Giles. James Churchill.

**WILLIAM MOYER POST NO. 152, ALMA.**

Chartered July 11, 1883. Membership 8.  
 Post Commander, Henry Corl.  
*Delegate.*  
 A. O. Davis.  
*Past Post Commanders*  
 Andrew Crooks. Henry Corl.

**CHARLES E. GRISSON POST NO. 156, ST. JOHNS.**

Chartered July 5, 1883. Membership 12.  
 Post Commander, Geo. W. Kimble.  
*Delegate.*  
 Abel Cruson.  
*Past Post Commanders*  
 M. B. Drake. O. E. Wilson.  
 E. A. Sitts. L. L. Trask.

**ALBERT ANDERSON POST NO. 157, CASSOPOLIS.**

Chartered July 6, 1883. Membership 8.  
 Post Commander, Frank N. Reese.  
 No Delegates Reported.  
*Past Post Commanders*  
 James M. Shepard. Henry C. Walker.

**EDWARD DWIGHT POST NO. 163, VERMONTVILLE.**

Chartered July 30, 1883. Membership 11.  
 Post Commander, David M. Purchis.  
 No Delegates Reported.  
*Past Post Commanders*  
 Charles F. Fuller. Charles S. Snell.  
 David Young David M. Purchis.

## FIFTIETH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

## LOMBARD POST NO. 170, PETOSKEY.

Chartered August 11, 1883.

Membership 16.

Post Commander, S. S. Puckett.  
 No Delegates Reported.  
*Past Post Commanders*

J. A. C. Rowan.

L. A. Labadie.

Melvin Birch.

W. R. Montgomery.

V. A. Baker.

E. A. Dunton.

S. S. Puckett.

John E. Warren.

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

Chartered August 30, 1883.

Membership 7.

Post Commander, J. W. Wyckoff.  
 No Delegates Reported.  
*Past Post Commanders*

George Johnson.

J. W. Wyckoff.

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

Chartered September 1, 1883.

Membership 4.

Act. Adjt. Lillian E. Embs.  
 No Other Reports.

## CARPENTER POST NO. 180, YPSILANTI.

Chartered August 30, 1883.

Membership 10.

Post Commander, Seth B. Mereness.

*Delegate.*

Amon W. Shaw.

*Past Post Commanders*

Eugene Holbrook.

S. B. Mereness.

## HEBER LE FAVOR POST NO. 181, MILFORD.

Chartered September 3, 1883.

Membership 9.

Post Commander, A. J. McCall.

*Delegate.*

J. F. Beaumont.

*Past Post Commanders*

J. F. Beaumont.

N. B. Babcock.

G. W. Sturdevant.

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

Chartered September 20, 1883.

Membership 3.

*Delegates.*

Theodore Burden.

In care of W. R. C.

Robert M. Wyckoff.

## HACKETT POST NO. 185, BRONSON.

Chartered September 25, 1883.

Membership 6.

Post Commander, William George.  
 No Delegates Reported.  
*Past Post Commanders*

Thomas A. Eberhard.

Fred Gintling.

William George.



**FRANK POWELL POST NO. 187, OXFORD.**

Chartered September 27, 1883.

Membership 4.

Post Commander, Daniel C. Hale.

No Delegates Reported.

*Past Post Commanders*

C. H. Crawford.

L. L. Hoffman.

L. H. Van Antwerp.

W. O. Davis.

O. H. Dunning.

Daniel C. Hale.

**GEORGE C. WHITNEY POST NO. 188, HADLEY.**

Chartered October 5, 1883.

Membership 3.

Post Commander, Lucius Sanborn.

No Delegates Reported.

*Past Post Commanders.*

Nathaniel Greene.

Lucius Sanborn.

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

Chartered October 28, 1883.

Membership 8.

Post Commander, William Stainton.

*Delegate.*

Harvey Harper.

*Past Post Commanders.*

C. J. Russell.

Samuel Maxan.

A. C. Held.

William Stainton.

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

Chartered December 21, 1883.

Membership 16.

Post Commander, William Guipe.

No Delegates Reported.

*Past Post Commanders.*

William Guipe.

Silas W. Sadler.

Charles Freeman.

George W. Brock.

Leonard S. Bowles.

Theron Gladden.

S. Z. Watson.

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

Chartered January 4, 1884.

Membership 21.

Post Commander, Isaac H. Riddick.

No Delegates Reported.

*Past Post Commanders.*

Everett G. Knapp.

Hiram Herrick.

Jacob H. Perrine.

Isaac H. Riddick.

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

Chartered December 23, 1883.

Membership 13.

Post Commander, Samuel Stowell.

*Delegate.*

Timothy B. Butch.

*Past Post Commanders.*

C. C. Eyster.

James Layden.

J. C. Taylor.

Samuel Kelly.

## FIFTIETH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

**JOSEPH POST NO. 215, FULTON.**

Chartered January 12, 1884.

Membership 3.

Post Commander, C. H. Haines.  
 No Delegates Reported.  
*Past Post Commanders.*

S. C. Rosenberry.

C. H. Haines.

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

Chartered January 7, 1884.

Membership 11.

Post Commander, Gilbert La Croix.

*Delegates.*

Gilbert La Croix.

Louis Grant.

*Past Post Commanders.*

Jay F. Cotton.

M. L. S. Killman.

August Stetetzer.

Gilbert La Croix.

**RUDDOCK POST NO. 224, CHEBOYGAN.**

Chartered February 8, 1884.

Membership 4.

Post Commander, Mathew King.  
 No Other Report.

**GEORGE MARTIN POST NO. 227, EASTPORT.**

Chartered February 22, 1884.

Membership 2.

Post Commander, A. W. Hartwell.  
 No Delegates Reported.  
*Past Post Commanders.*

O. W. Whitney.

A. W. Hartwell.

**OSCAR BARTLETT POST NO. 233, LAMB.**

Chartered February 4, 1884.

Membership 6.

Post Commander, William Greenwell.  
 No Delegates Reported.  
*Past Post Commanders.*

Horace C. Mudge.  
 William Smith.

William Boldock.  
 William Greenwell.

**WALTER CLIFFORD POST NO. 235, BOYNE CITY.**

Chartered March 20, 1884.

Membership 5.

Post Commander, John A. Newville.  
 No Delegates Reported  
*Past Post Commanders*

Arthur E. Martin.

F. M. Gates.

John A. Newville.

**LONSON BRYANT POST NO. 255, MAYVILLE.**

Chartered May 20, 1884.

Membership 5.

Post Commander, S. H. Dwelley.  
 No Delegates Reported.  
*Past Post Commanders*

Eli Brooks.

A. L. Bryant.

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

Chartered July 17, 1884. Membership 3  
 Post Commander, Gerritt Van Schelvin.  
 No Delegates Reported.  
*Past Post Commander.*  
 Gerritt Van Schelvin.

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**LYON POST NO. 266, MENOMINEE.**

Chartered August 2, 1884. Membership 6  
 Post Commander, A. W. Bell.  
 No Delegates Reported.  
*Past Post Commanders*  
 James F. Lyon Jesse Hubbard.  
 A. W. Bill.

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

Chartered September 12, 1884. Membership 3  
 Post Commander, William Barrett.  
*Delegate.*  
 Wm. Barrett. *Past Post Commanders*  
 A. W. Dorland. William Barrett.

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**SAMUEL GRINNELL POST NO. 283, SUNFIELD.**

Chartered October 23, 1884. Membership 2  
 Post Commander, William Edwins.  
 No Other Report.

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**ANDREWS POST NO. 294, BIG RAPIDS.**

Chartered January 15, 1885. Membership 17.  
 Post Commander, David Cantine.  
*Delegates.*  
 David Cantine. W. A. Northup.  
*Past Post Commanders*  
 M. D. Ford. R. G. Abbey.  
 S. G. Webster. A. B. Knapp.

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**ALBERT JACKSON POST NO. 300, MARQUETTE.**

Chartered March 7, 1885. Membership 7.  
 Post Commander, Patrick Ryan.  
 No Delegates Reported.  
*Past Post Commander.*  
 C. E. Moore.

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**W. R. ROGERS POST NO. 308, IMLAY CITY.**

Chartered May 9, 1885. Membership 3.  
 Post Commander, Willard Harwood.  
*Delegate.*  
 Nelson Cheney. No Other Report.

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

Chartered March 10, 1885.

Membership 4.

Post Commander, James A. Trout.  
 No Delegates Reported.  
*Past Post Commanders*

James A. Trout.

J. W. Donaldson.

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

Chartered March 27, 1886.

Membership 8.

Post Commander, Fred J. Buck.  
 No Delegates Reported.  
*Past Post Commanders*

Fred J. Buck.

Edward Lockard.

Jasper M. Clark.

Newton Kinne.

**COMSTOCK POST NO. 352, MANCHESTER.**

Chartered May 18, 1886.

Membership 7.

Post Commander, George Nisle.  
 No Delegates Reported.

**KILBOURNE POST NO. 361, SHERWOOD.**

Chartered September 27, 1886.

Membership 6.

No Other Report.

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

Chartered March 5, 1887.

Membership 5.

Post Commander, John L. Chandler.  
 No Delegates Reported.  
*Past Post Commanders*

I. P. Carey.

G. S. Clark.

John L. Chandler.

C. C. Judson.

L. P. Judson.

**S. E. DOWNS POST NO. 374, PARMA.**

Chartered March 9, 1887.

Membership 2.

Post Commander, A. M. Helmer.  
 No Delegates Reported.  
*Past Post Commanders*

A. M. Helmer.

Joe Anderson.

**DETROIT POST NO. 384, DETROIT.**

Chartered May 21, 1887.

Membership 22.

Post Commander, John L. Hinman.

*Delegate.*

Oscar A. Janes.

*Past Post Commanders*

W. S. Green.

William T. Gage.

Felix A. Lemkie.

Sidney B. Dixon.

O. A. Janes.

Josiah A. West.

Nicholas Woods

George C. Witherbee.

Gilbert R. Osman.

Henry Slubenski.

George A. Winslow.

Darius D. Thorpe.

Gus F. Smith.

John L. Hinman.

**GEN. CHARLES GRIFFIN POST NO. 386, FARWELL**

Chartered May 21, 1887.

Membership 6.

Post Commander, N. D. Watkins.  
 No Delegates Reported.  
*Past Post Commanders*

Jesse H. Wood.  
 Sylvester Coon.

Charles H. Clark.  
 N. D. Watkins.

**AMASA B. WATSON POST NO. 395, GRAND RAPIDS.**

Chartered November 15, 1888.

Membership 29.

Post Commander, Edgar A. Green.

*Delegates.*

Edgar A. Green.  
 David Hilliard.  
 J. R. Beadle.  
 Ebenezer Child.

*Delegates.*

Ed. H. Stein.  
 Francis Tindall.  
 Charles A. Green.

*Past Post Commanders*

James R. Beadle.  
 Oliver L. Fox.  
 Charles A. Green.  
 Harvey P. Hilton.

John A. Miller.  
 James H. Martin.  
 Wesley Wheeler.  
 Ed. H. Stein.

**BURLINGAME POST NO. 402, AKRON.**

Chartered April 23, 1889.

Membership 6.

Post Commander, R. J. Jameson.  
 No Delegates Reported.  
*Past Post Commanders*

R. J. Jameson.  
 Zech Hess.

L. C. Wilbur.

**CHARLES A. PRICE POST NO. 405, PERRINTON.**

Chartered May 13, 1903.

Membership 2.

Post Commander, J. L. Richards.  
 No Other Report.

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

Chartered November 18, 1893.

Membership 30.

Post Commander, B. C. Brainard.

*Delegate.*

Thomas F. Courtney.

*Past Post Commanders*

George D. Freeman.  
 B. C. Brainard.

Walter F. Kinxler.  
 T. F. Courtney.

**STEELE BROS. POST NO. 441, MASON.**

Chartered December 31, 1897.

Membership 9.

Post Commander, Robert Lyon.  
 No Delegates Reported.  
*Past Post Commander*

Isaac Morse.

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## WASHINGTON POST NO. 444, CADILLAC.

Chartered April 14, 1898.

Post Commander, Wm. Stewart.

*Delegate.*

Wm. A. Miller.

*Past Post Commanders*

Thomas Fitzgerald.

George Morgan.

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

Chartered April 28, 1900.

Membership 9.

Post Commander, George H. Gilbert.

*Delegate.*

Isaac Grant.

*Past Post Commanders*

Isaac Grant.

Aretus Corwin.

## JOHN HUNTER POST NO. 455, MONTROSE.

Chartered November 21, 1900.

Membership 4.

Post Commander, A. R. Ellis.

No Delegates Reported.

*Past Post Commanders*

Wm. C. Bouck.

John Barber.

John Burleson.

A. R. Ellis.

## J. M. POUND POST NO. 460, SAUGATUCK.

Chartered February 9, 1903.

Membership 7.

Post Commander, W. F. Kinsey.

*Delegate.*

Scott W. Eddy.

*Past Post Commanders*

Scott W. Eddy.

William G. Dunn.

Joshua Brown.

**FIFTIETH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT**  
**DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN**  
**GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC**  
**HELD AT KALAMAZOO, MICHIGAN, JUNE 6, 7, 8**

**WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON**

**June 6, 1928**

**1:00 P. M.**

The fiftieth Annual Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic was called to order by the Department Commander, Charles A. Bartlett, at the Ball Room of the Burdick Hotel, Kalamazoo, Michigan, on Wednesday, June 6, 1928, at 1:00 p. m.

Department Commander: Officer of the Day, are the approaches to this encampment properly guarded?

Officer of the Day: I am not satisfied that all are delegates to the Convention.

Commander: Satisfy yourself at once.

We will now receive the City Manager of Kalamazoo, Mr. Albert TenBusschen, and listen to his address.

City Manager TenBusschen: Mr. Commander and gentlemen: My impression from the instructions of the Mayor was that I was not to come here to make a speech but to come here and in behalf of the City of Kalamazoo to welcome you to Kalamazoo. I was authorized by the Mayor to turn over the keys of the City of Kalamazoo to your organization. We hope while you are here you will have a pleasant visit and when you leave you will want to come again. I want to assure you we are proud of the members of our local Post and as American citizens we are certainly proud of all posts all over the country. We have many places of interest we would like to have you visit. We would assure you of the courtesy of the city, especially from the Police Department and the Fire Department and in case these courtesies are lacking we would be pleased to have you let us know and we will do anything that we can to correct them. Again I welcome you in behalf of Kalamazoo and we hope you will go away feeling that Kalamazoo is a real place to come to again.

Commander Bartlett: Mr. TenBusschen, in behalf of this Encampment we thank you for this talk you have given us, I'll call it speech, and we know and feel that we shall have an enjoyable time in Kalamazoo. City Manager withdraws.

Commander: Who is the Officer of the Guard? The local Post should furnish a man to act as Officer of the Guard. Comrade Harvey have you a man to serve in this position?

Comrade Harvey: We have a man to take this place.

One comrade is appointed to perform the duties of the Officer of the Guard. Department Commander invites all Past Commanders to come forward and take places on the platform.

All Comrades having the Pass Word and Countersign are asked to rise.

Dept. Commander: Unless there is an objection we will stand as we are. I don't think there is a man here who is not entitled to stay.

Dept. Commander: The Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce is here and has an announcement to make. I introduce to you, Mr. Webber, Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce of Kalamazoo. He is a Grand Army man right.

Mr. Webber: Gentlemen, I just want to tell you that the street cars are free to all G. A. R. men. Don't hesitate to use them if you want to. If you would like to go to the Fuller theatre it is free to you for the afternoon performance. This does not include the evening performance. Remember the Fuller is free to you in the afternoon.

I hope many of you will be out to parade tomorrow. There will be cars for those who cannot walk. We ask you about 9:30 a. m. to go to the Park American Hotel and you can loaf around there until called. First, will be the drum corps. Meet in the driveway at the side of the Park American Hotel. Then the Grand Army men who are going to march. Then back of them there will be cars to take those who desire to ride.

We wish you a very happy meeting and hope everything will be pleasant and comfortable, and if anything goes amiss let us know so that we can make everything right.

Mr. Webber withdraws.

Dept. Commander: I would like to ask the Clergyman from Albion to come on the platform.

Comrades, I want to introduce to you the Reverend Isaac H. Riddick of Albion who will act as Chaplain at this session.

Dept. Commander: This is a regular meeting of the fiftieth annual encampment of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic. We meet in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty and may all our hearts unite as one in sustaining the principles of this association.

The Chaplain, Comrade Riddick, will offer prayer.

Parade rest!

Chaplain: Almighty Father! humbly we bow before Thee, our Creator, Preserver, Guide and Protector. We thank thee for our lives; for Thy mercy which has kept us until this hour; for Thy guidance on land and sea, by day and by night; for Thy constant care in our hours of danger; and for the preservation of our national integrity and unity. Be graciously near to our comrades who suffer from disease or wounds, and to the widows and orphans of those who fell in our holy cause; in all distresses comfort them and give us willing hearts and ready hands to supply their needs. Bless our country; grant that the memory of our noble dead, who freely gave their lives for the land they loved, may dwell ever in our hearts. Bless our Order; make it an instrument of great good; keep our names on the roll of Thy servants, and at last receive us into that Grand Army above, where Thou, O God, are the Supreme Commander.

Comrades: Amen!

Dept. Commander: I now declare this Encampment of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic duly opened.



One delegate suggests that any who might be without the countersign could hand in their dollar and get the sign. Commander replies that he has accepted the situation as it stands.

Asst. Adjt. Chapin: Department Commander, I hereby insist that every man who addresses the Commander shall give the number of his Post and his own name.

Motion supported and carried.

Commander: Assistant Adjutant, call the roll of the Department.

The Asst. Adjt. calls the roll with members of the Department responding as their names are called. Asst. Adjt. proceeds to call the roll in order until he reaches Post No. 48, Jackson, Michigan, when a comrade makes the motion that the rest of the roll be dispensed with. Motion carried.

Dept. Commander: I declare the Roll closed.

Dept. Commander: Before I read my report I want to make a statement or two along a very personal line. Last April, on the 9th day, I was taken very ill with pneumonia. I was ill six weeks fighting that terrible thing and it put me six weeks out of the running. Now it so happened when this report was due according to Order No. 5, General Orders, I was shut in and unable to attend to this business in any way. I had my son write to Mr. Chapin, the Assistant Adjutant and Quartermaster General and he agreed to go ahead with the Order. I don't want to sail under false colors. The report was signed by me officially and by Comrade Chapin as Adjutant. Not a word of it came from me. I don't want credit for what is gotten up by the Adjutant. I want him to have the credit for issuing this Order. I have been in close touch with Comrade Chapin nearly a year. I thought at first he was a kind of hard head, but I've changed my mind since he issued that Order. It is the best Order that has been issued during this year. I couldn't have bettered it myself. I simply make this statement so that you will know this Order was issued by the Assistant Adjutant and Quartermaster General and also to acknowledge his kindness of heart.

Following here was read the Department Commander's report which was then referred to a committee, the Chairman being O. A. Janes.

Department Commander gives his report as follows:

To the Officers and Delegates of this the 50th Encampment of the Department of Michigan G. A. R.:

My year of service is near its close. I trust that this Encampment will approve in some degree of my efforts to be of service to the Department.

It is with sorrow that we must record the passing of four Past Department Commanders this year. It was my privilege to attend the funerals both of James R. Stephenson and Washington Gardner. Notice of John Seel's death and funeral was not sent to headquarters or myself, thus the department was not represented. I was ill at the time of the funeral of L. H. Ives but the department was represented by the Assistant Adjt. General, H. A. Chapin. For these past commanders Memorial Orders have been ordered and committees appointed.

#### MEMORIAL DAY

As time goes on the people of this Republic will take increased interest in the observance of this day created by that general order issued by

General John A. Logan then Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic. Remember, comrades, that the Woman's Relief Corps, our Auxiliary, and all of the associated organizations and the Spanish American, World's War veterans and the American Legion with their powerful influence, and assistance Memorial Day will never pass into oblivion and become ancient history.

### WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS

I submit, Comrades, can too much be said about this wonderful Auxiliary? All of you comrades know what they pledged themselves to do at Benton Harbor last June, which promise will be made good at this encampment. The entire membership under the able leadership of President Lizetta Coady who has so inspired and encouraged the members in their efforts that have been crowned with success. All honor is due. God bless the Woman's Relief Corps of Michigan.

### LADIES OF THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC

When I took office as Commander I knew but little about this organization, am much better informed now. This splendid association of women who in the past have been of so much assistance to all veterans and will continue to lend their aid and help in the future. Their President, Ellen C. Jones of Muskegon, has been an important factor in maintaining that spirit so important for renewed efforts in the care of the comrades and promoting the patriotic work they are engaged in.

### DAUGHTERS OF THE UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR

Much can be said of this splendid organization. Many courtesies have been extended to the Department by the Tents in Detroit, Grand Rapids, Kalamazoo and Pontiac. This Tent raised \$3500 for a Soldier's Monument. I had the honor of attending and taking part in the dedication exercises. This is just a sample of what these girls are engaged in. You will undoubtedly see at Kalamazoo another result of their efforts along the line of promoting patriotism. Lots of these girls drive cars, but only use their brakes when they see a G. A. R. man and stop to pick him up. Much more can be said about them, but I have only time to say "Bless Their Hearts."

### DAUGHTERS OF THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC

This group of girls are very close to the hearts of the comrades, perhaps more especially to comrades of Detroit. It would make a long list of the many things they have done and are still doing to create an atmosphere of comfort and happiness for the comrades. The Lincoln Pickets are a wonderful feature of this order, members comprising this body of young patriots are boys and girls from ten to sixteen years of age. It is a revelation when one witnesses these youngsters in regular session. The G. A. R. Daughters should be fostered and encouraged by this department in all their efforts to inculcate patriotism.

### SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR

"Our Boys," would that every son of a father who rendered service to his country in its hour of need, could be induced to become a member of this organization, the only way it seems is to organize the comrades into recruiting squads and get their own sons into the Sons of Veterans. The men who are now members are willing, anxious and eager to do everything possible for the veterans but they need members. Can we in any way help them? This matter is open for suggestion, also let's not forget the Auxiliary to the Sons of Veterans composed of wives and daughters of the sons, it seems that all patriotic orders should be recognized and commended by the Department.

### SPANISH AMERICAN WAR VETERANS, VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS, AND AMERICAN LEGION

I trust that adverse comment may not be made by my grouping these three military organizations, who as the years pass will become our successors along the lines of patriotism. This department feels assured that these soldiers will maintain and keep alive that same spirit of loyalty and devotion to the welfare of this republic.

Most kindly relations now exist between the three organizations and this department and may they remain the same as long as the Department of Michigan G. A. R. exists.

### THE SIXTY-FIRST NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT

Again this Department was at Grand Rapids, our own Michigan City and nothing was heard from any quarter but praise for the manner in which the city committee handled the encampment. Boy Scouts were on the street from early dawn until night aiding comrades at street crossings thus preventing doubtless many accidents. This Department should know of the courtesy extended by our friend, Fred Z. Pantlind, Manager of the Pantlind Hotel, when he stated that there would be no charge against the Department of Michigan for the use of parlors C and D as our headquarters. Michigan made a splendid showing on the day of the parade and the count was 218 in line and it was one hot day. I must not forget the three girls from the Daughters of the Union Veterans of the Civil War who so kindly took up the task of attending to the registering of the comrades.

### OFFICIAL VISITS AND INVITATIONS

It would be useless to mention all of the visits that were made. Individually they run up to forty or more. My illness of six weeks certainly called a halt on the visitations I intended making. The greeting of this Department to the American Legion at Jackson also Spanish-American War Veterans' National Convention at Detroit was received with courtesy and fraternal respect in both instances.

### MICHIGAN SOLDIERS' HOME

Was at the home three times, once for a short call with Past Commander Stephenson, later at a specially called meeting of General John A. Logan, Post No. 1, and again with the committee of the Department.

Personally I think affairs at the home are in fine condition and I wish to say that Colonel Campbell seems to be the right man in the right place as Commandment and may I be allowed to compliment Mrs. Campbell for the courtesies extended to the Department during the three visits made.

### RECOMMENDATIONS

I first recommend:

I most earnestly recommend that the present Per Capita Tax of fifty cents (50c) be reduced to ten cents (10c) per member.

Second:

I recommend that the Legislative Committee that has now but one member be increased to three and appointed by the Department Commander.

Third:

I recommend that the Department Commander and Assistant Adjutant General be empowered to make such improvements to the Department Commander portraits as they deem advisable to put them in proper shape. Reasonable expense to be paid by the Department.

### AND IN CONCLUSION

I would be failing in my duty if I did not mention our Asst. Adj. General, H. A. Chapin. He has conducted the business of the Department in a capable and efficient manner and in my opinion should be void of all criticism. He has always exercised unfailing courtesy and consideration toward me, not only as Commander but also as Comrade and Friend. I owe much to Comrade, H. A. Chapin.

Also our Judge Advocate, Oscar A. Jaynes. I would be very much at fault if I did not thank most heartily for advice and kindly suggestions offered me at my request many times during the past year.

Finally Comrades I offer the following sentiment and Tribute to "Our Flag":

Who is not inspired with reverential awe in the presence of our flag. The flag that wraps within its folds the peoples of the earth regardless of birth, color or creed.

Millions have fought for it.

Millions have died for it.

Millions are living to enjoy it.

Yours in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty

(Signed) CHARLES A. BARTLETT,

Department Commander.

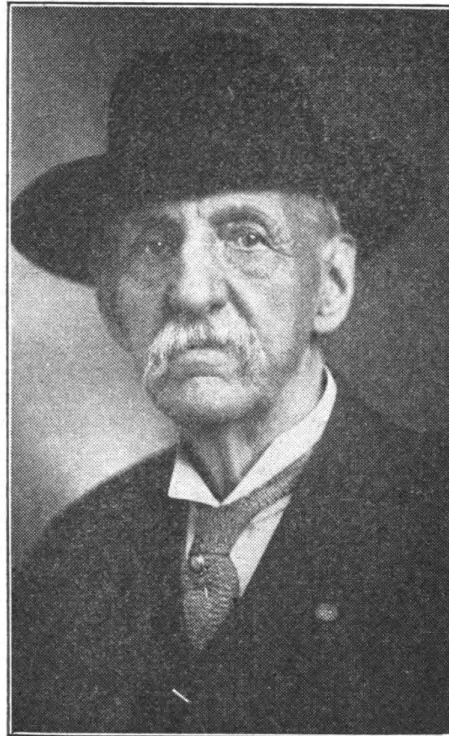
Officer of the Day, J. P. Riley: Commander, I would like to be excused as I have to sing at the W. R. C. meeting. I appoint Comrade Snyder in my place.

Commander: I excuse you, Junior Vice Commander.

Comrade: Commander, I move that the report of the Department Commander be referred to a committee for recommendation. Motion supported and carried.

Commander: I appoint Past Department Commanders, Colonel Janes and Louis Kanitz on this committee. Also Past Department Commander Spaulding.

Dept. Commander: You will now listen to the report of the Assistant Adjutant and Quartermaster General, Comrade Chapin.



H. A. CHAPIN  
Assistant Adjutant and Quartermaster General

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN  
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC

Lansing, Michigan, June 6, 1928.

Charles A. Bartlett, Department Commander, Comrades: I have the honor to submit the following report for the year just ending as shown by the records of the Assistant General's office:

Membership	Posts	Numbers
Number in good standing, June 4, 1927.....	119	1,1563
<i>Gains during the year:</i>		
By muster .....	13	
By transfers and suspensions .....	25	38
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*Losses during the year:*

By death .....	217	
By suspensions and transfer .....	131	
By discharge .....	7	
By surrender of charter .....	34	389
Number of members in good standing June 1, 1928 .....		1,212
Number of posts in good standing June 4, 1927 .....		119
Loss of posts by surrender of charter .....		7
Number of posts in good standing June 1, 1928 .....		112

The Department has 1212 members in good standing.  
Entitled to 12 Delegates and Alternates and one Delegate at Large and one Alternate at Large.

REPORT OF THE ASSISTANT QUARTERMASTER GENERAL FOR  
THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 1st, 1928

Cash on hand June 4th, 1927 .....		\$1721.39
Received during the year as follows:		
From per capita tax .....	\$ 739.96	
From sale of supplies .....	23.10	
From all other sources .....	1230.53	1993.59
Total receipts for the year .....		3714.98

## DISBURSEMENTS

James R. Stephenson Expense as Dept Comdr. ....		\$ 43.51
Jas. K. Davison Sons Inc. Past Dept. Comdr.		
Badge .....		50.00
Mich. Surety Co. Bond .....		5.00
Thomas Courtney, Expense Soldiers' Home Com. ....		11.88
Postage and Box Rent .....		45.25
Cola D. R. Stowets Q. M. Gen. per capita tax .....		38.99
Cola D. R. Stowets Supplies .....		24.93
C. A. Fox, printing Identification Certificates .....		27.50
		23.10
Dept. Commander, Travel Expense .....		224.98
H. A. Chapin, salary .....		600.00
Stenographer .....		1.00
Telegrams .....		5.84
H. A. Chapin, Travel Expense, Benton Harbor, Grand Rapids, Albion, Kalamazoo .....		50.23
Overpaid per capita tax .....		12.25
Register Clerk .....		2.00
Overpaid for receipt book .....		.50
Total disbursements .....	1166.96	
Balance .....	2548.02	
Total disbursements .....	3714.98	
Assets:		
General Fund .....		1,000.00
Alger Fund .....		1,000.00
Cash in Bank .....		548.02
Total Assets .....		2,548.02

Department Commander, in closing my year I want to thank you for myself and my Comrades of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic for the splendid Banner that you presented to the Department at the National Encampment at Grand Rapids in September, 1927.

I also wish to thank you for the honor which you conferred upon me by my appointment to the position of Assistant Adjutant and Quartermaster General. I leave it with you with a consciousness that I have tried to do my duty. If my efforts have been successful or not is for you and the comrades to determine.

I sincerely thank the officers of your staff and all the members of the Department for the uniform courtesy and good will shown me during the past year in my dealings and associations with them.

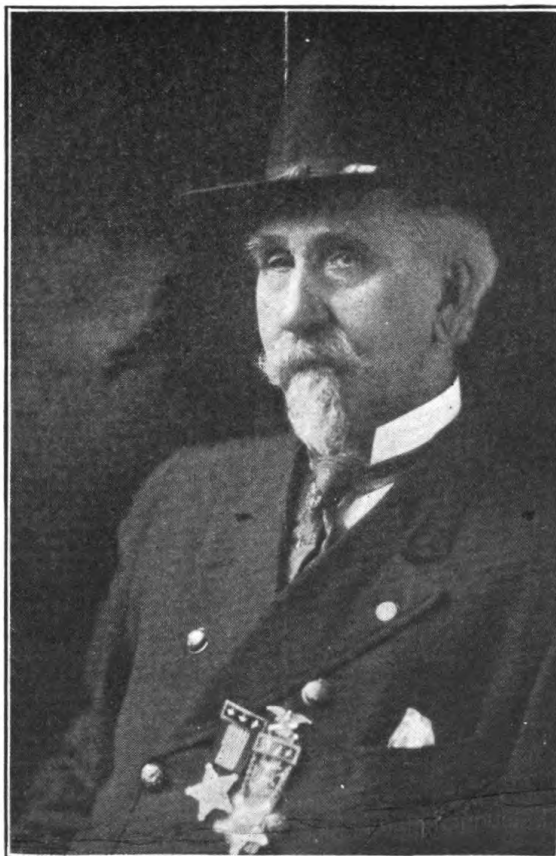
Sincerely yours in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

H. A. CHAPIN,

Assistant Adjutant General.

Dept. Commander: We will refer this report to a committee. I appoint Comrades Gill, Farrar and Keeler on this committee.

Department Commander: I will now call for the report of the Judge Advocate, Comrade Oscar A. Janes.



OSCAR A. JANES  
Judge Advocate

O. A. Janes, Judge Advocate: Commander and Comrades, my labors as Judge Advocate during the past year were not very arduous, although I conferred with the Dept. Commander on various matters. He lives in the same city in which I do. We did not need any written report and so there is only one question he submitted to me for an opinion. In rendering my opinion it is my duty to report it to the Encampment; so I will submit it:

Referring to the inquiry of Comrade E. A. Green, Commander of Watson Post No. 395, G. A. R. of Grand Rapids, Michigan, wherein he states that a Comrade of the Post applied in writing to the Post for a discharge from the Post, which discharge was voted him by the Post, "the Post have nothing against him." The question the Commander of the Post asks, "Can the Post give him a discharge, or only drop him from the Post?"—My opinion is that if the Comrade was in good standing in the Post, and there was no pecuniary charge against him on account of the Post, the proper action of the Post was to grant him a discharge when he applied for it. See Section 3 and 4, Chapter 2, Rules and Regulations, which provides:—"that any Comrade in good standing on application to the Post Commander at a regular meeting, shall receive at some subsequent meeting an honorable discharge signed by the Post Commander and attested by the Adjutant. *Provided*, That at the time of such application there is pecuniary charges against him on account of the Post."

Yours in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,  
OSCAR A. JANES,  
Judge Advocate.

Past Dept. Comdr. Spaulding: Commander, I move that the report of the Judge Advocate be accepted and adopted without reference. Motion supported and carried.

Comrade A. H. Gansser: Dept. Commander, I admit I have run the guard. I do not belong to the Grand Army of the Republic but to the Spanish-American War Veterans but I wanted to present to you the invitation from Bay City to hold your Annual Encampment of 1929 at Bay City. Bay City wants you next year and they will give you the time of your lives. Withdraws.

Commander: There can be no report from the Senior Vice Commander of this Department as he is ill and Comrade Riley, Junior Vice Dept. Commander was excused.

Commander: I see one man who has a report. Comrade Frank D. Keeler, Post No. 38, Saginaw, Patriotic Instructor, will read his report.

Comrade Keeler: Dept. Commander Bartlett and Comrades, I desire to make the following report:

The duties of Dept. Patriotic Instructor were assigned to me in General Orders No. 4 of March 16th, 1928, since which time I have watched the mails for incoming Post reports on Patriotic activities.

Up to this time I have received eleven Post reports, and since leaving home I am informed that another has come in, from where I do not know, which would make twelve.





WILLIAM E. WALKER  
Senior Vice Dept. Commander

Orcutt Post No. 79—Kalamazoo  
Gov. Crapo Post No. 145—Flint  
Phil Kearney Post No. 7—Muskegon  
E. H. Hollingsworth Post No. 210—Albion  
Jos. R. Smith Post No. 76—Monroe  
Fairbanks Post No. 17—Detroit  
Saginaw Post No. 38—Saginaw  
H. D. Terry Post No. 216—Mt. Clemens  
E. J. Bassett Post No. 56—Allegan  
Carpenter Post No. 180—Ypsilanti  
Dan S. Root Post No. 126—Belding.

These reports indicate a limited scope of endeavor on the part of comrades in carrying forward one of the principal functions of our order, but when we consider the advanced age of the comrades and the proneness to yield to the infirmities inevitable thereto—perhaps it is not to be wondered at that so few have made an effort to report on this subject.

We know that many Posts are reduced almost to the vanishing point and that comrades still holding on to their Charters, in numbers of two to ten or a dozen cannot be expected to do very much in the way of visiting schools or taking active part in promoting patriotic sentiments in their communities. The time has come when such duties and privileges must be passed on to younger generations.

I wish here to recommend that, hereafter reports of Post Patriotic Instructors be made for the year ending Dec. 31st, and be sent in to Dept. Headquarters along with the annual reports of the Post immediately after their first meeting in January. This, I think, will result in a more general response by Posts to the call for information on patriotic activities.

FRANK D. KEELER, (Signed)  
Department Patriotic Instructor.

Comrade Keeler: In addition to that I have a little to say. It is very apparent and it needs no assertion on my part for us to realize that the comrades of the Posts are in a condition where we cannot expect very much in the way of patriotic activity. It is a little too much to expect. One reason why so few reports have been received occurs to me. It has been the custom heretofore for reports of Patriotic Instructors to be withheld at the time the Annual Department reports are sent in. It is easy to mislay the form or the report is forgotten. In many cases the report is made out by the wives or daughters and in some cases by the ladies of the Woman's Relief Corps and for this reason some of them are necessarily very incomplete. But on the whole I think they have done fairly well. I hope another year you may do better.

Commander: I want to thank you for this report.

Past Dept. Commander Spaulding: I move that this report of the Department Patriotic Instructor including his recommendation be adopted by this Encampment without reference.

Past Dept. Commander O. A. Janes: I support the motion. Motion carried.

Officer of the Day: Commander, I would announce there is a delegation from the Spanish-American War Veterans at the door and would like admittance.

Commander: You will admit them.

Comrades rise while delegation is escorted to the platform.

Commander: Delegation from the Spanish-American War Veterans I greet you and your convention, Comrade Sharkey, Judge Chapman of Sault Ste. Marie, Comrade Zylstra of Grand Rapids.

Comrade Sharkey: Commander and Comrades, I think I can use that word "comrades." It seems that a veteran from any war can use a word to greet other comrades. I happened to be, thirty years ago, in the Spanish-American War. Compared with what you, Comrades, did, it seemed a small war, but if you see the result it means greatness. History takes time to make. The Spanish-American War today is the successor of you Comrades of the war of 1861-1865. You fought a country severed and brought back peace and prosperity to the world, to our country. The Spanish-American War broke out so the tyranny of a foreign nation should be put down. Our Cuban brothers suffered from the tyranny of a foreign nation; the sinking of our battleship "The Main"; all these things produced a result that forced the American people to recognize the fact that they had some responsibility to the rest of the world. So from every state of our great union, from the south that you had brought into union with the north, and from the north, east and west a great volunteer army came out.

If you remember, and I admit with great pride I say it, every man in the Spanish-American war was a volunteer. They came to their country's aid in such numbers that the rolls were closed.

A small war, a short war. Yes, but it would never have come of the south alone, it took the whole of the United States. When we got through we freed Cuba, Porto Rico, but more than that we produced peace in the United States by having the southern and northern states united together for this Spanish War. We had more to do than to produce peace, unity in our great country in that war. France, Germany, in fact, all the European countries did not think very much of the United States. We were just off here somewhere.

Spain had an organized army, a wonderful navy and still in one day Dewey knocked out Manila. Battles were fought near Santiago. We got Porto Rico. So the nations of the world had to recognize this great United States, our beloved country.

I have a right to talk of the Grand Army of the Republic. My father was in Company F, 1st Michigan Volunteer Cavalry, Lt. Sharkey. I was a small child then. I remember when father came home and when he went away and left mother with the children. I remember the hardships that came to my mother and us children. I know, and we appreciate the wonderful things that you men have done to make a united country again. And so I simply want to now present the sincerest regards, the most loving respect to each and every one of you from each member of the Spanish-American War Veterans.

And I will now ask Judge Chapman of Sault Ste. Marie to say a few words.

Judge Chapman: Commander and Comrades of the G. A. R., I fail to find words to express our love and gratitude for the Grand Army of the Republic. For many years I have been very close to the Dept. Commander, whom you all know, at Sault Ste. Marie, Capt. James A. Trout. He has been Commander for 42 years. He is now confined to his bed, has been during the last two weeks. We trust, however, he will soon recover and be able to be about again. He is 87 years of age and there is no man in the whole community of the east end of the Upper Peninsula that is more esteemed, more loved than our dear old Capt. Trout. He has always been foremost in all community affairs and he was always the Master of Ceremonies at our Memorial Day celebration. This year he called me in, in fact I had been going every day during his illness, and he told me he wanted me to act this year as his personal representative and I did. The whole populace, we had nearly ten thousand at our Memorial Day celebration, expressed their appreciation of Capt. Trout and what he represents. He said to me, "now remember me kindly to the G. A. R. comrades down there. I may not meet again with them, but give them my love and tell them I will be with them in spirit." Those were just a few greetings from Capt. Trout from the north.

Personally, I go back as a boy. I was eleven when Lincoln was assassinated. All those impressions that I received as a boy are more fresh than those that have occurred a few years ago. I feel closer to the members of the Grand Army Posts than to any other military organization because it came to me through our own family and the families in our neighborhood.

When I was delegated with Comrade Sharkey and Zylstra to visit you I was very much pleased that I could bring the message of Capt. Trout to you.

Comrade Zylstra: Commander and Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic. It is indeed an honor to be delegated a member of this committee to extend greetings to the G. A. R. from the United Spanish-American War Veterans. Our Comrade Sharkey made a little reference to the work that was accomplished by the Spanish-American war. To me one of the outstanding things was the union of the north and south. It was my pleasure and privilege to attend a Memorial service held in St. Petersburg three years ago and at that time this one thing took place at the Memorial service which was held in a park which occupied a block in the heart of St. Petersburg.

They had a sort of pavilion which was shell-shaped and on this pavilion platform sat one of the comrades of the north. At the extreme right of the platform one of the southern soldiers of that civil war was placed. As they proceeded with appropriate exercises, saluting the flag, patriotic numbers and so forth, the orchestra started playing "Yankee Doodle Dandee," and as they played the comrade from the north, who was pretty well along in years like yourselves, arose and came to the center of the platform and placed a wreath of flowers upon the table in memory of the comrades who had served in the Spanish-American War and had passed to the great beyond. "To the Sons of the North." He remained standing at the center of the platform. Then the orchestra began playing "Dixie" and as they did, this old confederate comrade advanced to the table and he too in turn laid a spray of flowers in grateful recognition of the comrades who were veterans of the Spanish-American War who had passed on. "To the Sons of the South." These two old men stood facing each other at this table and finally their old, withered hands clasped while the orchestra played "Blest be the Tie that Binds." I tell you gentlemen, it was a real thrill.

The work that you did during the Civil War shall always be remembered. You have organized or caused to be organized the Sons of Veterans, who are rising as the sun is setting for you comrades. But through the great mists of the dawn of the morning we see on guard the Sons and Daughters of you comrades to perpetuate the memory of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Applause.

Comrade O. A. Janes: Comrades of the Spanish-American War, we are glad to receive your greetings. As stated by my good comrade, who is also associated with my post as a member of honorary character, for years I have known his loyalty to the G. A. R., and the Judge of the Soo I have known for many years.

I was interested in the incident of the two comrades, who sixty odd years ago met in battle array, shaking hands in united loyalty to the Stars and Stripes and glad in their hearts that we were victorious over them. True, the Spanish-American War united to quite a large extent the nation that had been divided in sentiment against one another. And later on when this nation called an army of four million men into the field and took across the great water two million men in the great World War there was a further uniting of the north and south.

A little incident I will recite occurred over there in the trenches in France. A son of a confederate soldier was there under the Stars and Stripes and as he saw coming in from the north regiment after regiment to engage in that great struggle and from the south regiment after regiment to engage also in that conflict, he wrote these lines:

Here's to the blue from the wind-swept north,  
As we meet on the fields of France.  
May the spirit of Grant be with them there  
As the sons of the south advance.

Here's to the gray from the sun-kissed south,  
As we meet on the fields of France.  
May the spirit of Lee be with them there  
As the sons of the south advance.

Here's to the blue and the gray  
As we meet on the fields of France.  
May the spirit of God be with them there  
As the sons of the Flag advance.

You started it and the world is continuing that unity between the north and the south.

We are always glad to receive you.

Commander: Comrades, I want to present you with a badge of the Grand Army of the Republic from the Encampment at Kalamazoo.

Comrade Sharkey: Commander and Comrades, in behalf of the Spanish-American War Veterans, this committee thanks you for our most cordial reception and hopes that it may be proud to have from your grand organization a delegation to meet our convention.

Comrade Spaulding: Commander, I wish that you would send one of our badges of this convention to Comrade Trout through Comrade Chapman. He was a pretty good friend of mine. We used to correspond for years.

Commander: I have given a badge to Judge Chapman for Capt. Trout. Delegation is escorted to door while Comrades stand at attention.

Commander: We should now receive the Department Chaplain's report.

Comrade Spaulding: The Department Chaplain is very poorly and not able to get here and I move that the report be passed and not considered further than that he has done this much, all he could do in his poor condition.

Commander: Such being the condition we will pass his report. We will receive the report from the Council of Administration.

Comrade Dunham: To the Department Commander:

The Executive Committee of the Council of Administration begs to report that they have examined the books, vouchers and receipts of the Asst. Adjutant and Quartermaster General and find the total receipts, including cash on hand, at the beginning of this term to be three thousand seven hundred fourteen dollars and ninety-eight cents (\$3,-

714.98), and the disbursements to be one thousand one hundred sixty-six dollars and ninety-six cents (\$1,166.96), leaving a balance on hand of two thousand five hundred forty-eight dollars and two cents (\$2,548.02).

(Signed) Albert Dunham )  
 Fred Gill ) Committee  
 A. C. Estabrook )

Comrade Spaulding: I move that the report be received and adopted without reference. Motion supported and carried.

Commander: I now call for volunteers to extend the greetings of this first department to the other organizations in convention session here. First is the Woman's Relief Corps. Who wants to go to see the W. R. C. to extend our greetings to them?

Well, I want to call upon them. I appoint myself, Past Department Commander Janes and Past Department Commander Spaulding on this committee.

Commander: Next is the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic. Will some one volunteer as a committee to go there? Comrade Gill, Post No. 38, Saginaw, I appoint you and you find someone to go with you.

Comrade Gill: I appoint Comrade Keeler to accompany me.

Commander: Now, the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War. I appoint Comrade Estabrook and Comrade John W. Finch of Post No. 83, Greenville, to this committee.

Commander: Daughters of the Grand Army of the Republic. Who will volunteer?

Comrades Nichols and John Kileen of Post No. 48, Jackson, volunteer to act on this committee.

Commander: Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. Who will volunteer?

Comrade Stein volunteers.

Commander: I appoint Comrade Stein and Comrade Watson of Post No. 395 to act on this committee.

Commander: Veterans of Foreign Wars. I appoint Comrade H. W. Harvey of Orcutt Post No. 79 on this committee.

Officer of the Day: Commander, there is a delegation from the Daughters of Union Veterans at the door and would like admittance.

Commander: You will admit them. Comrades Kanitz and Keeler please escort the delegation.

Comrades rise as delegation is escorted to the platform.

Commander greets the delegation.

Mrs. Alice Williamson, Past President of the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War: Commander Bartlett, Dept. Commander, Comrade Kanitz and all my other dear comrades, this a most unexpected pleasure to me today to be privileged to come to you from the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War. I want to extend to you all our very heartiest greetings and very best love my comrades, and my personal love and greetings and these flowers from our convention, and our very best wishes for a peaceful and harmonious convention. These are my comrades, Mrs. Christianson and Mrs. King.

Commander: Well, I don't know what to say. You know that this heart of mine kind of swells up at a time like this. To say I thank you is hardly sufficient, but I wish that you will return my most earnest love and confidence to the girls of the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

Commander presents badges to the delegates.

Mrs. Williamson: It is a great pleasure to me to have you pin that badge on me, Commander Bartlett.

Comrades stand while the delegation is escorted to the door.

Officer of the Day: A committee from the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic are at the door and wish admittance.

Commander: Comrades Gill and O. A. Janes I appoint you as escorts to the visiting delegations.

O. A. Janes: Commander, I have the pleasure of introducing to you Mrs. Ross, the National President of the Ladies of the G. A. R., also Mrs. Wall.

Commander: I greet you.

Mrs. Ross: Department Commander and Comrades of the G. A. R., it is an unusual pleasure, as well as a most delightful one, to be able to be with you and greet you as comrades of ours. You all know how closely allied our own families are and I bring you the greetings of 75,000 members of the families of your comrades in arms. It is needless for me to say how proud we are of the inheritance you have bequeathed to us from your sacrifices. The boys in blue, I don't like that word "old comrades," for the boys that belong to the Grand Army; but I do like to hear the allied orders address you as "the boys in blue," for that is what you were when you answered the call of your Commander-in-Chief, the beloved Abraham Lincoln. You bared your breasts to the bullets that were aimed at the very heart of our nation and you have brought back Old Glory unsullied and unstained, and you have bequeathed to your sons and your grandsons the same patriotic spirit that you showed in the sixties.

America, evidently, has never needed much military training. You boys went out from the fields and the factories and got into the ranks of the army and did a wonderful work. There never will be another, there never can be another war such as you have participated in. There never will be another Grand Army of the Republic, there never can be no matter how long this world may last. Your memories will be perpetuated by the ladies of the G. A. R. down through the ages. It is a sacred memory and we, the members of your families, are trying to maintain the rights that you maintained, and protect the liberty and freedom that you fought to protect.

Now, my dear boys, it gives me a great deal of pleasure to present to you and the Comrade Commander something that you can enjoy after listening to greetings and tedious reports. We have been ushered in in a very wet part of the day but we are going to give you something you can smoke up and enjoy yourselves later on, and I hope with each puff you will know that it means the love of the Ladies of the G. A. R. for you and you alone. I thank you.

Applause.

Commander, this is Mrs. Wall.

**Commander:** I know Mrs. Wall.

**Mrs. Wall:** Commander and Comrades, I am not going to make a long speech. I am just going to tell you this is the happiest moment of my life to come and greet the comrades and introduce to you your Commander's daughter, Lilly Bartlett.

**Lilly Bartlett:** Department Commander of the Department of Michigan Grand Army of the Republic, Officers of the Department and Comrades: I, also, bring you greetings from the Ladies of the G. A. R. All honor to our "Boys in Blue" who stand first in the hearts of their countrymen.

We pray that in the coming years that every hard and unhappy thing be lifted from your lives; the work that is too wearisome, the worry that harasses your peace of mind, the pain that presses sorely. We are thinking happy thoughts of you, comrades, of dear, kind things you've done. And other hearts have turned to you, as plants turn to the sun. No wonder you're so well beloved in all life's storm and stress. You've given sunshine to us all and it returns to bless. May the remainder of your days be filled with God's richest blessings of tranquility and love and peace.

And now Commander and my dear Father, will you please accept this token of love from the Ladies of the G. A. R., who stand ready and willing at any time to aide you "dear boys".

I leave you with the prayer the Easterners do:

"May the peace of God abide with you  
Wherever you stay, wherever you go.  
May the beautiful palms of Allah blow  
Through the days of labor and nights of rest,  
May the love of good Allah forever bless,"

So I touch my heart as the Easterners do. May the love of God abide with you. I thank you.

**Commander:** I don't know about this. Past Department Commander Louis Kanitz I want you to reply to the ladies.

**Past Department Commander Kanitz:** Commander and Comrades, you have chosen wisely. The poorest man there is to make a speech stands before you. I have nothing to say but this, we are proud of your greetings and we are glad to have you with us. I know that your work is being done in the right direction to help us along the rough paths that all of us are traveling. We are meeting the jumping off place and need your assistance and your help and we know that it is cheerfully given. We wish to thank you very much. I present the sentiments of my comrades who are very grateful for having you with us.

Badges are presented to the Delegates by the Commander.

Comrades stand while the Delegates are escorted to the door.

**Officer of the Day:** The Delegation from the Auxiliary to the Spanish-American War Veterans is at the door and wish admittance.

**Commander:** You will admit them.

**Commander:** I appoint Judge Advocate O. A. Janes and Comrade Keeler, as escorts for the Delegations.



O. A. Janes: Department Commander, I have the pleasure of introducing to you a delegation from the Auxiliary of the Spanish-American War Veterans, Mrs. Myers, Mrs. Mosier and another Mrs. Myers.

Commander: We surely welcome them and are glad to have them in our midst.

Mrs. Myers: Commander, it gives me great pleasure to present to you a badge from our Auxiliary. We hope you have a wonderful convention and hope it will be a happy time for all.

Commander: I thank you.

Mrs. Mosier: I have nothing to say only I am glad to be here. We are only an escort to Mrs. Myers. I am very glad to see so many here, more than I expected to see. I hope next year to see just as many.

Commander presents the Delegates with badges.

Delegation is escorted to door while Comrades stand.

Officer of the Day: There is a delegation from the Veterans of Foreign Wars in waiting.

Commander: You will admit them.

Veterans of Foreign Wars are escorted to platform.

O. A. Janes: Commander, I present Comrade VanAntwerp and Comrade Moore of Detroit as a committee from the Veterans of Foreign Wars bringing greetings to the Grand Army.

Commander: I greet you and present you to the Comrades.

Comrade VanAntwerp: Department Commander and Comrades, it is a great pleasure to be here with you to bring the greetings of the Veterans of Foreign Wars to the men who save the union in '61. I was just noting the fact today that twenty years ago or nineteen years ago, I am not sure which, I was a boy in my teens and as a member of the Michigan National Guard it was my privilege to attend my first Grand Army encampment at Kalamazoo, and it has always been an inspiration to me to recall the stories of patriotism and heroism I heard then, and to remember the history that I heard from the Comrades of the G. A. R. right here in this city some nineteen or twenty years ago. I congratulate you on your Past Commander Janes who has a fine reputation not only in Michigan but throughout the country; and I congratulate the Department of Michigan of the Grand Army of the Republic for the manner in which they have so nobly carried on.

On behalf of the Veterans of Foreign Wars I present Comrade Moore. Comrade Moore is a man who has been through all the northern Michigan campaigns against the Bolsheviki in Russia, and my service was in France. We are here representing the two battle fields of the last war to pay our humble tribute from the Veterans of Foreign Wars to your Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic in convention assembled.

Comrade Moore: Dept. Commander of the Grand Army of the Republic and Comrades, you have heard the oratory of the veteran, Comrade VanAntwerp. We call him "wooden shoes" because he came originally from the land of wooden shoes in Holland.

I don't want to bore you with talk. I never come before you, however, without wishing to say whatever I may have done for my country during the World War I trace to the example set by the Comrades who wore the blue during the War of '61. Comrade VanAntwerp went back

in history about nineteen years. I would like to go back when my mother led me, I was about so high (indicating the height), to a little cemetery in a little town called Litchfield near here. That was my birthplace, Litchfield. That is about the earliest public event I can remember, and I recall that day some man rode up on a horse followed by a long line of men in ranks, four deep, columns we call them, "fours" I suppose they were called. Those men formed in that cemetery and someone talked. Those were the men of the G. A. R. and the influence of the G. A. R. backed up, of course, by their deeds is one little sample of the unparalleled deeds of that great war. We think that the World War was the great war but I have read a volume of the history of the War of 1861-65 from cover to cover over and over and I have thought a good many times of the difference between the trenches and the men who stood in ranks and shot from the shoulder at only a few yards target. I have read the story of your own brigade from Michigan and Wisconsin and the heroic work done down here. There is nothing in the story of the World War to match the story of the conflict between Stonewall Jackson and the men with him in the Shenandoah Valley.

I don't mean to flatter you, I don't mean to over praise you. There are only a few surviving members here in the State of Michigan of the boys that went out there in '61. I would only try feebly to do you justice in saying to you that we, the present generation of fighting men, take off our hats to you old veterans. I want to say to you if we did something in the World War which you were proud of we were trying to emulate the example of our grandfathers set for us in 1861-65, when under that flag and under the leadership of the sainted Lincoln you men saved the union.

Gentlemen, I just hope that your days may be long and we may come before you year after year and I want to be on the committee. It has been my privilege almost every year to be on the committee.

I see this old "white head" here that I have revered and loved when I was a school boy at Hillsdale, Michigan, old Colonel Janes. He was a man above me to whom I looked with the greatest reverence because he was a Civil War veteran. I hope this has not been so long that you are tired out. I hope you will have a wonderful reunion here this year and every blessing may come your way. All veteran organizations with their various auxiliaries, God bless them, wish you a good time. I salute you Comrades, I salute you, every one.

Commander: I would ask Past Department Commander Spaulding to respond to these gentlemen.

Past Dept. Comdr. Spaulding: Department Commander and Comrades of the World War, it gives me great pleasure to meet you here with the greetings that you have for our order of the G. A. R. We know that you are with us at all times and we appreciate your work as we have to totter around too much to do much. Comrade VanAntwerp, I have met a good many times. The other Comrade I have never met before, but it gives me great pleasure to meet you here and we want you to carry back to your organization our vote of thanks for their kindness in sending this committee.

Commander: Veterans of Foreign Wars in the visitation of the Comrades to this Encampment it is my pleasure to present you with the

badge of the G. A. R. I will say in the visitation of the ladies organization it is the duty, particularly of the Department Commander, to pin the badge upon their breasts. We have quit that with the men. I want to present you with this badge and please give this one to the Commander of your convention. This is the rule adopted by the Past Department Commanders. Delegation is escorted to door.

Officer of the Day: There is a delegation from the Auxiliary to the United Spanish War Veterans at the door and wish admittance.

Commander: Officer of the Day you will admit them.

O. A. Janes: I present to you a representation from the local auxiliary of the Spanish-American War Veterans. Comrade Edith Barney, representative of the Auxiliary of the Spanish-American War Veterans of Kalamazoo.

Mrs. Barney: Department Commander, officers and members, and especially Orcutt Post No. 79 who is very dear to us. The Mary B. Westnedge Auxiliary No. 10 have sent me, their president, with greetings and very best wishes for a happy and successful convention. I am sorry that the weather man hasn't been better to us all, but we sincerely hope that this may be a most happy reunion of you Civil War Veterans and families. I thank you.

Commander presents badges.

Mrs. Barney: These flowers are to you all from the Mary B. Westnedge Post.

Commander: If it keeps on as it is now I will certainly be in a boat to know how to dispose of all of these flowers. Of course all of the Comrades will want them and then what will I do?

Delegation escorted to door.

Comrade Harvey: Commander, as I started out to make the visitation I met these ladies in the hall and they insisted that I come back with them. This greeting is from Orcutt Post just as much as from the ladies, so I came along with these ladies in this way.

Commander: That was all right and the thing to do.

Officer of the Day: There is a delegation from the Grand Order of the Serpent in waiting and would like admittance.

Commander: You will admit them.

Comrade O. A. Janes: This is a "wiggly" representation that comes to visit us. This is a representation from the Military Order of the Serpent of the Spanish-American War Veterans.

Comrade McNally: Commander and Comrades, I am pleased to be with you here. Five years before the Spanish-American War I was in the 19th U. S. Regulars and served twelve years and a half. During that time I also served with General Duffield. I was the messenger boy. I was in the Battle of San Juan Hill and I always carried the messages. I carried every message to the Governor of the State of Michigan. I was with them until we left our beautiful State of Michigan.

Tomorrow evening you will see us all crawl, we don't want you to crawl, we are going to crawl. In '98 this little thing was given to us and we enjoy it and we want you to enjoy it. So, Comrades, with greetings from the Order of the Serpent I present this badge to your Commander.

I have been to every convention in the State of Michigan since '98 and boys, God bless you all and I wish you all have a good time and I will meet you again in Bay City next year.

Commander: We are all going to meet for the next hundred years or so.

Comrade Booth: I had the pleasure of greeting you, all of you I think, two years ago in Jackson and tried to tell you what we were going to do for you in Benton Harbor. Comrade McNally didn't tell you what our organization is. The Military Order of the Serpent is the fun organization within the Spanish-American War Veterans. We make up as Philopenas. You will see us on the street tomorrow night at nine o'clock if it doesn't rain. I thank you.

Commander presents badges.

Officer of the Day: There is a delegation from the National Daughters of the G. A. R. and wish admittance.

Commander: You will admit them.

O. A. Janes: I have the honor and pleasure of presenting to you Mrs. Drury of Illinois, the Commander-in-Chief of the National Daughters of the G. A. R., Mrs. Stoddard and Carrie Parke Boggs, representing the Children of the G. A. R.

Commander: Comrades, this is Mrs. Drury, the Commander-in-Chief of the National Daughters of the G. A. R.

Mrs. Drury: Commander and Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, I believe this is one of the happiest moments of my life. It is the first time I have ever had the opportunity to bring greetings to a Grand Army Encampment.

I am very happy to represent the National Daughters of the G. A. R. and I extend to you the wish for a happy and prosperous convention. I want to tell you, also, I bring you greetings from Waukegan, Illinois. We have a Grand Army Post and all patriotic organizations and I am happy that I come from a patriotic town. I am also a daughter of a soldier and a granddaughter of a soldier, one of your Comrades.

Mrs. Stoddard: Commander Bartlett and Comrades, I represent the National Daughters of G. A. R., Department of Michigan. I come to bring you greetings and hope you will have a successful convention. I present you with these flowers.

Commander: Comrades, I present Carrie Park Boggs of Detroit, a very, very efficient worker in the National Daughters of the G. A. R.

Carrie Park Boggs: I cannot come before the Comrades of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic, without feeling I am really privileged to do something. It was just thirteen years ago this morning at nine o'clock in the morning that the G. A. R. recognized the National Daughters of G. A. R. as your affiliated order in this state and I was present at that time as Commander-in-Chief of our national organization. Since that time we have grown and we have done some very efficient work, among other things some very efficient work in organizing a Junior Department, the Children of the G. A. R., and in our own state in Detroit, Michigan, we had the first Abraham Lincoln Picket Organization under the Children of the G. A. R. The object in organizing our children is to teach them and to have them carry on the

work after we, the Daughters, are gone, only for them to pass on down to the next generation the work which we expect to keep up all the time to honor the G. A. R.

Today I come to you with greetings from this Junior Department in Detroit, Michigan, the Abraham Lincoln Picket of the Children of the G. A. R. They were unable to come as in other years or to send a representation to come before you on account of their school work, but as I was coming and as their chairman, they asked me to extend their greetings to you. They are working in your interests and will continue to work in your interest. They are the boys and girls of today but they will be the men and women of tomorrow and it will be up to them to see that the work that you did from 1861-65 will be carried on and the principles for which you served in 1861-65 will be carried on and on and on. They have the object of honoring and to seeing that you are always honored and receive the credit which is due you.

We not only have the Children of the G. A. R. in this state but in other states where we are organized and of course as the years go on we hope to extend the organization throughout the entire United States of America.

Commander Bartlett is a very dear friend of ours. He is often present at our children's meetings. He knows what the children are doing. It is with the greatest pleasure that I present to him these flowers as a token of love from those children and extend to you all an invitation, if you are ever in Detroit, to visit us. We want you to come and see our children at work. I thank you.

Commander: I would like to have Past Department Commander Frank R. Chase reply to the salutation of these three ladies.

Comrade Chase: Commander, you do it for me.

Commander: I think of those children particularly when I hold that bouquet as well perhaps as the other, I am getting a little flustered here and can't tell just what is what, but we are certainly glad to have you with us and thank you with much appreciation for the courtesies and flowers presented. It becomes my particular pleasure to pin upon you the badge of the G. A. R.

Delegation is escorted to the door.

Commander: Comrades, come right up and have a cigar on the Ladies of the G. A. R., Department of Michigan.

Commander: There being no further delegations in waiting, I declare the meeting adjourned until tomorrow afternoon at 1:30 P. M.

#### THURSDAY AFTERNOON

June 7, 1928

1:30 P. M.

S. H. Carlton is Officer of the Guard. Wm. H. Snyder is Officer of the Day.

Commander: Comrades, this is Colonel Gansser of Bay City and Detroit. He wants to say a few words to you about Winona Lake.

Col. Gansser: I thank you, Department Commander. Comrades of the G. A. R., Capt. Barrett stand up. Comrades, I present you Wm. Barrett of my home city of Bay City. We have three G. A. R. Posts in Bay City. Forty-four years ago the Grand Army Encampment came to our city, Bay City, Michigan. We had no hotels. The boys who came camped in the parks, in Washington Park and Madison Park. You put out guards, and had your own fife and drum corps forty-four years ago. Were you there?

There is my neighbor from Saginaw. Stand up. That is my neighbor, Fred Gill, from Saginaw who has watched me for more than thirty years in work in the G. A. R., twelve years in the State Senate. I lost my father when I was twelve years old and men like Capt. Barrett became my father. I sold them newspapers. The Grand Army Post became my father.

This is Comrade Spaulding. Comrade Spaulding can't see me, he knows my voice.

I am going to be very brief. I just want you to know from one who knows the good you have done in the G. A. R. for sixty years that we want you next year at Bay City. I came from Germany and within two years lost my father. Now in just a few years because of the Grand Army, your patriotism, your school work, your citizenship work I have tried to be to this hour a 100% American.

Commander: You are that.

Col. Gansser: Commander, I thank you. Now because of what I owe to you and what I owe to Capt. Barrett, Fred Gill and George Raab, I have done the little that I can do at Washington, at Lansing, for I am on the National Legislative Committee of Spanish War Veterans and the American Legion. I went before President Wilson, Harding, Coolidge with your problems. There isn't anything, Comrades, that you may want at this time or any time that needs to be done at Lansing or at Washington that I can do but what I will do.

The Veterans of Foreign Wars of Michigan, the American Legion men went into the World War ready because of what you, their patriotic fathers, had done. I commanded a regiment over there. I want you to know they went with the spirit ready, they were physically ready. They went soldiers for when the spirit is ready they are all ready. It is the spirit, Comrades, that counts. Now I was in Bay City in June, 1916, when the call came that took my National Guard Battalion and the Bay City Comrades to the Mexican Border and were gone three years.

Bay City wanted you, Jackson wanted you. Bay City stepped aside. Jackson got the convention. Bay City wanted you, Benton Harbor wanted you. Bay City stepped aside for Benton Harbor. Then Kalamazoo wanted you and Bay City stepped aside, but Comrades of the G. A. R. we don't want to step aside again. We want you in Bay City next year, and we will assure you a good time. Whoever is Commander will have no worry about money, about programs. Your Commander, who will be past Commander next year, and your incoming Commander need only say what you wish and it is yours. Bay City extended their official invitation yesterday. The old 96th won't be with us much longer, they want to see you once more. We will do the work. Well, as to weather. We have got it all fixed, Barrett and Gill are politicians. They will see

that it don't rain. But if it does rain, we have hotels. We will furnish music and fun for you indoors in the Winona Hotel. We will have boats in the river that you can ride on. I am through. We are going to do everything that Kalamazoo has done, I have watched, and more than Kalamazoo did if you come to Bay City next year.

Commander: I thank you and I feel there is no question but what Bay City will get this next Encampment. Every promise of the Grand Army is made good.

Comrade Riley: Commander, Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic, in behalf of Orcutt Post No. 79, I present this gavel to you as an emblem of your authority and I am glad to present it to you. There is a hundred different parts in that mallet.

Commander: Junior Vice Department Commander, I thank you and I'll use it to regulate this proposition right here.

Comrade Riley: I didn't want you to skin your knuckles.

Past Commander Louis Kanitz: Commander, I have the honor and pleasure of introducing the Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, Comrade Brainerd.

Commander: Just one moment, we are not regularly opened. I will informally open this Encampment by saying, we are now open and ready to do business.

Officer of the Day, Comrade Snyder: The Sons of Veterans are at the door and would like admittance.

Commander: They will have to wait as the Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief is first.

Commander: Now Past Commander Louie Kanitz, we are ready.

Comrades: Hail! Hail! Hail! Comrades rise.

Past Dept. Commander Kanitz: I have again to report to you, Sir, in presenting to you Comrade Brainerd, Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic. He desires to visit your organization and have a word with you.

Commander: Comrades, Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, Comrade Brainerd, representing the Commander-in-Chief will greet you and speak to you now.

Comrades salute.

Comrade Brainerd: Department Commander and Comrades, I am going to speak a little loud. If it is too loud for any Comrade he can stop up one ear. I know how you appreciate loud talking as a rule and I desire to be heard, what little I have to say.

I appreciate very much the honor conferred upon me to visit this Encampment in the interest of the Commander-in-Chief. I bring you his greetings with the very best wishes for the members of the Grand Army of the Republic of Michigan. I am also very much honored to meet the Comrades of Michigan. I was told by a member of my Post who belonged to a Michigan regiment, the 26th; Comrade Willis, Major Willis; that not one of his regiment would be at this Encampment. Now I'd like to contradict that, if possible. If there is a member of the 26th in the room I would like him to hold up his hand. Well, there don't seem to be any. Then I'll have to say he is right. He said he didn't believe there would be a member at this Encampment as there are so few of them left.

But, Comrades, that is another evidence of our importance. We must keep together under all and every circumstance. We must keep our Posts together. You know I was told that at Des Moines the last time we met there. I was arguing with them to keep up their Posts. One Comrade says, "My Post is running. We have two members. I am the Commander and the Quartermaster and the Adjutant and so forth and so-and-so is my inside guard. And we meet at my house and when he isn't there I close the door and then I have 50% present." That's the argument. Keep up your membership, keep up your organization as long as at least two members are left.

We have a Post at Key West of the G. A. R. with one member. When he sent in his per capita tax the Adjutant General replied to him he couldn't hold his membership with one member. He goes right to work and sends in per capita tax for another member so they still have a Post at Key West.

We have a Post in London, England. We have had a Post in Toronto, Canada, for many years but I think that is disbanded.

Now a little short poem on that. "Keep A-Goin'." By Frank Stanton. It is very timely.

#### KEEP A-GOIN'

If you strike a thorn or rose,  
Keep a-goin'!

If it hails or if it snows,  
Keep a-goin'!

'Tain't no use to sit an' whine  
When the fish ain't on your line;  
Bait your hook an' keep a-tryin'  
Keep a-goin'!

When the weather kills your crop,  
Keep a-goin'!  
Though 'tis work to reach the top,  
Keep a-goin'!  
S'pose you're out o' ev'ry dime,  
Gittin' broke ain't any crime:  
Tell the world you're feelin' fine—  
Keep a-goin'!

When it looks like all is up,  
Keep a-goin'!  
Drain the sweetness from the cup,  
Keep a-goin'!  
See the wild birds on the wing,  
Hear the bells that sweetly ring,  
When you feel like cryin'—sing—  
Keep a-goin'!

In this old world we're living in  
Pick a thorn, it's but another rose.



Now, Comrades, keep going. Keep up the good work.

I can't help but congratulate Michigan on the stand they take and on the work they do and on the efforts they make to get our National Encampment. It is very pleasing to the members of the East, I assure you. We will never forget Grand Rapids, never will. And we won't forget any other city that can bring the National Encampment to that city. I assure you that New York state and all the eastern states will very gladly come to Michigan on any occasion.

I don't know that I have anything more to say, you have considerable to do, but I did want to meet with you for a moment and I want to assure you again that you have the very best wishes of the Commander-in-Chief and also myself.

I might say I am a Son of a veteran. My father and I went together. I was sixteen, he was forty-five. We went from New York. My father served two years and was disabled. I served through and got home July 4, 1865, nineteen years old. I have been very enthusiastic ever since in the G. A. R. as well as the Sons of Veterans. I take great interest in that order. I feel they and the daughters must carry on our work in the near future.

Now I thank you all for your kind attention and assure you that I am pleased very much to be able to be here with you today. I thank you.

Applause.

Commander: Senior Vice National Commander-in-Chief, it goes without saying we are glad of your coming and please bear to the Commander-in-Chief our most sincere and earnest confidence that we will endeavor to maintain the G. A. R. as long as there is a man left. Tell him Michigan is not only on guard today, Michigan will be on guard tomorrow and from now until the end.

Comrade Brainerd: I thank you.

Commander: Officer of the Day you will please admit the delegation. Delegation enters with their Drum Corps in lead. Officers salute.

Officer of the Day: Commander, I have the honor of presenting the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. These two representatives are both Past Commanders of the Sons of Union Veterans. This is Comrade Malone.

Commander: Comrades, I present to you, Comradè Malone.

Comrade Malone: Department Commander, Comrades of our fathers, I bring to you today the greetings from the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. We wish for you a most joyful Encampment at this time and we hope that you will be with us a great many years yet to come.

It is often said that the G. A. R. is dying out. This is true in a sense. The flesh is dying but the spirit shall live just as long as the Sons and Daughters live.

Department Commander, on behalf of the Department of Michigan and their members I have this honor to present these flowers in token of our love and we will at all times do whatever you call upon us to do.

Commander: Comrades, I feel that you are our Comrades, we thank you certainly for this beautiful bouquet and bear back to your organization our most hearty greetings as well as our love. We certainly thank you.

We will now listen to your co-partner.

Past Department Commander Wigent: Commander, Officers and Comrades, I feel highly honored to be on this committee to carry from the Sons to the Fathers this greeting. This is my first time and you must excuse me. I am not known to make speeches, but just a word of thank you to you. I am not going to tell you of our love, you all know that. You know the spirit you took south, you brought it back and kept our nation intact. We are all passing on. That is the law of nature, but wherever we are that spirit is going to roll on. I say on. Who is going to carry it forward if not your sons and daughters? I, for one, will do the best I can to carry on. There sits the Comrade, Commander Green, who has been my inspiration and I will do all in my power to keep his great spirit rolling on.

Commander: We have with us at this time the Senior Vice National Commander-in-Chief, Comrade Brainerd. I think he would like to reply to you. He is representing the Commander-in-Chief.

Comrade Brainerd: I only say, brothers, I am a member of your order by virtue of having served with my father in the Civil War. I am very much interested, I am sure, that the spirit of our fathers will be commemorated for many years to come through the Sons and Daughters, and the time will come when people will be as anxious to get into this organization as in any. Just exactly. Now is the time to get in, while the getting is good. Comrades, I thank you.

Comrade Riley: Commander, I am quite well acquainted with Comrade Green from Jackson. I don't think there is a better citizen in Jackson or a better worker for the G. A. R. He organized a camp in Kalamazoo and they call it the J. P. Riley camp and I am very proud of these boys.

Comrades rise while delegation takes leave headed by its drum corps playing.

Comrade Kanitz and Senior Vice National Commander-in-Chief Brainerd retire, by permission of the Commander.

Officer of the Day: Commander, there is a delegation from the Ladies Auxiliary of the Sons of Union Veterans at the door and would like admittance.

Commander: Officer of the Day you will admit them.

Delegate: Department Commander and Comrades, we are a committee from the Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans and it is a very great pleasure and one of the greatest ones I ever had to be appointed on the committee to bring you greetings from our Auxiliary.

I also have a double honor in having on our committee our National Vice President, Sister Cora Swartz of Indiana and our Past National President, Emma Finch of Indiana and Illinois. They are both good speakers and I am going to allow them to talk.

Department Commander Bartlett, here is a little token of remembrance in the way of a check for twenty-five (\$25.00) dollars from the Auxiliary.

Commander: I don't think I will get tongue tied when talking about the girls. To say that we will cherish these flowers as much as possible is enough, and this check will be used in the way we ought to use any twenty-five dollars that comes from an Auxiliary to the Veterans.

Mrs. Cora Swartz, National Vice President of the Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans we are pleased to hear from you.

Mrs. Swartz: Department Commander of Michigan and Comrades, this is one of the nicest things that has come to me, to be permitted to come over here and visit your Encampment. I bring you greetings of our National President, Margaret Waters, and her more than 30,000 girls. We are all wishing you love and sunshine 365 days in the year.

“There are many flags in many lands,  
There are flags of every hue,  
But there is no flag, however grand,  
Like our own red, white and blue.”

Mrs. Emma Finch: It is a very wonderful privilege to appear before you Comrades of my father. It has been a happy occasion of many, many years to visit my own Department of Indiana but it is the first time I have ever been able to come and look into the faces of the Grand Army comrades of this wonderful state. I have been associated for many years with the G. A. R. This is one of the happiest privileges I have received as Past President and I have been an ardent worker. It is fitting and a pleasure to come to you with this committee and bring to you our greetings and this basket of flowers, and I think it is better to go this very day, give your friend flowers than it is to lay it on your casket when you are dead. We come today to bring you these flowers, this material token of our love from our Department of Michigan, I had the privilege of organizing when I was National President of the Auxiliary.

Commander: Girls. I have called you “girls,” I feel as though you were one of my daughters. I have a daughter. Did I say our heartiest thanks for this check? And I think quite as much of the bouquet as the check. You will bear to your president and your organization our sincerest feelings and thanks for this visit. Delegation withdraws.

Commander: Officer of the Day, are there any more delegations there at present?

Officer of the Day: There are none.

Commander: Then we will try and proceed to business.

Commander: Who will volunteer to go with Col. Harvey to make a visitation to the Veterans of Foreign Wars?

Comrade John Kileen, Post No. 48, Jackson, volunteers.

Comrade Fred Gill: We have the report of the committee on the report of the Assistant Adjutant and Quartermaster General.

Commander: Comrade Gill, come up here and read this.

Comrade Gill reads the report of the committee as follows:

Department Commander: Your committee to whom was referred the report of the Asst. Adjt. General for the year ending June 6, 1928, respectfully report:—We have examined the same and find it correct.

(Signed) Fred Gill  
F. D. Keeler  
G. S. Farrar

June 7, 1928

Commander: We had better take up one other thing right now. That is the invitation business for the encampment in 1929. That may as well be done now as any time.

### INVITATIONS TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC

Bay City, Michigan, May 31, 1928.

Mr. Charles A. Bartlett, Department Commander,  
Grand Army of the Republic,  
Annual Reunion 1928, Kalamazoo, Michigan.  
To the Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic,  
Spanish War Veterans of Michigan,  
Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Greetings:—

The Bay City Chamber of Commerce, representing 900 business and professional men, joins with the citizens of Bay City and Bay County in extending to you a most cordial invitation for your joint organizations to hold your next reunion in Bay City in June, 1929.

Bay City has had the privilege of entertaining your bodies on many occasions, the last time being in June, 1916, and we would consider it a pleasure to again renew acquaintances.

Bay City has long been noted for its hospitality and we can assure you that we will spare neither time nor effort in making your visit with us a most pleasant one.

Looking forward to entertaining you in 1929 and with very best wishes, I remain

Very truly yours,  
(Signed) CHAS. T. CLARK,  
President.  
Bay City, Michigan, May 31, 1928.

Col. Chas. A. Bartlett,  
In Convention.  
My Dear Col.:—

It is with extreme pleasure that I invite the G. A. R., Spanish War Veterans and Veterans of Foreign Wars to come to Bay City for their 1929 convention.

Bay City is widely known as a convention city on account of its hospitality, facilities and the many ways it possesses for entertainment and diversion.

All the keys of the city will be turned over to your organization, SAVE ONE, that of the Police Station, where you members will be barred from entering except for inspection.

Trust you will see your way clear to accept this invitation and leave it to the citizens of Bay City to do the rest, and I know if you come you will carry home fond memories of your visit to the "GLAD HAND TOWN."

Sincerely yours,  
(Signed) J. HARRY NELSON,  
Mayor.

Bay City, Michigan, May 31, 1928.

Col. Charles A. Bartlett,  
Detroit, Michigan.

Dear Col. Bartlett:—

Bay City would be very much pleased indeed to have the annual meeting of the G. A. R., Spanish War Veterans and Veterans of Foreign Wars held in this city in 1929. Bay City will extend not only one hand but two to your organization. We take very much pleasure in showing our visitors the utmost courtesy and consideration at these conventions. There are many members of your organization in our city who will be specially pleased to have you meet here, and the city will be turned over completely to your organization so that you may enjoy yourselves here 100% PLUS. This will indicate how anxious we are to have you come, and we will endeavor to give you the best time that you ever experienced as an organization.

Very sincerely yours,  
(Signed) GEO. L. LUSK,  
City Manager.

Commander: We also have an invitation from Mt. Clemens, the city where you go to get cured of your rheumatism.

Comrade Gilbert LaCroix: I am a member of Post No. 216 at Mt. Clemens and have been Commander there for five years. I will leave the official invitation for the Commander to read to you. We had this Encampment thirteen years ago and we would like to have you for 1929. I think we have the facilities for taking care of you. We have twenty-five hotels. While a great many people come there for baths, there are not many at this time of year, in June. We will give you a good time. If Bay City is first, all right, but we would like to have you. The cars are easily accessible from Detroit, from Port Huron and Pontiac. We would like to have you come to Mt. Clemens as we are fast passing away and it will not be many years before we are all gone. On Decoration Day we went to the cemetery and decorated the graves of our Comrades. Now we turn out on Decoration Day. I dedicate half of my lawn and keep it up and make the city help me. They furnish us a band and money so we get along. My Post was organized forty years ago and we had 132 members, today we have twelve and four-fifths of them can't get here. I think our invitation should be next, and we want you to come to Mt. Clemens.

Commander: I thank you, Comrade LaCroix. We'll give due consideration to the invitation among the rest.

#### INVITATION FROM MT. CLEMENS

Mount Clemens, Michigan, June 5, 1928.

Capt. Gilbert LaCroix,  
Mount Clemens, Michigan.

Dear Sir:

We understand that you are to attend the G. A. R. Encampment to be held at Kalamazoo this week and we most sincerely wish that you would extend an invitation to the G. A. R. and its affiliated organizations to seriously consider Mount Clemens as the place for their next Encampment.

We have, as you know, the facilities for taking care of conventions of this sort and our hospitality is well known.

Yours very truly,  
CITY OF MOUNT CLEMENS,  
(Signed) Wm. M. Streit, Mayor.

Commander: I understand Pontiac would like to have us and we have a telegram from Jackson.

Comrade from Dick Richardson Post, Pontiac: I supposed Bay City was really in line and didn't feel like asking you to come to Pontiac, but if you will come you will have the endorsement of the Chamber of Commerce, the City Commission and the Mayor. If you'll come to Pontiac may come in line the next year.

Commander: We will consider your invitation also. Of course, Comrades, you understand we promised Bay City they would be next in line and we voted for that and I really expected they would be next. Pontiac may come in line the next year.

Officer of the Guard, Carlton: Commander, I would like to explain a little about the invitation from Pontiac. I had a communication pass through my hands yesterday from Pontiac. I gave it to O. A. Jones. This communication was inviting the Encampment to Pontiac for next year. I just wanted you to know there was an invitation.

#### TELEGRAM INVITATION FROM JACKSON

Charles Bartlett, State Commander, G. A. R. Convention,  
Burdick Hotel, Kalamazoo, Mich.

Jackson Convention and Tourists Bureau extends to you and your party cordial invitation to make Jackson your Convention City for 1929. Offers you publicity service of Bureau, Registration service and assistance in arranging entertainment. Jackson very anxious to have your Convention next year and will do everything possible to make your Convention a success and a pleasant one.

D. J. O'CONNOR,  
Mgr. Jackson Convention and Tourists Bureau.

#### INVITATION FROM PONTIAC, with amended date

Board of Commerce,  
Pontiac, Michigan, June 6, 1928.

Commander of the G. A. R.,  
Kalamazoo, Michigan.

Dear Sir:

The City of Pontiac, through its Board of Commerce, most cordially invites you to hold your 1930 meeting in our City.

We believe that we are well equipped to entertain you and we promise you a pleasant and profitable reunion.

Very truly yours,  
PONTIAC BOARD OF COMMERCE,  
(Signed) E. L. Keyser,  
Secretary.

Commander: Is there anything else about invitations for the Encampment?

Asst. Adj. Chapin: Department Commander, I move you that we go to vote on the question of the next Encampment.

Commander: By ballot or vive voce?

Past Dept. Commander Spalding: That is what we propose to do now, to proceed to the selection of the place for our next Encampment.

Commander: How will you make your selection, by ballot or vive voce?

Past Dept. Commander Spalding: I move that we hold our next Encampment at Bay City, inasmuch as the Department practically pledged itself a year ago to that effect.

Motion supported and carried. Commander declares motion prevails.

H. A. Chapin: I have here a communication which I would like to read.

Charles A. Bartlett,  
Department Commander, Michigan Grand Army of the Republic,  
Detroit, Michigan.

Dear Comrade:

I would report the following regarding my visit to the Soldiers' Home:

I have made but one official visit to the Home, this in company with the Department Commander and Post Commander Green of Grand Rapids, but by reports from others, and visits of Comrades to Detroit, I have kept in touch with the work in the home throughout the year.

My visit was pleasant and profitable. We were received with courtesy and spent hours visiting every Department, finding everything in splendid condition, clean and sanitary. The Hospital Surgeon and Staff convinced us that they had the welfare of our Comrades at heart doing everything possible for them.

Great credit is due the management for the quality of the food served and cheerful appearance of the dining room. The regular fare was served the visitors, who found it excellent.

The Board of Management showed us every courtesy, and we believe our Comrades in the Home are cared for as well, if not better, than in any similar Home.

#### WOMAN'S ANNEX

The Matron deserves much credit for the perfect order and happiness we found at the Annex—a real home for these ladies.

In the visit to the entire Home not one complaint was heard, which indicates we may well be proud of the Michigan Soldiers' Home and its Management.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. & L.

THOMAS COURTNEY,  
Chairman.

Commander, I move the report as read be accepted.

Motion supported and carried.

Comrade Isaac Grant, Post 451, Reed City: Commander, I make a motion that the report of the committee to pass on the report of the Assistant Adjutant and Quartermaster General be accepted and adopted.

It was found that the report of committee when read was not acted upon and therefore Comrade Grant was in order.

Motion supported and carried.

Comrade Fred Gill, Post No. 38, Saginaw: Commander, your committee that was appointed to extend the greetings of the G. A. R. to the Ladies of the G. A. R. have performed their duty.

Commander: I thank you gentlemen for having performed your duty and it seems to me the Department joins in with me in that respect.

Comrade Thomas H. Nichols, Post No. 48, Jackson: The committee who volunteered to go to the Daughters of the Grand Army made that visitation and I report that the duty was performed. They were pleased to extend their greetings to you.

Commander: We thank you.

Comrade John W. Finch, Post 83: I volunteered to visit the Daughters of Veterans, but I haven't known where to go yet, nor who was to go with me.

Comrade Estabrook, Post No. 56, Allegan: I was appointed to that committee with Comrade Finch, but we have not made the visitation yet.

Commander: Comrades Estabrook and Finch you will make that visitation now.

Comrade Keeler: Commander, Comrade Gill, and myself and one other Comrade were appointed the committee to visit the Ladies of the G. A. R. Comrade Gill and myself not being able to find the other member of the committee and not being able to reach the duty last night went there this morning and performed the duty, and brought back from them the kindest wishes from the Ladies of the G. A. R. for the Michigan Encampment.

Comrade W. H. Jackson, Post No. 137, Ann Arbor: Commander, I want to show you something that was carried in the war. That is an E-flat cornet. I carried it myself. I played on the line for two hours at Cold Harbor. I carried it through Cedar Creek and the Shenandoah Valley on down through Appomattox.

Commander: We really feel honored, Comrade, to have you show this to us.

Comrade Jackson: I sounded "To Arms" the first alarm at Cedar Creek three times before the long roll.

Commander: Comrade, I want to shake your hand not only personally but for the Department. This is very interesting to me personally, and to the Department.

Comrade Rev. Riddick, Post No. 210, Albion: I suggest you make a call on that, Comrade.

Comrade Jackson stands before the Encampment and plays "America." Applause.

Commander: We thank you, Comrade.

Comrade Jackson: Commander, I wrote something years ago, a soldiers' song, that I sung down to the National Encampment and they thought it was very fine.

Comrade Jackson sings his own composition.

Commander: Comrade, just one moment. How old are you?

Comrade Jackson: 88 years.

Commander: We thank you very much. It is certainly pleasing to the Comrades.

J. W. Walker, Post No. 32, Battle Creek: Commander, I would like



to offer a Resolution in reference to the Charters of our Posts. If they are turned over to Headquarters when the Post is disbanded we have no assurance they will be preserved, and I would like to ask at the National Encampment for the privilege of the Posts leaving their Charters with the W. R. C. as a memorial. You understand, I mean in place of turning our Charters to Headquarters each Post have the privilege of handing over its Charter, when it had to disband, to the W. R. C. for future preservation.

Commander: Will you allow me the privilege of asking if you understand what is done with the Charters at Lansing? They are sent in there and filed in cases. There is a whole file of cases and they will stay in the State of Michigan as long as the state exists.

J. W. Walker: That being the case, I withdraw my Resolution.

Commander: No better proposition for caring for these Charters exists. Like our flags they are preserved at the State Capitol. Say what you wish, Michigan is on the job in that respect.

Past Dept. Comr. Spaulding: Dept. Commander, you remember Comrades, you must all remember the action of the National Encampment some three or four years ago. It was while I was Asst. Adjt. General. Until then it was expected that every Post upon surrender of their Charter should send it to the Department Headquarters, and the Resolution was passed at that time giving the privilege of every Post to retain their Charter, not to send it in, and they could take care of it as they saw fit. You must all remember that action.

Commander: I will say that I do not recollect any such thing.

Comrade Spaulding: I was questioned by several different Posts before I retired from the Assistant Adjutant General's office and I gave them permission to do as they saw fit. There was one Post disbanded some years ago at Holly, and when I was Department Commander I was down there and visited the Corps and the question came up there as to whether they couldn't keep the Charter of their Post. The Secretary of the Post was a daughter of the first Commander of that Post. She said they wanted to pay the Per Capita Tax on eight members which they did. And I told them, "while I have no legal authority, I give you that permission." At once an order was made for payment of one dollar for that Per Capita Tax. That Corps has kept up Per Capita Tax on four members ever since.

Several Posts in the State are in the same condition. They have turned their Charters over to somebody to look after and care for, either a member of the Post or the Relief Corps. They are perfectly safe with the Relief Corps. As has been said, you take it at our Headquarters in Lansing, there are Charters in there some way back. We have had about 470 issued in the State of Michigan, but I think there is somewhere about 80 there now.

Comrade Ed. Stein, Watson Post, Grand Rapids: What our Commander and Assistant Adjutant has said referred, as I understood it, to such Posts as turned in their Charters while there were still some members alive. This case of Holly. There were eight members still living and they turned it into the W. R. C. and they were paying Per Capita Tax, are still paying Per Capita Tax on four members. That may be all right, and I think it is all right, to turn this Charter over to their

Relief Corps or some other organization; but when the members are all gone the Charter should go to the Archives in Lansing to the place provided for them. If such is the case turn the Charter to another organization as long as one member lives, but when all pass out then the Charter should go to the Archives.

Past Dept. Commander Spaulding: In that case the Charter would remain with the Archives of their organization, and then wherever they are sent are made to dispose of them. We have Posts in this state, I am sorry to say, that surrendered their Charters when they still had many members. One Post, I know of, surrendered their Charter with twenty-nine members in good standing; another with nineteen members. It is a shame! You take it at Sault Ste. Marie. The Comrade was speaking of it yesterday, the Comrade from the Upper Peninsula that was here yesterday. They don't make a report. They are not able to make a report, but they send in their Per Capita Tax and the last letter I got from Comrade Trout of Sault Ste. Marie, he wrote me "we have to report four members" (three members constitute a quorum), "we have to report four members, here is a dollar Per Capita Tax on those four. We have got them. I am one of them, our Chaplain is another, where in Hell the other is, I don't know, but here is your dollar."

Commander: I rather dislike conversation about something I hadn't thought about. I thought it was the regular thing to send the Charters to Lansing. I think so still, as far as my observation goes.

Comrade W. H. Jackson, Post No. 137, Ann Arbor: I have had a little to do with the history of the association of this state of Michigan. I think all the records of each Post should go to the State of Michigan and be filed away as information of the history of the G. A. R. and of the State of Michigan. The Charters should be taken there as they are part of the history of the G. A. R. I have seen so much of this casting away things that have been used and many books may not get back to G. A. R. headquarters. I would like to impress on the members that they should be preserved as a part of the history of the State of Michigan.

Comrade Kileen: Commander, we greeted the Ladies of Union Veterans of the Civil War and they sent their greetings to you.

Commander: I thank you.

Comrade J. W. Walker, Post No. 32, Battle Creek: The reason that I brought this question up, I suppose I am responsible for this time lost in discussion, we own our own building in Battle Creek, Michigan, and we want to dedicate it to the city and if we dedicate it to the city we wanted to have our Charter still hung on the wall.

H. A. Chapin: Department Commander, as far as my personal experience goes in regard to those Charters all are sent to Lansing except as those who wish to give them to libraries, to Relief Corps, which I understood is a perfectly proper disposition to make of those Charters, and I have always seen that the matter has been attended to. I think I am right about that, that they should be either sent back to Lansing or else disposed of to some responsible organization.

Commander: Comrade Walker, you can have your Charter hung on your wall.

Commander: I want to say to the Comrades that I have misplaced my own report together with the report of what my daughter said here

yesterday. They are here somewhere but I can't find them. You will understand when I tell you. When Colonel Janes was stricken last night with a paralytic stroke, he had possession of my report. I went to his room and I went to his bedside and took his hand and then he said to me, "your report is in my coat. Go there and get it." I think it was wonderful that that man should carry that in his memory under the conditions. I went and got the report. I know I got it. Now where it is gone to I don't know right now.

Comrade J. R. Riley, Orcutt Post No. 79, Kalamazoo: I have a report.

Commander: We will receive the report of the Junior Vice Department Commander.

Comrade Riley: Department Commander and Comrades, I wish to make a verbal report, not a written one. In the first place Comrade Carlton and myself were appointed a committee to visit the Board and the Governor at Lansing to make application for a fund for the expense of this Encampment in Kalamazoo. The appropriation was three thousand dollars (\$3,000.00). Afterwards a committee was appointed from the Chamber of Commerce and the other societies to go to Lansing and see if they could get \$1,500.00 more. The Board met with Governor Green and the additional appropriation of \$1,500.00 was made. That is the expense that Kalamazoo has for this Encampment.

My capacity in Orcutt Post is Quartermaster. I have been Q. M. for the last five years. I have also filled the Chaplain's chair and the Adjutant's chair. I feel that my work in Orcutt Post is such that it is a correct statement that I am missed when I am gone.

I want to say that the Daughters of the W. R. C. visit our Post every time we meet and when our work is done we find a nice program fixed up for us and it keeps up an interest in the Post. I want to say that the Relief Corps and the Daughters of Kalamazoo are the back-bone of Orcutt Post No. 79. The Daughters and the Relief Corps are doing a wonderful business in Kalamazoo for the G. A. R. and I want to thank the Relief Corps and the members of that Department and the Daughters also for the nice compliments that they have given the G. A. R.

Commander: We thank you, Junior Vice Department Commander Riley.

Comrade Spaulding: I move that the report of the Junior Vice Department Commander be accepted and adopted without reference.

Motion supported and carried.

Commander: The motion prevails.

Commander: Here is a thing I want to mention, the case of W. F. Walker, the present Senior Vice Department Commander of Benton Harbor. I have been in communication with his daughter. Comrade Walker is out of the running. He is alive but he is a shut-in. His daughter writes that he would never be able to visit any G. A. R. Encampment, speaking particularly of this meeting at Kalamazoo. I wrote inquiring about that. Now I would like somebody from the floor to make a motion that the Assistant Adjutant General be instructed to send a telegram of greetings to kind of cheer him along the way and let him know we think of him.

Comrade Stein, Grand Rapids: I move that the Assistant Adjutant and Quartermaster General send a message of condolence to this Com-

rade from this convention.

Motion supported and carried.

N. R. Wood, Post No. 14, Benton Harbor: It was my privilege just before leaving Benton Harbor to go to Comrade Walker, 844 Pearl St., and sit down and talk over with him the probabilities of his trying to come to this Encampment. His daughter is taking exceptionally good care of him. She said, "Daddy, you cannot go." Now our Post meets on Pearl Street but a few doors from Comrade Walker's home, the place is rented to us through the Veterans of Foreign Wars. Comrade Walker went to our post meeting I think two weeks ago, but for a number of years he has been an invalid and I have been visiting him, because he is the only man I know of that served with me in the 196th O. V. I., and so we meet together not only as comrades but as men, two comrades that served together. It will be my privilege as I go back to go to his home. He will expect me, and I will tell him about this meeting. As I was sitting here I was thinking what I would do.

I became a member of the G. A. R. soon after the close of the Civil War at a little town of Yonkers, New York, just outside the corporation. It has not been my privilege to visit there.

I am very glad to carry a message back to Comrade Walker and we will sit and talk this matter over and he will be so glad for me to tell that you made the motion and what you have done for him. God bless you.

Commander: I received a letter since I have been here from his daughter. Now it seems in a letter I wrote him I asked if he could send a picture for the purpose of being printed in this program. It seems that his daughter sent a picture. I want to have this clear me and the Department of any neglect. The picture was received I think by Mr. Webber, the Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce here in Kalamazoo, who is in charge of the programs and the rest of the business for the Encampment for the City of Kalamazoo. It is not lost probably, but is in the hands of the men who got up the programs, but it wasn't printed. Now this letter that I received since I arrived in Kalamazoo says that her father was very much grieved because his face didn't appear. It was not the fault of the Department and not my fault as Department Commander.

J. L. Hinman, Post No. 384, Detroit: I would like to state for the benefit of the Comrades that I have just returned from the hospital, New Borgess Hospital, where I saw Col. Janes who was stricken last night. He is holding his own there. One side is entirely paralyzed, he cannot move his arm or limb but he is in no pain whatever. The Doctor says it will be at least three or four days before it will be advisable to move him to his home. His daughter and sons were with him there at the hospital. I don't think it would be advisable to go up to see him for they would not let the Comrades in.

Commander: Comrade Hinman, I am very glad to have you give this report. I knew his sons and daughter were here. I saw them personally about seven o'clock this morning and I knew they had come. They reached here about three A. M.

Ed. H. Stein, Post No. 395, Grand Rapids: I would like to make the motion that the Assistant Adjutant General be instructed to send a

message of condolence to the family of Comrade Janes, and our sympathy to Col. Janes himself.

Motion supported.

Commander: The Adjutant will use his judgment in sending these messages.

Comrade Spaulding: Department Commander, it seems to me that inasmuch as the Comrade of his Post is here, Comrade Hinman, I think the message of sympathy could be sent through Comrade Hinman. Comrade Hinman could take the message to his family just as well and it would be delivered to his family and would be received in kinder, brighter shape than it could to come by telegram. Commander, my suggestion is that a letter be written as coming from this department and entrusted to Comrade Hinman and he will take it to him.

James Sutton, Post No. 48, Jackson: Department Commander, I would like to have congratulations sent to Past Senior Vice Department Commander Crocker of Jackson. He is very sick, if he is still alive it may do him a little good to get congratulations from this meeting and in conjunction with Comrade Janes I recommend that a telegram be sent to Comrade Crocker.

Commander: Comrades, you have heard the motion.

Motion supported and carried.

Commander: Motion prevails.

Asst. Adj. Chapin: Commander, I move that the rules be suspended and we move to the election of officers.

Commander: It can't be done on account of that report of mine. I will refer you to Past Department Commander, Spaulding.

Comrade Spaulding: Department Commander and Comrades, our laws and rules provide for the election of officers at our Encampment after the work of the Encampment is over. Now there is no one that would like to see the election of officers this afternoon more than I, but you have got to complete the business before you can do it; and as the Department Commander says you can't get through with it until that report of his is in and acted upon. There has got to be a record of that. It seems to me you couldn't pass a Resolution of that kind without the unanimous consent of the Encampment and I don't think the Commander would allow it until the work of the Encampment was through. I would like to see a special order for the election of officers of this Encampment tomorrow morning at nine o'clock sharp. That would give us time, it won't take over half an hour to complete the business and then we can proceed immediately to the election of officers and the Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, Comrade Brainerd, can install the officers if he is so requested by the Commander elect.

Wm. Barrett, Post No. 278: Can we not suspend the rules by a two-thirds vote at any time?

Comrade Spaulding: The rules can be suspended by a two-thirds vote except on the election of officers.

Adjutant Chapin: I move that we take a recess until nine o'clock tomorrow morning. Motion supported. Carried.

Commander: Motion prevails and we will take a recess until tomorrow morning at nine o'clock sharp.

## FRIDAY MORNING

June 8, 1928

9:00 A. M.

Commander: I dislike to open this last day of the Encampment without some religious service. The Comrade Rev. Isaac Riddick not being present we will rise and repeat the "Lord's Prayer" together.

Prayer led by Department Commander Bartlett.

Comrade: This reminds me of a little story. Two gentlemen were talking and one said to the other. "I bet you five dollars that you can't repeat the 'Lord's Prayer'." The other replied that he would take the bet.

First Man: "All right, then, let's hear it."

Second: "Now I lay me down to sleep  
I pray the Lord my soul to keep,  
If I should die before I wake  
I pray the Lord my soul to take."

First Man: Well, you win, here's your five dollars, I didn't think you knew it.

Commander: I now declare this last day of the Encampment duly open and ready to do business as rapidly as possible.

Commander: I'd like to ask Comrade Hinman if he knows anything further about Comrade Janes.

Comrade Hinman: Nothing further than we knew yesterday.

Commander: Comrades, I can't find my report that was lost in the confusion incident to Comrade Janes' being stricken. I do not think the committee can criticize upon anything that was said therein about any of the organizations and the essence of the report was contained in three recommendations that I made. This report was lost perhaps due to my own negligence under the circumstances which occurred. Col. Janes told me to go to his coat and get the report and I did. In the excitement I might have dropped them. To obviate any confusion and to let business go on I have written again the essence of the report into the recommendations which I will read.

I have made on each sheet a recommendation. I made three recommendations, to the best of my recollection. I might have made another but if I did it don't go now.

I first recommend:

I most earnestly recommend that the present Per Capita Tax of fifty cents (50c) be reduced to ten cents (10c) per member.

CHARLES A. BARTLETT, (Signed)  
Dept. Commander.

Second:

I recommend that the Legislative Committee that has now but one member be increased to three and appointed by the Department Commander.

CHARLES A. BARTLETT, (Signed)  
Dept. Commander.

**Third:**

I recommend that the Department Commander and Assistant Adjutant General be empowered to make such improvements to the Department Commander portraits as they deem advisable to put them in proper shape. Reasonable expense to be paid by the Department.

CHARLES A. BARTLETT, (Signed)  
Dept. Commander.

Asst. Adj. Chapin: Commander, appoint a committee to pass on these things.

Comrade Estabrook: Comrade Finch and I visited the Daughters of Veterans and extended the greetings of this department which were received with thanks and they presented us each with a fine flower from the Daughters of Veterans.

Comrade John W. Finch, Post No. 83: Commander, we were received in such a kindly way you can just consider me as a volunteer for future service.

Commander: I will appoint the committee to examine these recommendations. I appoint Comrade Gill, Post No. 38, Saginaw; Comrade Isaac Grant, Post No. 451, Reed City; Comrade Isaac Riddick, Post No. 210, Albion.

It appears that Comrade Riddick is not present, so I will appoint Comrade John L. Hinman, Post No. 384, Detroit, as the third member of this committee.

We can now proceed to the election of the Council of Administration.

Asst. Adj. Chapin: Commander, the delegates to the convention will have to be first.

I move that we proceed to the election of delegates to the National Convention. Comrades, we are entitled to thirteen delegates, that includes all the districts, twelve delegates and one at-large. I would recommend that the first election be the Delegate at Large and the Alternate at Large and their district be taken out from the thirteen districts, leaving twelve, one to each district.

Motion supported and carried.

Commander: The motion prevails.

Commander: Nominations are in order for the first delegate, the Delegate at Large.

Comrade Albert Dunham, Post No. 48, Jackson: I nominate John Killeen, Jackson.

Nomination is supported.

Comrade J. P. Riley, Post No. 79, Kalamazoo: I nominate Comrade S. H. Carlton.

Commander: That will force a ballot, Comrade Riley.

Comrade Riley: Very well, I will withdraw my nomination.

Comrade Dunham: I move the rules be suspended and the Assistant Adjutant be instructed to cast the ballot of the Convention for Comrade John Killeen, as Delegate at Large to the National Encampment at Denver.

Motion carried.

Asst. Adj. Chapin: Commander, according to instructions I submit the name of John Killeen, Post No. 48, Jackson, Michigan, as Delegate at Large, and there being no other candidate he is so elected.

Commander: I declare him elected.

Asst. Adj. Chapin: The Alternate at Large is next in order.

Comrade Keeler, Post No. 38, Saginaw: I move that the Comrade named by Comrade Riley, Comrade Carlton, be declared elected Alternate at Large to the National Convention at Denver, and include that the rules be suspended and the Assistant Adjutant be empowered to cast the vote of the Convention for that candidate.

Motion supported and carried.

Commander: The motion prevails.

Asst. Adj. Chapin: According to instructions I cast the ballot of this Encampment for Comrade Carlton as Alternate at Large.

Commander: I declare Comrade Carlton of Orcutt Post No. 79, Kalamazoo, Michigan, elected as Alternate at Large.

Adj. Chapin: I will read the district's numbers. We will leave out District No. 2, as that is filled by the Delegate and Alternate at Large.

Comrade: I move you appoint a committee and fill out the slips as soon as possible to save time.

Commander: It is better just to name the men.

The following is a list of the Delegates and Alternates and their District numbers named by the convention:

District No. 1.

Delegate: Thomas Courtney, 4106 Commonwealth Ave., Detroit, Michigan.

Alternate: Milton Slater, 5634 Fifteenth St., Detroit, Michigan.

District No. 3.

Delegate: Wm. H. Snyder, 603 Elmwood Court, Kalamazoo, Michigan.

Alternate: George Noble, Eaton Rapids, Michigan.

District No. 4.

Delegate: Wm. H. Dunn, Saugatuck, Michigan.

Alternate: John Monk, Bangor, Michigan.

District No. 5.

Delegate: Edgar A. Green, 1020 Turner St., Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Alternate: John Reiser, R. R. No. 11, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

District No. 6.

Delegate: Theodore Burton, 310 N. Saginaw St., Holly, Michigan.

Alternate: John F. Beaumont, Milford, Michigan.

District No. 7.

Delegate: George Howe, Port Huron, Michigan.

Alternate: R. F. Workmaster, Port Huron, Michigan.

District No. 8.

Delegate: George Wilcox, 319 N. Pine St., St. Louis, Michigan.

Alternate: Martin Kelsey, Lake View, Michigan.

District No. 9.

Delegate: Howard Bond, Union National Bank, Muskegon, Michigan.

Alternate: Ezra Tyler, Sanford St., Muskegon, Michigan.



District No. 10.

Delegate: Isaac Grant, 321 N. Higby St., Reed City, Michigan.

Alternate: John Royce, Grant Post No. 67, Bay City, Michigan.

District No. 11.

Delegate: James Sutton, Michigan Soldiers Home, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Alternate: Fred Scofield, Post No. 48, Jackson, Michigan.

District No. 12.

Delegate: Charles A. Randall, 105 Church St., Reed City, Michigan.

Alternate: J. W. Wycoff, Houghton, Michigan, Court House.

District No. 13.

Delegate: David Plumadore, Grand Army Hall, Detroit, Michigan.

Alternate: Peter P. Miller, 3800 Sixth St., Detroit, Michigan.

Asst. Adjt. Chapin: I will now read the list, and you correct any error in address.

I move you that the names as read be elected delegates and alternates for the National Encampment at Denver.

Motion supported and carried.

Commander: The motion prevails.

Comrade Gill: Department Commander, the committee is ready to report on your recommendations.

Commander: Before we have the report of the committee, I want to say for the benefit of those who came in late: I want you to all understand that during the trouble incident to Col. Janes being stricken the report of mine was lost. In order to expedite business I have got to make a new report. I have the original report in my own possession somewhere. As I understand and believe there was no opportunity for any committee to criticize what I said about any organization, the principle feature of the report would be to pass upon the recommendations I had made.

I want to put it to a vote. I have made three recommendations to this Encampment and in order to legalize this thing I want you to approve the method that I have taken.

Comrade: I move that we take that action.

Motion is supported.

Commander: It is moved and supported that what I have stated to you be accepted. Junior Vice Department Commander Riley take the chair for this question.

Junior Vice Dept. Comr. Riley: Are you ready for the question?

Comrades: Question.

Jr. Vice Dept. Comdr. Riley: The motion prevails.

Comrade Gill: I want to explain this part to you. I don't see for the life of me how in the world that you raised the Per Capita Tax from twenty-five cents to fifty cents. I don't know how it was done. It was something that should not have been done. This Per Capita Tax is a hardship on every Post. It is not only a hardship on the Posts but it is a hardship on the W. R. C. There are a great many Relief Corps that pay the Per Capita Tax for the Posts. For instance, as an example, my Post. We had at one time three Posts, now we have nineteen members. We get nineteen (\$19.00) dollars a year income. We pay into the Per

Capita Tax ten (\$10.00) dollars, one-half of that. We have suppers and ice cream socials to raise money and we are broke. If we had any rent to pay we couldn't exist.

We, the committee, most heartily approve this recommendation of ten cents Per Capita Tax. As we need money I guarantee we can go to the Legislative committee and get an appropriation to carry on the work of the G. A. R. through its assistance without any Per Capita Tax.

The following is the report of the committee on the first recommendation of the Department Commander:

We most heartily endorse this recommendation.

(Signed) F. GILL  
 " ISAAC GRANT  
 " J. L. HINMAN

Commander: You have heard the report of the committee on the first recommendation that the Per Capita Tax be reduced from fifty cents to ten cents.

Comrade: It has got to be done by resolution tendered and passed.

Comrade: We are accepting the recommendations of the committee at this time. I move the report as read be accepted.

Commander: We should attend to the report of this committee and approve of its action.

Comrade Keeler: Such legislation as is proper to come in connection with that recommendation should be done by form of Resolution. I would like to recall the action at Benton Harbor last year. It was in bad order. It wasn't plain, it didn't explain when that Resolution took effect. It said January 1st. January 1st when? Then the first of July, that was changed and put January 1st. Post after Post don't know whether it meant January 1st, 1926 or January 1st, 1927. Now that legislation was defective. It was obscure and it would be proper if we didn't change the figures at all for this Convention to change it and put it in shape so that the Post Commanders and Post Adjutants and G. A. R. could understand it.

Commander: You have heard the report of the committee on the first recommendation. What will you do with this report?

Motion is made and supported that the report of the committee on recommendation No. 1 be accepted.

Question is put and carried.

Commander: Motion prevails that this recommendation be approved as reported by the committee.

RESOLUTION OFFERED BY Comrade Frank D. Keeler,  
 Post No. 38, Saginaw

Resolved: That the action taken at the Department encampment held at Benton Harbor June 8, 9, 10, 1927, as recorded on page 59 of the Journal for 1927, increasing the per capita tax from 25 cents to 50 cents be and the same is hereby rescinded and made void.

And Resolved: That from and after January 1st, 1929, the per capita tax due the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic on each member in good standing on Dec. 31st, 1928, be fixed at ten cents per annum.

It is moved and supported that the resolution made by Comrade Keeler be accepted. Question carries.

Commander: The motion prevails and the resolution is carried.

Comrade Gill: This is the report on the second recommendation of the Commander relative to increasing the Legislative Committee from one to three members.

Report: We recommend that the above be adopted:

(Signed) F. Gill

(Signed) Isaac Grant

(Signed) J. L. Hinman.

Commander: Comrades, in connection with this legislation I want to say a little. Col. Janes is the one man on this committee. The recommendation is to increase the number from one to three. Col. Janes is still on this committee, and understand I don't want to take any action in removing him, but there should be more members to the committee. In case it would be necessary to go to the Legislature of the State of Michigan I want the committee in shape to go. I have thirty-two letters from the different departments in the country of the G. A. R. They may be useful to show what other States are doing for their Departments.

It is moved and supported that the recommendation of the committee be accepted and the question carries.

Commander: The motion prevails.

Comrade Gill: This is the report on the third recommendation of the Commander relative to the putting the portraits of the Department Commanders in proper shape.

Report: We refer this recommendation, this communication to the committee of legislation to secure a proper room in the Capitol for this purpose.

(Signed) F. Gill

(Signed) J. L. Hinman

(Signed) Isaac Grant.

Commander: Comrades there is no question your committee on Legislation can go before the Legislature when in session and they will no doubt set aside a room for that purpose in the future and for years to come for the next generation to take care of this. There is no question but the Committee on Legislation will be able to accomplish that. There is no state in the union that I know of that does so much and is so liberal as the State of Michigan to the Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Comrade: I move the adoption of the report.

Motion supported and carried.

Commander: The motion prevails.

Comrade Gill: We have something very important and one each one will approve of. It is a thing that your committee has partly overlooked until my attention was called to it just now. It has been the custom heretofore to present our Department Commander in going out of office with a badge, and your committee will recommend that there be an appropriation of fifty (\$50.00) dollars for that purpose, for the committee to purchase a badge to be presented to the Department Commander for this year. I make that as a motion.

The motion is supported.

Asst. Adjt. Chapin: I would say that should be changed and the Assistant Adjutant General be instructed to purchase the badge.

Comrade Gill: I accept the amendment.

Motion and amendment are voted and carried.

Commander: The motion prevails.

Asst. Adjt. Chapin: I move that we proceed to the election of officers for the ensuing year.

Motion supported.

Commander: Comrades you know about the Campfire last night. I received there from the hand of Mrs. Lizetta Cody, President of the Department of Michigan Woman's Relief Corps, a check to the amount of \$1,762.04. I received also a check for \$10.00 from the club organization of Past Presidents of the Daughters of Civil War Veterans. We received yesterday as you a check for \$25.00 from the Auxiliary of the Sons of Veterans. It is all in the safe right here in the Burdick Hotel. And I understand we are yet to receive another one from another organization. I suggest that someone make a motion that this body send a vote of thanks to these different organizations.

Comrade: May I make that motion?

Motion supported and carried.

Commander: The motion prevails that we send suitable resolutions of vote of thanks to the different organizations.

Comrade Gill: I would make an amendment that the Assistant Adjutant General extend the thanks of this Post and that it be a rising vote.

The Amendment is accepted and carried. A rising vote is taken.

Commander: The motion is unanimous.

Comrade Grant: I make a motion that the Assistant Adjutant General use the brain as good as he can to give our appreciation to these organizations and that the motion include the ladies of Kalamazoo.

Motion supported.

Commander: They have given us just as good as any in the State of Michigan, I suggest that this be a rising vote that the thanks of this Encampment from every man from the top down be extended to the ladies of Kalamazoo.

Motion prevails. Rising vote is given.

Comrade Richardson, Post No. 42, Lansing: Comrade Chapin has just made a motion we proceed to the election of officers. I move we proceed to the election of the Council of Administration first.

Asst. Adjt. Chapin: That is right.

Comrade Richardson: I move we elect a Council of Administration, an elective board of five members.

Motion supported and carried.

Commander: Motion prevails.

The following names were suggested for members of the Council of Administration:

J. R. Dunlap, R. R. No. 3, Lansing, Michigan.

Albert Dunham, Capitol Building, Lansing, Michigan.

S. H. Carlton, 1120 March St., Kalamazoo, Michigan.

Wm. Barrett, 300 N. Warner St., Bay City, Michigan.

Fred Gill, 303 Burt St., Saginaw, Michigan.

The Adjutant then reads the list.

Comrade Richardson: I move the nomination be closed. I move the rules be suspended and the Assistant Adjutant General cast the unanimous vote of this Convention for these men.

Motion supported and carried.

Commander: The motion prevails.

Asst. Adjt. Chapin: According to instructions I cast the ballot for the names read for the Council of Administration for the ensuing year.

Commander: I declare these names as read elected to the Council of Administration of this Department.

Asst. Adjt. Chapin: I move that we proceed to the election of Department Commander for the ensuing year. Motion supported and carried.

Commander: Nominations are in order for Department Commander.

Asst. Adjt. Chapin: I move that three tellers be appointed.

Motion supported and carried.

Commander: I appoint as tellers Comrade Keeler, Comrade Fred Gill and Comrade Ed. Stein.

Past Dept. Commander Spaulding: Department Commander and Comrades, I wish to place in nomination a Comrade from the sixth district. This comrade entered the service at the age of seventeen years and served with his regiment until the close of the war which was about eighteen months. You all know him well, he is a pioneer of Michigan coming from Indiana here in 1868. His service was in the 48th Indiana. It is not necessary to make any elaborate remarks. I just present the name of M. D. Richardson for Department Commander of the State of Michigan for the ensuing year.

Comrade Gill: Commander and Comrades, we have a Comrade that we wish to put up for your Department Commander for the the coming year. A Comrade that is well known by the majority of you. A Comrade who is well qualified to fill the position. He has been tried by your Department heretofore as Junior Vice Commander, and, that year unfortunately your Department Commander was taken ill, he practically had to take his place almost through the whole Convention. This Comrade is very attentive to all your meetings and you will make no mistake, I assure you, if you elect him as your Department Commander for the coming year. He is well qualified for that position, as I said before, he will do it with honor to the Encampment and credit to himself.

I, therefore, present you the name of A. C. Estabrook, Post No. 56, Allegan, and I hope you will give this matter your due consideration for the interest of this Encampment.

Commander: You have heard the two nominations of Comrade Richardson and Estabrook.

Comrade: I support the nomination of A. C. Estabrook.

Comrade Harvey, Post No. 79, Kalamazoo: I have known Mr. Estabrook for a third of a century and I know nothing of him but his fineness, reliability and in every way he is approved by the best citizenship of all western Michigan that know anything of him. In the matter of schools and financial matters and of civic matters he has been foremost; and a praiseful member of the G. A. R. and he was Junior Vice Commander when I was Chaplain and he was faithful to you here and you

can depend on what I say to be true. You can well afford to vote for Mr. Estabrook. You have got to have a leader for this G. A. R. if you want it to continue. We want leadership.

Comrade Ed. Stein: I want to heartily endorse and approve this nomination of Comrade Estabrook. You are not making any mistake in selecting him. I would like to say he and I served in the same regiment. He is strong among the G. A. R. men and I would vote for him before St. Peter.

It is moved and supported that the nominations be closed. Carried.

Commander: The motion prevails.

Commander: Prepare your ballots.

The Tellers collect the votes.

Asst. Adjt. Chapin: I move you that while the tellers count the ballots we proceed with the election of a Senior Vice Department Commander.

Comrade Spaulding: I support that motion. Carried.

Commander: The motion prevails.

Nominations for Senior Vice Department Commander are in order.

It is customary wherever we go to make a selection for Senior Vice Department Commander from the place entertaining us at the Encampment. I would like to ask the members of Post No. 79 if they have a name to offer.

Comrade Snyder, Post No. 79: I nominate J. P. Riley.

Nomination supported and carried.

Commander: The motion prevails and the Adjutant will cast the ballot of the convention for J. P. Riley.

Asst. Adjt. Chapin: Department Commander, according to instructions I cast the ballot for this entire convention for J. P. Riley for Senior Vice Department Commander for the ensuing year.

Commander: You have elected your Junior Vice Department Commander to the position of Senior Vice Department Commander. He is promoted under this vote to be Senior Vice Department Commander. I declare him elected.

Officer of the Day: Department Commander, the Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, Comrade Brainerd, with Past Commander Kanitz taking care of him is at the door and wishes admittance.

Commander: Officer of the Day, bring him in.

Past Dept. Commander Kanitz: Department Commander, I present the Senior Vice Department Commander-in-Chief, Comrade Brainerd, representing the Commander-in-Chief.

Commander Bartlett: We are certainly pleased to greet Senior Vice Department Commander-in-Chief Brainerd and we are certainly glad to have you with us as I said before. You will please come to the platform.

Senior Vice Department Comdr. Brainerd: Department Commander, I will introduce my especial friend Louis Kanitz of Muskegon, Past Department Commander of Michigan.

Commander: I greet you, Louis Kanitz.

Comrade Keeler: Department Commander, the tellers are ready to report.

Commander: We will listen to the report of the tellers on the votes cast for Department Commander for the ensuing year.

Comrade Keeler: There were 79 votes cast, of which Comrade A. C. Estabrook received 57; Comrade M. D. Richardson received 22. Total 79. We have counted the ballots twice until we all agree.

Comrade Richardson: I move the election of Comrade Estabrook be made unanimous.

Motion supported and carried.

Commander: The motion prevails and I declare A. C. Estabrook elected Department Commander for the year 1928-29.

Commander: We will now receive nominations for Junior Vice Department Commander. Nominations are in order. I think it would be proper to elect someone from Bay City from the city of our coming Encampment.

Comrade: I nominate Wm. Barrett, Bay City.

Comrade: I move the nominations be closed.

Past Dept. Commander Spaulding: I move that the rules be suspended and Asst. Adjt. General cast the vote of the entire convention for Comrade Barrett.

Commander: You heard the motion.

Motion supported and carried.

Commander: The motion prevails.

Asst. Adjt. Chapin: Department Commander, according to instructions I cast the entire vote of this department for Comrade Wm. Barrett as Junior Vice Department Commander for the ensuing year.

Commander: I declare Comrade, I'll call him Captain for I know all the residents where he lives call him Captain, Captain Barrett elected Junior Vice Department Commander.

Asst. Adjt. Chapin: The next is Chaplain.

Commander: Nominations are in order for Chaplain.

Past Dept. Commander Spaulding: We elected Comrade Gardner of the Soldiers' Home Chaplain and he has served three or four years. One thing that made me late this morning I wanted to work in the interest of Comrade Isaac H. Riddick for Chaplain of our Soldiers' Home Board. Right here I want to tell the resolution was presented and accepted and Rev. Riddick was made Chaplain of the Soldiers' Home at Grand Rapids. Now I wish to present the name of Comrade Isaac Riddick of Albion as the Chaplain of this Department.

Comrade Gill: I move that the rules be suspended and the Asst. Adjt. General be empowered to cast the vote of the entire convention for Comrade Isaac H. Riddick for Chaplain.

Motion is supported and carried.

Commander: The motion prevails.

Asst. Adjt. Chapin: Department Commander, according to instructions I cast the vote for this entire department for Comrade Isaac H. Riddick of Albion for Chaplain of this Department for the ensuing year.

Commander: I declare the Comrade, the Rev. Isaac H. Riddick of Albion, elected.

Comrade Riddick: Comrades, I just want to say this is a hard bunch to pray for but I'll do the best I can.

Asst. Adjt. Chapin: The next is Medical Director.

Commander: Nominations are in order for Medical Director. It is supposed usually that the Medical Director should be a doctor, but I

don't know if we have got one left or not. Dr. James Stephenson died while in office and we have had no surgeon or doctor since.

Has anyone a suggestion? Perhaps it will be necessary to select someone to fill this office who is not a medical man.

Asst. Adj. Chapin: I will nominate Ed. F. Stein of Grand Rapids as our Dept. Medical Director.

Commander: You have heard the nomination. Are there any further nominations?

None.

Commander: There being no further nominations we will declare the nomination closed and proceed to vote.

Comrade Gill: I move the rules be suspended and the Asst. Adj. General be instructed to cast the vote of the entire convention for this candidate.

Motion supported and carried.

Commander: The motion prevails.

Asst. Adj. Chapin: Department Commander, according to instructions I cast the vote of the entire convention for Ed. H. Stein for Medical Director for the ensuing year.

Commander: I declare Comrade Ed. H. Stein, Post No. 395, Grand Rapids, elected and I know he will make a good surgeon whether he knows anything about it or not for he has always got a big knife.

Comrade Stein: I thank you for this promotion you have given me. I was a butcher once. What ever ails you Comrades, I assure you, from a sore toe nail to a broken wooden leg, I'll do my best to help you out.

Commander: I know, Comrades, that you will be more than pleased to have the Senior Vice Department Commander-in-Chief who is representing the Commander-in-Chief, Comrade Brainerd, install the officers.

I will appoint Comrade LaCroix as officer of the day for the installation services.

Officer of the Day, Carlton: Department Commander, there is a delegation of Past Presidents of the Woman's Relief Corps at the door and would like admittance.

Commander: You will admit them.

Commander: Comrades, I take pleasure in introducing these Past Presidents of the W. R. C. I know all of them. They are all Past Department Presidents except the present President. I think the Comrades should rise to them and I'll ask Senior Vice Dept. Commander-in-Chief Brainerd to greet them.

Comrade Brainerd: You make the speech. I have got you where I want you once.

Mrs. Lizetta Coady, President of W. R. C., Dept. of Mich.: This being an unusual year, this being the Golden Anniversary of the Grand Army of the Republic, I have deviated from our regular manner. As a rule we have sent a delegation of three Past Department Presidents to visit your convention, but today I have invited all of the Past Department Presidents. They are all Past Department Presidents except myself and in a few hours I will join the ranks of the "has-beens."

I am sorry our visit is so late, but we have had so much business and





**LIZETTA COADY**  
 Department President Woman's Relief  
 Corps, 1927-1928



**LEAH M. SIMPSON**  
 Department Secretary Woman's Relief  
 Corps, 1927-1928

so many visitors and I felt it was my duty in the Convention to receive all the visitors of the allied delegations, that we just couldn't get to it yesterday.

I introduce to you these ladies. I needn't mention their official places, you all know them. I ask you to salute the ladies of the Relief Corps.

Comrades salute.

Mrs. Coady: May I read a report of the work accomplished during the year?

**REPORT OF THE WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS**

Charles A. Bartlett, Department Commander and Comrades:

I am pleased to bring to you a report of the work done during the past year:

Number of Corps March 1927 .....	122
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We have disbanded one Corps and gained one by institution.	
Cash received from former Treasurer .....	\$ 88.29
Cash expended by Corps for relief .....	784.90
Value Relief other than money .....	22,066.06
Amount turned over to Posts .....	164.50
Number of Soldiers and Families assisted .....	1,934
Expended by Corps for flowers for sick and deceased Comrades and members .....	3,212.64
Amount expended by Dept. Relief Committee .....	80.00
Amount expended for Patriotic Work .....	8,601.01

Number of members March 31, 1927.....	9,170
Number of members March 31, 1928.....	9,085
Amount of money presented Department of Michigan Grand Army of the Republic for Golden Anniversary Gift....	1,762.04
Respectfully submitted in F. C. & L.	

LIZETTA COADY,  
Department President, Woman's Relief Corps.

My dear Comrades, I have here just a few beautiful blossoms that we as the Past Department Presidents of the Woman's Relief Corps of the Department of Michigan wish to present to you. I want to say to you men that no greater pleasure has been mine during the past year than to serve the W. R. C. and the G. A. R. and I have been all over this state in the interest of this Golden Anniversary present for our Comrades. The losses in our numbers have been great but I am hoping we will reap in the future the seeds sown in this past year. It doesn't all come at once, but I am in hopes next year to see a gain in membership. Many of you were present when the money was presented last night. We are certainly glad to present it to you.

Comrade Stein: I think we ought to thank the ladies for coming at this time.

Commander Bartlett: I am decorated too much. It is the highest compliment, I could stop right here and cry. You may understand that. Comrade Estabrook: Ladies of the Relief Corps, Comrade Bartlett is overwhelmed. I think he thanked you last night and you will excuse him.

Mrs. Coady: Before his Comrades I want to pay just a little tribute to your Commander. Every one of you would have loved to have done the thing he did but your health and strength did not permit it. He has rode many miles with me in a little Ford coupe to visit districts and Corps. We have been to many of the little Corps who needed inspiration and we know how much he has given it to them. I feel part of my success is due to the work of the Department Commander. I wanted you to know something of the way he has done. He wouldn't tell it to you himself.

One time we were gone six days banging over all kinds of roads and he stood the ride better than I did. We were so well received and he talked to the members and sung for them and I feel he has been an inspiration to them.

Commander Bartlett: You can appreciate how I am pleased with the present of these flowers. Mrs. Coady, this Department President, has been my companion for the past year. I hate to see her become a "has-been," if I had the capacity and the power physically I would like to travel along with her always. You don't know the affection that this experience of mine for the past year has created. I think it was said at Benton Harbor that the feeling created by this organization, the W. R. C., had elected me. If it did I thank God they were on the job. I want to say you girls will all remember that Charles A. Bartlett holds you as close in his heart as any Department Commander ever did, perhaps not more, but as much, and Mrs. Coady, I thank you.

Mrs. Coady: During my visits to the orphans' homes throughout the State I found where there was much good work we could do. One thing right at Otter Lake. There a year ago a room was dedicated by the

Department of Michigan and furnished partially, there are still many things that can be used. I have sent bedding, sheets and different things myself. In the past month we sent blankets from our department. I saw there was a great need for a medicine cabinet. It would cost quite a sum of money and we thought we had spent enough in that particular home. Comrade Bartlett wanted to do something for me in recognition of the work I have done and he came to my convention yesterday afternoon and presented me with a fifty dollar bill in memory of his wife to be used for little orphan children. Just as soon as I have time I am going to buy that medicine case and have an inscription on a silver plate, "Donated by Comrade Charles A. Bartlett in memory of his wife." I wanted you to know that today.

Sen. Vice Dept. Commander-in-Chief Brainerd: I have a word to say of caution. You men are very near to the water. You want to be careful. I know the condition, the circumstances call for it. A person is apt to get pretty near the water when the conditions are as here, we can't help it.

On behalf of the Department of Michigan as being represented here now at the present time I desire to extend greetings to the Relief Corps of Michigan with my personal greetings of congratulations and good wishes.

You will now be permitted to retire.

Comrade Kanitz: I wish you would convey to them the message that you and I received from Col. Janes.

Comrade Brainerd: We visited Col. Janes this morning. We were permitted to see him fortunately and while he was conscious of who it was and seemed to be pleased he is really in quite a bad condition. They expect to take him home tomorrow or the next day, that is if he is sufficiently recovered to be able to go, they will take him. I feel there is very little hope for him.

The delegation takes leave.

Senior Vice Dept. Commander-in-Chief Brainerd: We will now proceed with the installation.

Comrade Riddick: I want you Comrades to understand that in all the experience of the years, joy, sorrow, responsibility, sickness and death this is one your Chaplain will always remember. Remember as the days go by there is one voice uplifted to God for your blessing.

#### INSTALLATION SERVICE

Officer of the Day: Commander, I have the honor to introduce Comrade Brainerd, the Senior Vice Department Commander-in-Chief who has been detailed to install the newly elected officers of this Post.

Commander: Post, present arms!

Comrade, as the representative of our Commander-in-Chief and as a Comrade of the Grand Army of the Republic, we extend to you a cordial welcome. I have the honor to turn over to you the command of this Post. We are ready to obey your instructions.

Comrade Brainerd: Comrades, the purpose of my visit having been already made known to you, we will at once proceed with our duties.

Commander, have the reports of this Post, with the per capita tax been duly forwarded to the Dept. Headquarters as required by the Rules and Regulations?

Post Commander: They have.

**Installing Officer Brainerd:** The Adjutant will announce the officers elect.

**Asst. Adj. Chapin:** Commander-elect, A. C. Estabrook, Post No. 56, Allegan; Senior Vice Dept. Comdr: J. P. Riley, Post No. 79, Kalamazoo; Jr. Vice Dept. Comdr.: Capt. Wm. Barrett, Post No. 278, Bay City; Chaplain: Rev. Isaac H. Riddick, Post No. 210, Albion; Medical Director: Ed. H. Stein, Post No. 395, Grand Rapids.

**Installing Officer Brainerd:** I appoint Comrade Gilbert LaCroix to act as Officer of the Day.

**Officer of the Day,** present the Post Commander-elect for installation.

**Officer of the Day:** I present Comrade A. C. Estabrook who has been regularly elected Commander of this Department.

**Installing Officer:** Comrade, the fact that you have been elected by the Comrades of this Post to the responsible office of Commander, indicates that they have satisfactory confidence in your ability and integrity and that they feel well assured that you will strictly and impartially discharge all the duties incumbent upon you.

They confine the welfare of this Post to your keeping; any breach of this trust will act injuriously upon the Grand Army, and bring discredit upon every Comrade. Let their confidence therefore, be fully justified by your fidelity. You are, by virtue of your position, a member of the Department Encampment, and it is expected that you will attend its meetings, and exhibit an interest generally in the necessary work of perfecting and maintaining our organization. Realizing fully these responsibilities, are you willing to take the obligation of your office?

**Comrade Estabrook:** I am.

**Comrades stand.**

**Installing Officer:** Raise your right hand, pronounce your name and repeat after me the obligation of your office:

I, A. C. Estabrook, having been elected Commander of Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic, on my word of honor as a man and a Comrade of the Grand Army of the Republic, do most solemnly pledge myself to faithfully and impartially perform, in letter and spirit, all the duties incumbent upon the office which I am about to enter. I promise to obey the lawful orders of my superior officers, and to exact the obedience of others thereto, and to the full extent of my abilities and opportunities to advance the interest of this Department and of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Should this Department disband during my term of office, or before the installation of my successor, I solemnly promise to close up its affairs honorably, and to forward all the property of the Department, including charter, rituals, books of record, and Post Papers, to National Headquarters as required by the Rules and Regulations.

**Inst. Officer:** Officer of the Day, escort the Commander to a seat at my left.

**Officer of the Day:** Sir, your order has been obeyed.

**Inst. Officer:** Officer of the Day, present for installation the Comrades who have been elected to the positions of Senior and Junior Vice-Commanders, and Medical Director.

Officer of the Day: Sir, I present the Comrades who have been regularly elected Senior and Junior Vice-Commanders and Medical Director respectively.

Inst. Officer: Comrades, you have been designated by the suffrages of your comrades to fill the various offices of this Post. It is important that the duties of your position should be promptly and intelligently discharged, and I therefore call your attention to Art. VIII, Chap. II, Rules and Regulations.

Sect. 2. The Vice Post Commanders shall perform such duties as are required of them by the ritual, and in the absence of the Commander shall take his place in the order of their rank. If neither of them are present, the Post shall elect a Commander pro tempore.

The Surgeon shall discharge such duties in connection with his office as may be required of him.

You are also expected to perform such other duties as may be required of you by the Ritual, the By-Laws of this Post, and the constituted authorities of the Grand Army of the Republic. Are you ready to assume these duties?

Officers-Elect: We are.

Inst. Officer: You will each raise your right hand, pronounce your name and repeat after me the obligation of office.

I, . . . . ., on my word of honor as a man and as a comrade of the Grand Army of the Republic, do solemnly pledge myself to perform faithfully and impartially all the duties of the office upon which I am about to enter.

Inst. Officer: Officer of the Day conduct these officers to the platform.

Officer of the Day: Sir, your order has been obeyed.

Inst. Officer: Officer of the Day, present for installation the Chaplain-elect.

Inst. Officer: Comrade, you have been selected by your comrades to conduct the religious exercises of this Department. The Rules and Regulations of the Grand Army of the Republic also require you to officiate at the funerals of comrades when attended by the Department, and to perform such other duties in connection with your office as the Department may direct. Are you willing to assume and perform the duties of this office in a reverential spirit?

Chaplain: I am.

Inst. Officer: Comrade, no obligation which we would impose could render more sacred and binding the duties of the office upon which you are about to enter, and it is expected that you will so dignify your office that your example may be followed by all your comrades, and that there may be no reproach cast on the religion whose precepts it is your duty to recite for our counsel and guidance.

Inst. Officer: The officer of the Day will conduct the Chaplain to his station.

Inst. Officer: Commander, you will announce the name of your Adjutant.

Post Commander Estabrook: I appoint Comrade H. A. Chapin as Adjutant.

**Inst. Officer:** I think no obligation is necessary in this case. The duties of the office I will dispense with.

This I will say: If your work be done in an imperfect manner it will greatly retard the progress of this Post, if however, you give proper thought and attention to your duties, you will materially aid the organization and be of great service to the Post Commander and you are expected to use every opportunity to prove yourself worthy the honor bestowed on you.

**Asst. Adj. Chapin:** I realize that, Sir.

**Inst. Officer:** Officers in accordance with the requirements of our Order, I have performed my duty in thus installing you into your respective offices. It is expected that each will at once make himself entirely familiar with his duties whether specifically prescribed or not, and become thoroughly acquainted with the Rules and Regulations of the Grand Army of the Republic, the Ritual, the By-Laws of the Department, and the orders from National and Department Headquarters. Exercise a spirit of fraternal confidence and good fellowship, and be ready to extend a helping hand to every comrade when opportunity offers. Be true to yourselves and to the Order, and this Department will prosper.

Comrades are rapped to their feet.

**Inst. Officer:** Commander Estabrook, I am pleased to place in your hands this gavel, the emblem of your authority, and to formally induct you into your office. I declare you duly authorized to perform all the duties thereof.

Comrades of the Department, I present to you the officers of your choice. I counsel you to aid them in the performance of their duties to strengthen their hands, and to encourage them in their labors. With your help their term of office may be highly successful; without it, the result of their labors must be barren.

I invoke all to cherish the principles of Fraternity; let there be no cold reserve in your intercourse; let the disparity of rank or position necessary for active service be laid aside here, and each one regard all others as comrades. Inculcate a spirit of true charity. Seek out and aid the deserving poor, who would rather starve than press their necessities upon you. Let them know that the help of the soldier gives to his crippled comrade, or to the widows and orphans of the fallen, is not the alms-giving that parades itself for the commendation of the world, but a pure and holy offering tended in the spirit of your holy religion—the practical exemplification of the Golden Rule. Finally, comrades, having proved your loyalty to our country, be loyal to each other. If your comrade is worthy of your friendship, stand by him though the whole world assail him.

Let us cherish and strengthen a feeling of dependence and confidence in each other, and show to the world that we are worthy of having served our country in the Grand Army of the Republic.

May the blessing of heaven rest upon this Department, may good comradeship prevail, and every moral and social virtue cement you. Amen.

Commander Estabrook: Comrade, you will accept the thanks of this Department and its officers for the manner in which you have discharged your duties. It will give us pleasure at all times to have you visit us. Bear with you our fraternal wishes for your own welfare, and report to the national officers that we shall do all in our power to advance the interests of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Convey with you the best wishes that our Department can give to the Commander-in-Chief.

Inst. Officer Brainerd: This is the first time I ever undertook to install. I am not familiar with the Service Book but we got along. I congratulate you all upon the Board of Officers you have elected and on your fine meeting this day.

Commander Estabrook: Comrades, I won't try to thank you for this honor that you have conferred. I will probably do it through orders.

Commander Estabrook: We are ready for any other business. We have closed under the Installation of Officers.

John W. Finch, Post No. 83: We have just now made Comrade Riddick Department Chaplain. He was also appointed this morning by the Board to be Chaplain at the Michigan Soldiers' Home as Chaplain of that institution.

Comrade Richardson: I want you to know, Commander Estabrook, there are no sore spots on me. I am willing that the majority shall rule. You can consider I am your humble servant and I will do the best I can for the G. A. R.

Commander: I want this department to return their thanks for the capable manner in which the Past Department Commander Bartlett has performed his duties. He has done the work many times when he wasn't able. I want the Comrades to thank him for it.

Motion made and supported.

Comrade: I make the amendment that the vote of thanks be tendered by this Department to our Past Department Commander Bartlett by a rising vote.

The rising vote was unanimous.

Commander: The motion prevails.

Past Dept. Commander Bartlett: This affects me almost as bad as the approbation of the ladies, but I am on deck to keep this fellow in order. I am going to be right at this Convention as long as the Lord will let me. All know me and I know all. I am getting down to comradeship right. Any way that I can help our new Commander during this coming year I will be there.

Commander Estabrook: I thank you.

I want to thank you, Comrade Richardson, for the stand you have taken regarding the feeling in regard to the election. I am sure you have been a specially hard worker for the Department, more years than I and I want to thank you for the sentiments you have expressed.

Comrade Richardson: Some had the idea that I was incapacitated physically. Comrades, if you live a year you will be convinced to the contrary.

Commander Estabrook: If there is no further business we will proceed to close.

Comrades, our duties for this occasion have been performed. As we go,

from this place let you not forget to take that Fraternity of fellowship which binds us together as comrades, that Charity to the destitute wards of the Grand Army, and that Loyalty to the authority and union of the United States of America, and to our glorious flag under whose folds every Union soldier or sailor's grave is the altar of patriotism.

Comrades: Amen!

Commander: Chaplain you will pronounce the benediction.

Chaplain: The grace of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ, the love of God, the communion of the Holy Spirit, be with us all. Amen.

Commander: I declare the 50th Annual Encampment of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic adjourned.

**HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN  
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC**

Lansing, Michigan, June 24th, 1927.

General Order No. 1. Series 1927-1928.

Having been elected and installed Commander of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic, at the Forty-ninth Annual Encampment held at Benton Harbor, June 8, 9, 10, 1927, I therefore assume command at once.

The fact that the meeting place of the National Encampment had not been fixed has delayed the issuing of this order.

June 21st I was in Grand Rapids and am very happy to announce to this department that the city of Grand Rapids will welcome and entertain the National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, Sept. 11-16 inclusive. I was assured by the committee representing the Commander-in-Chief that the information was official.

The following named Comrades were duly elected and installed in their respective offices:

Department Commander—Charles A. Bartlett, Post 17, Detroit.

Senior Vice-Department Commander—William E. Walker, Post 14, Benton Harbor.

Junior Vice-Department Commander—J. P. Riley, Post 79, Kalamazoo.

Medical Director—Dr. James R. Stephenson, Post 5, Grand Rapids.

Department Chaplain—Rev. Charles W. Gardner, Soldiers' Home, Grand Rapids.

Council of Administration—Albert Dunham, Post 48; A. C. Estabrook, Post 56; Wm. Barrett, Post 278; Fred Gill, Post 38; George W. Howe, Post 98.

Executive Committee—Albert Dunham, Post 48; A. C. Estabrook, Post 56; Fred Gill, Post 38.

Delegates elected to the National Encampment at Grand Rapids, Sept. 11-16 inclusive, 1927:

Delegate at Large—Walter L. Funk, Post 5, Grand Rapids.

Delegate—Peter P. Miller, Post 17, Detroit.

Delegate—John Killeen, Post 48, Jackson.

Delegate—I. W. Taylor, Post 1, Grand Rapids.

Delegate—John Monk, Post 19, Bangor.

Delegate—Edgar A. Green, Post 395, Grand Rapids.

Delegate—M. D. Richardson, Post 42, Lansing.

Delegate—Gilbert Laderoix, Post 216, Mt. Clemens.



Delegate—L. L. Trask, Post 156, St. Johns.  
 Delegate—E. E. Tyler, Post 7, Muskegon.  
 Delegate—Wm. Barrett, Post 278, Bay City, west.  
 Delegate—J. W. Wyckoff, Post 174, Houghton.  
 Delegate—Henry R. Stubensky, Post 384, Detroit.  
 Delegate—Thos. Courtney, Post 433, Detroit.  
 Delegate—Walter Kinsler, Post 433, Detroit.  
 Delegate—John R. Robinson, Post 32, Battle Creek.  
 Delegate—George W. Howe, Post 98, Port Huron.

#### Alternates:

Alternate at Large—A. L. Bryant, Post 255, Mayville.  
 Alternate—J. A. McConkey, Post 433, Detroit.  
 Alternate—Frederick T. Scofield, Post 48, Jackson.  
 Alternate—J. W. Walker, Post 1, Grand Rapids.  
 Alternate—J. Brant, Post 39, Berrien Springs.  
 Alternate—David L. Hilliard, Post 395, Grand Rapids.  
 Alternate—Charles E. Lord, Post 42, Lansing.  
 Alternate—Lewis Grant, Post 216, Mt. Clemens.  
 Alternate—George Wilcox, Post 91, St. Louis.  
 Alternate—A. J. Teed, Post 444, Cadillac.  
 Alternate—A. W. Dorland, Post 278, W. Bay City.  
 Alternate—Curt Moore, Post 300, Negaunee.  
 Alternate—Uriah Gould, Post 384, Detroit.  
 Alternate—George S. Farrar, Post 28, Bad Axe.  
 Alternate—Willis W. Crocker, Post 48, Jackson.  
 Alternate—Mathew King, Post 224, Cheboygan.  
 Alternate—George W. Walker, Post 32, Battle Creek.

#### OFFICIAL STAFF APPOINTMENTS

Assistant Adjutant and Quartermaster General—H. A. Chapin, Post 31, Paw Paw.

Judge Advocate—Oscar A. Janes, Post 384, Detroit.

Patriotic Instructor—M. J. Whitney, Post 17, Detroit.

Chief of Staff—Isaac Grant, Post 451, Reed City.

Chief Mustering Officer—Walter Kinsler, Post 433, Detroit.

Sergeant Dept. Colors—James A. Sutton, Post 48, Jackson.

Further appointments will be announced in future General Orders.

The Department Commander desires each Post to send to these headquarters the name of one comrade to serve on the Department Commander's staff.

Comrades are urged to forward to headquarters the per capita tax now due.

By Order of  
**CHARLES A. BARTLETT,**  
 Department Commander.

Official

**H. A. CHAPIN,**  
 Assistant Adjutant General.

**HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN  
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC**

Lansing, Michigan, August 5th, 1927.

General Order No. 2. Series 1927-1928.

In the issuance of Order No. 1 certain matters were omitted but not forgotten, hence I take this opportunity to express my thanks to the Delegates and Members of the Forty-ninth Annual Encampment held at Benton Harbor, June 8, 9, 10, 1927, in electing me as Commander of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic, the highest office that lies in the Encampment's power to bestow upon any Comrade. No one has ever been elected Commander of the Department of Michigan who more fully and keenly realizes the honor bestowed together with the responsible duties assumed. It will be my most earnest endeavor to conduct the business affairs of this Department in a manner that will merit the approval of all my Comrades, not forgetting to carry with me that Fraternal spirit of charity and loyalty to all.

I desire to call the attention of the Comrades to that "Next of kin" Organization, Sons of Veterans. It would seem that we should encourage these boys of ours to become members of that order, if they are not already. The Sons of Veterans will carry on after we are past to the Great Beyond and stand for the principles of Constitutional Government that their Fathers fought for in the Sixties. Just check up in your minds on this matter and see if you have done your full duty concerning Our Boys. Other Auxiliary organizations could be mentioned at this time but wait and see what we may see in the not distant future, (yes, I mean Kalamazoo).

It is to be hoped that the Members of this Department will make more than the usual effort to attend the National Encampment in September. The City of Grand Rapids did a splendid act when it, on very short notice, consented to change dates from 1928 to 1927, thereby relieving National Commander-in-Chief F. A. Walsh and the National Encampment of possible embarrassment. Remember that Michigan is the Entertaining Department, and that the Old Refrain, "Michigan is on guard tonight" will hold good at Grand Rapids in September, 1927.

Delegates elected to the National Encampment at Grand Rapids, Sept. 11-16 inclusive, 1927:

Delegate at Large—Walter L. Funk, Post 5, Grand Rapids.

Delegate—Peter P. Miller, Post 17, Detroit.

Delegate—John Killeen, Post 48, Jackson.

Delegate—I. W. Taylor, Post 32, Battle Creek.

Delegate—John Monk, Post 19, Bangor.

Delegate—Edgar A. Green, Post 395, Grand Rapids.

Delegate—M. D. Richardson, Post 42, Lansing.

Delegate—Gilbert La Croix, Post 216, Mt. Clemens.

Delegate—L. L. Trask, Post 156, St. Johns.

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Delegate—Wm. Barrett, Post 278, Bay City, West.

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Delegate—George S. Farrar, Post 28, Bad Axe.  
 Delegate—Willis W. Crocker, Post 48, Jackson.  
 Delegate—Mathew King, Post 224, Cheboygan.  
 Delegate—George W. Walker, Post, none given.

#### Alternates

Alternate at Large—A. L. Bryant, Post 255, Mayville.  
 Alternate—J. A. McConkey, Post 433, Detroit.  
 Alternate—Frederick T. Scofield, Post 48, Jackson.  
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 Alternate—George Wilcox, Post 91, St. Louis.  
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 Alternate—A. W. Dorland, Post 278, W. Bay City.  
 Alternate—Curt Moore, Post 300, Marquette.  
 Alternate—Uriah Gould, Post 384, Detroit.  
 Alternate—Thos. Courtney, Post 433, Detroit.  
 Alternate—Walter Kinsler, Post 433, Detroit, deceased.  
 Alternate—John R. Robinson, Post 32, Battle Creek.  
 Alternate—George W. Howe, Post 98, Port Huron.

#### FURTHER APPOINTMENTS

E. B. Metcalf, Senior Aide, Post 38, Saginaw.  
 Fred J. Shipp, Chief Mustering Officer, Post 42, Lansing.  
 Walter F. Kinsler, Department Inspector, Post 433, Detroit, deceased.  
 Peter P. Miller, Sergeant National Colors, Post 17, Detroit.  
 Aide De Camps on Department Commander's Staff:  
 A. W. Dorland, Post No. 278, Bay City.  
 Fred J. Buck, Post 348, Scottville.

The Department Commander desires each Post to send to these headquarters the name of one comrade to serve on the Department Commander's staff.

Comrades are urged to forward to headquarters the per capita tax now due.

#### COMMITTEE TO VISIT SOLDIERS' HOME

Thomas Courtney, Post No. 433, Detroit.  
 Dr. James R. Stephenson, Post No. 5, Grand Rapids.  
 Walter L. Funk, Post 5, Grand Rapids.

#### LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

Oscar A. Jaynes, Post 384, Detroit.  
 Round trip tickets will be sold Sept. 7 to 14 inclusive, at the rate of one fare for round trip (minimum round trip fare \$100) to Grand Rapids on the Identification Certificate plan. Tickets will be good for return leaving on any day within final limit. Passenger must, however, reach original starting point within transit limit shown on ticket, but in no case later than midnight of October 27, 1927.

Tickets will be good only via same route going and returning.

Stopovers will be allowed on application to conductor at all stations within final limit on either going or return trip or both.

For hotel reservation write Walter L. Funk, in care Pantlind Hotel.

Housing Committee—Ensign Ralph W. Bulkeley, 834 Michigan Trust Building.

Post Commanders and heads of Affiliated Societies are requested to send to Assistant Adjutant General, Lansing, Michigan, for Identification Certificates. State number wanted and be sure to keep an accurate list of the number and name of the Certificates issued.

### CHANGES MADE AT LAST DEPARTMENT ENCAMPMENT

Past Department Commander Louis Kanitz presents the following resolution:

Resolved, that every member of the Department of Michigan, G. A. R., in good standing in the Department be and is hereby made a member of the Department Encampment. Such to be in full possession of the National Countersign, to be a member of the Encampment.

Resolution seconded and carried.

Commander: You have heard the motion as amended that the per capita tax be raised to 50 cents per member per year and that this be all paid in December.

Motion seconded and carried.

Comrade Gilbert LaCroix of Post 216, Mt. Clemens, is hereby appointed Department Inspector in place of Walter F. Kinsler, Post 433, Detroit, deceased.

Comrade S. D. Bailey of Post 17, Detroit, is hereby appointed Committee on Transportation. He will have charge of the train that leaves Detroit over the Michigan Central Railroad at 9:00 a. m., Monday, Sept. 12th, arriving at Grand Rapids at 12:05 p. m. This train is designated as Headquarters train from Detroit.

### IN MEMORIAM

Again it becomes our painful duty to announce the passing on of one more of our Past Department Commanders. John Seel died at his home, 426 Washington Street, Benton Harbor, Michigan, Friday, July 29th, 1927. He was born in St. Joseph, Michigan, September 9th, 1847. If he had lived until September 9th, 1927, he would have been 80 years of age. His whole life except the time he was in the service of his country was spent in St. Joseph and Benton Harbor, commonly known as the twin cities.

Comrade Seel entered the service October 4th, 1864, in Company K, Twenty-eighth Mich. Infantry, mustered October 5th, 1864, transferred to Company E, October 25th, 1864, mustered out at Raleigh, N. C., June 5th, 1865.

He saw active service, participated in all the battles and with his Comrades helped to make the brilliant record of the 28th Michigan Infantry.

Comrade Seel was an active member and leading spirit in G. A. R. affairs, held all the offices of his home Post and was unanimously elected Department Commander at Port Huron, June 12th, 1925, and served his Comrades faithfully and well.

In the death of Comrade Seel this Department has sustained a great loss. "We shall meet but we shall miss him, there will be one vacant chair" in our councils.

As is customary, the Charters of Posts will be draped for a period of thirty days.

By order of  
CHARLES A. BARTLETT,  
Department Commander.

Official  
H. A. CHAPIN,  
Assistant Adjutant General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN  
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC

Lansing, Michigan, October 7th, 1927.

General Order No. 3. Series 1927-28.

To all Comrades of the Department of Michigan Grand Army of the Republic your Commander extends Greeting, and wishes to express the hope that as Thanksgiving Day comes that our hearts will be filled with gratitude to our Great Commander for the many blessings we have received at his hands during the year.

Then Christmas comes which the people of the whole world so joyously celebrate. And do not forget your children. Yes, and your grandchildren who anticipate so much the coming of "Christmas Day."

Then follows "New Year's", the day we should renew our kind relations with old friends and acquaintances. Trusting that the Comrades of this Department who were on parade at the National Encampment in Grand Rapids last September will be able to repeat at Kalamazoo next June that same patriotic display of soldierly bearing and conduct is the most earnest wish and desire of your Commander.

With this order is mailed to each Post in the Department, blank reports for the year ending December 31st, 1927.

In this connection your attention is called to changes made at the Department Encampment held at Benton Harbor, June 8, 9, 10, 1927, which are as follows:

Resolved, That every member of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic in good standing in the Department be and is hereby made a member of the Department Encampment, such comrades to be in full possession of the National Countersign to be admitted to be a member of the Encampment.

The resolution was seconded and after a few remarks was carried.

Department Commander: You have heard the motion as amended, that the per capita tax be raised to 50c per person per year, and that this be all paid in December.

The motion was seconded and carried.

There will be no credential blanks sent out as all members in good standing that attend the Department Encampment at Kalamazoo will be delegates and entitled to vote.

The following members are appointed Aides-de-Camp on the Department Commanders Staff. They will be obeyed and respected accordingly:

Lot Nevins, Post 123, Franfort.  
 D. S. Kimball, Post 45, Adrian.  
 William Hall, Post 196, Lawton.  
 C. A. McGregor, Post 2, Quincy.  
 William Crabb, Post 2, Quincy.  
 Harvey Wood, Post 2, Quincy.  
 C. W. Owen, Post 2, Quincy.  
 D. L. Reynolds, Post 1, Grand Rapids.  
 Barlett Lynch, Post 98, Port Huron.  
 C. B. Hungerford, Post 210, Albion.  
 J. F. Jones, Post 35, Covert.  
 W. W. Buyce, Post 35, Covert.  
 Freeman A. Pierce, Post 17, Detroit.  
 Lyman Riggs, Post 17, Detroit.  
 Lewis F. Phister, Post 17, Detroit.  
 Uriah Gould, Post 384, Detroit.  
 Nicholas Wood, Post 384, Detroit.  
 Henry Stubensky, Post 384, Royal Oak.  
 Milton Slater, Post 433, Detroit.  
 Patrick H. Lally, Post 433, Detroit.  
 Sylvester Thomas, Post 270, Ecorse.  
 Francis Tindall, Post 395, Grand Rapids.  
 Edward H. Stein, Post 395, Grand Rapids.  
 Charles P. Coffin, Post 5, Grand Rapids.  
 Eugene Owen, Post 5, Grand Rapids.  
 Charles P. Lord, Post 42, Lansing.  
 A. B. Chapin, Post 42, Lansing.

The following resolution was passed at the 61st National Encampment:

Providing that any person acting as Assistant Adjutant or Assistant Quartermaster for a Post or Department be entitled to wear the Grand Army badge with a bar bearing the word "Honorary" attached thereto to be worn by such person while performing such duties.

#### IN MEMORIAM

Comrade Dr. James R. Stephenson died at his home, 517 N. Park Ave., Grand Rapids, Mich., October 14th, 1927. He was born in Greenville, Mercer County, Pennsylvania, November 15th, 1847. At the time of his death he was 81 years of age. His entry into the United States service was June 28th, 1863, as Private in Company C, 55th Pennsylvania Emergency Volunteer Infantry, during the Civil War, was discharged from same Company and Regiment as Private, October 1st, 1863, by reason of muster out of Regiment.

Choosing the medical profession as his life work he graduated from the Rush Medical College of Chicago in the early 80's and remained in the practice of medicine until about ten years ago.

He joined Custer Post No. 5, Department of Michigan Grand Army of the Republic, May 22nd, 1879, and has been in good standing until his death. He had served his Post faithfully, holding many important offices and was elected Department Commander of the Department of Michigan

Grand Army of the Republic at Jackson, June 11th, 1926, and faithfully served his Comrades until his successor was elected at Benton Harbor, June 10th, 1927, at which time he was elected Medical Director of the Department and served as such until his death.

The Charter of each Post in the Department is ordered to be draped in mourning for a period of 30 days.

A good man is the noblest work of God.

No greater eulogy can be pronounced than to say of him:

“His life was gentle

And the elements so mixed in him

That nature might stand up before the world and say,

This was a man.”

By Order of  
CHARLES A. BARTLETT,  
Department Commander.

Official

H. A. CHAPIN,  
Assistant Adjutant General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN  
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC

Lansing, Michigan, March 16th, 1928.

General Order No. 4. Series 1927-1928.

The Encampment of the Department of Michigan Grand Army of the Republic to be held June 6-7-8, in the beautiful city of Kalamazoo that delayed the incorporation as a city on account of having had the title of being the Biggest Village in the United States and the people of Kalamazoo were quite proud of that title.

Your Commander has been in close touch with the Kalamazoo Chamber of Commerce Special Committee that have in charge all the arrangements for the coming Encampment and I may say that I am fully assured that everything that can be done for the Comfort, Well Being, Amusement and Entertainment of the Comrades of this Department and the members of Our Auxiliary, the Woman's Relief Corps, Ladies of the G. A. R. and all other associated organizations who may attend the Encampment will participate in all the good things that may transpire at Kalamazoo.

Following are appointments that have been made since issuing Order No. 2:

Frank D. Keeler, Post No. 38, address 428 North Warren Ave., Saginaw, Mich., is appointed Patriotic Instructor to fill vacancy caused by the resignation of M. J. Whitney.

Dept. Patriotic Instructor Frank D. Keeler makes a special request that Post Patriotic Instructors send their Reports to his address 428 North Warren Ave., Saginaw, Mich.

Also where Post has no Patriotic Instructor will the Post Commander please make out the report and in case where that is not convenient, have some member of the W. R. C. help out. Make a joint report if agreeable to both parties concerned.

F. A. Pierce, Department Inspector, Post 17, address 7731 Duncan ave., Detroit, Mich., to fill vacancy caused by resignation of Comrade Gilbert La Croix of Post 216, Mt. Clemens.

Edgar A. Green, Post 395, Grand Rapids, was appointed on Committee to visit Michigan Soldiers' Home in place of Post Dept. Commander Dr. James R. Stephenson, deceased.

John H. Monk, Post 19, Bangor, appointed Sergt. Dept. Colors, to fill vacancy caused by resignation of James A. Sutton.

A number of Posts have not made a report or paid their Per Capita Tax for the year 1928, their membership in the G. A. R. expired December 31st, 1927, unless they have secured Transfer Certificates which would carry them one year. If the Posts fail to keep up their organization the individual members should make application to the Asst. Adjt. Gen. to be carried as members-at-large so as to receive all the benefits that a member of the G. A. R. is entitled to. In this connection your attention is called to the following:

Resolved, That every member of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic in good standing in the Department be and is hereby made a member of the Department Encampment, such comrades to be in full possession of the National Countersign to be admitted to be a member of the Encampment.

The Central and Western Passenger Association has granted a rate of one and one-half fare (with minimum of \$1.00) for the round trip from all stations in Michigan to Kalamazoo on account of the Dept. Encampment to be held June 6-7-8 on the Identification Certificates plan only for members of the G. A. R. and allied organizations and dependent members of their families.

Round trip tickets will be sold from the above mentioned territory from June 2 to 8 inclusive, and before being honored for return passage, return portions thereof must be validated at Kalamazoo, Mich., by agents at the regular ticket offices of the lines over which tickets read into Kalamazoo from June 6 to 14 inclusive, and when validated, tickets will be good for return leaving on any day within final limit; passenger must, however, reach original starting point within transit limit shown on ticket but in no case later than midnight of June 14, 1928.

The Identification Certificates are now in the office of the Asst. Adjt. General. All members of the G. A. R. and allied organizations entitled to them will please notify the Asst. Adjt. General the number wanted and they will be sent at once; any person receiving any number of them will keep a record of the person receiving, also the number, so that they may be identified in case any question arises in regard to tickets or certificates, this is very important.

Hotel Rates Dept. Encampment, June 6-7-8, Kalamazoo.

Park-American, rooms without bath, double, \$3.00 and \$4.00; with bath, double, \$4.00 to \$7.00.

New Burdick, rooms without bath, double, \$4.50; with bath, double, \$6.00, twin beds \$7.00.

Columbia, rooms without bath, double, \$2.50 and \$3.00; with bath, double, \$4.00 to \$7.00.

Rickman, rooms without bath, double, \$3.00 and \$3.50; with bath, double, \$4.50 and \$5.00.



Watson, rooms without bath, double, \$2.50; with bath, double, \$3.50.

Savoy, rooms without bath, double \$2.50.

Stanley, rooms without bath, double, \$2.00 and \$2.50.

Library Park, rooms without bath, double, \$2.00 and \$2.50.

Carlton, rooms without bath, double, \$2.50.

New Michigan, rooms double, inter-communicative, bath, \$2.50.

All European, I presume.

At the National Encampment held in the City of Grand Rapids, Michigan, last September, it was ruled that the Past Senior and Past Junior Vice Department Commander hereafter be delegates to the National Encampment the same as Past Department Commanders.

The following members of the Council of Administration are appointed as the Executive Committee for the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic, Albert Dunham, Post No. 48, Jackson; A. C. Estabrook, Post No. 56, Allegan; Fred Gill, Post No. 38, Saginaw.

The headquarters in the Capitol building, Lansing, Mich., will be closed June 6th during the Encampment and Headquarters will be established at the New Burdick Hotel, Kalamazoo, where we hope to welcome all members of the G. A. R. and all allied organizations, and take notice that all requests for room reservations at the New Burdick hotel be made direct to the hotel, except the headquarters room and the twelve already reserved.

Comrade S. D. Bailey of Fairbanks Post No. 17, Detroit, is hereby appointed Committee on Transportation. All communications in regard to transportation to the Department Encampment at Kalamazoo, June 6-7-8, 1928, will be directed to S. D. Bailey, County Building, Detroit, Mich.

By Order of  
CHARLES A. BARTLETT,  
Department Commander

Official

H. A. CHAPIN,  
Assistant Adjutant General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN  
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC

Lansing, Michigan, May 1, 1928.

General Order No. 5. Series 1927-28.

In compliance with General Order No. 4 of the Commander-in-Chief and with well established usage, Wednesday, May 30, will be observed as Memorial Day by the members of the various posts throughout this Department.

Sixty-three years have passed since the survivors of that host which went forth at the demand of their country returned with thinned ranks to their several callings, having fully accomplished the purpose whereunto they were sent. Since that day thousands of war-exhausted veterans have passed away to join their dead comrades who long ago pitched their white tents on "Fame's Eternal Camping Ground" and "passing away" is written upon the furrowed faces of all who remain.

Comrades, let our observance of this day be such that the generation of men now coming forward to assume the duties of citizenship may

ever recognize the solemn truth that their government was not only formed but was also preserved by the payment of a great price.

Sunday, May 27, is Memorial Sunday, and Posts are expected to attend divine services in some of the churches and to invite all of the allied organizations and kindred societies to join with them in these services as an acknowledgment for the blessings of peace and a united country.

I also recommend that all citizens be invited to participate in the sacred observance of Memorial Day.

And it is hereby requested that the several Posts of this Department assemble May 30 for such service as may be consistent and appropriate to the occasion and that the grave of no soldier be left uncared for or undecorated.

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The annual Encampment of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic, June 6, 7, 8, 1928. Headquarters will be at the New Burdick Hotel, Kalamazoo.

## PROGRAM

### Wednesday, June 6, 1928

8:00 A. M.—Meeting of the Credential Committee.

8:30 A. M.—Meeting of the Council of Administration.

9:00 A. M.—Meeting of the Executive or Auditing Committee at the New Burdick Hotel. Albert Dunham, chairman; A. C. Estabrook and Fred Gill.

1:00 P. M.—Encampment called to order at the Ball Room, New Burdick Hotel.

1:10 P. M.—Welcome from the city and response.

2:00 to 4:00 P. M.—Exchange of greetings from allied organizations.

### Thursday, June 7, 1928

10:00 A. M.—Annual G. A. R. parade.

1:30 P. M.—Business session of the Encampment.

7:30 P. M.—General Campfire of the G. A. R.

### Friday, June 8, 1928

9:00 A. M.—Business session, remaining in session until all is transacted.

6:30 P. M.—Past Department Commander Banquet.

## ADDITIONAL CONVENTION RATES

The Central Passenger Association carriers have authorized from points in Lower Peninsula of Michigan an additional convention basis of one and three-fifths fare for the round trip on Identification Certificate Tickets, to be sold June 2 to 8 inclusive, with return limit of thirty days from date of sale. This arrangement is in addition to the one and one-half fare for the round trip authorized for our Encampment and will not necessitate obtaining a special form of Identification Certificate other than that designated for the one and one-half fare concession. It will be necessary, however, when purchasing round trip tickets, to indicate to agent which class of ticket is desired, namely, whether ticket at one and one-half fare with limit of June 14, 1928, or ticket at one and three-fifths fare with limit of thirty days from date of sale.

The Identification Certificates are now in the office of the Assistant Adjutant General. All members of the G. A. R. and allied organizations entitled to them will please notify the Assistant Adjutant General the number wanted and they will be sent at once; any person receiving any number of them will keep a record of the person receiving, also the number, so that they may be identified in case any question arises in regard to tickets or certificates. This is very important.

At the National Encampment held in the City of Grand Rapids, Michigan, last September, it was ruled that the Past Senior and Past Junior Vice Department Commander hereafter be delegates to the National Encampment the same as Past Department Commanders.

Comrades, with this General Order you will find National General Order No. 4.

Also will each Post send in the name of a Comrade for Aide on the staff of the Commander-in-Chief, and one or more on the staff of the Department Commander.

Official  
H. A. CHAPIN,  
Assistant Adjutant General.

By order of  
CHARLES A. BARTLETT,  
Department Commander.



## MEMORIAL ROLL FOR THE YEAR 1927

## John A. Logan Post No. 1, Soldiers' Home.

Name.	Rank.	Com-pany.	Regiment.	Date of death.
Elon F. Whitmore.....	Nurse.....	.....	1st Mich. Infantry.....	Jan. 13, 1927
Albert C. Hawley.....	Corp.....	L	1st Conn. Infantry.....	Mar. 26, 1927
Wm. Messmore.....	No report.....	.....	No report.....	June 24, 1927
David Cotton.....	Private.....	H	3rd Ohio Cavalry.....	July 4, 1927

## C. O. Loomis Post No. 2, Quincy.

Cornelius F. Myers.....	Private.....	D	1st Mich. Light Art.....	Nov. 17, 1927
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## Custer Post No. 5, Grand Rapids.

Lyman T. McCrath.....	Private.....	I	21st Mich. Infantry.....	Jan. 7, 1927
Edward C. Cole.....	Private.....	.....	No report.....	April 22, 1927
Eli A. Kahler.....	Capt.....	D	105th N. Y. Infantry.....	Mar. 6, 1927
Gotlieb Soutter.....	Private.....	.....	17th Ind. Bat.....	Mar. 8, 1927
O. B. Moore.....	Private.....	B	1st Mich. Infantry.....	Mar. 3, 1927
David G. Ackley.....	No Report.....	.....	.....	June 4, 1927
Levi M. Johnson.....	Private.....	G	138th Ind. Infantry.....	July 1, 1927
Truman M. Smith.....	Private.....	B	8th Mich. Cavalry.....	July 27, 1927
G. D. Freeman.....	Private.....	G	53rd Penn. Infantry.....	Sept. 16, 1927
J. R. Stephenson.....	Private.....	C	55th Penn. Infantry.....	Oct. 14, 1927
John Ulberg.....	Private.....	C	9th Mich. Cavalry.....	Nov. 8, 1927

## C. J. Dickerson Post No. 6, Hillsdale.

Lyman H. Dillon.....	Private.....	H	4th Mich. Infantry.....	Dec. 28, 1926
L. J. Wood.....	Corp.....	H	28th Mich. Infantry.....	Jan. 16, 1927
Orlando L. Miner.....	.....	.....	New 4th Mich. Infantry.....	Mar. 1927
Nelson Masters.....	.....	A	67th Ohio Infantry.....	Mar. 1927
Nathan Boylan.....	Musician.....	.....	58th Pa. Infantry.....	April 1927
John S. Blackman.....	Private.....	.....	No report.....	.....
Dorr Philips.....	Private.....	C	4th N. Y. Art.....	Oct. 4, 1927
George E. Porter.....	Private.....	.....	18th N. Y. Battery.....	Nov. 22, 1927
D. D. Rhodes.....	Private.....	K	88th Ohio Infantry.....	Sept. 7, 1927

## Phil Kearney Post No. 7, Muskegon.

Geraphen Loolette.....	Private.....	G	17th Wis. Infantry.....	April 20, 1927
John Sturgeon.....	Private.....	G	9th Mich. Cavalry.....	June 30, 1927
Harry F. Dewett.....	Private.....	E	6th Mich. Heavy Art.....	Sept. 28, 1927
Andrew Larson.....	Private.....	.....	16th Ill.....	Sept. 7, 1927

## George H. Thomas Post No. 14, Benton Harbor.

Peter J. Rosbeck.....	Private.....	I	7th Ill. Infantry.....	April 19, 1927
Humphrey M. Stark.....	Private.....	H	28th Mich. Infantry.....	June 38, 1927
John Seel.....	Private.....	E	28th Mich. Infantry.....	July 29, 1927
A. A. Covel.....	Private.....	H	89th Ill. Infantry.....	Jan. 1, 1927
J. F. Zerbey.....	Private.....	D	98th Penn. Infantry.....	Oct. 3, 1927
James McGinnis.....	Private.....	H	13th Ind. Infantry.....	Oct. 10, 1927

## Fairbanks Post No. 17, Detroit.

Name.	Rank.	Com-pany.	Regiment.	Date of death.
John Martin.....	Capt.....	H	24th Mich. Infantry.....	Feb. 8, 1927
John Dorsey.....	Drummer.....	E	27th Mo. Infantry.....	April 9, 1927
Augustus Nacker.....	Private.....	G	22nd Mich. Infantry.....	April 19, 1927
Edgar O. Durfee.....	Sergt.....	C	24th Mich. Infantry.....	April 28, 1927
George Glaser.....	Private.....	F	4th Mich. Cavalry.....	May 12, 1927
Daniel L. Rapalji.....	Private.....	F	6th Mich. Cavalry.....	June 2, 1927
George Keever.....	.....	G	133 Ind. Infantry.....	Sept. 14, 1927
Joseph Redegor.....	.....	H	5th Ohio Infantry.....	Oct. 9, 1927
James Vernor.....	2nd Lieut.....	M	4th Mich. Cavalry.....	Oct. 29, 1927
John W. Fletcher.....	Corp.....	E	24th Mich. Infantry.....	Nov. 10, 1927

## A. Lincoln Post No. 19, Bangor.

Charles C. Phillips.....	Capt.....	H	25th Mich. Infantry.....	Feb. 14, 1927
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## Joe Hooker Post No. 26, Hart.

A. O. Aldrich.....	Private.....	K	182nd Ohio Infantry.....	May 28, 1927
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## Farragut Post No. 32, Battle Creek.

W. H. Ogden.....	Private.....	D	66th Ill. Infantry.....	April 20, 1927
Joseph Weeks.....	Lieut.....	C	20th Mich. Infantry.....	June 26, 1927
I. W. Taylor.....	Private.....	D & B	23rd Ill. Infantry.....	Nov. 11, 1927
W. E. Dockery.....	Private.....	G	19th & 29th Ohio Infantry.....	Nov. 16, 1927

## Col. Myron H. Baker Post No. 33, Morenci.

William H. Chappell.....	Musician.....	.....	182nd Ohio Infantry.....	Mar. 4, 1927
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## Zach Chandler Post No. 35, South Haven

August Kruger.....	Private.....	I	19th Mich. Infantry.....	Jan. 19, 1927
E. J. Everett.....	Private.....	H	38th Wis. Infantry.....	April 1927
W. D. Tucker.....	Private.....	D	28th Mich. Infantry.....	Sept. 1927

## Saginaw Post No. 38, Saginaw

John Kelley.....	Launchman.....	.....	U. S. S. Lawrence.....	Aug. 16, 1927
Lafayette Davis.....	Private.....	F	9th Mich. Infantry.....	Oct. 24, 1927
William Fone.....	Private.....	B	100th N. Y. Infantry.....	Dec. 30, 1927

## A. S. Williams Post No. 40, Charlotte.

Charles Quantrell.....	Private.....	E	6th Mich. Heavy Art.....	Mar. 16, 1927
Charles Pangler.....	Private.....	G	187th Ohio Infantry.....	April 25, 1927
Uriel M. Beurrett.....	Private.....	L	Merrell Horse.....	Oct. 12, 1927
Sayles K. May.....	Seaman.....	.....	Gun Boat.....	Oct. 30, 1927
Fred G. Warren.....	Private.....	G	85th Ohio Infantry.....	Oct. 30, 1927
Marcus Hall.....	Private.....	G	21st N. Y. Cavalry.....	Dec. 15, 1927

**Woodbury Post No. 45, Adrian.**

Name.	Rank.	Com-pany.	Regiment.	Date of death.
P. H. Barnes.....	Private.....	B	2nd Mich. Infantry.....	Jan. 2, 1927
Geo. C. North.....	Private.....	F	6th Mich. Heavy Art.....	April 19, 1927
Geo. W. Southworth.....	Private.....	I	18th Mich. Infantry.....	May 19, 1927
Geo. W. Rogers.....	Corp.....	D	3rd N. Y. Cavalry.....	July 3, 1927
Jacob James.....	Private.....	D	107 th Ohio Infantry.....	Oct. 9, 1927
Myron Delano.....	Private.....	D	11th Mich. Infantry.....	Oct. 28, 1927
Maurice Long.....	Private.....	E	1st Mich. E. and M.....	Dec. 31, 1927

**Edward Pomeroy Post No. 48, Jackson.**

Benj. F. Lair.....	Private.....	D	21st Mich. Infantry.....	May 7, 1927
Wm. Pugh.....	Private.....	F	28th Ohio Infantry.....	Mar. 14, 1927
S. B. Davis.....	Private.....	B	8th N. Y. Cavalry.....	May 23, 1927
Frank White.....	Private.....	H	6th Penn. Reserves.....	June 11, 1927
Delos Ells.....	Private.....	L	2nd Mich Cavalry.....	June 29, 1927
Charles Carpenter.....	Private.....	M	21st N. Y. Infantry.....	Jan. 5, 1927
Thomas Daniels.....	Private.....	F	28th Mich. Infantry.....	Jan. 6, 1927
Geo. T. Wright.....	Private.....	K	137th Ill. Infantry.....	July 28, 1927
Austin Saulsbury.....	Private.....		No Record.....	July 21, 1927
M. Fletcher.....			No Record.....	Dec. 11, 1927
David McDonald.....			No Record.....	Dec. 22, 1927

**Wadsworth Post No. 49, Lawrence.**

Francis Branch.....	Sergt.....	C	3rd Mich. Cavalry.....	Mar. 16, 1927
William H. Shaw.....	Private.....		N. Y. Infantry.....	Unknown.
William Mercer.....	Private.....		N. Y. Infantry.....	June 1, 1927

**C. J. Bassett Post No. 56, Allegan.**

Warren Pratt.....	Private.....	H	44th Ill. Infantry.....	June 11, 1927
Sherman Van Scott.....	Private.....	I	175th Ohio Infantry.....	June 23, 1927
Harlow Nichols.....	Private.....	F	184th N. Y. Infantry.....	Dec. 1927
I. S. Ford.....	Private.....	B	37th Ill. Infantry.....	Dec. 1927

**U. S. Grant Post No. 67, Bay City.**

Wm. Mc Mullen.....	Private.....	D	71st Penn. Infantry.....	April 6, 1927
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**Shields Post No. 68, Shelby.**

Chester Butterfield.....	Private.....		Navy.....	May 13, 1927
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**Joseph R. Smith Post No. 76, Monroe.**

Bernard Sturm.....	Musician.....		14th Ohio Infantry.....	July 4, 1927
Frederick Knapp.....	Private.....	E	6th U. S. Cavalry.....	Sept. 2, 1927

**Orcutt Post No. 79, Kalamazoo.**

John Abraham.....	Private.....	I	25th Mich. Infantry.....	Mar. 14, 1927
L. S. Grant.....	Sergt.....	E	5th Kan. Cavalry.....	May 2, 1927
W. B. Steenburg.....	Private.....	D	38th N. Y. Infantry.....	June 14, 1927
Alfred D. Stryker.....	Corp.....	G	42nd Ohio Infantry.....	Oct. 25, 1927
Wyman Hall.....	Private.....	H	44th N. Y. Infantry.....	Oct. 1927

## FIFTIETH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

## Names Not Members of the G. A. R., (Kalamazoo)

Name.	Rank.	Com- pany.	Regiment.	Date of death.
Jesse Kline.....	No Report.....	.....	55th Ohio Infantry.....	Dec. 26, 1926
D. W. Hooper.....	No Report.....	.....	.....	Jan 15, 1927
Wm. Mason.....	No Report.....	K	8th Mich. Cavalry.....	Feb. 5, 1927
A. C. Scranton.....	Private.....	A	4th Mich. Infantry.....	Mar. 18, 1927
Hector Dodge.....	No Report.....	.....	.....	Oct. 13, 1927
Volney Beardsley.....	No Report.....	.....	.....	Oct. 13, 1927

## Wm. A. Kent Post No. 83, Greenville.

Seth J. Spetler.....	Private.....	G	30th Mich. Infantry.....	Nov. 25, 1927
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## General Lyon No. 86, Mancelona.

John W. Wallace.....	Private.....	C	87th and 129th Ohio Infantry 9th Ohio Cavalry.....	Dec. 11, 1927
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## Corbin Post No. 88, Union City

Laton Cave.....	Private.....	H	23 Vet. Reserve Corp.....	Dec. 8, 1927
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## J. N. Penoyer Post 90, Saginaw, W. S.

Levi B. Chamberlain.....	Private.....	D	16th Mich. Infantry.....	Mar. 21, 1927
David Thompson.....	Private.....	D	16th Mich. Infantry.....	June 21, 1927
Milo Dakirs.....	Private.....	C	9th Mich. Cavalry.....	April 15, 1927

## William D. Watkins Post No. 91, St. Louis.

L. W. Harris.....	Private.....	B	10th Mich. Infantry.....	Jan. 4, 1927
Peter Eagan.....	Private.....	K	140th N. Y. Infantry.....	Jan. 13, 1927
A. B. Darragh.....	Capt.....	C	9th Mich. Cavalry.....	Feb. 21, 1927
Harvey Lyon, Jr.....	Private.....	E	1st E. and M.....	Aug. 10, 1927

## Wallace Post No. 95, Flat Rock.

Henry M. Smith.....	Private.....	K	50th N. J. E. and M.....	July 15, 1927
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## William Sanborn Post No. 98, Port Huron.

N. D. Brown.....	Private.....	G	12th Wis. Infantry.....	Feb. 12, 1927
Wm. Manley.....	Private.....	L	16th Mich. Infantry.....	Feb. 23, 1927
W. H. Fonda.....	Private.....	I	6th Ill. Infantry.....	Oct. 23, 1927

## Butterworth Post No. 109, Coldwater.

George Eggleston.....	1st Lieut.....	K	1st Mich. Infantry.....	Mar. 19, 1927
John Stafford.....	No Report.....	.....	.....	.....
John Hills.....	No Report.....	.....	.....	Oct. 29, 1927



**James B. Brainard Post No. 111, Eaton Rapids.**

Name.	Rank.	Com- pany.	Regiment.	Date of death.
Nat. Davis .....	Color Bearer....	E	102 Colored Regt.....	Jan. 29, 1927
George Norton .....	Private.....	G	20th Mich. Infantry.....	Mar. 13, 1927
D. H. Long .....	Private.....	G	17th Mich. Infantry.....	April 22, 1927
Mike Cronan .....	Private.....	B	30th Ind. Infantry.....	May 16, 1927
C. H. Wilbur .....	Corp.....	I	38th Ohio Infantry.....	Nov. 3, 1927

**John Gilluly Post No. 114, Fowlerville.**

A. F. Ward .....	Corp.....	H	4th Mich. Infantry.....	Sept. 30, 1926
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**Dan S. Root Post No. 126, Belding.**

Ruben Bradish .....	Private.....	C	16th Mich. Infantry.....	Dec. 19, 1926
James Cramer .....	Private.....	I	1st Mich. S. S.....	Feb. 3, 1927
J. H. Millard .....	Private.....	H	5th Mich. Infantry.....	Sept. 21, 1927
Oliver Beckwith.....	Private.....	C	3rd Mich. Infantry.....	Dec. 2, 1927

**Welch Post No. 137, Ann Arbor.**

James E. Sumner.....	1st Lieut.....	K	5th Mich. Cavalry.....	Nov. 28, 1927
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**Horace S. Roberts Post No. 139, Alpena.**

Names Not Members of the G. A. R.

Arthur Irwin .....	Private.....	G	7th Mich. Cavalry.....	Dec. 11, 1927
Augustus Johnson.....	Private.....	I	1st E. and M.....	Dec. 16, 1927

**Beers Post No. 140, Tecumseh.**

Thomas Langton.....	Private.....	G	9th Mich. Cavalry.....	1927
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**Whitside Post No. 143, Caro.**

Wm. Westbrook .....	Private.....	B	10th Mich. Infantry.....	May 27, 1927
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**Turrell Post No. 144, Farwell.**

George E. Holman.....	Private.....	G	7th Mich. Infantry.....	Aug. 4, 1927
Lester Weston .....	Private.....	G	8th Ill. Cavalry.....	Aug. 23, 1927

**Governor Crapo Post No. 145, Flint.**

M. C. Barney .....	Sergt.....	C	10th Mich. Infantry.....	Jan. 4, 1927
Herbert Meyers .....	Private.....	E	189th N. Y. Infantry.....	July 5, 1927
Francis Butcher.....	Private.....	K	51st Ohio Infantry.....	July 21, 1927
John Rieglo .....	Corp.....		21st N. Y. Infantry and 29th Mich. Infantry.....	Oct. 20, 1927
Thomas Fouch .....	Private.....	A	Vermont Infantry.....	Feb. 7, 1927
John J. Smith.....	Private.....	G	20th Mich. Infantry.....	Aug. 19, 1927
Joseph Rush.....	Private.....	A	160th N. Y. Infantry.....	April 4, 1927

## FIFTIETH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

**Dick Richardson Post No. 147, Pontiac.**

Name.	Rank.	Com-pany.	Regiment.	Date of death.
Joshap Emery.....	Private.....	C	30th Mich Infantry.....	Dec. 5, 1927
S. J. Cloonan.....	Private.....	K	15th Mich. Infantry.....	Nov. 18, 1927
J. D. Teuney.....	Private.....	E	11th Mich. Cavalry.....	July 2, 1927
H. H. Montrose.....	Private.....	E	124 N. Y. Infantry.....	Jan. 12, 1927

**William Moyer Post No. 152, Alma.**

Miron E. Barber.....	Corp.....	H	11th Mich. Cavalry.....	Dec. 29, 1927
Warren W. Rawlin.....	Private.....		No Report.....	Dec. 14, 1927

**Charles E. Grisson Post No. 156, St. Johns.**

David S. French.....	Major.....	A	110th Ohio Infantry.....	Sept. 7, 1927
William Ingersoll.....	Private.....	K	30th Mich. Infantry.....	June 26, 1927
Abram Eagle.....	Private.....	B	3rd Mich. Cavalry.....	Jan. 6, 1927
Adam Love.....	Private.....	A	2nd Ohio Cavalry.....	Sept. 15, 1927
James H. Collins.....	Private.....	H	4th Mich. Cavalry.....	June 5, 1927
Morris B. Drake.....	Private.....	K	23rd Mich. Infantry.....	Dec. 23, 1927

**Lombard Post No. 170, Petoskey.**

J. A. C. Rowan.....	Private.....	F	27th Ill. Infantry.....	Feb. 17, 1927
W. R. Montgomery.....	Private.....	A	10th Mich. Cavalry.....	April 15, 1927
Amos Dietz.....	Private.....	D	21st Mich. Infantry.....	Sept. 9, 1927
Nelson Bennett.....	Private.....	A	7th Mich. Cavalry.....	Dec. 28, 1927

**C. F. Smith Post No. 175, Escanaba.**

Sylvester Wead.....	Private.....	F	32 Wis. Infantry.....	1927
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**John Tucker Post No. 197, Ortonville.**

John Coventry.....	Private.....	K	11th N. J. Infantry.....	Dec. 20, 1927
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**James Steadman Post No. 198, Reed City.**

Aaron Bowman.....	Private.....	B	88th Ohio Infantry.....	Aug. 24, 1927
Clark Sutton.....	Private.....	B	3rd Mich. Infantry.....	April 28, 1927

**L. B. Quackenbush Post No. 205, Owosso.**

Arza L. Fowler.....	Private.....	B	4th Mich. Cavalry.....	Jan. 15, 1927
Christian T. Buchele.....	Private.....	C	15th Mich. Infantry.....	Feb. 15, 1927
Delos W. Hanna.....	Private.....	H	11th Mich. Cavalry.....	Feb. 1927
Therou Gladden.....	Private.....	D	9th Mich. Infantry.....	Oct. 25, 1927
Benjamin Zoeman.....	Private.....	B	1st Mich. Cavalry.....	Nov. 15, 1927

**E. W. Holingsworth Post No. 210, Albion.**

Hiram Herrick.....	Private.....	C	40th N. Y. Infantry.....	.....
Reuben Page.....	Private.....	H	2nd Mich. Cavalry.....	.....
Henry Conant.....	Private.....	B	8th Mich. Cavalry.....	Oct. 27, 1927

**H. D. Terry Post No. 216, Mt. Clemens.**

Name.	Rank.	Com-pany.	Regiment.	Date of death.
M. L. Skellman.....	2nd Lieut.....	G	123rd Ohio Infantry.....	May 15, 1927
J. L. Donalson.....	.....	.....	.....	Oct. 6, 1927

**George Martin Post No. 227, Eastport.**

Wolford Ladue.....	Private.....	I	N. Y. Cavalry... ..	Aug. 1927
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**Oscar Bartlett Post No. 233, Lamb.**

Horace C. Mudge.....	Corp.....	K	3rd Mich. Infantry.....	Mar. 27, 1927
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**Walter Clifford Post No. 235, Boyne City.**

Arthur E. Martin.....	Private.....	B	24th Mich. Infantry.....	Mar. 14, 1927
Arthur L. Eaton.....	Private.....	B	161st N. Y. Infantry.....	Nov. 1927

**A. C. Van Raalte Post No. 262, Holland.**

Gerrett Van Schelvin.....	Private.....	I	25th Mich. Infantry.....	April 4, 1927
B. Grant Scott.....	Private.....	A	32nd Iowa Infantry.....	May 29, 1927

**Names Not Members of the G. A. R., (Holland)**

J. Dauma.....	No Report.....	.....	.....	No Report....
C. Van Loo.....	No Report.....	.....	.....	No Report....
P. De Vries.....	No Report.....	.....	.....	No Report....
G. S. Doesburg.....	No Report.....	.....	.....	No Report....

**H. S. Burnett Post No. 278, West Bay City.**

Andrew Kitchen.....	Surgeon.....	.....	2nd Mich. Cavalry.....	June 6, 1927
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**Samuel W. Grinnell Post No. 283, Sunfield.**

H. Fender.....	Private.....	K	185th Ohio Infantry.....	Jan. 6, 1927
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**Andrews Post No. 294, Big Rapids.**

Rolland G. Abbey.....	Private.....	E	42nd Ohio Infantry.....	Mar. 9, 1927
E. R. Courtright.....	Private.....	C	1st Mich. E. and M.....	Mar. 14, 1927
Edward L. Hall.....	Private.....	G	16th Ohio Infantry.....	April 29, 1927
John Youard.....	Private.....	G	1st Mich. E. and M.....	April 12, 1927

**Albert Jackson Post No. 300, Marquette.**

C. E. Moore.....	Sergt.....	B	50th N. Y. Eng.....	April 1927
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## E. H. Liscum Post No. 343, Sault Ste. Marie.

Name.	Rank.	Company.	Regiment.	Date of death.
Mathew Fitzpatrick.....	No Report.....	.....	.....	.....
George C. Thomaston.....	No Report.....	.....	.....	.....
John Donaldson.....	No Report.....	.....	.....	.....

## S. D. Haight Post No. 348, Scottville.

Albert R. Nash.....	Private.....	E	9th Mich. Cavalry.....	Jan. 4, 1927
Jasper N. Clark.....	Private.....	I	2nd Vt. Infantry.....	Mar. 1927
Newton I. Kinne.....	Private.....	I	1st Mich. Infantry.....	April 1927

## Comstock Post No. 352, Manchester.

G. B. Sherwood.....	Private.....	D	1st Mich. Infantry.....	Mar. 12, 1927
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## S. R. Downs Post No. 374, Parma.

Elijah Soule.....	Private.....	E	20th Mich. Infantry.....	Nov. 20, 1927
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## Detroit Post No. 384, Detroit.

Gustavus F. Smith.....	1st Lieut.....	D	111th Ohio Infantry.....	June 30, 1927
Frank J. Hecker.....	Sergt.....	K	4th Mo. Infantry.....	June 26, 1927
Ebenezer B. Fenton.....	2nd Lieut.....	F	20th Conn. Infantry.....	Nov. 19, 1927

## Amasa B. Watson Post No. 395, Grand Rapids.

George W. Gilman.....	Sergt.....	F	7th N. H. Infantry.....	Mar. 31, 1927
Charles E. Jones.....	Private.....	D	2nd N. Y. Rifles.....	April 9, 1927
John A. Miller.....	Corp.....	B	6th Iowa Infantry.....	May 3, 1927

## Burlingame Post No. 402, Akron.

Zachariah Hess.....	Private.....	D	58th Pa. Infantry.....	June 8, 1927
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## Gen. O. M. Poe Post No. 433, Detroit.

Joseph Fuller.....	Sergt.....	D	8th Mich. Cavalry.....	Jan. 19, 1927
Thomas Fouts.....	.....	.....	.....	Jan. 23, 1927
George D. Freeman.....	Sergt.....	I	11th Mich. Infantry.....	Mar. 5, 1927
W. G. Chapman.....	Paymaster.....	.....	U. S. Navy.....	Mar. 21, 1927
R. K. Taylor.....	Private.....	A	8th Ill. Infantry.....	April 5, 1927
C. E. Mott.....	.....	I	37th Ill Infantry.....	May 2, 1927
S. A. Warley.....	Private.....	B	13th Ohio Infantry.....	June 25, 1927
W. F. Kinsler.....	Private.....	M	1st Mich. E. and M.....	July 24, 1927
J. H. Johnson.....	Private.....	D	24th Mich. Infantry.....	Nov. 18, 1927
Thomas Dudley.....	Private.....	C	7th Mich Cavalry.....	Dec. 16, 1927

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