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GRAND ARMY of the REPUBLIC

HELD AT

SAGINAW, JUNE 14-15-16, 1933

WITH ADDRESS OF

ORESTUS BLAKE, Department Commander

AND REPORTS OF OTHER DEPARTMENT OFFICERS

GENERAL ORDERS, ETC.

A spirit of true comradeship was beautifully exemplified by the citizens of Saginaw

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 1933.

Hon. William A. Comstock, Governor of the State of Michigan:
Sir: I have the honor to transmit to you the Journal of the FiftyFifth Annual Encampment of the Department of Michigan, Grand
Army of the Republic held in Saginaw June 14, 15 and 16, as required
by the statutes.

ORESTUS BLAKE, Department Commander.



DEPARTMENT OFFICERS

GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC 1932-1933

Department Commander-Orestus Blake	Jackson
Department Sr. Vice Com.—C. M. Cook	Kalamazoo
Department Jr. Vice Com.—Frank D. Keeler	. Saginaw
Department Chaplain—H. C. Bond	Muskegon
Medical Director—George W. Howe	rt Huron
Asst. Adj. and Q. M. General—M. D. Richardson	Lansing
Judge Advocate—A. C. Estabrook	Allegan
Patriotic Instruction—S. S. Puckett	. Petoskey
Department Inspector—L. S. Daniels	Coldwater
Chief Mustering Officer—Thomas H. Nichols	Jackson
Chief of StaffIsaac Grant	Reed City
Senior AideAllison L. Bryant	Lansing
Sergt. National Colors—Ira M. Stewart	. Petoskey
Sergt. Department Colors—A. H. Lightcap	Jackson

NATIONAL OFFICERS

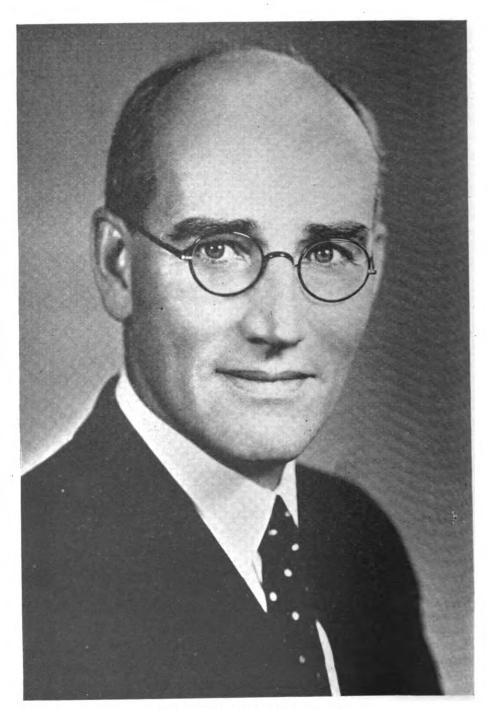
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC 1932-1933

Commander-in-Chief-William P. Wright
Sr. Vice Commander-in-Chief—Russell C. Martin Los Angeles, Cal.
Jr. Vice Commander-in-Chief—Charles E. Jones
Surgeon-GeneralDr. Edward H. Cowen
Chaplain-in-Chief—Rev. J. King Gibson
Adjutant-General—Calvin A. Brainard
Quartermaster-GeneralSamuel P. Town
Judge Advocate-General—James W. Willett
Inspector-General Emmet F. Taggart
National Patriotic InstructorHenry B. Davidson Springfield, Ill.
Assistant Adjutant-General-Albert C. Estabrook
Chief of Staff—Thomas H. Peacock
Senior Aide-de-Camp—W. H. Chesbrough Beloite, Wis.





ORESTUS BLAKE Department Commander 1932-1953

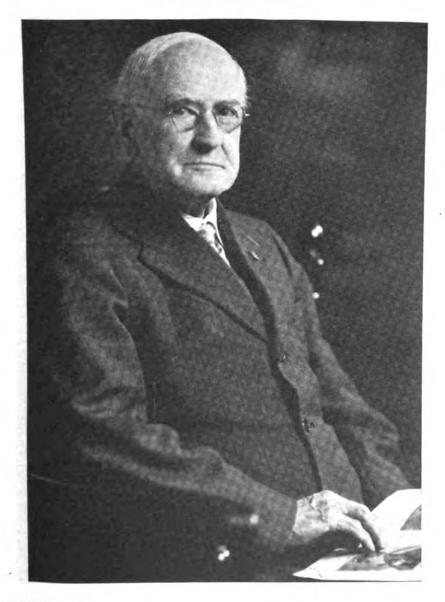


HON. WILLIAM A. COMSTOCK Governor of Michigan

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To Our Visitors :-

Saginaw appreciates the honor you have bestowed on our city by selecting Saginaw as the place of your 55th annual encampment.

We will do our best to entertain you and deem it a pleasure to have

the opportunity.

Your local committee has had the complete co-operation of the Mayor and other city officials, the Board of Commerce and the citizens of Saginaw, in planning for your comfort and enjoyment while you are our guests.

Welcome G. A. R. and your Affiliated Organizations, Saginaw belongs

to you on June 14, 15 and 16, 1933.

COMMITTEE ON LOCAL ARRANGEMENTS
Frank D. Keeler, Chairman
Department Jr. Vice Commander.



PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

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Russell A. Alger, deceased	Detroit, 1867
Wm. A. Throop, deceased	Detroit, 1868
Wm. Humphrey, deceased	
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, deceased	Datroit 1992
Rush J. Shank, deceased	Lauring 1994
Charles D. Laws Jacoust	Lansing, 1884
Charles D. Long, deceased	Fint, 1885
John Northwood, deceased	
L. G. Rutherford, deceased	
Washington Gardner, deceased	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 1809-3
James H. Kidd, deceased	Ionia 1902.4
Louis Kanitz, deceased	1000-1001 1001 F
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	
James VanKleek, deceased	Bay City 1901-2
Edward C. Anthony, deceased	Nogauna 1009 2
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Geo. H. Hopkins, deceased	
E. C. Cannon, deceased	Evart, 1905-6
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PAST SENIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

H. M. Bigelow, deceased
No record for 1880 or 1881 G. R. Wright, deceased
G. R. Wright, deceased Benton Harbor, 1882-3
M. A. Merrifield, deceased
George L. Fisher, deceased Fowlerville, 1885
S. A. Hosmer, deceased
W. W. Cook, deceased Lansing, 1887
True Hart, deceased
William H. Russell, deceased
E. L. Negus, deceased
C. L. Brundage, deceased
James A. Crozier, deceased
L. M. Ward, deceased Benton Harbor, 1893
Herman C. Frieseke, deceased Owosso, 1894
Norm G. Cooper, deceased
Lucian W. Lyon, deceased
L. W. Sprague, deceased
Moses F. Carlton, deceased
J. C. Bontecou, deceased Petoskey, 1900
Theo C. Putnam, deceased
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, deceased Traverse City, 1906
Riley L. Jones, deceased Saginaw, 1907
Edwin D. November deceased Saginaw, 1907
Edwin B. Nugent, deceased Bay City, 1908
J. J. Drake, deceased St. Joseph, 1909
Henry P. Shutt, deceased
A. J. Ward, deceased
H. C. Rankin, deceased
John A. Wardell, deceased Lansing, 1913
Frank L. Manning, deceased
Eli Strong, deceased
Thomas Davey Detroit, 1915
M. M. Andrews, deceased
H. W. Stevens, deceased
J. J. Holmes, deceased Eaton Rapids, 1918
George H. Keating, deceased
M. D. Richardson Lansing, 1920
E. A. Jennings, deceased
Samuel D. Bailey Detroit, 1922-23
John A. Miller, deceased
Edwin R. Havens, deceased
George W. Howe
Willis W. Crocker, deceased
Wm. E. Walker, deceased Benton Harbor, 1927-28
J. P. Riley Kalamazoo, 1928-29
J. P. Riley Kalamazoo, 1929-30
John Killeen Jackson, 1930-31
S. S. Puckett Petoskey, 1931-32
J. J. Reiser (Died in Office) deceased Grand Rapids, 1931-32
C. M. Cook Kalamazoo, 1932-33
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S. B. Kitchell, deceased
W. A. Palmer, deceased
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Dallas Johnson, deceased
Oscar A. Janes Hillsdale, 1882
J. N. Kellar, deceased
J. N. Kenar, deceased Sagnaw, 1883
M. H. Humphrey, deceased
H. F. Higgins, deceased
August Gobel, deceased
Thomas H. Williams, deceased
George W. Stone, deceased
William Jibb, deceased
Wm. H. Marston, deceased
Thomas M. Wiley, deceased Owosso, 1892
E. C. Anthony, deceased
James M. Greenfield, deceased
Oscar Palmer, deceased
James O. Bellaire, deceasedGrand Rapids, 1896
Ren Barker, deceased
D. C. Spears, deceased
S. H. Mallory, deceased Lake Odessa, 1900
Samuel J. Lawrence, deceased
H. A. Backus, deceased
M. D. Richardson Lake City, 1908
Edward S. Jamison, deceased
Dan J. Wilson, deceased Jackson, 1905
S. M. Kent, deceased
O. Palmer, deceased
Henry Spaulding, deceased
George W. Wheeler, deceased
Albert Dunham, deceased
George I. Nash, deceased
J. J. Holmes, deceased Eaton Rapids, 1912
Charles A. Coolidge, deceased Detroit, 1913
Marvin C. Barney, deceased
Thomas Davey Detroit, 1915
Alison L. Bryant
E. E. Lewis, deceased
Frank Lester, deceased
William G. Miner, deceased
E. S. Post, deceased
George D. Freeman, deceased
John Seel, deceased Benton Harbor, 1922-23
A. C. Estabrook Allegan, 1923-24
Arthur E. Ferry, deceased
Josiah Creque, deceased Jackson, 1925-28
George S. Farrar, deceased Port Austin, 1926-27
J. P. Riley Kalamazoo, 1927-28
Wm. Barrett, deceased Bay City, 1928-29
James Churchill, deceased Pontiac, 1929-30
A. F. Chappell Detroit, 1930-31
C. M. Cook Kalamazoo, 1931-32
Frank D. Keeler Saginaw. 1932-33
Frank D. Reeler



ROSTER DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN G. A. R.

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

Chartered December 9, 1887.

Membership 10.

Post Commander, John Hodges.

Past Post Commanders

L. D. Reynolds.

Albert Hawley.

CUSTER POST NO. 5, GRAND RAPIDS.

Chartered September 27, 1878.

Membership 3.

Post Commander, Eugene Owen.

Past Post Commanders

W. D. Frost.

Eugene Owen.

Lafayette Stevens.

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

Chartered February 26, 1878.

Membership 5.

Post Commander, George A. Slayton.

Past Post Commanders

D. D. Rhodes.

George A. Slayton.

Frederick Wolf.

PHIL KEARNEY POST NO. 7, MUSKEGON.

Chartered July 31, 1879.

Membership 8.

Post Commander, Howard C. Bond.

Past Post Commanders

John Sturgeon.

Howard C. Bond.

Charles Depuy.

JOHN A. DIX NO. 9, HESPERIA.

Chartered September 12, 1879.

Membership 4.

Post Commander, H. E. Waterman.

Past Post Commanders

Charles Robbins.

H. E. Waterman.

WILLIAM BELL POST NO. 10, DUNDEE.

Chartered October 16, 1879.

Membership 1.

Post Commander, George W. Francesco.

Cared for by W. R. C.

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

Chartered May 11, 1880.

Membership 3.

Post Commander, Charles A. Tanner.

Past Post Commanders

Fred F. Main.

Charles A. Tanner.

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

Chartered May 24, 1880.

Membership 8.

Post Commander, C. B. Holmes.

Past Post Commanders

William E. Walker. Ambrose H. Rowe. James M. Brent. A. A. Covill.

Chester Chorpening.

C. B. Holmes.



FAIRBANKS POST NO. 17, DETROIT.

Chartered May 9, 1881.

Membership 18.

Post Commander, Charles E. Sanborn. Past Post Commanders

S. D. Bailey.

Thomas Davey.

David Plumadore.

John O. Stone.

William J. Fraser.

A. S. Chappell.

Charles E. Sanborn.

A. LINCOLN POST NO. 19, BANGOR.

Chartered May 20, 1881.

Membership 1.

Post Commander, W. H. Ashley. Cared for by W. R. C.

WILLIAM PERROTT POST NO. 22, BUCHANAN.

Chartered July 11, 1881.

Membership 3.

Post Commander, Samuel S. Bunker.

George Hanley.

Past Post Commanders

John C. Dick.

S. S. Bunker.

COL. FENTON POST NO. 24, FENTON.

Chartered August 19, 1881.

Membership 1.

Cared for by W. R. C.

DAVID BECKER POST NO. 25. OGDEN CENTER.

Chartered August 20, 1881.

Membership 3.

Post Commander, A. S. Beardsley. Past Post Commanders

George W. Wilt.

A. S. Beardsley.

John Locke.

JOE HOOKER POST NO. 26, HART.

Chartered August 16, 1881.

Membership 5.

Post Commander, G. W. Enslow. Past Post Commanders

G. W. Enslow.

A. O. Aldrich.

FARRAGUT POST NO. 32, BATTLE CREEK.

Chartered November 31, 1881.

Membership 8.

Post Commander, John W. Walker. Past Post Commanders

W. E. Dockey.

John W. Walker.

ZACH CHANDLER POST NO. 35, SOUTH HAVEN.

Chartered November 30, 1881.

Membership 9.

Post Commander, J. F. Jones. Past Post Commanders

A. L. Nealley.

J. F. Jones.

J. A. Richardson.



Chartered December 14, 1881.

Membership 5.

Post Commander, Fred Gill. Past Post Commanders

Frank D. Keeler.

Fred Gill.

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

Chartered February 2, 1882.

Membership 19.

Post Commander, James A. Hamilton. Past Post Commanders

M. D. Richardson. Seymour Foster.

Allison L. Bryant. James A. Hamilton.

WOODBURY POST NO. 45, ADRIAN.

Chartered February 13, 1882.

Membership 20.

Post Commander, R. P. Butrick. Past Post Commanders

N. D. Chew.

D. B. Morgan.

R. P. Butrick.

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

Chartered August 28, 1914.

Membership 1.

Post Commander, Nicholas Brucks.

EDWARD POMEROY POST NO. 48, JACKSON.

Chartered March 9, 1882.

Membership 23.

Post Commander, Orestus Blake.

Past Post Commanders

William W. Carroll. A. N. Sova.

John Killeen.

Orestus Blake.

PHIL McKERNAN POST NO. 58, MASON.

Chartered April 8, 1882.

Membership 1.

Post Commander, Theodore Bortle.

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

Chartered April 25, 1882.

Membership 10.

Post Commander, Luzern Durand. Past Post Commanders

A. C. Estabrook.

William Burnett.

L. Y. Cady. Luzern Durand.

COLVIN POST NO. 59, GOBLES.

Chartered May 22, 1882.

Membership 2.

Post Commander, J. S. Eastman. Past Post Commanders

G. K. Warren.

J. S. Eastman.



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

Chartered June 12, 1882.

Membership 5.

Post Commander, Past Post Commanders Cared for by W. R. C.

SHIELDS POST NO. 68, SHELBY.

Chartered July 27, 1882.

Membership 2.

Post Commander, E. M. Holt. Past Post Commanders

J. B. Dorrance.

E. M. Holt.

JOSEPH R. SMITH POST NO. 76, MONROE.

Chartered September 12, 1882.

Membership 3.

Post Commander, Philip Marsh.

ORCUTT POST NO. 79, KALAMAZOO.

Chartered September 20, 1882.

Membership 14.

Post Commander, J. P. Riley.

Past Post Commander

William Snyder.

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

Chartered October 6, 1882.

Membership 3.

Post Commander, John W. Finch.

Past Post Commanders

John W. Finch.

Martin Kelsey.

COBBIN POST NO. 88, UNION CITY.

Chartered October 17, 1882.

Membership 2.

Cared for by W. R. C.

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

Chartered October 25, 1882.

Membership 3.

Post Commander, George Wilcox.

Past Post Commanders

L. B. Longwell.

George Wilcox.

WALLACK POST NO. 95, FLAT ROCK.

Chartered December 9, 1882.

Membership 3.

Post Commander, Albert W. Wager.

Past Post Commanders

Charles Strewing.

Albert W. Wager.

WILLIAM SANBORN POST NO. 98, PORT HURON.

Chartered December 30, 1882.

Membership 9.

Post Commander, George W. Howe.
Past Post Commanders

George W. Howe.

John Hill.

N. D. Brown.



TIM LEWIS POST NO. 107, DIMONDALE.

Chartered March 17, 1883.

Membership 2.

Post Commander, John Hetrick.

Past Post Commanders

N. P. Bateman.

John Hetrick.

BUTTERWORTH POST NO. 109, COLDWATER.

Chartered March 9, 1883.

Membership 14.

Post Commander, L. S. Daniels.

Past Post Commanders

Chas. W. Bennett.

L. S. Daniels.

S. H. Camp.

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

Chartered March 14, 1883.

Membership 4.

Post Commander, John Henderson.

Past Post Commanders

T. D. Chatman.

Chas. Wilber.

JOHN GILLULY POST NO. 114, FOWLERVILLE.

Chartered March 22, 1883.

Membership 1.

Post Commander, Alfred H. Smith.

WADDELL POST NO. 120, HOWELL.

Chartered April 5, 1883.

Membership 1.

Post Commander, George Barnes.

CARVER POST NO. 123, FRANKFORT.

Chartered April 7, 1883.

Membership 4.

Post Commander, C. C. Fortney.

Past Post Commanders

Lot Nevins.

C. C. Fortney.

A. B. Benton.

FITZGERALD POST NO. 125, HASTINGS.

Chartered April 11, 1883.

Membership 2.

Post Commander, Thomas O. Webber.

Past Post Commander

T. H. Taylor.

DAN 8. ROOT POST NO. 126, BELDING.

Chartered April 14, 1883.

Membership 5.

Post Commander, William R. Olds.

WELCH POST NO. 187, ANN ARBOR.

Chartered May 8, 1883.

Membership 4.

Post Commander, Joseph Vallar.

Past Post Commanders

William Russell.

Joseph Vallar.



BEERS POST NO. 140, TECUMSEH.

Chartered May 18, 1883.

Membership 4.

Cared for by U. S. W. V.

WHITESIDE POST NO. 143, CARO.

Chartered May 25, 1883.

Membership 6.

Post Commander, Orlando Levalley.

Past Post Commanders

Lyman C. Grady. J. L. Myers. D. S. Arnold. Frank Reed.

Orlando Levalley.

TURRELL POST NO. 144, LAPEER.

Chartered May 8, 1883.

Membership 3.

Cared for by W. R. C.

GOV. CRAPO POST NO. 145, FLINT.

Chartered June 7, 1883.

Membership 12.

Post Commander, Wray Mitchell.

Past Post Commander

Wray Mitchell.

DICK RICHARDSON POST NO. 147, PONTIAC.

Chartered June 11, 1883.

Membership 3.

Cared for by W. R. C.

WILLIAM MOYER POST NO. 152, ALMA.

Chartered July 11, 1883.

Membership 1.

Post Commander, Andrew Crooks.

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

Chartered July 5, 1883.

Membership 2.

Post Commander, Geo. W. Kimble.

HENRY F. WALLACE POST NO. 160, CORUNNA.

Chartered July 12, 1883.

Membership 2.

Post Commander, Merritt S. Harding. Cared for by W. R. C.

EDWARD DWIGHT POST NO. 163, VERMONTVILLE.

Chartered July 30, 1883.

Membership 4.

Post Commander, Henry H. Brown. Past Post Commanders

Chas. S. Snell.

Henry H. Brown.



LOMBARD POST NO. 170, PETOSKEY.

Chartered August 11, 1883.

Membership 12.

Post Commander, S. S. Puckett. Past Post Commanders

J. A. C. Rowen. W. R. Montgomery. Melvin Birch.

E. A. Dunton.

S. S. Puckett.

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

Chartered August 30, 1883.

Membership 3.

Cared for by D. of U. V.

CARPENTER POST NO. 180, YPSILANTI.

Chartered August 30, 1883.

Membership 2.

Post Commander, A. D. Austin.

HEBER LEFAVOR POST NO. 181, MILFORD.

Chartered September 3, 1883.

Membership 4.

Post Commander, John Beaumont.

Past Post Commanders

John Beaumont.

G. W. Sturdevant.

HACKETT POST NO. 185, BRONSON.

Chartered September 25, 1883.

Membership 3.

Post Commander, William George.

Pust Post Commanders

Thomas A. Eberhard.

William George.

FRANK POWELL POST NO. 187, OXFORD.

Chartered September 27, 1883.

Membership 1.

Cared for by W. R. C.

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

Chartered October 5, 1883.

Membership 1.

Post Commander, Nathan Green. Cared for by S. O. U. V.

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

Chartered October 28, 1883.

Membership 2.

Post Commander, Thomas Nesbitt.

Past Post Commander

Thomas Nesbitt.

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

Chartered December 21, 1883.

Membership 5.

Post Commander, William Guipe.

Past Post Commanders

S. Z. Watson. Chas. Freeman.

Theron Gradden. William Guipe.



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

Chartered January 4, 1883.

Membership 5.

Cared for by W. R. C.

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

Chartered December 23, 1883.

Membership 3.

Post Commander, C. C. Eyester. Cared for by W. R. C.

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

Chartered January 7, 1884.

Membership 3.

Post Commander, Gilbert LaCroix.

Past Post Commander

Gilbert LaCroix.

LONSON BRYANT POST NO. 255, MAYVILLE.

Chartered May 20, 1884.

Membership 5.

Post Commander, S. H. Dwelley.

Past Post Commanders

Eli Brooks.

S. H. Dwelley.

WALTER CLIFFORD POST NO. 235, BOYNE CITY.

Chartered March 20, 1884.

Membership 1.

Post Commander, John Newville.

Past Post Commander

John Newville.

SAMUEL GRINNELL POST NO. 288, SUNFIELD.

Chartered October 23, 1884.

Membership 1.

Post Commander, James B. Peabody.

Past Post Commander

James B. Peabody.

ANDREWS POST NO. 294, BIG RAPIDS.

Chartered January 15, 1885.

Membership 7.

Post Commander, David Cantine.

Past Post Commanders

M. D. Ford. R. G. Abbey. S. G. Webster David Cantine.

ALBERT JACKSON POST NO. 300, MARQUETTE.

Chartered March 7, 1885.

Membership 1.

Post Commander, Patrick Ryan. Cared for by W. R. C.

W. R. ROGERS POST NO. 306, IMLAY CITY.

Chartered May 9, 1885.

Membership 1.

Post Commander N. H. Cheney.

Past Post Commander

N. H. Cheney.



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

Chartered March 27, 1886.

Membership 3.

Post Commander, Fred J. Buck.

Past Post Commanders

Edward Lockard.

Fred J. Buck.

COMSTOCK POST NO. 352, MANCHESTER.

Chartered May 18, 1886.

Membership 3.

Post Commander, Wm. Nubling.

Past Post Commander

Wm. Nubling.

DETROIT POST NO. 384, DETROIT.

Chartered May 21, 1887.

Membership 5.

Post Commander, John L. Hinman, Past Post Commanders

Wm. T. Sage.

John L. Hinman.

GEN. CHAS. GRIFFIN POST NO. 386, FARWELL.

Chartered May 21, 1887.

Membership 5.

Post Commander, N. D. Watkins. Past Post Commanders

Jesse H. Wood.

Sylvester Coon.

Chas. H. Clark.

N. D. Watkins.

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

Chartered November 15, 1888.

Membership 8.

Post Commander, Ebenezer Child.

Past Post Commanders

James R. Beadle.

Chas. A. Green.

John A. Miller.

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

Chartered May 13, 1903.

Membership 2.

Post Commander, J. L. Richard.

Past Post Commander

J. L. Richard.

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

Chartered November 18, 1893.

Membership 11.

Post Commander, Joseph Cook.

Past Post Commanders

T. F. Courtney.

Walter Kinsler.

Joseph Cook.

STEEL BROS. POST NO. 441, MASON.

Chartered December 31, 1897.

Membership 23.

Post Commander, J. L. Steel.



WASHINGTON POST NO. 444, CADILLAC.

Chartered April 14, 1898.

Membership 3.

Post Commander, Wm. Stewart.

Past Post Commander

Wm. Stewart.

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

Chartered April 28, 1900.

Membership 1.

Post Commander, Isaac Grant.

Past Post Commander

Isaac Grant.

JOHN HUNTER POST NO. 455, MONTROSE.

Chartered November 1, 1900.

Membership 2.

Post Commander, A. R. Ellis.

Past Post Commanders

William C. Bouck.

A. R. Ellis.

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

Chartered February 9, 1903.

Membership 2.

Post Commander, Joshua Brown.

Past Post Commanders

Wm. G. Dunn.

Joshua Brown.



PROCEEDINGS OF THE FIFTY-FIFTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC HELD AT SAGINAW, MICHIGAN, JUNE 14-15-16, 1933

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 14

The fifty-fifth Annual Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic was called to order in parlor E. Bancroft Hotel, at 1:30 by the Commander, Orestus Blake.

Department Commander—"The time has arrived for the opening of our Encampment, Comrades, I extend a cordial greeting to each one present, and may our every thought and action be in the spirit of "Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty."

Department Commander—"I will appoint Comrade Smith Carlton to act as Officer of the Day, and Comrade Ira Stewart as Officer of the Guard. Our Chaplain is unable to be with us so I will ask Comrade Richardson to act as Chaplain."

Department Commander—"Officer of the Day, are the approaches to this Encampment properly guarded, and all present in possession of the countersign?"

Officer of the Day—"Commander, they are."

Department Commander—The Chaplain will invoke the Divine bless-

ing, Parade rest."

Comrade Richardson—"Almighty Father we bow before Thee and thank Thee for this privilege of assembling in another encampment. We thank Thee that our lives have been kept to this hour. Thy constant care has been over us since last we met, through hours of danger, Thou has brought us safely to this place. Be graciously near to us, and to all the Comrades who are unable to meet with us today. Comfort and help them in all their distresses. Bless our Order and make it an instrument of great good, and keep our names on the roll of Thy servants. Bless our country, its rulers and all those in authority, give them wisdom in directing its affairs, and may we all be united in Thy Kingdom above. We ask it in the name of Christ. Amen."

Department Commander—"I now declare this Encampment open in due form. The Assistant Adjutant General will call the roll of officers." Thirteen officers responded. Motion made and supported that we

dispense with the roll call of the Posts. Motion carried.

Officer of the Guard announced the mayor of the city in waiting.

Officer of the Day presents Mayor Phoenix.

Department Commander—"Comrades, I am very happy to present to

you the mayor of Saginaw, Hon. George Phoenix."

Mayor's Welcome—"I am very pleased to meet with the G. A. R. because I am old like yourself. I am about eighty, pretty old for a mayor, as people usually want a younger mayor. I know that many of you are hard of hearing but have a lot of other qualities that make up for it. I certainly am very pleased to meet with you and on behalf



of the city of Saginaw I wish to extend to you my heartiest welcome and sincerely hope that you will have a very pleasant convention."

Commander Blake welcomes Mayor Phoenix, and decorates him with Grand Army badge.

Officer of the Day introduces Ladies Auxiliary of the Spanish American War Veterans. Mrs. Gillson and Mrs. Prall.

Mrs. Gillson—"Commander Blake and Comrades, we want to bring you greetings from the Michigan Department Auxiliary of the Spanish American War Veterans and as tokens and expressions of love, we wish to present these flowers to you. I regret to say that it is not my privilege to be a member of the Womans Relief Corps. I thank you."

Mrs. Prall—"Commander and Comrades, the Spanish American War Veterans Auxiliary bids you welcome to Saginaw and we hope you will enjoy yourself very much during your visit here. I thank you."

Commander Blake—"We thank you, Ladies, for this offering. As you all know, the old comrades haven't many days left to enjoy their fragrance. I have a very warm place in my heart for the Spanish American War Veterans and I am sure their Auxiliary deserves much credit and we wish you very much success in your work."

Comrade Cook, Senior Vice Commander presides during the reading of the Commanders report.

REPORT OF THE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER

Comrades:

For the fifty-fifth time the Department of Michigan G. A. R. is met in its annual encampment, each succeeding year our members are growing pitifully less, and our attendance at these annual gatherings smaller. It is gratifying however to see so many of our faithful Comrades able and eager to attend these gatherings and I want to welcome you all to this meeting, and we should congratulate ourselves that the City of Saginaw invited us to hold this encampment in this enterprising city.

We know that their hospitality and patriotism is unbounded, and under the capable management of an able Committee who have provided liberally for your entertainment and comfort. Much credit is due the committee for their untiring efforts to make this encampment a success. Not withstanding the handicap of depression in all branches of business large credit is due to the Board of Commerce and especially to Mr. Charles W. Hanesel their secretary who has been untiring in his efforts to make this meeting a success.

One year ago you bestowed upon me for the second time the highest honor in the gift of the Department. I take this opportunity to express my sincere thanks for the high honor bestowed and for the hearty co-operation of my Comrades and all our associate Orders at all times. And as I come now to render to you an account of my stewardship, I can only hope that I have been able to do something that will merit your approval and justify the confidence you reposed in me.

FINANCE

The finances of this Department are in a very satisfactory condition as the report of the Assistant Adjutant and Quartermaster General will show. Although you very properly returned to our Auxiliary, the



Womens Relief Corps one year ago a part of the funds so generously contributed by them in the years that have passed, I am sure there is enough remaining to the credit of the Department for our needs for the natural life of the Department.

OFFICIAL VISITS

The visits of the Commander to the Posts of the Department and the gatherings of our associate Orders is the most enjoyable part of his duty and as most of the Posts now are so reduced in membership that very few are able to keep up their regular meetings, I have availed myself of every opportunity I could to attend the always interesting meetings of our associate Orders and with their very hearty co-operation I have been able to meet with many of my Comrades over the Department for a social visit.

All of our Allied Orders have been most gracious to me in welcoming me at all times as an honored guest, and it has been my privilege during the year to attend many of their gatherings. Our Auxiliary, the Womens Relief Corps being the largest of our allies have naturally contributed more to my enjoyment of the years work, by welcoming me to many of their District meetings over the Department. To Mrs. Julia Allen their President and her loyal staff I owe a debt of gratitude for her cordial welcome and hearty co-operation in encouraging the Comrades to gather at these meeting for a social hour or more with me. The Sons of Veterans, "Our Sons" have also contributed much to my enjoyment of the year by welcoming me to many of their Regional meetings and I want to acknowledge my obligation to them for their timely co-operation in measures for the good of the Department. Our Daughters of Veterans, Ladies of the G. A. R. and all of Allied Orders, have contributed much to my enjoyment of the year and I bespeak for each and all of them. A growth in members and influence for years to come.

NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT

With our Department I attended the Sixty Fifth National Encampment at Springfield, Illinois. A considerable party of Michigan Comrades and members of our associate Orders took train on Saturday the 17th of September and enjoyed a very pleasant trip, arriving at Springfield at 8 p. m., that night when we were conveyed by courtesy cars to the Abraham Lincoln Hotel where our Headquarters was located and assigned to comfortable rooms and shown every courtesy during our stay. On Sunday we enjoyed the Memorial services of all the Allied Patriotic societies, at the Lincoln Monument. This was largely attended and splendidly carried out with a welcome address by the mayor of Springfield, the Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic and other prominent men and women. Monday provided a pleasant opportunity for the meeting of Committees in preparation for business sessions later. Tuesday was employed generally by excursions to points of interest, that recalled the early life of Lincoln. These included Camp Butler, Old Salem and other points of interest. On Wednesday the 21st occurred the strictly Grand Army parade, cheered over nine city blocks by the massed citizens of the city at all points. It was a matter of pride to me that I was privileged to lead a solid Mich-



igan delegation of thirty-one loyal marching Comrades in this parade. The City of Springfield welcomed us within her gates with beautiful weather and everything was done for the comfort and pleasure of her guests.

This Encampment to this historic city where we were constantly reminded of the early life of Lincoln must be an inspiration to the Comrades for the rest of their natural lives.

SOLDIERS HOME

I am pleased to present here a good report on our Michigan Soldiers Home by Comrade John W. Finch, Chairman of the Soldiers Home Committee which explains all I think you may wish to know.

I went to the Soldiers Home on May 5th, and Chairman Finch met me by prearrangement and we were shown every courtesy and I can assure you all that under the efficient management of Col. Edger A. Campbell we have a Home in Grand Rapids that ex-soldiers of Michigan may well be proud of.

MEMORIAL DAY OUR NATIONAL SABBATH DAY

It is gratifying to see our people everywhere willing to honor our dead Comrades with a general observance of the day, and it is a pleasing thought that its observance will be kept up religiously by American Veterans after we are all mustered out.

It was my privilege to participate in a fine observance of the day in my home town, and from the newspaper reports we must be impressed with the belief that our people generally are anxious to show their reverance of the sacred character of the day.

IN MEMORIAM

Again the official family of the Department has been invaded by the grim reaper. With sorrow I have to record the passing of my Assistant Adjutant and Quartermaster General, Albert Dunham, who was called home on October 20th, 1932. The Department has suffered the loss of many good loyal Comrades during the year and our ranks are growing pitifully thin. We can but bow our heads in sorrow at our loss. Other Comrades prominent in the Department in the past have passed on during the year and will be properly remembered in our Memorial service during this meeting.

Softly the door is opened, Softly the Master calls, Bidding his dear ones welcome, To the home that waits for all.

IN CONCLUSION

Time waits for no man, and in a few short hours I realize that I will again be reduced to the ranks to touch elbows with my Comrades in carrying on as best we can the work remaining to keep this Department in the proud rank it has held for so many years.

Before resigning the emblem of authority to other hands I want to



express in my feeble way my heartfelt gratitude for the great honor so generously bestowed upon me, and for the loyal co-operation of my Comrades and of all of our associate orders, throughout my entire

encumbercy of this honorable position.

This report would not be complete without paying a just tribute to our very capable Department Secretary, Mrs. Ida F. Davidson who has in addition to doing all the work of our Assistant Adjutant General and Quartermaster General for all the years she has honored this position, has, I am pleased to testify, been of valuable assistance to me throughout my entire service as your Commander.

I bespeak for my successor the same loyal support that has been so generously given me and I can confidently assure him that he will have in all of our Allies the finest most loyal coworkers that can be

found.

Respectfully submitted in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty, ORESTUS BLAKE,

Commander.



CHARLES M. COOK
Department Senior Vice Commander

Comrade Cook—This very excellent report will be referred to the following committee:

Comrade A. C. Estabrook

Comrade George W. Howe

Comrade John Killeen.

Commander Blake resumes his chair.

Department Commander—"We will now listen to the report of our Senior Vice Commander."



REPORT OF THE SENIOR VICE COMMANDER

Comrades, there is little I have to report in the line of active duties for the past year, since our numbers are become so few and we lack the physical ability to get about regardless of seasons of the year; there seems to be less that we can do.

Of the number of us that met and so greatly enjoyed the Encampment in September at Springfield, even in so short a time many have gone from us that entered into the pleasure of that meeting with the same zest that we did; yet they are gone from us—how we miss them.

I was kindly invited to install the officers of Foster Post No. 42 at Lansing in January, but was obliged to decline, fearing the inclemency of the weather and I was indeed sorry that I felt compelled to do so.

I attended a meeting of Comrades and Sisters at Battle Creek early in May, where we had a very enjoyable gathering, and here I was more forcibly reminded than ever before of the great inroads of disability among us on account of age—more physical than mental—enough to show me more plainly the reason for lack of attendance at these our Department meetings. We yet have the mental ability to "carry on" but the coming lack of the physical, shows us that we must more and more depend on these our Sons and Daughters, and our noble Auxiliaries. With all due respect to other Veteran organizations, they are of a different age and generation. We still stand on our own as we have for sixty-five years and will continue to stand, until the last man of the G. A. R. surrenders to the inevitable.

Our Sons and Daughters are the inheritors of what we leave them, and are the ones more closely connected with maintaining the principles and honor of their fathers than anyone else; and they will do so. Others have the interests of their own to look after. These Auxiliaries who have stood so nobly by us all these years are the only Allies we have and they will faithfully perform the duties we leave in their care.

One more thing was brought forcibly to mind the past month—a loved Comrade died; he had no children and was the last of his family. A relative took charge of his affairs and perhaps unthinkingly told the funeral director to select bearers—he selected members of another Veteran organization, perhaps not knowing or thinking that we had within our own those who rightly should perform that office—our Sons of Veterans—so instead of being borne to his last resting place by these, as I am sure he would have desired, he was carried by others to whom he was in no way connected. The Sons felt hurt, and I felt hurt for them, and I think we should make it a principle well understood that where possible and unless in contravention with the wishes of the Comrade's family that the Sons should perform that solemn duty.

And now, Comrades, we may have the physical strength to carry on for one, two, or three years longer, and as I have said let us do it on our own, as we have for so many years, supported by those we love and who have been so true to us, and go bearing the knowledge that no organization ever existed or is likely to exist in the future that has so stood for the high honor of this our country, or that will ever bear the love and respect that we have borne as the Grand Army of the Republic.

C. M. COOKE, Dept. Sr. Vice Commander.



Comrade Finch, Commander—I move the report be accepted, supported and carried.

Department Commander—We will have the report of our Jr. Vice Commander.

REPORT OF THE JR. VICE COMMANDER

Comrade Keeler—Comrades, I am sorry I haven't so good a report to made as Comrade Cook made, for he has covered the ground very nicely. I want to assure you that I haven't been loafing about but I haven't been able to visit any other organizations. The Spanish American War Boys invited me to their meeting and made me an honorary member and I for one, am very glad to accept it. It has always seemed to me and as I have talked with other comrades, that when the Grand Army is ready to lay down its arms and activities that the Spanish American Veterans be our logical and our hereditary "successors by all rights of custom—social, political, domestic, and religious. And I for one, shall be delighted if it shall be brought about in the future that the Spanish American Boys take over our activities until, perhaps, the Sons of Veterans be in a position to do so. It seems to me if anybody has rights to succeed to the prestige and the honor of the Grand Army, it is the Sons of Veterans. Well, I am quite confident that this problem, whatever shape it may take, eventually will work out to the satisfaction of all. Now then, I have no further report to make except that I want to say right now, that Saginaw is proud to welcome the Grand Army of the Republic and other patriotic organizations. We have done the best we could in arranging the various features of entertainment and taking care that the comrades, and the ladies as well, shall be cared for comfortably. As you all know, I was very anxious a year ago to get the invitation to Saginaw accepted and I am happy to say it was accepted, although there were nine other cities who wanted us this year including Bay City and we won out in good shape, and I am very glad indeed to say to you all that you are no less welcome to this city than in any other city in the state."

Comrade Grant-Move report be accepted, supported and carried.

Officer of the Day introduces Committee of the Daughters of Union Veterans: Georgia Rigelman, chairman, Clare Travers and Mary Gayer.

Georgia Rigelman—"Commander and Comrades, in behalf of the Department of Michigan Daughters of Union Veterans, it gives us great pleasure to come here today and there is no place on earth that I would rather come on any committee than to the dear old boys in blue. As a little remembrance of the red, the white, and the blue, I am presenting these flowers with their touch of red, white, and blue to you, Commander, in behalf of the Department of Michigan."

Commander Blake—"We thank you, Ladies, for this gracious offering. We think a great deal of our Daughters for we have as fine a bunch of them as anybody ever had and we really love to see them in their work. Now I'll ask Comrade Riley to respond to these Daughters."

Comrade Riley—"Commander, I am afraid you chose a poor stick. Since I am not much of a speaker I will have to sing you a song.



When the comrades have departed And the Veterans revelry is sounded on that everlasting shore, When life's weary march is ended, Who will tell the world the story When the boys in blue are gone?

Who will tell about the marching from Atlanta to the sea, Who will halt, and wait, and listen when they hear the revelry, Who will joint the chorus of so old a song, Who will tell the world the story When the boys in blue are gone?

Sons and daughters of this nation, You must tell the triumphs won when on earth Our work is ended and the veterans are gone, You must cherish dear Old Glory and its teachings pass along, You must tell the world the story When the boys in blue are gone?

Pinning of badges.

Mrs. Rigelman—"There is no badge that I'm more proud to wear than the badge of the Grand Army."

Ladies were escorted out by the Officer of the Day.

Committee from the Sons of Union Veterans.

Officer of the Guard—Commander—A Committee of greetings from the Sons of Veterans.

Officer of the Day—Commander—I have the pleasure of presenting to you Commander-in-Chief Rourke of Pennsylvania; F. J. McMurtrie, P. D. C., of Detroit; Glen F. Wigent, P. D. C., of Jackson, and Arthur E. Lewis, P. D. C., from the Sons of Veterans.

Department Commander—We are happy to greet our "Sons".

Mr. McMurtrie—"We are very glad to greet you in behalf of the Department and extend just a little floral offering to you. You will receive them from others just as well but these carry the love, regard, and sincere devotion of the veterans."

Commander Blake—"Now comrades, we are always glad to welcome our sons and as I say, we have received a lot of gracious help from the sons in my ardent administration and I'm particularly proud today to introduce the Commander-in-Chief of Sons of Veterans, Mr. Rourke."

Mr. Rourke—"Comrades, I have the extreme honor and pleasure in my humble way to come to you this afternoon and to say to you that I have the privilege of extending the greeting of your Commander-in-Chief, Colonel Wright of Chicago. As you all know, Colonel Wright is not as young as he used to be and he had promised Comrade Town of Pennsylvania that he would be there tomorrow and so I didn't care to ask him to make this trip, but he asked me to extend his greeting to you. Comrades, I want to say to you that we certainly love this work and that it certainly is a pleasure for me, as one of your sons, to be in this work with Commander-in-Chief, Wright, and may I just say to you in a word or two that I will leave this word as the representative of our sons and that as the time goes on, you can rest assured that the work that we have taught and trained ourselves for so many years may never take away any of your honors, but to see that when the time comes, we may



be ready as sons of the Grand Army of the Republic to take care of the memories of your comrades who are gone as you did so lovingly ever since 1868 and may I say for all of them, as their Commander-in-Chief, that you may rest assured that as long as time will last, this organization will always bring before the American public your loyalty, and your sacrifices that you made in order that this nation might come back undivided and might become what your grand Commander-in-Chief, Abraham Lincoln, wanted and might become what it is today, the greatest nation on the face of the globe. So I leave this word of greeting and congratulation and may I say further that it is the wish of your Commnder-in-Chief of the Sons that your convention may go year after year and that you may be as you have been in the past, that inspiration to us that will make of us better sons of these noble men. I thank you."



JULIA ALLEN
Department President Woman's Relief Corps



KATHRYN SHELDIN Dept. Sec'y W. R. C.

Mr. Lewis—"Department Commander Blake, I'm sure it is a pleasure for me to be here today, especially because it renews the acquaintance of one of my former townsmen, Comrade Richardson, who perhaps knew my father before I was born. Let's all renew our old acquaintances as we come to these encampments from year to year, and above all, keep up the principles that our fathers, who enjoy having us, kept up, and perpetuate to the last of our dying days."

Department Commander responded to these hearty greetings and the Sons retired.

Department Commander—I will now appoint a chairman to carry greetings to all the other organizations, and they may invite any of the Comrades to go with them.

To Womans Relief Corps—A. C. Estabrook.



To Ladies of the G. A. R.—George W. Howe.

To Daughters of Union Veterans—Charles M. Cook.

To Aux. S. of U. V.—Smith Carlton.

To Aux. V. F. W.—John W. Finch.

To Nat'l D. of the G. A. R.-John Killeen.

To Sons of Union Veterans—Frank Keeler.

To V. F. W's.—S. S. Puckett.

I hope these Comrades will make their visits as soon as convenient and be ready to report later on.

Officer of the Guard—Commander—Committee from the Woman's Relief Corps.

Commander—Officer of the Day—You will retire and present the Ladies.

Officer of the Day—Commander, I have the pleasure of presenting the National President, Department President and Past Department Presidents of the Woman's Relief Corps.

Department Commander receives the ladies graciously, and introduces Julia Allen, Department President, who makes the following report.

Report to the Grand Army of the Republic.

Commander Orestus Blake, Commander.

By Julia Allen, Dept. Pres., of the Woman's Relief Corps.

Department Commander, Orestus Blake:

As President of the Department of Michigan, Women's Relief Corps, it is my pleasure to bring to you and your comrades, a report of the work accomplished by your Auxiliary the year just ending:

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Number of Corps, June 1, 1932	6
Cash received from former Treasurer \$ 889.9	ı
Gift from the Grand Army of the Republic 1,700.00)
Amount Expended for Flowers 1,006.5	7
Cash Expended by Corps for Relief 1,110.08	3
Value of Relief other than Money 31,586.59	9
Child Welfare Relief other than Money 2,458.13	5
Amount Expended by Dept. Relief Commission 100.00)
Amount sent non-pensioned Widows of the Civil	
War Veterans Annex 105.00)
Number of G. A. R. Veterans assisted 58	
Number of their families assisted	
Number of Army Nurses 3	
Spanish War Veterans assisted 24	
World War Veterans assisted	
Number of others assisted—not relatives1,135	
Total number assisted	
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Number of members March 31, 1932	

And now, Department Commander, our year's work is nearly finished and I have enjoyed you as our leader, and a great many honors have come to us during the year for which we extend our sincere thanks. It



has been a pleasure to know you and enjoy these social affairs together, and to our successors we wish for them the same loyal support that we have had. Always with this thought in our minds of our triple Motto; Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty.

Submitted in F. C. and L.

JULIA ALLEN, Department President.

Commander Blake responds—"We are very happy to receive this report and I wish to say to Mrs. Allen that I have enjoyed associating with her for this past year and have attended many of her district meetings and other social affairs and I want to thank her for the very cordial manner with which she has always welcomed me. The W. R. C. is very famous for welcoming the old comrades and I have often regretted, in going out to these large gatherings, that I couldn't get more of my comrades to enjoy these meetings."

Julia Allen introduces National President of the W. R. C., Beatrice

Tyson, of Flushing, New York.

Beatrice Tyson—"Commander Blake and Members of the Department of Michigan, it is a real pleasure as National President of the W. R. C. to come and bring the greetings of the National Organization. We know that Michigan furnished some of the finest soldiers to us and we are proud that so many of them are so well preserved and able to come to this convention. I have attended twenty-six department conventions, most of them were much smaller than yours, but everywhere I found the same spirit. I am happy to bring the greetings of the National Organization and I am now going to have the privilege of pinning this badge of the W. R. C. on you."

Lizzetta Coady, Chairman of National Child Welfare Committee— "Comrades, I'm happy to visit you again and to see this splendid gathering and to meet the familiar faces that I meet year after year, not alone at the department conventions but many of them at the national."

Past Department Presidents were then introduced.

Evelyn Creusere—"Comrades, it is indeed a wonderful privilege to come to you today and to see so many of you with us yet. Many of us remember when this building would be filled with your voices and filled with your cheering ways. So many of you have left us, but in our memories you are just as strong as you ever were. We shall never forget you. To us, you will always be our Grand Army of the Republic."

Eliza Taylor—"Commander Blake, National President, and Comrades—What a magic word that is to us and how much it means to the Womans Relief Corps—Grand Army. I am so glad to be able to meet with you once more and hope that you will have many more happy meet-

ings."

Carry E. Torrey—"It is always a wonderful inspiration to have this privilege. I associate every day with a son of a veteran and I hear a great deal about the comrades of the Civil War. My father-in-law was one of them. It is a great privilege to come to your conventions."

Mrs. Earle—"It has been my privilege the last couple of years to travel a little with your commander and I am sure that he has been a genial traveling companion. I hope that as you go into the next year that you go in with some one who will be just as generous and just as thoughtful of the W. R. C. as he has been and we certainly are glad to



come to honor you today. We know that you haven't long to stay with us, none of us know, we are not sure of tomorrow, but we wish you Godspeed in all."

Ella Rice—"I'm more than happy to come to this gathering as one of the girls because I am so proud of our commander this year since he comes from my home town and I sincerely hope that you will have a wonderful convention, Commander."

Elizabeth Stevens—"I too, am so happy to be here with you today. Somehow, getting amongst these comrades always reminds me of that little song 'Just a Street Where Old Friends Meet'. It is certainly wonderful that you are all living and can still tell stories of the past. You have left something behind that the nation will have a reason to remember."

Minnie Van Tuye, Bay City—"It is rather strange for me to speak before the Grand Army because I haven't been coming to call on you as long as some of the others have been. Yet, I am glad to be one of them and I am glad to come and visit you. My father was a Grand Army man and my grandfather was wounded at the Battle of Gettysburg and so I have a perfect right to be proud of the Grand Army of the Republic and I am glad I am a member of the Woman's Relief Corps. I often think that the W. R. C. is to the Grand Army like John was to Jesus and not like Peter, who stood outside and denied Jesus and so the W. R. C. will stand by the G. A. R. to the last and we wish for you all sorts of good luck, health, and happiness so that we will all meet again next year."

Effie Murray—"I am very pleased to be here today. I think that perhaps we Jackson girls feel just a little bit partial to our commander. We have had the privilege of working with him for the past two years that he has been commander. I am very happy to come to your convention this afternoon and bring with me personal greetings as well as greeting from the past department presidents and I am glad to see so many comrades out and I know you are going to have a glorious convention. If there is anything we can do to make your convention easier, I hope that you will call on us."

Ida Davidson—"I am just as happy as I can be. I rather miss our meetings but still I am trying to serve the G. A. R. at a time when they seem to need it most, but I'm so glad that there are so many of you here and I am glad that there are so many of our comrades. I am just as happy as I can be to see all of you."

Commander Blake—"We know, as some of these ladies have said, that anything the G. A. R. wants, all it has to do is tell the Relief Corps and it is there. Now before you go, I hope you will permit me to present you with one of our badges."

Comrade Estabrook—"We have listened today to an address by the President of the National Organization of the Woman's Relief Corps and I hope next year we will listen to an address by the president of the national organization from Michigan. I move that this department endorses the candidacy of Mrs. Coady for national president of the W. R. C. next year. Comrades, I would like a rising vote on that from you." Supported and carried unanimously.

Mrs. Coady—"Commander and Comrades, I want to again express my thanks and appreciation for the confidence that you have in me in



endorsing me as a candidate for the National Presidency. I do not believe that I will bring that honor back to Michigan next year because that is something like a jack-rabbit, it goes by leaps and bounds. I went pretty fast in and out of Woman's Relief work, in fact, I hardly knew what I was doing some of the time. I would like better preparation for this office and I hope that if I do bring that honor back to Michigan I will bring with it all the good that is in me and all I possibly can do for the glory of the Grand Army boys."

Mrs. Allen—"Commander and Comrades, the Memorial services will be held very soon and we would be glad to have all the Comrades go with us to these exercises.

Department Commander—"We would be glad to have the ladies remain with us for a short time and we will adjourn as soon as possible.

Officer of the Day Presented Libbie Cornell and Iva Terrill, greetings committee from the Auxiliary Sons of Union Veterans.

Libby Cornell—"Commander Blake and Comrades, it just was a great pleasure to me when I was appointed as one of the committee to come to your convention. It just makes me happy to have this privilege of coming back to the meeting of the Grand Army. It sort of takes me back to my father who passed away so many years ago. The Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans send their love and greetings in these flowers to you and your convention and we just hope that you will have a most happy convention. Now permit me to pin this badge on you, Commander Blake. I'm not going to make the 'flower speech' because they'd only laugh at me if I did." (Kisses Commander Blake instead.) Iva Terrill, her companion also adds that she is just as glad that she can come too and bring greetings from the auxiliary.

Commender Blake—"There is a little slogan—say it with flowers. Now you certainly have said it this time. We know that these flowers will eventually fade but the love that prompted their offering, we know, that it will be with us always. Now the Sons of Veterans are to be appreciated but we know that they can't do a thing without a good auxiliary order. Ladies, we are very glad to welcome you and we hope that we will have a few more encampments, for some of us youngsters are going to say a while yet. I don't know what we are going to do with all these flowers. They certainly are beautiful and I know what they man. Lodies we thank you."

they mean. Ladies, we thank you."

Officer of the Day introduces committee of National Daughters of the Grand Army, Mrs. Henry B. Kellogg and Martha O'Cann.

Commander Blake-"Ladies we are very glad to welcome you."

Mrs. Henry B. Kellogg—"Thank you. We are very glad to welcome you, Comrades, and we hope you are satisfied here. We hope that you will make many more visits to Saginaw and we wish to present these flowers as a little token of love."

Commander Blake expresses words of thanks and appreciation and presents badges.

Comrade Richardson moves that the report of the Senior and Junior Vice-Commanders be adopted without reference. Motion is supported and carried.

Adjournment follows the end of the afternoon's session and the Comrades, escorted by the Past Department Presidents retire to the Crystal



Ball Room where the following beautiful and impressive memorial services were held under the direction of Ruby Shiner, Department Chaplain. Song—"Abide With Me."

Tribute to Col. Oscar A. Janes

Oscar A. Janes was born in Johnston, Rock County, Wisconsin, July 6th, 1843. After graduation from the Public School, he went to Milford Academy which was located near Johnston. This town of Johnston was named for his father, John Eastman Janes, as was also the town of Janesville, Wis. He entered Hillsdale College at the age of 19 years and was graduated in law in 1868. He enlisted from Hillsdale College November 15th, 1863 and was discharged Nov. 15th, 1864 and he returned to College. He served in 1st and 4th Michigan Infantry, army service, Battles of Wilderness, Spotsylvania, Cold Harbor, Seige of Richmond and Petersburg where he lost his arm. He married Julia M. Mead in Hillsdele and five children were born, two dying in infancy, three living, Marie Jane Creighton, Henry M. and John E. He received his title of Colonel when appointed on the staff of Gov. Russell A. Alger. His church affiliations were with the Free-will Baptist. He served on the board of trustees of Hillsdale College 45 years, secretary and treasurer of the College 4 years, circuit court commissioner and judge of probate of Hillsdale county, city attorney and city clerk of Hillsdale, state senator from Hillsdale county, U. S. pension agent at Detroit for 16 years under Presidents McKinley, Roosevelt and Taft. He served the Department of the Grand Army of the Republic as Commander as well as Senator Vice Commander of the National, and National Adjutant General. He was Commander of Detroit Post G. A. R. at the time of his death, as well as Quartermaster and Adjutant. He was a member of 1st charter commission of City of Highland Park. A member of Highland Park city council for 3 years. At the time of his death a member of the board of supervisors of Wayne County had served on his board since 1918 with the exception of two years. He was a member of the Sons of American Revolution.

There is a bronze tablet on a tree at McGregor Library in Highland Park, placed there a few years ago by the Julia Mead Tent Daughters of Veterans, this tent being named for his wife, Julia Mead Janes. This tablet was placed as a living memento to this splendid man, a beloved citizen, soldier and patriot for he loved his country, his home and his God.

The pathway of the living we can beautify and grace, We can line it deep with roses, and make earth a happier place,

But we have done all mortals can do when our prayers are softly said

For the souls of those that travel o'er the pathway of the dead. By Anna M. Earle.

> Tribute to Albert Dunham By Ella M. Rice Past Department President

Albert Dunham, Assistant Adjutant and Quartermaster General, silently passed away Oct. 20, 1932. Death is always unwelcome and is never understood until its lays its hand upon those we love. Comrade Dunham's going away has left a void that cannot be filled. A friend



A friend who never failed one, and his friends were numbered by those who knew him, for all who had the privilege of knowing him were his friends. He was my friend, I was his, I admired his courage and fidelity, his integrity, his patriotism, I revere his memory. He has left his loved ones the greatest heritage that man can bestow—the record of a good, clean life and that of an honorable and useful citizen. No where on that record can be found the word "failure".

"Ever in the realms of Glory Shall shine his starry fame, Angels have heard the story, God knows each comrade by name."

Loved by his Comrades and friends, we will place a flower in memory of him, who lived a good life, fought a good fight and kept the faith with his fellowmen. May the memory of his wise counsel inspire us to greater devotion to the cause he loved so well, and the example of his useful life be a beacon light to guide us in the years to come.

The following is his war record: Albert Dunham enlisted in Co. D. 2nd. Infantry Mar. 30, 1864, at Pulaski, for 3 years, age 18. Mustered April 8th, 1864, Corporal May 1, 1865. Mustered out at DeLaney House D. C. July 28, 1865. Served in the Wilderness Campaign and participated in the following battles: Spottsylvania, North Anna River, Bethesda Church, Cold Harbor, Siege of Petersburg, Peeble's farm, Boydton Pland Road, Hatchers Run, Ft. Steadman and capture of Petersburg. Wounded by piece of shell at Cold Harbor, June 3, 1864.

In memory of the Grand Army of the Republic By Past Department President, Lizetta Coady

Sweet Memory, Why feel sad, they have earned their rest. The silver circle of their service sweet
Is their memorial shining and complete
For them no slow decline or long delay
God knew the signal hour, the better way
And called them home while it was day.

The book of time for another year has once more been closed and the angel of death has entered the ranks of the Grand Army and many members passed on to the sound of the bugle for their last encampment. As our Comrades of the Grand Army one by one fold their tents and quietly steal away may we their only auxiliary take up the work with a determination to "carry on".

Life brings us together for a time and then it separates us for a time at the end of the road. Some day we shall meet again. Those who answered the call have not died in vain but are only promoted. There in the realms of glory neath the smile of the Master they still love us.

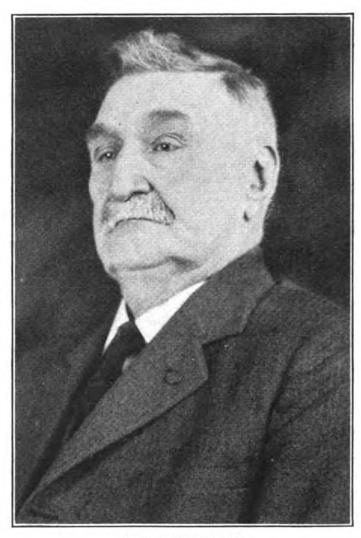
Soldiers you have fought a good fight Rest Soldiers, Rest May the Father of us all give us peace and comfort now and forever more



Now strew their ashes to the wind. Whose sword or voice has served mankind, and is he dead? Whose glorious mind lifts thine on high? To live in hearts we leave behind, is not to die.

In loving memory of the members of the Grand Army of the Republic who have responded to the call of the Great Commander I place these flowers on the altar.

Memorial services closed with the beautiful hymn, "Jesus Lover of My Soul".



M. D. RICHARDSON Assistant Adjutant and Quartermaster General

THURSDAY, JUNE 15, 1933

Meeting called order by the Department Commander at 10 a.m.

Department Commander—"I will appoint Comrade Isaac Grant as Officer of the Day."

Chaplain Richardson offered prayer.

Department Commander—"We are now ready to receive reports. Is the Assistant Adjutant General ready to report?"



REPORT OF THE ASSISTANT ADJUTANT AND QUARTER-MASTER GENERAL

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC

Saginaw, Michigan, June 14, 1933. Orestus Blake, Department Commander: I have the honor to submit to you and the Department Encampment my report as Assistant Adjutant and Quartermester General for the year just closed: Number of Posts in good standing June 1, 1932..... LOSSES DURING THE YEAR By surrender of Charter **MEMBERSHIP** Gained by muster 4 Gained by reinstatement 4 Gained by transfer 5 13 Total LOSSES DURING THE YEAR By transfer 1 145 Members in good standing June 1, 1933...... 418 RECEIPTS Amount on hand June 1, 1932 in Alger Fund\$1,000.00 Interest from Standard Savings & Loan Co......\$146.00 Received from Per capita tax 41.80 From sale of supplies 188.30 Total\$4,811.60



DISBURSEMENTS

	\$ 4,811.60
Gold Badge to Commander Blake\$ 50.	.00
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	.00
	.69
Gift to Department of Woman's Relief Corps 1,700.	.00
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M. D. Richardson expenses to committee meeting,	,,,,,,
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Postage	
Traveling expenses of the Department Commander 54.	
Balance on hand June 1, 1933	
In Standard Savings & Loan Association\$2,300.	
In Capital National Bank 606.	.73
Cash on hand 4.	24
Balance on hand June 1, 1933	\$2,910.97

We have paid out of the G.A.R. State appropriation of \$1,105.00, \$1,028.60. Commander Blake, I wish to thank you for the honor conferred upon me by appointing me Assistant Adjutant and Quartermaster General of this Department. To the comrades and allied organizations for all courtesies and to "Our Secretary" who has been so faithful and conscientious in the discharge of her duties, I extend my sincere thanks.

Loyally in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty, M. D. RICHARDSON,

Assistant Adjutant and Assistant

Quartermaster General. Saginaw, Michigan, June 14, 1933.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Orestus Blake, Department Commander.

The Executive Committee of the Council of Administration respectfully report that they have examined the books and vouchers of the Assistant Adjutant and Quartermaster General and find them correct, and as follows:

In Standard Savings & Loan Association	2,300.00
In Capital National Bank	
Cash on hand	4.24

Balance on hand June 1, 1933\$2,910.97

ALLISON L. BRYANT, Chairman, JOHN W. FINCH, S. H. CARLTON,

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Comrade Puckett—"Commander I move that these reports be accepted as read."

Motion supported by several and carried.

Department Commander—"Is the Judge Advocate ready to Report?" Judge Advocate reports that he has nothing to report particularly except that the W. R. C. were a little mixed on what they were to receive if the G. A. R. should quit work, but everything was straightened out.



IDA F. DAVIDSON Sec'y Department of Mich. G. A. R.

Commander Blake—"Thank you for that report."

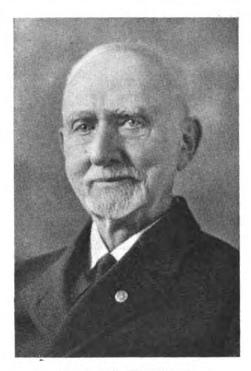
Comrade Puckett, Patriotic Instructor—"Commander and Comrades, the Patriotic Instructor has a very short report to make because he has only received five reports from the different posts and two of these were made out by the W. R. C. so you can see how faithful the organizations report to the Patriotic Instructor. It is getting to a point in history when patriotic work is not very active among our members. They don't get out much to do very much patriotic work. The best report that I have received was the work done by the W. R. C. and one comrade reported that it was the most suggestive report that I received. It was about the work that the W. R. C. was doing in connection with posts



whose ranks were very thin and probably could not exist without their help."

Commander Blake—"We are very glad to have that report, too."

Comrade Howe, Medical Director—"Commander and Comrades, it is thrilling for me to make this report and before I say anything about it, I want to supplement what has been said in regard to the patriotic instructor's work. I didn't do much for three weeks but visit schools and I don't know of anything that any man can do that will give him more thrills than to look into the faces of the future citizens of the United States of North America. I'll admit, I haven't made any report to the patriotic instructor but he will, perhaps, accept what I am saying now. It certainly is interesting work. It is one that will



COM. S. S. PUCKETT Department Patriotic Instructor

tax the abilities of any individual and it is worthy of his best efforts As Medical Director of the Department of Michigan, I looked upon it at first as a kind of a joke. I realize that our members are thin, few in number, but really one of the most important things for us to look after is our physical make-up and that depends on our mental ability, our capacity to serve our country and to do our duty in society and civilization. As for myself, I really want to thank these comrades from the bottom of my heart for putting me into that office. Now I'm not going to detain you any longer, but I would like to add that it is the responsibility of the parenthood of this nation to turn out the future citizens of the United States from their homes with appetites that are not demanding rum or whiskey or any other alcoholic drink. The human system does not demand anything that is rotten. From our homes it is our duty and our business to turn out citizens that will



be fully armed to defend themselves against the temptations that surround them in everyday life. Brothers, I thank you."

Comrade Blake—"Thank you for that report."

A motion is made and carried that all these reports be accepted and adopted.

Committee of greetings from the Daughters of Veterans introduced by Officer of the Day, Comrade Grant.

Mrs. Crane—"Commander and Comrades, I've come down here with the tickets for our banquet tonight and if I may, I would like to give each one of the comrades one of these tickets. That is what I came for and I am sure that not any of them will refuse."

Commander Blake—"You may pass them around and Officer of the Day will assist you."

Comrade Keeler introduces Mrs. Crane as the daughter of Thomas Davy.

Mrs. Crane—"If I may retire, Commander, I will see you all tonight." Commander Blake—"Thank you for your visit."

Next is Delegation of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic. Representatives, Celia Barbour and Lillie Bartlett.

Commander Blake—"Ladies, we are very glad to welcome you. You have a message you wish to deliver?"

Celia Barbour—"Commander and Comrades, we represent the Ladies of the G. A. R. and you all know that we are blood kin of the boys in blue. We are so glad that there are so many of you here today and we hope that you will have a good convention. We bring you greetings from the Ladies of the G. A. R., mothers, wives, sisters, daughters, etc. We are very proud of our eligibility because it can't be bought and there is no way of stealing it either because our eligibility is registered in Washington and we know where we belong. On behalf of all the ladies, I present you with these cigars."

Commander Blake—"Ladies, I'm very glad of this greeting, I assure you."

Celia Barbour introduces Sister Lillie Bartlett, daughter of Commander Bartlett.

Lillie Bartlett—"Commander and Comrades of the Grand Army, I also come with greetings from the Ladies of the G. A. R. as we are always ready and willing to do anything we can for these boys in blue. I have often been here when my father was with you and my memories are very happy ones and I am very glad to come again. Permit me to recite this Prayer: You have been given some useful but humble work to do and few friends to love you again, and cause to engage in a little ease and a well earned rest when life's work is done."

Pinning of badges by Comrade Grant.

Celia Barbour—"There is no badge I have received that I am so proud of as this one. I have had several from the Grand Army. Many of the Posts are very thin and we attend many of their meetings and help them wherever we can."

Commander Blake—"Thank you, we certainly appreciate that."

Commander Blake asks for the report of the committees who visited the Sons of Veterans.

Comrade Carlton-Commander, we have performed our duty and we



found ourselves amongst old neighbors and familiar faces. We were greeted more eloquently than we greeted them."

Comrade Estabrook moves that the report be accepted and motion is carried.

REPORT OF RESOLUTION COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, due to changing conditions and the increasing numbers attracted to patriotic gatherings—some confusions seem to be unavoidable. Therefore, be it

RESOLVED—That in our future encampments the date of holding such gatherings of the Department of Michigan G. A. R. and its affiliated organizations be determined and appointed by the Council of Administration and Department Commander as ex officio member, with the view of avoiding conflictions with the Convention dates of other Patriotic Organizations.

RESOLVED—That this encampment, like all of our previous ones, has been a season of joyous renewal of acquaintances and social recreation never to be forgotten.

We realize our obligation to the Saginaw Board of Commerce for their untiring zeal in securting for us every comfort and accommodation requisite to our complete enjoyment of this Anniversary.

For the excellent and efficient service of the Saginaw Daily News in stimulating the public interest in all matters concerning the encampment.

Many thanks are due Comrade F. D. Keller for his untiring efforts and energetic interest in behalf of his comrades of the Department.

To Commander Blake for his efficient administration of the affairs of the Department, we extend our hearty thanks.

To the City of Saginaw grateful recognition of hospitality.

A. C. ESTABROOK, EUGENE OWEN, GEO. W. HOWE,

Committee.

Comrade Grant moves that the report be accepted. It is supported and carried.

Department Commander—"Comrades, if there is no objections we will proceed to the election of delegates and alternates to the National Encampment."

The following Comrades were nominated and supported:

Delegate-at-Large-John W. Finch, Greenville.

Smith Carlton—Kalamazoo.

Nelson Dunn-Saginaw.

Eugene Owen-Grand Rapids.

John F. Beaumont-Milford.

Ira M. Stewart—Petoskev.

David Plumadore—Detroit.

David Ross—Saginaw.

Ed Rogers—Allegan.

Alternate at Large—Isaac Grant—Reed City.

Amasa Jones—Allegan.

Luzerne Durant-Allegan.

James Richmond—Bridgeport.



George S. Wilcox—St. Louis.

Joshua Brown-Saugatuck.

William H. Dunn-Gangese.

Charles Bovee, Saginaw.

Howard Bond-Muskegon.

Motion was made and carried that the rules and regulations be suspended and that Mrs. Davidson cast vote for entire convention for the comrades nominated as delegates and alternates to the National Encampment.

Ida Davidson—"I cast the unanimous vote of this Department for the above Comrades for Delegates and Alternates to the National Encampment."

Department Commander—"Are there any other reports?"

Comrade Estabrook—"Commander I have the report of Committee on Commanders Report."

Department Commander and Comrades:

Your Committee appointed upon the Commanders Address submit the following. We have carefully read the excellent address of our Commander and recommend its approval by this Department, we also recommend that in lieu of the badge, that the retiring Commander be presented with a check of \$50.00 as soon as funds are available.

A. C. ESTABROOK, JOHN KILLEEN, GEORGE W. HOWE,

Committee.

Comrade Richardson—"Commander, I move that the report of the Committee be accepted."

Motion supported and carried.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO VISIT THE SOLDIERS HOME

Greenville, Mich., May 17, 1933.

Commander and Comrades:

As Chairman of your committee on the Soldier's Home, I submit the following report. On May the fifth I met Department Commander Blake at the Home as prearranged by his request, which I was pleased to do, as I was otherwise alone, not knowing who was on the Committee. The Home Board was in session that day, and we were cordially received, also promptly given any information asked for.

The sanitary conditions are the best possible, and the food well served. The grounds well kept, and the Hospital well equipped with three surgeons and a fine modern outfit of instruments, and with the best of nurses, also the inmates are satisfied.

The number of Veterans and women in the different groups are as follows:

	Civil War	Sp. American	World War	Total
	Veterans	War Veterans	Veterans	
Duty	5	37	150	${\bf 192}$
Hospital	15	13	36	64
Away with leave	1	7	21	29
Away without leave	0	0	1	1
-			Total men	$\overline{286}$



WOMEN

Duty	61
Hospital	53
Away with leave	20
Away without leave	0

Total 134

Total men and women 420

This report will be subject to approval by Commander Blake.

Approved—
ORESTUS BLAKE,
Chairman of Committee,
JOHN W. FINCH,
J. P. Riley.



COL. E. H. CAMPBELL Commandant, Soldiers Home

REPORT OF DEPARTMENT CHAPLAIN COMRADSHIP

Comrades we are but few today,
And deeper bowed these heads of gray.
Each year we count our numbers less
When met our Comrades' graves to dress
With fresh blown flowers. And swelling pride
We hold for these who nobly died
In honor, for our country's weal,
The love that only Comrades feel.

'Twas born in suffering, camp, and field, In want and danger, with no shield But Comradship, and fearless cheer That made us strong with danger near. And in the years we've since passed through, The days of sixty years gone by We, to our comrades have been true; Kept green the graves wherein they lie.



We live in memories of a past
That covers men and deeds so vast;
They never end, they never stay;
But are renewed each passing day.
Comrades, our years are nearly spent,
But hearts are strong. With love intent
We spread these flowers, while soft winds play,
On this our loved Memorial Day.

C. M. COOK, Senior Vice Commander, Dept. Mich. G. A. R.

Department Commander and Comrades:

As the years come and go the Grand Army of the Republic is less able to perform the duties of "Memorial Day", but in their hearts they will ever cherish the memory of their departed Comrades. The Soldiers of the later wars, the Sons of Veterans and allied organizations have taken up this work and they will "carry on" long after "taps have sounded for the last Civil War Veteran".

The following Posts sent in a complete report:

Post No. 17, 35, 42, 45, 56, 79, 109, 143, 170, 180, 395.

Camrades though few in numbers attended services on Memorial Sunday and exercises on Memorial Day.

M. D. RICHARDSON,
Acting Chaplain.

Department Commander-Comrades. Nothing further now, we will ask our Secretary if she has any invitations for our next Encampment.

Mrs. Davidson reads letter from J. Henry Pitchler, resident manager, Hotel Statler, Detroit. Telegrams from Grand Rapids. Signed, Eric W. Dahl, Manager Grand Rapids Convention Bureau; William R. Duffy, Manager Pantlind Hotel; John D. Karel, Mayor of Grand Rapids; Earnest T. Conlon, City Manager.

Comrade Stewart—"Commander and Comrades, I move that we accept the invitation from Grand Rapids."

Comrade Grant—"Comrades, all of us know what Grand Rapids is. We have been to Detroit, Petoskey, Saginaw, in fact we have been everywhere except Marquette, and Grand Rapids has always welcomed us very cordially and I support the motion that we accept Grand Rapids."

Comrade Estabrook—"I move that we accept it not only for the Grand Army but also for our associate orders."

Comrade Stewart asks for standing vote. Invitation is unanimously accepted.

Department Commander—Comrades, we will now proceed to the election of our Council of Administration.

The following Comrades were nominated and supported:

A. C. Estabrook, Post No. 56, Allegan.

F. D. Keeler, Post No. 38, Saginaw.

Isaac Grant, Post No. 451, Reed City.

John W. Finch, Post No. 83, Greenville.

John Killeen, Post No. 48, Jackson.

Comrade Puckett, Commander. I move that the rules be suspended and our Secretary instructed to cast the ballot. Supported and carried. Mrs. Davidson casts vote.



Officer of the Day announces Committee of Veterans of Foreign Wars, Eugene VanAntwerp, C. E. Leonard, Geo. Fitten.

Comrade VanAntwerp—"Commander and Comrades, I don't believe that it is necessary for me to tell you how deep in the hearts of the Veterans of Foreign Wars you comrades of the Grand Army are. From our earliest years of childhood we have seized the inspiration that you comrades have given to us through the patriotic services that you have rendered this country in the time when this country most needed men of your integrity and we have been raised with the foremost idea of the patriotism exemplified by the G. A. R. and so today, here as comrades assembled in convention in this City of Saginaw, we pause for a moment to extend to you our greetings and our support and our offers of any kind of assistance that we are ever able to grant to you Comrades. Of course, you know that you are all honorary members of our organization and we are proud of the fact. Comrades, on behalf of the commander of the Department of Michigan of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, I want to present to you this badge representing our organization."

Commander Blake remarks that he is getting pretty well covered up. Comrade VanAntwerp also leaves a copy of the organizations programs for Commander Blake and for the Adjutant General.

Comrade VanAntwerp introduces Comrade Leonard who is the other member of the delegation and he is a member of Kalamazoo Post No. 827.

Commander Blake—"Comrades, we are very glad of this greeting. We appreciate it, I assure you. We like to welcome all veterans as they are all Comrades. All we insist upon in this world is that the G. A. R. be allowed to remain as the old boys to the very end."

Comrade VanAntwerp—"That is just what we want you to be."

Pinning of badges.

Comrade VanAntwerp—"On behalf of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, I salute you, Comrade Blake."

Committee retires.

Commander Blake—"Now Comrades, I want to say a word right now about our parade for tomorrow. I want you to understand what the committee wants us to do and I hope that all the Comrades will comply with their request. We are to remain here at the hotel and cars will be sent here to convey us to the starting point of the parade. They didn't want us to walk at all but I told them that we old boys can't forget and must march behind these colors once more. So at a certain designated point, all those of us who desire to march can just drop out and march two or three blocks. I'm sure all the comrades will comply with this request."

Meeting is followed by adjournment.

THURSDAY, JUNE 15, 1933 1:30 P. M. Bancroft Hotel

Session opens with a delegation from the Spanish American War Veterans waiting at the door. Officer of the Day, Isaac Grant introduces them. Department Commander Frank L. Finch, Comrade Harvey Ruggles and Comrade Schroder.

Commander Blake—"Comrades, we are very glad to meet you. We



have admitted you very informally since we haven't opened our meeting in the regular form as yet, but we are very glad to receive your message just the same."

Department Commander Finch—"Commander, we certainly are very happy to be here and meet with you this afternoon and indeed happy to see so many of you at this convention. I sincerely hope that you will have a very happy convention and I wish to extend to you the greetings of the Department of Michigan Spanish War Veterans. We sincerely hope that you might meet with us next year at the convention. We hope, however, that you might consider such a thing and we want you to know that you are more than welcome to meet with us in our encampment. We shall be glad to join you and to support you in every possible way that we can as long as we have an opportunity to do so. Again, I want to say that I thank you for the opportunity of being here with you and hope that we may all be together next year."

Comrade Harvey Ruggles—"Comrades, I had the pleasure of knowing you department commander for quite some time and it is a great pleasure for me to come here today to bring greetings from the City of Jackson as well as the United States Spanish War Veterans. It is a privilege and an honor to do this and I appreciate it very much. I am greatly disappointed because of hearing that we were a little bit late with our invitation. We hope that we might meet with you next year. We have looked forward to that since our last convention in Petoskey. You have heard the department commander's invitation and I just want to second that with some invitations from the City of Jackson. If you will permit me, I will read them to you." Reads invitation from Lynn A Wright, chairman convention and tourist committee; Maurice Henman, Mayor and P. J. Crandall, President Board of Commerce.

Commander Blake replies that he is sorry but the G. A. R. has already accepted an invitation to Grand Rapids. Presents badges.

Comrade Finch—"Commander, we appreciate the honor of being admitted here this afternoon and we also want to thank you for these little tokens." Comrades retire.

Enter Michigan Drum Corps and Ladies, Martha Gilbert, Bonnie Bonswor, Miss Hydes, representing "The baby corps of Michigan."

Commander Blake—"Ladies, we are very sorry, that we have to proceed a little informally. It was announced to us today that our National Commander-in-Chief, Comrade Wright, passed away this morning very suddenly. We are going to have the Drum Corps just sound taps for his passing, but if you have something that you would like to say, we will just wait."

Ladies—"No, proceed with that first."

Commander Norris—"Commander and Comrades, we are mighty glad to have the privilege of meeting with you again and we hope that you will be with us as long as there is a Department of Michigan. We were somewhat disappointed at first because we did not know whether we could be here or not but we are mighty glad to be here with you and we wish you the very best of conventions. Of course, we don't like to meet under these circumstances but it is a part of life that we have to confront even though we would rather meet under more cheering conditions. This is the bugle that I call "Old Betsey". It went through



the Spanish American War and I have blown it for thirty-five years. I have given you that much to contribute to your commander-in-chief, Colonel Wright."

Taps were sounded.

Commander Blake-"I thank you."

Martha Gilbert honors Comrade Cook with a memory of "Our Trip to Old Salem."

GRAND ARMY ENCAMPMENT—SAGINAW, MICHIGAN

June 15, 1933

My vision of a wonderful day with the great commander-in-chief, Abraham Lincoln and his soldiers, Old Salem, Illinois, September 1932. A long line of blue that seems but a dream As we followed along by the winding stream of Old Sangamon Over the hills and down through the vales Where Lincoln walked these very trails. So we followed-Lincoln's Soldiers every one with silvery hair All like their great leader, fine and square. That line of blue that is growing thin That so oft breaks ranks to let the pale foe in. The wavering line of hosts grown gray That has come to honor your weary way. At the tomb of Stevenson our hats come off And we pause to say a prayer, by that monument tall and fair. His very name makes our pulses beat with a glow of pride And we lay at his feet our flowers of remembrance and hearts as true For you and the boys that followed you. Then forward we go through the morning glow of sunshine and perfumed

To the grave of Ann Rutledge, your boyhood sweetheart fair.

And we Quote—From the monument broad and square:

INSCRIPTION BY EDGAR LEE MASTERS

Out of me unworthy and unknown
The vibrations of deathless music.

"With malice toward none, with charity for all."
Out of me forgiveness of millions toward millions.
And the beneficent face of a nation
Shining with justice and truth.

I am Ann Rutledge who sleeps beneath these weeds.
Beloved of Abraham Lincoln.
Wedded to him, not through union
But through separation.
Bloom forever, O Republic
From the dust of my bosom.

Then as we leave this hallowed spot sacred to the memory of a deathless love we hear the voice of Lincoln in benediction—



God bless and love my boys in blue
May His peace forever abide with you.
Oh the heavens will ring as His angels sing
And the glory song will its blessings bring.
My army of peace will you ever be
That severed the bonds and made men free.
My army in blue with your silvery locks
Beloved of the shepherd that guards my flocks.
No matter how rugged the path you tread
I watch over the living and guard the dead.
My army in blue that served under the cross
And carried your banners with terrible loss,
You who are here—And you who are there
Shall reach that glory we all shall share.

Written by: Martha L. M. Gilbert of the Lyman A. L. Gilbert Relief Corps No. 59, Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic, Detroit, Michigan.

Martha Gilbert introduces ladies of the New Corps. Bonnie Bonswor, president, presents flowers to the G. A. R. Ladies are escorted out.

Report of committee who visited Auxiliary of World War Veterans by Comrade Finch.

Comrade Finch—"Commander and Comrades, I wish to say that we visited that body of ladies and we were very cordially received and we found what appeared to be a strong working body of ladies and that is about all that we have to report."

Comrade Puckett—"We visited that fine body of Ladies Auxiliary of Foreign Wars. We got our greetings mixed with those of some other ladies organization but after a good laugh at our expense everything was straightened in fine shape."

Comrade Estabrook—"By your request, I visited our own Auxiliary, the W. R. C. We met with a very hearty welcome and they delegated me to present you with their badge."

Commander Blake remarks that he has two now. Comrade Estabrook asks him if he would like to have him pin it on his back.

Commander Blake—"Another matter that should be settled before we proceed with our business is, that on account of the death of our Commander-in-Chief, William P. Wright, we should send a message of condolence to Chicago and I think someone is prepared to make a motion to that effect."

Comrade Grant makes this motion and the Adjutant General is suggested to perform this duty.

Message was sent as instructed and later the following telegram was received:

Chicago, Ill., June 15, 1933.

M. D. Richardson, Assistant Adjutant General,

G. A. R., Bancroft Hotel, Saginaw, Mich.

Commander-in-Chief Wright died Pittsburgh today, will lie in state



Memorial Hall, Public Library Building, Chicago, from noon Sunday, funeral Memorial Hall Monday at one o'clock.

CALVIN A. BRAINARD, Adjutant General.

RESOLUTIONS FROM VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS

Grand Army of the Republic, Department of Michigan Headquarters, Lansing, Michigan. Comrades:

Enclosed herewith is a copy of a resolution that was adopted at the Fourteenth Annual State Encampment of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States held in Saginaw, June 15, 16 and 17, 1933.

With best wishes, I am

Yours in comradeship,
ARTHUR W. THOMAS,
Adjutant, Department of Michigan, Veterans of Foreign Wars.

WHEREAS: News has been brought to this assembly that Captain William P. Wright, Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic has, ever as we sit, gone to his reward, and

WHEREAS: We deeply feel the loss to our comrades of the Grand Army and to the Nation in the passing of this their beloved leader,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Department of Michigan, Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, that we extend to our comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic of Michigan, to the Grand Army of the Republic, and to the family of the deceased our sincere sympathy in this their affliction, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be transmitted to the National Organization of the Grand Army and to their Department of Michigan, and by telegraph to the family of our late Comrade.

Adopted.

Comrade Estabrook—"Department Commander and Comrades, in making our report of the Resolutions Committee, we omitted to put one thing in that should be embodied in that report and that is that the commander going out be presented with \$50.00 as an annual affair when funds are available. Please add this to the report."

Commander Blake—"I want to thank you, comrades, for the generous offer and assure you it is appreciated and I shall try to use it as much as possible for the benefit of the G. A. R. of Michigan."

Comrade Finch—"Commander, while you are receiving a little tribute from us, our appreciation brought about this little gift that you are getting. Now then, Comrades, while he is getting a little something, we have with us a very efficient servant, not exactly a servant, but a caretaker, and I want to make a motion that instead of receiving \$12.50 per week, she receive \$15.00 per week. Her duties are increasing year by year as we become less able to take care of ourselves and I think that we should show something in appreciation." Motion supported by several and unanimously carried.



Commander Blake—"I am very glad to hear that motion. I can tell you, for I know, that during the last two years Mrs. Davidson, our Department Secretary, has been kept more than busy with Grand Army work."

Mrs. Davidson—"Comrades, I appreciate this very much and I thank you. I will continue to do the very best that I can, think it a great honor to serve you at this time."

Department Commander—"Comrades, are there any other reports or business to come before this Encampment, if not we will proceed to the election of officers.

Department Commander—"Nominations are now in order for Department Commander."

Comrade Puckett—"Commander, I wish to nominate Comrade Cook, Senior Vice-Commander, as department commander for the next year." Supported and moved that nominations be closed.

Comrade Estabrook moves that rules and regulations be suspended and the Assistant Adjutant General cast the vote for the entire encampment for Comrade Cook for Department Commander for next year.

Mrs. Davidson casts unanimous vote for Comrade Cook.

Comrade Cook—"Comrades, this is a compliment I never expected to receive and I certainly appreciate it. I thank you. I hope to say more in some way later but at the present time take my thanks and I will do the very best that I can."

Nominations for Senior Vice-Commander.

Comrade Grant—"Comrades, I think that we ought to have a Senior Vice-Commander in Grand Rapids since our next convention is going to meet there and I think we need some one to look after things."

Comrade Rogers nominates Comrade John Killeen. Elected in same manner as Commander.

Nominations for Junior Vice-Commander.

Comrade Estabrook nominates Comrade Puckett but he declines because he does not wish to increase his duties. Comrade Puckett nominates Comrade Eugene Owen as Junior Vice-Commander. Elected in same manner as others.

Comrade Estabrook nominates Comrade Richardson for Chaplain and moves that he be elected by acclamation.

Comrade Grant nominates Comrade Howe for re-election as Medical Director.

Comrade Finch moves that Comrade Howe be elected by acclamation. Comrade Howe remarks—"I'll guarantee that there will be a hot time in the old town."

Comrade Estabrook, as Senior Department Commander, is appointed by Commander Blake as installing officer.

Comrade Estabrook delegates Commander Blake to act as installing officer since he is more familiar with the form.

Comrade Blake proceeded to install the following officers in due form assisted by Comrade Grant, Officer of the Day:

Department Commander—Charles M. Cook.

Department Senior Vice Commander—John Killeen.

Department Junior Vice Commander—Eugene Owen.

Medical Director—George W. Howe.

Chaplain—M. D. Richardson.



Comrade Blake—"Comrades, upon retiring, I want to say this to you of this department who have honored me for two years with this position that I have striven at all times to serve you in a capable manner. I have never sought the office. It has been conferred upon me without any solicitation whatever and I appreciate that fact beyond everything. I want to assure you, Commander Cook, that in your administration I shall be ready to serve you in my humble capacity as long as there is a Grand Army of the Republic in Michigan."

Commander Cook—"Thank you, Commander Blake, I have always found you a gracious Commander and I hope that I will be able to

approach you as near as possible during my administration."

Comrade Killeen: "I want to say a few words in regard to myself now. Our commander is commander of our post and I have always found him to be a grand good man. I have always admired him and I admire him as a commander of the state and I want to thank you all, gentlemen, for your kindness in giving me the honor that you are giving me as Senior Vice-Commander."

Commander Cook appoints Comrade Richardson as Assistant Adjutant General and Quartermaster.

Comrade Blake installs Comrade Richardson.

Comrade Richardson—"Commander and Comrades, this certainly is to me a word of surprise, something that has never been done in the Department before to appoint a man for two positions. I'll do the best I can to give satisfaction in every respect and I'll be as humble as I always have been. I thank you kindly for the honors you have conferred upon me."

Delegation of Ladies of Auxiliary of Foreign Wars. Representatives, Helen Green and Paula Littlefield.

Commander Cook--"Ladies, we are pleased to meet you."

Mrs. Helen Green—"Commander and Comrades, when my department president told me yesterday that I was to bring greetings to you, I felt that it was a very high honor. When I see you boys in blue, I can't help but compare you with our own boys, the Veterans of Foreign Wars, next to the largest patriotic organization in our country. It gives me pleasure to present to you these flowers with our best wishes for a prosperous encampment and hope that we may be permitted to bring greetings to you many more times."

Paula Littlefield—"I am very happy to be with Sister Green to greet you all. We feel that when you are with us, the whole spirit is right there. If there is anything we can do, I am sure we will be glad to do it for you."

Ladies retire.

Officer of the Guard—Commander, a committe of greetings from the Cook-Nelson Post No. 20, American Legion, Pontiac Michigan.

Department Commander—Officer of the Day, you will escort the ladies to this station.

Officer of the Day introduces the ladies.

Myrna Smith reads following letter of greetings:

June 15th, 1933.

Dear Commander Blake:

With a very profound spirit of comradship and devotion, Cook-Nelson Post No. 20, American Legion, Pontiac, Michigan extend to you and



your comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, assembled in convention, greetings, and sincere hope that this convention will be the most successful and provide all the happiness and enjoyment that is humanly possible.

The great patriotic privilege of rendering homage to you comrades who so gallantly preserved our nation from internal destruction, will never be erased from the hearts of our people and it is with great pleasure that this humble message is communicated to you by a highly esteemed member of our Auxiliary Unit, and Senior Vice-President of the Daughters of the Union Veterans, Tent No. 9, Mrs. Myrna Smurthwaite.

DON R. MAC DONALD, Commander Cook-Nelson Post No. 20, American Legion, Pontiac, Michigan.

Myrna Smyrthwaite—"Commander, Officers, and Comrades, this mission almost took me off my feet. I was so surprised when I got this beautiful letter from my commander to deliver to you and it certainly is a privilege that is wonderful to me. I am proud of my heritage as a granddaughter of the Union Veterans of the Civil War and I am proud to go on immortalizing the names of these good old men who have kept this Union one and inseparable."

Commander Cook—"Ladies I'm sure you have a reason to be proud of your heritage and I know that you will continue to always have that. We are pleased to get this communication that you brought to us and we will see that it is put in our records." Presents badges and the ladies retire.

Comrade Blake—"Comrades, before we separate for today, I want to impress upon the comrades this thing, the idea of keeping as strong a formation as possible for the parade tomorrow. We are not going to have many more, but let's stand together as long as we can."

Comrade Stewart moves that we adjourn sine die.

Commander Cook—"All in favor, manifest by rising to their feet." Commander Cook—"We are adjourned."

UNOFFICIAL PROGRAM

We arrived in Saginaw Tuesday afternoon, found the City gaily decorated and ready for their honored guests, the Grand Army of the Republic and affiliated organizations. At the Bancroft Hotel, our Department Headquarters, we were soon comfortably located and ready to "receive callers". From the time we arrived until we said "good bye" everything that human hands could do, was done for the comfort and happiness of the Veterans and other guests. Too much praise cannot be given our own Comrade Keeler who was honored by the Committee on local arrangements with the appointment as "chairman." He was on the job constantly, and closed his year's work by "celebrating his 92 birthday on Friday June 16. To Mr. Charles Haensel, Secretary of the Board of Commerce we are indebted for many courtesies, and to Mr. W. A. Rorke who maintained "an office in the Hotel and was on duty, seemingly, day and night" to make sure that "nothing was for-



gotten". To Mrs. Julia Burt, members of the local Woman's Relief Corps who gave valuable assistance to the committee on arrangements. To each of you and to the citizens of Saginaw, we say "thank you".

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 14

Registration and opening session 10:30, beautiful flag was presented to the Webber School by the Department Woman's Relief Corps. 8:30, reception.

THURSDAY, JUNE 15

All day session, 7:30 a Camp Fire was held in the Masonic Temple. Charles E. Watson presided as master of ceremonies. Program consisted of patriotic speeches, extolling the valor and courage of the "boys in blue". There were also many enjoyable feature attractions.

At 6:30 the Comrades were honored guests at a joint banquet given by the Daughters of Veterans, Auxiliary of the Sons of Veterans, and the Sons of Veterans.

At ten o'clock Military Ball in Saginaw Auditorium.

FRIDAY, JUNE 16

"Forward march," was the command. Martial music not only quickened the pulse, but filled the eyes of the thousand spectators with tears as the soldiers of 1861 to 1865 proudly followed their flag, and kept step to the music of the Michigan Drum Corps.

REGISTRATION

Registration was in charge of Ida F. Davidson, Secretary Department of Michigan G. A. R.

The following Comrades registered:

Armstrong, James—Co. F. 99th N. Y. V. I.—Bay City.

Blake, Orestus-Co. H. 23rd Mich. V. I.-Jackson.

Bryant, Allison L.—Co. G. 23rd Mich. V. I.—Lansing.

Burden, Theo.—Co. A. 15th Mich. V. I.—Holly.

Beaumont, John F.--Co. A. 3rd Mich. Cavl.—Milford.

Bovee, Charles—Co. H. 50th N. Y. Eng.—Saginaw.

Bly. Andrew—Co. L. 10th Mich. Cavl.—Fenton.

Carlton, Smith L.—Co. K. 28th Mich. Inft.—Kalamazoo.

Childs, Ebenezer—Co. K. 30th Mich. Inft.—Grand Rapids.

Cook, Charles M.—Co. I. 11th Maine Vol. Inft.—Kalamazoo.

Chapman, Daniel-Co. F. 23rd Mich. Inft.-Lansing.

Dunn, Nelson J.—Co. K. 23rd Mich. Inft.—Saginaw.

Estabrook, A. C.—Co. E. 28th Mich. Inft.—Allegan.

Finch, John W.—Co. F. 30th Mich. Inft.—Greenville.

Grant, Isaac—Co. I. 10th Mich. Cavl.—Reed City.

Grady, Lyman C.—Co. G. 23rd Mich. Inft.—Caro.

Howe, Geo. H.—Co. K. 29th Mich. Inft.—Port Huron.

Hamilton, James.—Co. G. 12th Mich. Inft.—Lansing.

Howell, George—Co. H. 9th Mich. Cavl.—Milford.

Jones, Amasa—Co. A. 13th Mich. Inft.—Allegan.



Keeler, Frank D.—Co. D. 16th Mich. Inft.—Saginaw. Killeen, John—Co. E. 8th N. Y. Cavl.—Jackson. Lightcap, A. H.—Co. I. 38th Ohio V. I.—Jackson. LeValley, Orlando—Co. E. 20th Mich. Inft.—Caro. Longwell, L. B.—St. Louis. Mitchell, Ray—Co. I. 27th Mich. Inft.—Flint. Moore, B.—Co. K. 3rd Mich. Inft.—Detroit. Nichols, Thomas H.—Co. A. 2nd Mass V. I.—Jackson. Owen, Eugene-Co. I. 177th O. V. I.-Grand Rapids. Osborn, George-Co. A. 12 Main H. A.-Lansing Plumadore, David—Co. D. 18th Mich. Inft.—Detroit. Puckett, S. S.—Co. H. 39th O. V. Inft.—Petoskey. Richardson, M. D.—Co. K. 48th Ind. Inft.—Lansing. Riley, J. P.-Co. C. 20th Mich. Inft.-Kalamazoo. Richmond, James E.—Co. C. 10th Mich. Inft.—Bridgeport. Ross, David—Co. C 16th Mich. Inft.—Saginaw. Riley, John—Co. I. 72nd O. V. I.—Lansing. Rogers, Edward-Co. F. 24th Mich. Inft.-Allegan. Stewart, Ira M.—Co. K. 7th Ill., Cavl.—Petoskey. Wilcox, George S.—Co. C. 8th Mich. Cavl.—St. Louis. Walkley, John L.-Co. C. 14th Penn. Cavl.-Frankfort. Wilson, W. J.—Co. M. 17th Penn. Cavl.—Pentwater. Woodard, E.—Co. G. 22nd Ill. Inft.—South Lyons.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC

Lansing, Michigan, July 7, 1932.

General Orders No. 1. Series of 1932-1933.

I. The Fifty-fourth Annual Encampment of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic, held at Petoskey June 22, 23, 24, 1932, having honored me by re-electing me Department Commander, and having been installed, I hereby assume command, and in so doing I wish to express to my comrades my heartfelt thanks for the great honor bestowed on me for the second time. I pledge myself anew to the best service of which I am capable, thruout the coming year. The loyal, wholehearted support of my Comrades, and the hearty co-operation of all of our allied organizations during the year just closed, encourages me to believe that with their continued assistance and loyalty, I will be able to render better service during the coming year than was possible in the past. The destiny of the Department is in our hands, let us show a united front and an earnest determination to maintain the high standard of this Department.

II. The following named Comrades were elected and installed:

Commander—Orestus Blake, Post No. 48, Jackson. Sr. Vice Com.—C. M. Cook, Post No. 79, Kalamazoo. Jr. Vice Com.—Frank D. Keeler, Post No. 38, Saginaw. Medical Director—Geo. W. Howe, Post No. 98, Port Huron. Chaplain—M. D. Richardson, Post No. 42, Lansing.



OFFICIAL STAFF APPOINTMENTS.

Asst. Adj. and Quartermaster General—Albert Dunham, Post No. 48, Jackson. Post Office Lansing.

Judge Advocate—A. C. Estabrook, Post No. 56, Allegan.

Patriotic Instructor—S. S. Puckett, Post No. 170, Petoskey.

Chief Mustering Officer—Thomas H. Nichols, Post No. 48, Jackson.

Chief of Staff-Isaac Grant, Post No. 198, Reed City.

Sr. Aide—Allison L. Bryant, Post No. 42, Lansing.

Dept. Inspector—L. S. Daniels, Post No. 109, Coldwater.

Sergt. Nat'l. Colors-Ira M. Stewart, Post No. 170, Petoskey.

Sergt. Dept. Colors—A. H. Lightcap, Post No. 48, Jackson.

COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION.

M. D. Richardson, Post No. 42, Lansing.

John W. Finch, Post No. 83, Greenville.

Allison L. Bryant, Post No. 42, Lansing.

S. H. Carlton, Post No. 79, Kalamazoo.

J. F. Beaumont, Post No. 181, Highland.

III. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE COUNCIL ADMINISTRATION.

M. D. Richardson, Post No. 42, Lansing.

Howard Bond, Post No. 7, Muskegon.

Gilbert LaCroix, Post No. 216, Mt. Clemens.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE.

A. C. Estabrook, Post No. 56, Allegan.

Frank Keeler, Post No. 38, Saginaw.

COMMITTEE TO VISIT SOLDIERS' HOME

John W. Finch, Post No. 83, Greenville.

J. P. Riley, Post No. 79, Kalamazoo.

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE.

S. D. Bailey, Post No. 17, Detroit.

IV. Delegates to National Encampment.

Delegate at Large, Theodore Burton, Holly.

John W. Finch, Greenville.

S. H. Carlton, Kalamazoo.

Martin Kelsey, Lakeview.

Geo. S. Wilcox, St. Louis.

Isaac Grant, Reed City.

Thomas II. Nichols, Jackson.

J. Nodell, Coldwater.

Howard Bond, Muskegon.

Augustus Horn, Marine City.

Orlando Levalley, Caro.

Eugene Owen, Grand Rapids.

ALTERNATES.

Alternate at Large-Ed L. Rogers, Allegan.

William Snyder, Kalamazoo.

L. S. Daniels, Coldwater.

A. H. Lightcap, Jackson.

Morris Kent, Kalamazoo.



Henry Hoffman, Memphis.

L. C. Grady, Caro.

Geo. Summers, Caro.

W. A. Northrup, Big Rapids.

S. A. Phillips, Lake City.

J. A. Hamilton, Lansing.

John Wise, Holland.

V. The 66th National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic will be held in Springfield, Illinois, the week of September 18. Complete arrangements will be announced in next General Orders.

By order of

ORESTUS BLAKE,

Official

Department Commander.

ALBERT DUNHAM,

Assistant Adjutant General. HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN

GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC

Lansing, Michigan, August 16, 1932.

General Orders No. 2. Series 1932-1933.

- I. As previously announced, the Sixty-sixth National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic will be held in Springfield, Ill., Sept. 18th to 23rd, 1932.
- II. Michigan Headquarters will be established at Abraham Lincoln Hotel, Monday, Sept. 19th. Comrades are requested to register upon arrival.
- III. A caucus of Delegates and those entitled to a seat in the Encampment will be held in Headquarters room, Monday evening, 7 P. M. Sept. 19th. Important business will come before the meeting.
- IV. Delegates not able to attend the Encampment should notify Albert Dunham, Asst. Adjutant General, Lansing, Mich.
- V. Department Headquarters in Lansing will be closed from Sept. 16th to Sept. 26th.

VI. RATES AND TRANSPORTATION

Special coach Saturday September 17th, 1932, leaving Detroit via M. C. at 8:40 E. T., arriving in Springfield 8:33 P. M. without change.

It will be appreciated if G. A. R. members and their friends use this service, which will enable them to get a good night's rest in Springfield prior to the dedication at Lincoln's Tomb, which will be at 1:00 P. M. Sunday, September 18th.

Schedule

Saturday,	Sept.	17th	Leave	Detroit	via	Michigan	Central	8:40 AM ET
"	ű	"	"	Ann Arbor	"	"	"	8:29 AM CT
46	66	"	"	Jackson	"	"	"	9:15 AM "
"	"	"	"	Battle Ck.	"	"	"	10:11 AM "
"	"	"	"	Kalamazoo	"	"	"	10:50 AM "
"	"	"	"	Niles	"	"	"	11:50 AM "
"	"	"	Arrive	Chicago	"	"	"	2:15 PM "
44	"			Chicago	"	Illinois	Central	4:30 PM "
44	"			Springfield	"	"	"	8:33 PM "



The usual one-way fare for the round-trip on the identification certificate plan will apply, fare from Detroit \$14.91, Ann Arbor \$14.72, Jackson \$13.69, Battle Creek \$12.60, Kalamazoo \$11.78, Niles \$10.03, Lansing \$14.33. Certificates will be furnished on application to Albert Dunham, Asst. Adjutant General, Capitol, Lansing.

Tickets will be on sale Sept. 14th to 21st, good returning Nov. 1st, 1932. Consult your local ticket agent for information. Stopovers will

be allowed on going or returning within limit of ticket.

VII. HOTELS

Leading hotels are Abraham Lincoln, G. A. R. headquarters, St. Nicholas, Leland and Empire, with several smaller hotels, all good and centrally located.

Hotel accommodations may be had as follows:

Single rooms, without bath\$1	.75	to	\$ 2.50
Single rooms, with bath 3	.00	to	3.50
Double rooms, without bath	.00	to	3.75
Double rooms, with bath 4	.00	to	7.00

Direct all requests for rooms and all other information to Mr. C. G. Koller, Manager, Convention and Publicity Bureau, Springfield, Ill.

VIII. It is the earnest request of the Department Commander that as far as possible, all Comrades appear in uniform in the parade.

IX. Posts are requested to send names of Comrades to serve on the Staff of the Commander-in-Chief and Department Commander.

By orders of ORESTUS BLAKE,
Department Commander.

Attest:

ALBERT DUNHAM,
Assistant Adjutant General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC

Lansing, Michigan, November 7, 1932.

General Orders No. 3. Series 1932-1933.

I. The Sixty-sixth National Encampment of The Grand Army of the Republic convened in the beautiful and historic city of Springfield, Ill., Sept. 18, 1932. The hearts of the citizens of that Capitol seemed to throb anew with a feeling of emotion and patriotism, and everything possible had been done for the comfort, care and happiness of the "Defenders of the Union." The Boy and Girl Scouts were the constant companions of the Veterans, always gracious and considerate, thus combining youth and old age in a most impressive manner. Headquarters of Michigan G. A. R. were established at Abraham Lincoln Hotel where every courtesy was extended to us.

Sunday afternoon beautiful and impressive memorial services were held at the tomb of Abraham Lincoln. Hon. Louis L. Emmerson, Governor of Illinois, paid a loving tribute to the "Savior of the Union" and to the "Boys who wore the blue." He extended a hearty welcome, not alone for Springfield but the state of Illinois.

Wednesday A. M., the annual parade took place. From the reviewing



stand the Commander-in-Chief and others gazed with dimmed eyes as the remnant of that "once mighty army" proudly marched, altho bent and feeble by the weight of more than four score years, 732 comrades marched, while many rode in autos. Michigan Department consisted of 29 comrades led by the Dept. Commander. During the week several Lincoln Tablets and beautiful Flags were presented by the different organizations.

II. The following poem was written by C. M. Cook, Dept. Sr. Vice-Commander:

NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT G. A. R.

Springfield, Ill., Sept. 1932.

Carlton and Riley, Snyder and me Went down to Springfield for to see Our loyal Comrades of the G. A. R. Our Comrades of the Civil War. And you can bet we had some fun We gray haired boys of '61. And we were backed by girls you see, Mother Allen of the W. R. C. Pearl and Nancy, Amy too, Though they had so much to do, They still had mind to look us over, So we surely dwelt in clover. And others from our Michigan, From Michigan, My Michigan. Commander Blake and Comrade Dunham And Comrade Howe from up Port Huron Who often cheered us with a laugh. Then Comrade Grant the Chief of Staff And Estabrook our Past Commander, Ed. Rowe another Allegander. And others of our Comrades dear, Were gathered there and full of cheer. No place e'er gave us warmer greeting, Than we got at this Springfield meeting. For here was where our Lincoln dwelt, And thoughts of him our hearts would melt. O, Great Commander, here at rest, Among the friends who knew you best, Great monuments and spacious tombs Where without stint great work was done To raise a marvel of great beauty That may express full love and duty. And yet they are a meager part To show the love of thy great heart For human kind. And now a mighty Nation Responds to thee in veneration. No greater triumph man may boast Than he whose enemies were a host. Foes without, and foes within



And yet held firm 'till victory won. Now Carlton he was Amy's pest Which kept her hunting with a zest Whether she found him I don't know For he was always on the go. And Riley scarce could get away From those who watched him day by day And kept an eye on him so close They left him little chance to choose. They watched as he walked up and down And kept him curbed 'til out of town. All the rest were pretty quiet, Excepting Estabrook, he's a riot; And what the outcome all will be We have yet to live and what happens see. And Comrade Snyder, I hate to tell About the things that him befell So calm and innocent he looks to be But I fear he would not bear with me. But just a little I would say; For I would live another day. Now if you saw in looking 'round A circle of fair women bound And bending looking down And you approached on tip toe high Within the circle who'd you spy But Snyder, with sweet complacence on his brow You'd say, that's just like Snyder, now. To the fair sex he was always charming He could not help it, so we're not blaming. We would like to call attention To other things we may not mention At ninety-one we may in truth Condone the acts of fervid youth.

And of myself, well I was quiet, Nothing done that I should shy at. Mary of Adelaide Fairbanks tent Was my host at this event. Of Fathers and Daughters Annual Banquet, I pride myself on honors met From many Daughters gathered there I wore them with a gentle air. A crowd was there of distinguished folk And royal food which we partook. And Mary was a gracious host As one could ever hope to boast. I made some wondrous friends in town And bless my stars that I went down. With Comrade Fouche and ladies fair We went to the Museum and there Saw many things of interest great



That had been gathered by the State. And Nancy and I just followed 'round And in the Museum we found Much to enjoy, one way and another. I tried to be as an elder brother And if we dropped behind our friends We hastened quickly to make amends. We could not let our friends so true Raise a suspicion about us two. We saw the lion and guinea hen And then—and then! I was afraid there was something we might miss And getting hungry for a—a bit to eat, What followed then, I much regret it— She cuffed my ears and said, "Forget it". Now Nancy'll say, to someone by her, My gracious, he's an awful liar. Well, that might be, for in confusion I might labor in delusion. Let's see, what was it we did then, We took a last look at the "hen", I think she made a cackle, too, And the lion winked as well's he could do For he was stuffed up stiff and straight, And, well 'twas getting kind of late. But take it all, and through and through, I did as well as I could do.

And how we marched 800 strong, We tripped the pave of Springfield town A braver show was ne'er put on Than by the Boys of '61. Look! Look! With pride upon these men Many are near fourscore and ten, They are stepping off like fair haired boys! Their faces shine with inward joys! They feel their Lincoln is looking on From somewhere near the Great White Throne! And tens of thousands stood us by And with their plaudits rent the sky. A fairer day was never made Nor greater honor in Parade. Rich blessings fall on Illinois. For honor shown to these old Boys, Who followed Lincoln, Grant, and Logan, "Union and Freedom" their mighty slogan.

And now the tears unbidden start As we view these aged forms Who yet have power to touch the heart A remnant now of glory gone.



Yet closer now our hearts are drawn To these who march to throbbing drum These heroes of seventy agone years Now loose the fountain of our tears.

C. M. C.

Charles M. Cook, Senior Vice Commander, Dept. of Michigan, G. A. R., Kalamazoo, Michigan.

IN MEMORIAM.

III. "God bade him rest for a season, For the pathway had grown so steep."

With sincere sorrow we record the sudden death on Oct. 20, of Comrade Albert Dunham, Assistant Adjutant and Quartermaster General. He enlisted in Co. D. 2nd Michigan Inft. March 30, 1864. Mustered out April 8, 1865. He served the Department as Jr. Vice-Commander in 1910. For the past three and one-half years he has filled the office of Assistant Adjutant.

He was ever faithful and loyal to The Grand Army of the Republic. He will be sadly missed at the Department and National Encampments.

> "The book of his life is closed And on its pages fair, We'll find a record just and true For love has penned it there."

IV. Owing to the death of Comrade Dunham I visited the Headquarters at Lansing, Monday, Oct. 24, and appointed and installed Comrade M. D. Richardson Assistant Adjutant and Quartermaster General.

V. As required by Rules and Regulations, the annual election of officers will be held at the first meeting in December. Report blanks for the year ending Dec. 31, 1932, are enclosed. Post Adjutants will please fill out and return to the Assistant Adjutant and Quartermaster General, M. D. Richardson, Lansing, Mich. With per capita tax of ten cents per member by January 15, 1933. If officers hold over, blanks should be filled out the same as if new officers were elected. Post Patriotic Instructors should fill out blanks and forward to the Department Patriotic Instructor S. S. Puckett, 317 Liberty St., Petoskey, during the month of January. Post Adjutants are urged to send in a complete record of all comrades who have died during the year 1932.

VI. As Thanksgiving time draws near, after an abundant harvest, may the heart of each comrade be filled with gratitude and with a desire to "help someone."

Your Department Commander extends Xmas greetings to all.

By orders of ORESTUS BLAKE.
Department Commander.

(Official)

M. D. RICHARDSON, Assistant Adjutant General.



HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC

Lansing, Michigan, May 1, 1933.

General Orders No. 4. Series of 1932-1933.

I. The Fifty-fifth Annual Encampment of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic will be held in Saginaw, June 14, 15, 16, 1933.

Headquarters of the G. A. R. will be established at the Bancroft Hotel, room No. 208, Mezzanine floor, Wednesday A. M., June 14. Comrades are requested to register early and receive their badge and program.

All Comrades of this Department who are in good standing in their Post and in possession of the 1933 countersign are entitled to a seat and a vote in this Encampment.

II. The Council of Administration will meet in Headquarters Room, Wednesday, June 14, at 10 A. M. Books and accounts of the Assistant Adjutant and Quartermaster General will be audited at this time and such other business as may seem necessary.

RATES

- III. Round trip tickets, on identification certificate plan, will be sold at one and one-half fare. (Minimum \$1.00). Tickets will be on sale June 10th to 16th, good returning 30 days from date of sale. Consult your local Ticket Agent for route and time of trains.
- IV. Requests for R. R. Certificates should be addressed to M. D. Richardson, Assistant Adjutant General, G. A. R., Capitol, Lansing, Mich., Box No. 433.
- V. Requests for reservations should be addressed to W. A. Rorke, Board of Commerce, Saginaw, Mich.

HOTEL RATES

VI. Name of Hotels and rates will be furnished upon request to W. A. Rorke, Chairman of Reservation Committee. Rooms in private homes can be rented for \$1.00 per night.

VII. The first session of the Encampment will be held in the Club Room, Mezzanine floor, Bancroft Hotel, Wednesday, June 14, at 1:30 P. M.

THURSDAY, JUNE 15

Annual Parade at 10:30. Session at 1:30.

FRIDAY, JUNE 16

Session at 9:30 A. M. Official Programs will furnish complete information. VIII.



COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

A. C. Estabrook, Chairman Geo. W. Howe.

Eugene Owens.

Other Committees will be appointed during the Encampment.

IX. Comrade Richardson, having been appointed Assistant Adjutant General to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Comrade Dunham, I hereby appoint Comrade H. C. Bond to act as Chaplain and Comrade A. L. Bryant as Chairman of the Executive Committee.

X. The Sixty-seventh National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic will be held at St. Paul, Minn., September 17 to 23, 1933. Complete arrangements will be issued in future General Orders.

XI.

THE NATION'S SABBATH MEMORIAL DAY

By Edgar A. Guest

A little patch of color on a lonely mound of green
A little flag above him, very new and very clean,
And the Maytime breezes blowing through the grasses soft and sweet,
And the little children wondering why the drums so slowly beat.
They've been told there was a soldier, in the days before they came,
Who marched away to battle when the world was all aflame,
For they've heard us talk about him, and they've often heard us sigh,
But they have no understanding of the reason soldiers die.

In accordance with Rules and Regulations the Grand Army of the Republic will observe Tuesday, May 30th, as "Memorial Day". A day sacred to the memory of all Comrades who "Sleep the sleep that knows no waking." Comrades are urged to attend these exercises, also divine services on Memorial Sunday, May 28.

Memorial Day Blanks accompany these General Orders. Please fill out and forward promptly to Department Chaplain H. C. Bond, 1366 Sanford St., Muskegon, Michigan.

XII.

MOTHER'S DAY SUNDAY, MAY 14.

"There is not a grand inspiring thought There is not a truth by wisdom taught, There is not a feeling pure and high That may not be read in a Mother's eye."

XIII

FLAG DAY
JUNE 14

The Flag that wraps within its fold the peoples of this earth, regardless of birth, color or creed.

"THE STAR SPANGLED BANNER"

"Millions have lived for it

Millions have died for it

Millions are living to enjoy it."



Let us show our appreciation by displaying "OLD GLORY" on Flag Day and our "PATRIOTISM" every day.

XIV. IN MEMORIUM

John T. Spillane enlisted in Co. K. 7th Michigan Infantry as drummer, June 19, 1861. Re-enlisted December 18th, 1863. Wounded in action at Fort Haskell, Sept. 6th, 1864, and before Petersburg, Sept. 27th, 1864. Mustered out July 5th, 1865. Served the Department as Commander in 1913. Died at his home in Detroit, Dec. 31, 1932.

James Churchill enlisted in Co. H. 7th Michigan Infantry as Corporal, June 24th, 1861. First Sergeant January 1, 1863. Discharged August 22nd, 1864. Served the Department as Junior Vice Commander 1930. Died at Tavares, Florida, February 7th, 1933.

"They are where the brave encamp Round the folded Flags of Peace, Where the True with martial tramp Travel when their battles cease."

XV. As this will be my last Official message to you, I wish to express my deep appreciation of the assistance rendered by my Comrades and all Allied Organizations.

By order of

ORASTUS BLAKE,
Department Commander.

Official
M. D. RICHARDSON,
Assistant Adjutant General.



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In Memoriam



"OUR HEROES"

Honor be to you forever,
Ye heroes, brave and true,
Who went forth with high endeavor,
And a heart to dare and do.
Honor be to all the number
Who may yet remain,
And to those who sweetly slumber.
Who can never come again.

Fragrant garlands we would fashion for those who nobly fell,
Dying with a holy passion
Mid the rain of shot and shell;
And for those who, home returning,
Are among us still,
We, with hearts with fervor burning,
Would their cup of comfort fill.

And while we their mem'ries cherish
In every grateful heart,—
Lest our country's honor perish,—
We must play our needed part;
Loyal let us be and zealous
For the cause they led;
Worthy patriots and jealous
For the flag for which they bled.

FRANK LINCOLN OSBORNE.



MEMORIAL ROLL FOR THE YEAR 1933

John A. Logan Post No. 1, Grand Rapids

Name.	Rank.	Company.	Regiment.	Residence.	Date of death.
Charles C. Gardner. Philo Jones Robert McKinley.	Private Private Private	¥.1	No Record	Soldiers' Home	Feb. 2, 1932 April 12, 1932 Sept. 19, 1932
	Ū	uster Post No	Custer Post No. 5, Grand Rapids		
Jerry Monroe John Snyder	Private	1	16th Mich. Infantry	Grand Rapids.	July 13, 1932 Dec. 15, 1932
	С. Э	I. Dickerson	C. J. Dickerson Post No. 6, Hillsdale		
James J. Tubbs	Private	¥	69th Ohio Infantry	Hillsdale	Dec. 31, 1932
	Ph	il Kearney Pe	Phil Kearney Post No. 7, Muskegon		
T. H. Cady James Cooper Isaac Newton John McConnell	Private. Private. Private.	4 -40	1st Wis. Artillery 18th Ind. Infantry 22nd Mich. Infantry 49th N. Y. Infantry	Muskegon Muskegon Muskegon	Mar. 1932 July 1932 April 1932 October 1932
	I. B. Ri	chardson Pos	I. B. Richardson Post No. 13, Harbor Springs	•	
Perry Johnson	Private		12th Ind. Cavalry	Harbor Springs	Oct. 5, 1932
	George H	l. Thomas Po	George H. Thomas Post No. 14, Benton Harbor		
Merrit Coval	Private	н	89 Ill. Infantry	Benton Harbor	1932



	Fairb	anke Poet N	Fairbanka Post No. 17, Detroit			
Jacob Schneider George A. McDonald Jay H. Baker John LaMore. John T. Spillane.	Private. Private. Steward Private.	-4 4X	30th Ohio Infantry 24th Mich. Infantry U. S. Navy 27th Mich. Infantry 7th Mich. Infantry	Detroit Detroit Detroit Detroit	Feb. May May Dec.	1, 1932 16, 1932 3, 1932 9, 1932 31, 1932
	X	. Lincoln Po	A. Lincoln Post No. 19, Bangor			
Griffith Pendcost Henry Garmen	Private Private	E M	Ind. Infantry Ohio Infantry	Bangor	April Dec.	1932 24, 1932
		loe Hooker I	Joe Hooker Post No. 26, Hart			
Horace D. Tucker Mike Farley.	Private	No Record No Record		Hart.	Mar. Mar.	25, 1932
		Huron Post	Huron Post No. 28, Bad Axe			
John MacNeil	Private	No Record		Bad Axe	Mar.	9, 1932
	Far	ragut Post l	Farragut Post No. 32, Battle Greek			
Emery M. Morse John G. Bohnett James Gardner John R. Robinson John G. Dowd	Private Private Private Private	No Record C I E	28th Mich. Infantry Ind. Infantry N. Y. Infantry 8th Mich. Infantry	Battle Creek Battle Creek Battle Creek Battle Creek Battle Creek	Feb. Mar. Nov. Dec. Dec.	23, 1932 19, 1932 12, 1932 19, 1932 25, 1932
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R. P. Pierce	Private	1	156th Ill. Infantry	South Haven	Jan.	24, 1932
		Saginaw Pos	Saginaw Post No. 38, Saginaw			
John G. McKnight	Private	н	8th Maine Infantry	Saginaw	Apr.	19, 1932



Courge O. Sabin Private Privat		Cha	s. T. Foster	Chas. T. Foster Post No. 42, Lansing			
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	David Foot Henry Peters Benjamin F. Keesler	Private Private Private	НОН		Mason Mason Mason	Jan. Mar. June	25, 1931 28, 1932 29, 1932



	C	J. Bassott Po	C. J. Bassott Post No. 56, Allogan			
James Slade	Private		Merril Horse	Allegan	July	10, 1932
	U.	S. Grant Po-	U. S. Grant Post No. 67, Bay City			
John Dewitt Willard Huffman	No Record	EQ	4th Mich. Cavalry	Bay City.	Aug. Oct.	4, 1932 12, 1932
	loeoſ	ph R. Smith	Joseph R. Smith Post No. 76, Monroe			
Hiram Pattee	Private	M	8th Mich. Infantry	Monroe	Oct.	3, 1932
	0	reutt Post N	Orcutt Post No. 79, Kalamazoo			
Wesley Longcore Jessie Kissinger Henry Root Sylvester Becker	Private Sergeant Private	Hm_U	12th Mich. Infantry 71st Ohio Infantry Eng. and Mec. 98th N. Y. Infantry	Kalamazoo Kalamazoo Kalamazoo Kalamazoo	Mar. May July Sept.	8, 1932 5, 1932 18, 1932 23, 1932
	J. N	i. Penoyer Pc	J. N. Penoyer Post No. 90, Saginaw			
Adolph Taillefer.	Private	æ७	2nd Mich. Cavalry	Saginaw. Saginaw	Mar. Apr.	2, 1932 5, 1932
	William	n Sanborn P	Sanborn Post No. 98, Port Huron			
Edwin S. Petit Homer Sperry Martin R. Armstrong	Private Private No Record	#H	3rd Mich. Infantry. 5th Mich. Cavalry.	Port Huron	Mar. Dec.	23, 1932
	Buti	erworth Pos	Butterworth Post No. 109, Coldwater			
S. L. Treat. Curtis Camp. Charles Bender. Aaron Unangst.	Private Private Private Private	#UU4	100th III. Infantry 20th Mich. Infantry 17th Ohio Infantry 178th Penn. Infantry	Coldwater Coldwater Coldwater Coldwater	Apr. May May Mar.	4, 1932 20, 1932 12, 1932 26, 1932



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Nатс.	Rank.	Company.	Regiment.	Residence.	Date of death.
Charles T. Hartson. Loren D. Chapman.	Private Private	ЭO	4th Mich. Infantry Sth Mich. Cavalry	Eaton Rapids. Apr. 8, 1932 Eaton Rapids. Nov. 29, 1932	Apr. 8, 1932 Nov. 29, 1932
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Thomas Whittle Isaac Matfield Peter Matherson	U. S. Navy Private Private	ΑX	7th Ohio Infantry 15th Maine Infantry	Frankfort. Frankfort Frankfort	May May May	12, 1933 20, 1932 16, 2932
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Joseph Ashalter Calvin Stanton Burray Brumley Frank Brunster Francis M. Craig	Private Private No Record No Record No Record	₹ 0 ⊠	8th Mich. Cavalry 8th Mich. Cavalry 12th Mich. Infantry	Hastings Hastings Hastings Hastings Hastings Hastings	Apr. Apr. Sept. Sept. May Feb.	8, 1932 4, 1932 12, 1932 10, 1932 8, 1932 8, 1932
	Horac	e S. Roberts	Horace S. Roberts Post No. 139, Alpena			
Frank Emerick	Private	ъ	4th Mich. Infantry	Alpena		Aug. 10, 1932
	A	eers Post No	Beers Post No. 140, Tecumseh			
Simean Whelan John G. Thurlby Henry J. Sweet	Private Private Private	@ U	8th Mich. Cavalry 18th Ohio Infantry Battery B. Penn.	Jackson Tecumseh Tecumseh	Apr. Mar. May	Apr. 12, 1932 Mar. 30, 1932 May 25, 1932
	Ċ	ov. Crapo Po	Gov. Crapo Post No. 145, Flint			
William Bailes Edward Grooms	No Record			Flint	July Nov.	July 27, 1932 Nov. 6, 1932



	Dick	Richardson	Dick Richardson Post No. 147, Pontisc			
John J. Bradley	Private	妇	26th Mich. Infantry	Pontiac	May	1932
	M.I.	lliam Moyer	William Moyer Post No. 152, Alma			
William Boltz	Private	B	37th Ohio Infantry	Alma	Now.	1, 1932
	Chas.	E. Grisson P	Chas. E. Grisson Post No. 156, St. Johns			
W. M. Young	Private	Ж	3rd Mich. Cavalry	St. Johns	June	25, 1932
	L. C.	Woodman.	Woodman Post No. 196, Lawton			
A. C. Held	No Record			Lawton	Jan.	29, 1932
	E. W.	Hollingswort	W. Hollingsworth Post No. 210, Albion			
Isaac Riddick Charles R. Williams William H. Muffley	Private Private Private	No Record	133rd Ind. Vol. Infantry 10th Mich. Infantry	Albion Albion Albion Albion	May Mar. Feb.	19, 1932 11, 1932 18, 1932
	H. D.	Terry Post	Terry Post No. 216, Mt. Clemens			
Louis Grant August Steitzer Richard Miller William E. Horton	Private Private Private	5	15th Mich. Infantry N. Y. Battery Kansas Cavalry N. Y. Infantry	Mt. Clemens Mt. Clemens Mt. Clemens Mt. Clemens	Jan. Jan. Feb. Mar.	4, 1932 9, 1932 15, 1932 9, 1932
	A. C.	VanRaalte I	C. VanRaalte Post No. 262, Holland			
John H. Wise	Private		Penn. Vol. Infantry	Holland	Aug.	6, 1932
	,	Indrews Pos	Andrews Post No. 294, Big Rapids			
Robert Mahoney	Private	A	3rd Mich. Infantry	Big Rapids	Nov.	5, 1932



	Alber	t Jackson Po	Albert Jackson Post No. 300, Marquette		
Лапе.	Rank.	Company.	Regiment.	Residence.	Date of death.
Henry C. Russell	Private	83	7th Mich. Cavalry	Marquette	Apr. 16, 1932
	S. D	. Haight Pos	S. D. Haight Post No. 348, Scottsville		
Burton S. Mills	Corp.	I	N. Y. Artillery	Scottsville	Aug. 26, 1932
	Con	nstock Post P	Comstock Post No. 352, Manchoster		
A. A. Stringham	Corp	н	20th Mich. Infantry	Manchester	No date
	KI	bourne Post	Kilbourne Post No. 361, Sherwood		
Harvey Bates	Private	M	3rd Mich. Cavalry	Sherwood	Apr. 1, 1932
		Detroit Pos	Detroit Post No. 384, Detroit		
Henry Stubensky Alexander W. Blain.	No Record.	3	N. Y. Vol. Infantry	Detroit.	Mar. 29, 1932 Nov. 15, 1932
	Amasa B.		Watson Post No. 395, Grand Rapids		
John J. Reiser William Gelock Marion Wilder	Private Private Sergeant Major	ပဏပ	3rd Mich. Infantry. 1st Mich. Eng. 12th Mich. Eng. and Mec.	Grand Rapids. Grand Rapids. Grand Rapids.	Feb. 23, 1932 June 14, 1932 Oct. 19, 1932
	. Gen	. O. M. Poe l	Gen. O. M. Poe Poet No. 433, Detroit.		
Amos C. Rodgers. Nicholas D. Kittle	Private	ם노	24th Mich. Infantry.	Detroit.	July 29, 1932



	Ste	ele Bros. Pos	Steele Bros. Post No. 441, Mason		
Amos L. Crossman. Amos W. Rogers D. W. Loese. George Mauk. Wm. J. Hains Thomas O. Anderson.	Seaman Private Private Private Private Corp.	K H B B E E E	Kickapoo	Mason. Brighton Whittaker Holt Millington. Corona, Cal.	Mar. 8, 1932 Jan. 17, 1932 Mar. 9, 1932 Dec. 31, 1932 Sept. 20, 1932 June 19, 1932 June 20, 1932
	Wa	shington Pos	Washington Post No. 444, Cadillac		
John Haskins. Thomas Fitzgerald. D. C. Mclain.	No Record No Record Private	E	21st Mich. Infantry	•	No Date No Date No Date
	Gen. I	. C. Smith P	Gen. I. C. Smith Post No. 451, Reed City		
Aretus Corwin	Private	н	11th Mich. Infantry	Reed City	Mar. 13, 1932
	J. M	I. Pond Post	J. M. Pond Post No. 460, Saugatuck		
William T. Kimsey	Private		44th Ind. Infantry	Douglas	No Date

JUST A GRAND ARMY MAN

A star of bronze, with faded striped ribbon
Pinned to a well-worn vest, a halting gait,
A few scant locks, tossed by the winds of Heaven,
A follower of the Flag, whate'er its fate.
Eyes that were ever blinded unto danger,
Ears that were sharp to hear his Country's call—
Army or Navy, Regular or Ranger,
Just a Grand Army Man—That's all.

Others there were, who sought and earned promotion;
Others there were who passed him on the road.
Why did he serve? 'Twas patriot's devotion,
Naught else he knew but this his simple code.
So now at last, before the final volleys
Or the soft Taps, the soldier's last sad call,
Pity his weakness, charity for his follies,
Just a Grand Army Man—That's all.

So, in time throughout the coming ages,
When heroes' names adorn that mighty roll—
On Fame's white scrolls, across full many pages,
Blazoned shall be those names who paid the toll.
Though much he lacked, this did he earn forever:
Honor and fame; let tears bedew his pall;
Poor? Yes, in worldly goods, but Cowards—NEVER.
Just a Grand Army Man—That's all.



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Year	Entertaining City	Presiding Commander
1868	Detroit	
1869	Lansing	William A. Throop
1870	Lansing	William Humphreys
1879	Grand Rapids	C. V. R. Pond
1880	Grand Rapids	.C. V. R. Pond
1881	Quincy	A. T. McReynolds
1882	Muskegon	Byron R. Pierce
1883	Battle Creek	Byron R. Pierce
1884	Detroit	Oscar A. Janes
1885	East Saginaw	Rush J. Shank
1886	Jackson	Charles D. Long
1887	Grand Rapids	John Northwood
1888	Lansing	
1889	Bay City	
1890	Adrian	Michael Brown
1891	Muskegon	Henry M. Duffield
1892	Ann Arbor	
1893	Benton Harbor	
1894	Owosso	
1895	Mt. Clemens	
1896	Saginaw	
1897	Greenville	William Shakespeare
1898	Port Huron	
1899	Petoskey	
1900	Grand Rapids	
1901	Flint	
1902	Pontiac	
1903	Muskegon	
1904	Holland	
1905	Traverse City	
1906	Saginaw	
1907	Bay City	
1908	Detroit	
1909	Kalamazoo	George L. Holmes
1910	Holland	
1911	Ypsilanti	
1912	Port Huron	
1913	Lansing	-
1914	Jackson	
1915	Kalamazoo	
1916	Bay City	
1917	Battle Creek	
1918	Saginaw	
1919 1920	Traverse City	
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1921 1922	Flint	
1923	Detroit	
1924	Lansing	
1925	Port Huron	M C Downer
1926	Jackson	
1927	Benton Harbor	
1928	Kalamazoo	Charles A Rartlett
1929	Bay City	A C Estabrook
1930	Pontiac	
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"Heritage of the Grand Army of the Republic"

"The Grand Army of the Republic is a unique organization. No child can be born into it. No proclamation of President, edict of King or Czar can command admission. No university or institution of learning can issue a diploma authorizing its holder to entrance. No act of parliament or Congress secures recognition. The wealth of a Vanderbilt cannot purchase the position. Its doors open only on the presentation of a bit of parchment, worn, torn, and begrimmed as it may be, which certifies to an honorable discharge from the armies or navies of the Nation during the war against the rebellion, and, unlike any other organization, no new blood can come in. There are no growing ranks from which recruits can be drawn into the Grand Army of the Republic. With the consummation of peace through victory its ranks were closed forever; its lines are steadily growing thinner, and the ceaseless tramp of its columns is with ever-lessening tread. The gaps in the picket lines grow wider every day. Details are made for the reserve summoned into the shadowy regions until by and by only a solitary sentinel will stand guard, waiting until the bugle call from beyond shall muster out the last comrade of the Grand Army of the Republic."

