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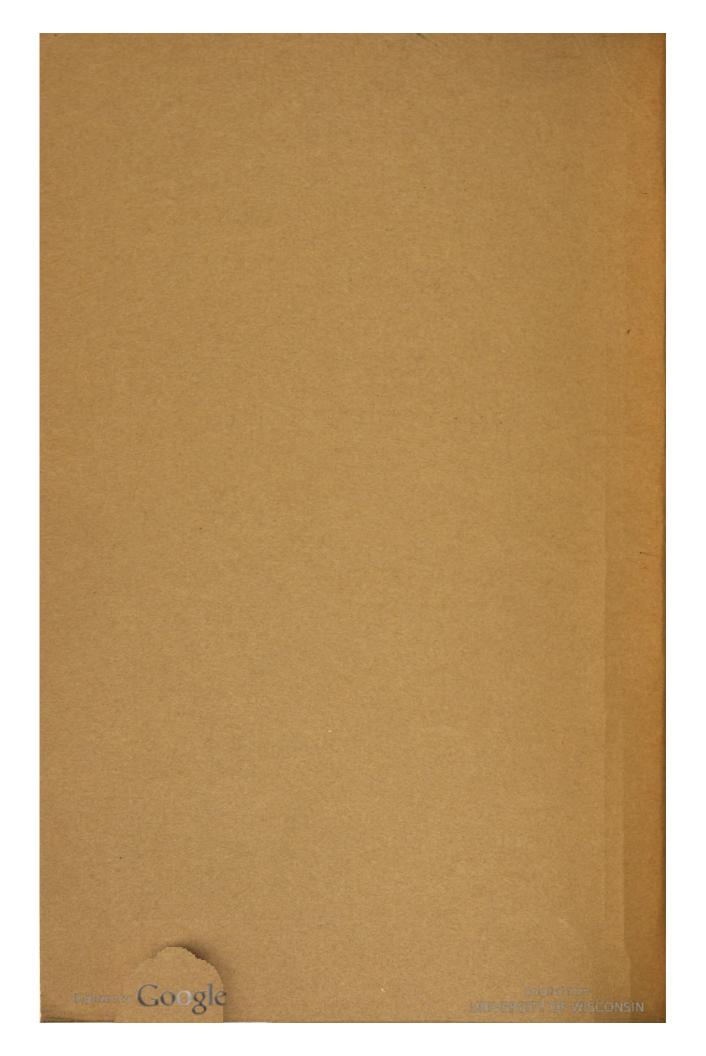
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DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN

GRAND ARMY of the REPUBLIC

HELD AT

JACKSON, JUNE 14, 15, 16, 1939

WITH ADDRESS

OF

A. C. ESTABROOK, Department Commander AND REPORTS OF OTHER DEPARTMENT OFFICERS,

GENERAL ORDERS, ETC.

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

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, 1939.

Hon. Luren D. Dickinson, Governor of the State of Michigan:

Sir: I have the honor to transmit to you the Journal of the Sixty-first Annual Encampment of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic, held in Jackson, June 14, 15 and 16, 1939, as required by the statutes.

A. C. ESTABROOK,

Department Commander.

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DEPARTMENT OFFICERS

GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC

1938-1939

Department Commander A. C. Estabrook, Grand Rapids
Department Sr. Vice Commander Gilbert LaCroix, Mt. Clemens
Department Jr. Vice Commander
Chaplain Eugene Owen, Grand Rapids
Medical Director
A. A. and Quartermaster General S. H. Carlton, Kalamazoo
Judge Advocate
Patriotic Instructor Orlanda LeValley, Caro
Chief of Staff
Sr. Aide John Killeen, Portland
Serg't National Colors difference William Burnett Allegan
Serg't Department Colors

NATIONAL OFFICERS

GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC

1938-1939

Commander-in-Chief: Robert M. Rownd, Ripley, N. Y. Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief: Frank L. Quade, Dubuque, Iowa. Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief: John W. Carroll, Lisbon, N. D. Surgeon-General: Dr. A. B. Garrett, Gallipolis, Ohio. Chaplain-in-Chief: Rev. Joshua C. Pearce, Denver, Colo. Adjutant General: Martin V. Stone, Jamestown, N. Y. Quartermaster-General: John E. Andrew, Quincy, Ill. Judge Advocate-General: James W. Willett, Tama, Iowa. Inspector-General: Thomas Ambrose, Chicago, Ill. National Patriotic Instructor: Truman N. Parsons, Stratford, Conn. Assistant Adjutant-General: Theodore Wells, Cadiz, Ohio. Chief of Staff: Thomas H. Stritch, Brooklyn, N. Y. Senior Aide-de-Camp: Asa O. Gere, Stafford, Kansas.

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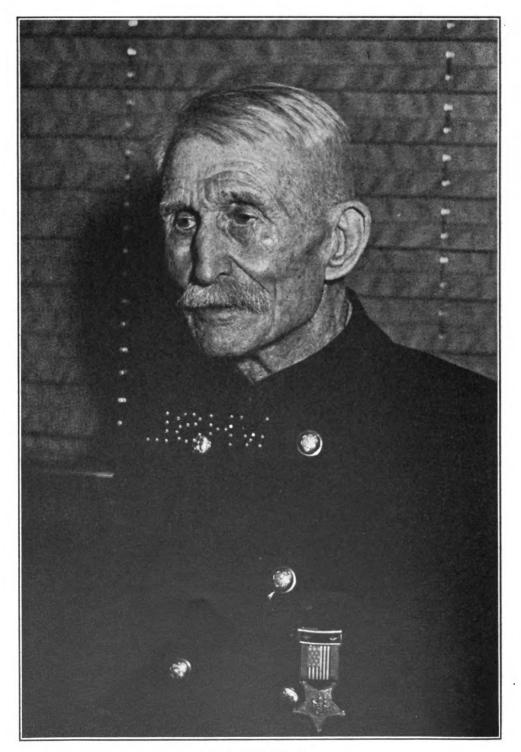
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A. C. ESTABROOK Department Commander 1938-1939





S. H. CARLTON Assistant Adjutant and Quartermaster General 1938-1939

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PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

Russell A. Alger, deceased	
Wm. A. Throop, deceased	Detroit 1868
Wm. Humphrey, deceased	Admin 1970
C. V. R. Pond, deceased	
A. T. McReynolds, deceased	Grand Rapids, 1880
Byron R. Pierce, deceased	Grand Ranids" 1881-2
Oscar A. Janes, deceased	Derron, 1885
Rush J. Shank, deceased	Lansing, 1884
Charles D. Long, deceased	Flint, 1885
John Northwood, deceased	New Lothron 1886
L. G. Ruthertord, deceased	
Washington Gardner, deceased	Albion, 1888
Michael Brown, deceased	Big Rapids, 1889
Henry M. Duffield, deceased	Detroit 1890
Charles L. Eaton, deceased	Dom Dom 1901
Henry S. Dean, deceased	Ann Arbor, 1892-3
James H. Kidd, deceased	Ionia, 1893-4
Louis Kanitz, deceased	Muskegon, 1894-5
S. B. Daboll, deceased	
Wm. Shakespeare, deceased	Kalamazoo, 1895-7
Aaron T. Bliss, deceased	Saginaw, 1897-8
Alex L. Patrick, deceased	
Russell R. Pealer, deceased	Three Rivers 1800-1000
Russen R. Fearer, ucceased	Deutland 1000 1
Ethan M. Allen, deceased	
James VanKleek, deceased	Bay City, 1901-2
Edward C. Anthony, deceased	Negaunee, 1902-3
D. B. K. Vanraalte, deceased	Holland 1903-4
George H. Hopkins, deceased	Detroit, 1904-5
E. C. Cannon, deceased	Evart, 1905-6
Joseph B. Griswold, deceased	Grand Rapids, 1906-7
William Jibb, deceased	Adrian 1907-8
Charles Foote, deceased, died in office	Kalamaraa 1008 0
Charles Foole, deceased, died in onice	
Geo. L. Holmes, deceased, to fill vacancy	Detroit, 1909
James M. Greenfield, deceased	Flushing, 1909-10
Samuel J. Lawrence, deceased	
Geo. W. Stone, deceased	
Geo. W. Stone, deceased	Detailing, 1911-12
John T. Spillane, deceased	
Frank R. Chase, deceased	
Riley L. Jones, deceased	
Henry Rankin, deceased, died in office	
Eli Strong, to fill vacancy, deceased	
Lucius H. Ives, deceased	
William O. Lee, deceased	
David S. Howard, deceased	
Edwin F. Lamb, deceased	
Henry Spaulding, deceased	
J. J. Holmes, deceased	
William Mears, deceased	Manton, 1922-23
Lyman A. L. Gilbert, deceased	
Marvin C. Barney, deceased	
John Steel, deceased	
James R. Stephenson, deceased	
Charles A. Bartlett, deceased	Detroit. 1927-28
A. C. Estabrook	
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A. C. Estabrook	Allegan, 1920-31
Orestus Blake, deceased	Jackson, 1931-32
Orestus Blake, deceased	
Charles M. Cook, (died in office)	
John Killeen	
Frank D. Keeler, deceased	Saginaw, 1934-35
Ira M. Stewart	Petoskev, 1935-36
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S. H. Carlton	
A. C. Estabrook	Grand Rapids, 1938-39
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PAST SENIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

H. M. Bigelow, deceased	
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G. R. Wright, deceased	Donton Hanhon 1999 9
G. R. Wright, deceased	Benton Harbor, 1882-3
M. A. Merrifield, deceased	Union City, 1884
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	Chelsea, 1890
C. L. Brundage, deceased	Muskegon, 1891
James A. Crozier, deceased	Menominee 1802
L. M. Ward, deceased	Bonton Hawhow 1802
L. M. Wald, deceased	Benton Harbor, 1895
Herman C. Frieseke, deceased	
Norm G. Cooper, deceased	
Lucian W. Lyon, deceased	
L. W. Sprague, deceased	Greenville, 1897
Moses F. Carlton, deceased	Port Huron 1898
I C Deptement deseased	Detector 1000
J. C. Bontecou, deceased	Peloskey, 1900
Theo C. Putnam, deceased	Grand Rapids, 1901
Marvin C. Barney, deceased	
L. D. Vankleek, deceased	
S. A. Aldrich, deceased	Muskegon 1904
John J. Cornwell, deceased	Battle Greek 1005
John J. Cornweil, deceased	Battle Creek, 1905
M. D. Morgan, deceased	Traverse City, 1906
Riley L. Jones, deceased	
Edwin B. Nugent, deceased	
J. J. Drake, deceased	St. Joseph 1909
Henry P. Shutt, deceased	Kalamazoo 1910
A. J. Ward, deceased	Holland 1011
A. J. ward, deceased	Holland, 1911
H. C. Rankin, deceased	Ypsilanti, 1912
John A. Wardell, deceased	Lansing, 1913
Frank L. Manning, deceased	Jackson, 1914
Eli Strong, deceased	
Thomas Davey, deceased	Detroit 1915
M M Andrews deceased	Don City 1016
M. M. Andrews, deceased	
H. W. Stevens, deceased	Tecumseh, 1917
J. J. Holmes, deceased	Eaton Rapids, 1918
George H. Keating, deceased	
M. D. Richardson, deceased	Lansing 1920
E. A. Jennings, deceased	Flint 1021
Samuel D. Bailey, deceased	Detroit 1000.09
Samuel D. Balley, deceased	Detroit, 1922-23
John A. Miller, deceased	
Edwin R. Havens, deceased	
George W. Howe, deceased	
Willis W. Crocker, deceased	Jackson 1926-27
William E. Walker, deceased	
J. P. Riley, deceased	
J. P. Riley, deceased	
John Killeen	
S. S. Puckett, deceased	Petoskey, 1931-32
J. J. Reiser (died in office), deceased	Grand Ranids 1931.39
C. M. Cook, deceased	Kalamagoo 1099.99
Eugene Owen	Grand Rapids, 1933-34
Ira Stewart	Petoskey, 1934-35
Theodore Burden, deceased	
Theodore Burden, (died in office)	
J. F. Beaumont	
Gilbert LaCroix (died in office)	
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PAST JUNIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

S. B. Kitchell, deceased	8
W. A. Palmer, deceasedGrand Rapids, 187	9
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Dallas Johnson, deceased	1
Oscar A. Janes, deceased	2
J. N. Kellar, deceased,	3
M. H. Humphrey, deceased	4
H. F. Higgins, deceased	5
August Gobel, deceased	6
Thomas H. Williams, deceased	
George W. Stone, deceased	9
William Jibb, deceased	
Wm. H. Marston, deceased	1
Thomas M. Wiley, deceasedOwosso, 1893	2
E. C. Anthony, deceased	3
James M. Greenfield, deceased	4
Oscar Palmer, deceased	5
James O. Bellaire, deceased	6
Ren Barker, deceased	7
D. C. Spears, deceased	
S. H. Mallory, deceased	0
Samuel J. Lawrence, deceased	1
H. A. Backus, deceased	
M. D. Richardson, deceased	3
Edward S. Jamison, deceased	
Dan J. Wilson, deceased Jackson, 190	2
S. M. Kent, deceased Grand Rapids, 190	6
O. Palmer, deceased	
Henry Spaulding, deceased	
George W. Wheeler, deceased	9
Albert Dunham. deceased	Ő
George I. Nash, deceased	1
J. J. Holmes, deceased	2
Charles A. Coolidge, deceased	
Marvin C. Barney, deceased	1
Thomas Davey, deceased	5
Alison L. Bryant, deceased	6
E. E. Lewis, deceased	
Frank Lester, deceased	
William G. Miner, deceased Portland, 1919	9
E. S. Post, deceased)
George G. Freeman, deceased	1
John Seel, deceased	
A. C. Estabrook Allegan, 1923-24	
Arthur E. Ferry, deceased	
Josiah Creque, deceased	ó
George S. Farrar, deceased	
J. P. Riley, deceased	
Wm. Barrett, deceased	ð
James Churchill, deceased	
A. F. Chappell	1
C. M. Cook, deceased	
Frank D. Keeler, deceased	
John W. Finch, deceased	
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Edmond Rogers, deceased	
J. F. Beaumont	2
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DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC **JANUARY 1, 1939.**

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

Chartered December 9, 1887. Post Commander-James F. Ives Charles Waltz. Peter Delamater.

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

> Post Commander-Eugene Owen. Member.

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

Membership 2.

Chartered February 26, 1878. Post Commander—George A. Slayton. H. W. Chase, Cared for by Woman's Relief Corps.

WILLIAM BELL POST NO. 10, DUNDEE.

Chartered October 16, 1879. Post Commander-George W. Francesco. Cared for by Woman's Relief Corps.

FAIRBANKS POST NO. 17, DETROIT.

Chartered May 9, 1881. Membership 5. Post Commander-A. F. Chappelle. David Plumadore. Isaac L. Greusel. William H. Jackson. Peter P. Miller.

A. LINCOLN POST NO. 19, BANGOR.

Chartered May 20, 1881. Post Commander—Harrison Ashley. Cared for by Woman's Relief Corps.

FENTON POST NO. 24, FENTON. Chartered August 19, 1881.

Post Commander-Andrew Bly. Cared for by Woman's Relief Corps.

DAVID BECKER POST NO. 25, OGDEN CENTER. Chartered August 20, 1881. Post Commander—A. S. Beardsley.

George W. Wilt.

FARRAGUT POST NO. 32, BATTLE CREEK. Chartered November 31, 1881. Membership 1. Post Commander-Winfield Faith.

ZACH CHANDLER POST NO. 35, SOUTH HAVEN. Chartered November 30, 1881. Membership 2. Post Commander-Nelson R. Wood. William W. Buys.

CHAS. T. FOSTER POST NO. 42, LANSING. Chartered February 2, 1882. Membership 2. Post Commander-James A. Hamilton. George E. Osborn.

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WOODBURY POST NO. 45, ADRIAN. Chartered February 13, 1882. Post Commander-Baker J. Cole. Charles E. Riker. J. H. Pangborn.

EDWARD POMEROY POST NO. 48, JACKSON Chartered March 9, 1882. Membership 3. Post Commander-John Killeen.

Lewis H. Brower.

C. J. BASSETT POST NO. 56, ALLEGAN, Chartered April 25, 1882. Post Commander-A. C. Estabrook. Willard Moore.

U. S. GRANT POST NO. 67, BAY CITY. Chartered June 12, 1882. Post Commander-Martin Heath. John Webster.

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

Post Commander-E. M. Holt.

ORCUTT POST NO. 79, KALAMAZOO Chartered September 20, 1882. Post Commander-S. H. Carlton. Lewis Seargent.

BUTTERWORTH POST NO. 109, COLDWATER. Chartered March 17, 1883. Post Commander-L. S. Daniells.

Jefferson Burns.

FITZGERALD POST NO. 125, HASTINGS. Chartered April 11, 1883. Post Commander-T. O. Webber.

WHITESIDE POST NO. 143, CARO. Chartered May 25, 1883. Post Commander-Orlando LeValley. Lyman C. Grady.

LOMBARD POST NO. 170, PETOSKEY. Chartered August 11, 1883. Post Commander—Ira M. Stewart.

HEBER LEFAVOR POST NO. 181, MILFORD Chartered September 3, 1883. Post Commander-John F. Beaumont. George Sturtevant.

FRANK POWEL POST NO. 187, OXFORD. Chartered September 27, 1883. Post Commander--Samuel Adams.

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L. B. QUACKENBUSH POST NO. 205, OWOSSO. Chartered December 21, 1883. Membership 2. Post Commander-Samuel Spencer. Isaac Hodgkins.

E. W. HOLLINGSWORTH POST NO. 210, ALBION. Chartered January 4, 1883. Membership 1. Post Commander-Jacob Perrine. Cared for by Woman's Relief Corps.

WM. H. BORDEN POST NO. 211, IONIA. Chartered December 23, 1883. Membership 1. Post Commander-Lemuel Tingley.

ANDREWS POST NO. 294, BIG RAPIDS. Chartered January 15, 1885. Post Commander-David Cantine.

> R. H. Russell. Cared for by Woman's Relief Corps.

DETROIT POST NO. 384, DETROIT. Chartered May 21, 1887. Post Commander-John L. Hinman.

A. E. Stewart.

GEN. O. M. POE POST NO. 433, DETROIT, Chartered November 18, 1893. Membership 3. Post Commander-John Hains. Joseph Craver. James J. Atkinson.

STEELE BROS. POST NO. 441, MASON.

Chartered December 31, 1897.

Membership 3.

Post Commander-Dennis McGonegal. Lewis E. Springsteen. Holden Albro.

J. M. POND POST NO. 460, SAUGATUCK. Chartered February 9, 1903.

Post Commander-J. J. Brown.

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PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

SIXTY-FIRST ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC

HELD AT

JACKSON—JUNE 14, 15, 16, 1939

WITH ADDRESS OF

A. C. ESTABROOK, Department Commander

AND REPORTS OF OTHER DEPARTMENT OFFICERS, GENERAL ORDERS, ETC.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 14, 1939.

HOTEL HAYES-ROOM 416.

The first session of the sixty-first annual Encampment convened at 2 P. M.

Commander Estabrook: Comrades, you will please come to order; I am happy to greet you at this opening session of the Annual Encampment, where we meet in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty to promote the great objects of our organization.

It is my sad duty to announce the passing of our Secretary, Mrs. Ida Davidson at her home in Lansing on Monday of this week. A friend to every Comrade, she served us devotedly, we shall miss her in all our deliberations.

Comrade Owen: May we show our respect for Mrs. Davidson by rising? All stand in silence.

Commander Estabrook: I will appoint Glen Wigent, Past Commander of our Jackson Sons of Union Veterans to act as Officer of the Day. Mr. Wigent expresses his wish to serve at all times, as he assumes the station.

Commander Estabrook: I will ask the Chaplain to open this Encampment with prayer. Chaplain Owen responds.

Commander Estabrook: I have two good "right hands" this afternoon, I present Mrs. Ida Glasgow, Past National President of our Daughters of Union Veterans and Miss Leah M. Simpson Past National Patriotic Instructor of our Daughters and Past Department President of the Woman's Relief Corps.



Mrs. Glasgow will act as Secretary assisted by Miss Simpson, both are old friends of ours.

Commander Estabrook: Mrs. Glasgow, will you call the Roll:

Those present were:

Department Commander
Chaplain
Medical Director David Plumadore, Detroit
Judge Advocate A. F. Chapelle, Detroit
Chief of Staff Ira M. Stewart, Petoskey
Senior Aide John Killeen, Portland
Patriotic Instructor Orlando LeValley, Caro
J. F. Beaumont Milford
Lemuel Tingley Ionia
Comrades Haines and Perrigo enter later.

Officer of the Day: Commander, a greetings committee from the Daughters of the G. A. R. wish to enter.

Commander Estabrook: You will admit them.

The Committee, Mrs. Clara Bennett, Department Commander; Mrs. Helen Kellogg, Past Commander in Chief; Mrs. Edith Owens, Senior Vice Commander in Chief and Mrs. Glenn Humiston, Patriotic Instructor, extend greetings and present a basket of flowers to the Commander and a rose to every Comrade.

Commander Estabrook: Ladies, we thank you for your greetings and flowers. Mrs. Glasgow will present each with the Encampment badge.

Commander Estabrook: Comrades, you will recall the passing of our Senior Vice Commander while in office.

Our Junior Vice Commander is not present, I will ask our Judge Advocate to assume the chair while I read my Annual address. Judge Advocate Chappelle takes the chair.

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER'S ADDRESS TO THE OFFICERS AND COMRADES OF MICHIGAN GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC.

Comrades:

The wheel of time has completed its cycle and another year of the Grand Army of the Republic has passed into history. We have reached the sixty-first milestone in the life of this Department.

The Comrades who are left, are one year's march nearer the Haven, which we are all destined to enter in God's good time. When the Western hills obscure life's sun for us, may we rest secure in the promise of the dawn of a never ending day.

Comrades: One year ago, you elected me your Commander, which I assure you I deem one of the highest honors to which any man may



attain. For this you have my sincere thanks. I fully realized the weight of responsibility I assumed in accepting the Gavel and I pledged my very best efforts to the interests of our noble Order. If I have failed in reaching the high standards of your hopes, I implore you not to ascribe it to a lack of interest in the ideals and aspirations for which the Grand Army stands, but rather to my inability to give the affairs of the administration more time, since I was unable to leave home on account of illness in the family.

The duties of Department Commander have materially changed in the past few years, little remains for him to do now, but to use his efforts to encourage and inspire the aged Comrades with increased zeal for the final struggle in fostering and upholding the principles for which we have wrought for more than three quarters of a century. An effort to rebuild any part of the Grand Army of the Republic is useless at this late day, however, we trust through our life's work and deeds the youth of our Country will be instilled with the precious heritage we are leaving them and through their patriotism keep our Country and its emblem, our Flag, spotless.

I have received many invitations to meet with patriotic organizations but have been able to accept only a few. I have been the recipient of other invitations to attend special meetings throughout the Department which I was unable to attend on account of business at home.

FINANCE

The report of the Assistant Adjutant and Quartermaster General in detail will convince you that economy has been our rule in the conduct of the affairs of the Department.

AFFILIATED SOCIETIES

The Woman's Relief Corps has been most active during the past year, They are doing a wonderful work; not only for the Grand Army, but they are contributing their efforts and influence in all channels of Patriotism for the public good wherever they can consistently do so. I wish to acknowledge the helpful service accorded me by the Department President, Idella MacNeal and her staff. Ladies: to you the Grand Army is deeply indebted and as Comrades we appreciate the splendid work you are doing.

To the Sons of Union Veterans, their Auxiliary and Daughters of Veterans, we owe much to you. Soon upon your shoulders the mantle of your fathers must fall. Through you our work must be perpetuated. We have an abiding faith that you will be faithful to the trust. We desire to express our appreciation for all the favors we have received at your hands and for your faithful patriotic interest in our communities.

SIXTY-FIRST ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT

With our Department, I attended the National Encampment at Des Moines, Iowa, Sept. 4th to 8th, 1938. This was a very enjoyable occasion for all who were privileged to attend as Des Moines is a fine city situated in a prairie country, yet covered with an abundance of fine shade trees. We cast only 5 votes for our Department. Quite a change from the time when we could muster one hundred at the National Encampments.

MEMORIAL DAY

This day, I believe, was fittingly observed by our whole people; laying aside all commercial activities and uniting in paying tribute to our heroic dead. Flowers covered the great white cities where sleep our fallen heroes, nor were those who rest beneath the waves and unmarked graves forgotten.

IN MEMORIUM

As we gather together in another annual Encampment, we are reminded of those Comrades who have passed on since our last Encampment.

Comrade Gilbert LaCroix, Department Senior Vice Commander. Comrade William Burnett, Sergeant of National Colors.

> "Beautiful twilight at set of sun, Beautiful goal, with race well run; Beautiful rest, with work well done."

CONCLUSION

Members of my official staff and Comrades of the Grand Army, again I wish to thank you for the honor you conferred upon me at Grand Rapids and for your loyalty and co-operation.

In a few short hours, I shall relinquish the office entrusted to me a year ago. To my successor, I pledge loyalty and hearty co-operation.

A. C. ESTABROOK, Department Commander of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic.

Comrade Haines: I move the report of the Department Commander be accepted and placed on file; seconded by Ira Stewart and carried.

Officer of the Day: I have the honor to present a committee from Sanford Hunt Camp No. 19 and Auxiliary No. 18, United Spanish War Veterans of Jackson.

Commander Estabrook: We welcome you. Mrs. Crankshaw, Past President and Adeline Layher spoke briefly and presented flowers. Mr. Crankshaw, Quartermaster and Claude Dennis, Adjutant of Camp No. 19 pledged their loyalty to the Grand Army, and presented flowers to Commander Estabrook.



Commander Estabrook: We appreciate your coming to us, and the pledges made. Accept these badges with our thanks.

They were escorted out by Officer of the Day.

Senior Vice Commander Gilbert La Croix died in office, Sept. 24, '38.

Junior Vice Commander, William Parker not present. No reports.

Commander Estabrook: We will listen to report of the Assistant Adjutant and Quartermaster General.

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

June 1, 1939.

To A. C. Estabrook, Department Commander.

In accordance with Rules and Regulations I herewith submit my report for the year ending June 1, 1939.

LOSSES DURING THE YEAR

By surrender of Charter (All Died)	4
Number of Posts in good standing June 1, 1939	31

MEMBERSHIP

Number of members in good standing June 1, 1938	78
Number added during the year	1

LOSSES DURING THE YEAR

By Death		20
Number of	members in good standing June 1, 1939	59

	31.69	8	1938	June 1.	Funds on hand
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RECEIPTS

Interest from Standard Savings & Loan Co.	\$70.00	
Per Capita Tax	5.50	75.50

\$2607.19



SIXTY-FIRST ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

DISBURSEMENTS

Express on Flags, to Grand Rapids and Des Moines	. \$ 2.71	
Postmaster, for rent of box No. 433	6.00	
Badge for P. D. C.	40.00	
Postage and Expense Money Order		
Traveling expenses, postage, Commander Estabrook	. 22.00	
Traveling expenses of Ida F. Davidson, Secretary	8.50	
John E. Andrew, Quartermaster General, for Per Ca	p-	
ita Tax	1.06	104.62
Balance on hand June 1, 1939	֥	\$2502.57
In Standard Savings & Loan Co.	\$2,000.00	
In closed bank	182.02	
Cash on hand	320.55	
	\$2,502.57	

We beg the Department to render financial aid to the peace and comfort of our faithful secretary, Ida Davidson, during her illness.

> SMITH H. CARLTON, Assistant Adjutant.

In the absence of Comrade Carlton this report read by the Secretary, Mrs. Glasgow.

Moved by Comrade Chappelle, seconded by Comrade Owen, the report of Asst. Adjutant be accepted and placed on file. Carried.

The suggestion that aid be given Mrs. Davidson during her illness not acted on because of her passing June 12, before Encampment.

Officer of the Day: A committee from the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

Commander Estabrook: You will admit them.

Mrs. Edith Clark, Past Department President: Mrs. Bessie Hoefinger, Tent 14, Lansing; Mrs. Margaret Mente, Tent 16, Detroit; spoke of the honor that was theirs in greeting "Our Fathers" presented a beautiful red, white and blue bouquet to Commander Estabrook.

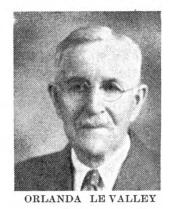
Comrade Chappelle was especially greeted by Mrs. Mente as a "Detroit Boy". Badges were exchanged.

Commander Estabrook: It warms our hearts to have our Daughters renew their pledge to carry on "When the Boys in Blue are Gone". We know you will be faithful, thank you and come again.

The report of Patriotic Instructor was read by Mrs. Glasgow.

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GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC



REPORT OF DEPARTMENT PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR

June, 1939.

A. C. Estabrook, Department Commander.

Reports were received from four Posts though several wrote they attended Memorial Day services where Flags were presented and special programs given in which they had a part.

All report Flags in schools and that salute is given regularly, if not each day. Several sponsored essays on the Constitution.

Owing to age and numbers decreasing in our Posts, few appoint an Instructor but all Posts attend services and visit schools on patriotic days, with our younger allied orders who now have direct charge of these observances.

It has been an honor to serve on the official staff and for this appointment I thank you.

> Loyally in F. C. & L. ORLANDA LE VALLEY, Department Patriotic Instructor.

Motion by Ira Stewart, seconded by Comrade Killeen and carried, report be accepted and placed on file.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE FOR INSPECTION OF THE MICHIGAN SOLDIERS HOME.

As chairman of your committee to inspect the Michigan Soldiers Home, I submit the following report:

The reception given us by the officers and attendants was most cordial and friendly, and we were invited to go to any and all parts of the buildings at our leisure. A guide was furnished, who painstakingly led the way to each and every department, and building.

The condition of the dining room, both for the ladies and soldiers, is very good and orderly, and the food served was palatable and nourishing.



The bakery was spotless, and the commissary department seemed well filled and well ventilated.

The O. T. shop was shut down, for want of materials, but was being stocked again and those interested will be able to manufacture bric a brac and fancy as well as useful articles. This occupation helps to while away the time, and the sale of the articles brings in small amounts of money for the laborers.

The jail (which was empty) was in good condition.

The second floor which contains the concert hall and woman's department was in immaculate condition. The rooms are cheery, and the parlors cozy and inviting. The members appeared happy and contented, and the matron friendly and well liked. An improvement in the way of a new bathroom had been made on this floor during the last year and this eliminates the necessity of having special days set aside, for the women, in the regular bath department. The added convenience can be seen at a glance and is appreciated by all.

The greenhouses were busy places, and well stocked with beautiful plants and flowers of many varieties.

At the hospital we were also cordially received, and invited to visit the various departments. The building is in fine condition, everything orderly and the patients appear to receive the best of care. There was no confusion, everyone seeming to know their duty and attending to the same. There is a staff of three physicians, eight graduates and sixteen practical nurses, besides several orderlies.

We also inspected the nurses lodge where a most homelike atmosphere prevails. The nurses have plain but comfortable surroundings, and a motherly appearing matron supervises.

The grounds surrounding the buildings were beautiful and well kept.

There are in the home at the present time two civil war veterans, one of them in the main building and the other in the hospital, also fifty six Spanish American war veterans, and one hundred and fifty-five world war veterans. Seventy Civil war widows, five Spanish American war wothers, twenty-one Spanish American war widows, twelve Spanish American war wives.

Fifty-five world war mothers, four world war wives. Two world war widows, and one Indian war widow. About one-half of all the members at the home are pensioners.

Respectfully submitted,

EUGENE OWEN,

Accepted and filed.

Comrade Haines: I move we proceed with election of Council of Administration. Seconded and carried.

Election resulted in Comrades: Eugene Owen

Martin Warner

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A. F. Chappelle John F. Beaumont Ira M. Stewart All being unanimous choice.

One Delegate to National Encampment was then nominated: Martin Warner receiving this honor is declared elected.

Alternate to be appointed.

Officer of the Day: Commander, I have the honor to present the Department President Idella MacNeal of the Woman's Relief Corps and all Past Department Presidents who are attending convention.

Florence M. Boot • Ella Rice Scott Eliza A. Taylor Lizetta Coady, Past National President Minnie Van Tuyl Julia Allen Gertrude Lewis Isabel Thomas Leah M. Simpson

Commander Estabrook: We are happy to receive such a fine delegation from our Auxiliary. We would have been sorely disappointed had you not come to visit us. You are very welcome.

Idella MacNeal, Department President: Department Commander and Comrades of the Grand Army: This is the hour we look forward to through the year, when we may bring greetings and renew our pledge of Loyalty and Service to the Grand Army.

Deep in our hearts is the prayer that this may be our privilege many years to come. I present a resume of our year's work.

To the Sixty-first annual Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, I have the Honor to submit the annual report of the Department of Michigan, Woman's Relief Corps.

Number of Corps, June, 1938	107
Number of Corps June, 1939	107
Cash received from last administration	\$ 445.35
Cash expended by Corps for relief	\$ 1,463.09
Value of relief other than money	
Paid to non-pensioners	
Number of Soldiers' families assisted	219
Expended for flowers by Corps	\$ 1,332.58
Paid to Grand Army Veterans	\$ 219.00
Spanish War Veterans assisted	131
Expended for child welfare by Corps	\$ 442.34

Respectfully submitted in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty, IDELLA Mac NEAL, Department President.



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IDELLA MAC NEAL Department President Woman's Relief Corps



LAURA BITTNER Department Secretary Woman's Relief Corps

The report received amid applause, ordered filed. Mrs. Lizetta Coady extended the greetings of the National President who has not yet arrived in city. Mrs. MacNeal presents a basket of flowers and extends the invitation for every Comrade to accompany the Past Presidents to the Main Ball Room where the Relief Corps convenes and where greetings would be received. The Encampment was adjourned at 3:10 by Commander Estabrook and twelve Comrades accompanied the Past Department Presidents to the ball room where they were royally received and given seats of honor on the dais. The Flag of our Country waving in the breeze above them.

> There are many Flags in many lands, There are Flags of every hue. But there is no Flag however grand Like our own Red, White and Blue.

Together the organizations received the welcome from the city.

Mrs. Elizabeth Colliau, Department Conductor: 'Department Commander and Madam Department President, I have the honor to present Mr. Anderson, Representative of the Mayor.

Mr. Anderson is presented to Convention and speaks eloquently of the deeds of the men of 1861-65 and the honor that is Jackson's in being host to the Grand Army and its allied Orders.

Commander Estabrook responds.



RESPONSE TO ADDRESS OF WELCOME

Mr. Mayor:

On behalf of my Comrades and our affiliated societies, I thank you for your cordial words of welcome, and for your expression of regard for the men of the Grand Army. Also for the proffered hospitality of your illustrous city.

These few men present are just a remnant of that great army in blue, who went forth in their youth to put down one of the greatest rebellions that had ever existed. They have shown their courage and loyalty on the field of battle, and have saved our country in unity, and our flag in its honor and beauty. But one of the grandest distinctions that these comrades claim, is, after four long years of warfare, they came back like loyal and true men, to their homes, and returned to private life, became exemplary citizens, and took part in administering the government of their state, and of the United States, showing that they were able both to defend and govern their country.

You have turned over your city to these men and their associates. I can assure you that this is duly appreciated, and should any "fall by the wayside", please remember the parable of the "Good Samaritan", and take care of them, and we will bless you. We hope the city of Jackson will have a pleasant remembrance of this occasion, and I am sure we will carry to our homes many fond memories of our annual encampment, in the City of Jackson—year 1939.

Greetings from the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, 46 in number, led by Dept. Commander Wright with Department President Lela Arndt of their Auxiliary, gave assurance of continued loyalty.

Mrs. Anne Raeyling, National President, and Marie Robinson, Department President, Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, expressing devotion and service and pride in the heritage that is theirs, followed the Mayor's greeting and were responded to by Department Commander Estabrook, and Department President MacNeal. The delegations invited to remain for the annual Memorial Service.

"Lead Kindly Light Amid the encircling gloom"

A hush came over the room as the lovely voice of Gladys Allen came to us. While the Chaplain and members of the Woman's Relief Corps, carrying rose crosses, slowly approached the dais, bringing to us another memorial service of the Grand Army and Woman's Relief Corps. Reverently the tributes were given and crosses placed in memory of those called Home during the past year.

Following the ceremonial each Comrade was introduced to Convention by Past Dept. Pres. Leah M. Simpson, several responding with words of greeting.

Mr. Spencer, Dean of the Jackson High School, is presented to the Convention. In observance of Flag Day, the Dept. Patriotic Instructor on behalf of the Department presents a large framed plaque, inscribed with Lincoln's Gettysburg Address, the gift of Dept. of Michigan Woman's Relief Corps to the High School.

Mr. Spencer expresses thanks and assures us the local W. R. C. will be invited to the presentation ceremony when High School convenes in September.

Photographers came to record this memorable event in pictures, closing the first session of the Sixty-first Encampment, Grand Army of the Republic and the Fifty-sixth convention of the Woman's Relief Corps, Department of Michigan.

THURSDAY, JUNE 15, 1939

The second session of the sixty-first Annual Encampment called to order by Commander Estabrook at 9:10 A.M. with twelve Comrades attending.

Commander Estabrook: I understand an invitation to meet in Ann Arbor in 1940 was to reach us this morning. While waiting its arrival is there any business to come before this Encampment or has any Comrade anything of interest to present?

Comrade Chappelle responds by giving an account of the observance of Memorial Day in Detroit where nearly 8,000 graves had been decorated.

Miss Simpson enters and offers to contact Ann Arbor delegates attending Woman's Relief Corps convention: Returning shortly reports the official invitation will be received.

Mr. Ben Price, Secretary of the Greater Jackson Association was announced by Officer of the Day, after extending a cordial welcome to the G. A. R. to visit Jackson again next year, was warmly thanked by the Comrades, and presented badge by Commander Estabrook, who explained another city was also being considered pending the arrival of an official invitation; the invitation received being by telephone.

After repeating the invitation, Mr. Price retired.

Mrs. Glasgow read the following letter which accompanied flowers:

Dear Veterans of Civil War and all Soldiers:

I send these flowers to you, and in memory of my dear father of the Civil War, Freeman Evans, Sixth Michigan, Co. A, and his four brothers, from Niles, Michigan.

I have his honorable discharge. He died Sept. 25th, 1913.

A NATION'S TRIBUTE TO HER HEROES LIVING OR DEAD

Columbia ever will know you From out her glittering towers: And kisses of love will throw you, And send you wreaths of flowers.



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And ever in realms of Glory Shall shine your starry claims Angels have heard your story And God knows —All your names.

Sincerely yours,

MRS. De VERRAH E. E. MYERS, . 820 Backus St. Jackson, Michigan.



EUGENE OWEN

The report of the Department Chaplain was read by Mrs. Glasgow.

REPORT OF DEPARTMENT CHAPLAIN

June, 1939.

A. C. Estabrook, Department Commander:

Reports were received from Posts No. 1, 5, 6, 17, 35, 42, 45, 143, 384. All but one Post reported attending divine services on Memorial Sunday at which several of the sermons were preached by Veterans and were attended by members of the Allied Orders and from 1 to 4 Civil War Veterans, with many Spanish war and World War Veterans.

Because of the advanced age of Grand Army men the decorating of graves has been trusted to the younger organizations and loyally have the W. R. C., Sons and Daughters, the Spanish War and American Legions fulfilled this trust. All took part in the work and o'er thousands of graves our Flag floated on Memorial Day, and 8231 graves were reported decorated, which represents only a part of the actual number in our state.

Thousands of school children assisted in services.

All Posts except one have burial plots. Services were held for the unknown dead and those who sleep beneath the ocean wave. None were forgotten. I appreciate the honor of serving the Department. My relations have been most cordial.

Loyally yours in F. C. & L.

EUGENE OWEN, Dept. Chaplain.



On motion made by Comrade Chappelle, seconded by Comrade Killeen and carried, report accepted and filed.

Mr. Glen Wigent, Officer of the Day, asked Commander to allow Ronald Smith of Austin Blair Camp No. 7 to act as Officer of the Day, as he is called away on plans for the Camp Fire tonight. He explains program begins at 8:00 o'clock. Transportation will be supplied for all Veterans, a wonderful display assured at the Cascades.

A beautiful basket of flowers has been placed on Commander's station during recess, Genevieve Veits and Lilly Wall, Past Dept. Presidents Ladies of G. A. R., bring greetings and formally present the flowers, the gift to the Commander from Mrs. Veits, Mrs. Edith Helmic and Mrs. Florence Wright of the Aux. Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, of Lansing bring flowers and badge to Commander, who assures the ladies they are very welcome in the Encampment and bids them come again. He presents each with the badge, while the ladies exchange greetings with every Comrade.

Officer of the Day presents Mrs. Barnum, President American Legion Aux. of Jackson with a group of members, who present a basket of flowers.

Mrs. Barnum recites a poem:

"You have done so much good with the years you have had I think that is why your visit makes us all glad."

This is roundly applauded by our Comrades.

Commander Estabrook: Ladies, this is an unexpected pleasure and we thank you.

The ladies retire.

.Commander Estabrook: I will appoint Comrades Chappelle and Beaumont on the Resolutions Committee.

Officer of the Day: Commander, the hall is filled with Sons of U.V.C.W.

Commander Estabrook: Open wide the doors and admit them.

Forty-six Sons were presented by Commander Wright. The oldest Past Department Commander, Frederick J. McMurtie extended greetings and presented cigars. Past Commander Perle Fouch addressed the Encampment in his forceful manner, pledging unreservedly the loyalty of the Sons.

This unusual delegation, eleven Past Dept. Commanders and twentyfive Past Camp Commanders, with ten now serving, lustily sang "Marching Through Georgia", "Let me call you Sweetheart" and "The More we Get Together", the Comrades joining in words remembered and all stamping out the time. A happy half hour long to be remembered.

Comrade Warner amazed us in giving the long roll call of Co. B, 17th Illinois as given 74 years ago.

Commander Estabrook: It is now 11:05, we will stand adjourned till 2:30 at which time we may have received the formal invitation to Ann Arbor. Encampment adjourned.

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THURSDAY, JUNE 15

The closing session was called to order at 2:05 P.M. by Commander Estabrook with ten Comrades present. Comrades Plumadore and Tingley enter shortly.

Commander Estabrook: Confirmation of the invitation to meet in Ann Arbor in 1940 has been received by long distance call. The Mayor is out of the city but has been reached by phone, the invitation will be telegraphed before close of the Encampment.

Officer of the Day: I present Mrs. Alva Warner, newly elected Senior Vice President of the Woman's Relief Corps.

Commander Estabrook: Mrs. Warner of Foster Corps, Lansing, we welcome you.

Mrs. Warner, who had visited Mrs. Ida Davidson, the week before her passing brought a last message to the Grand Army. Mrs. Davidson had asked her to thank the Grand Army for all they had done for her through many years.

Commander Estabrook is touched by this thoughtfulness on the part of their faithful Secretary, as he explained the message to the Comrades.

Mrs. Warner is presented the Encampment badge and warmly thanked for bringing the message.

Officer of the Day presents Past Department Commander Harvey Ruggles and Charles Glissold, Past Department Adjutant, United Spanish War Veterans, who brought the greetings of Encampment just closed in Traverse City and presented Commander Estabrook with the official badge.

Commander Estabrook: Comrades, it gives me pleasure to present to you these Veterans of the Spanish War.

After extending greetings and good wishes the Spanish War Veterans clasp the hand of every Comrade before retiring.

During the noon hour the girls of the Junior Clubs of the W. R. C. called and left a little package for each Comrade, these Mrs. Glasgow now presented to them.

Mrs. Glasgow reads report of Resolution Committee.

REPORT OF RESOLUTION COMMITTEE

Resolved:

That the 12 Veterans of the Union Army present at this, their 61st Annual Encampment do sincerely thank the entire citizenry of the city of Jackson for all courtesies shown us.

The welcome extended by the Mayor's representatives, the Greater Jackson Association, the Convention Committee, the Press, the management of the Hayes Hotel, and Members of our Allied Organizations, espec-

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SIXTY-FIRST ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT



A. F. CHAPPELLE

ially the members of Austin Blair Camp No. 7, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, and our Auxiliary, Pomeroy Corps No. 5, have been sincere and loyal.

The services rendered by the Boy Scouts, our Country's young protectors, were gratefully accepted and appreciated.

We consider it an honor to be the guests of such a Loyal and Patriotic Community.

Signed,

A. F. CHAPPELL, EUGENE OWEN IRA M. STEWART.

Comrade LeValley: I move the adoption of the report, seconded by Comrade Haines.

Commander Estabrook: It is moved and seconded that the report be adopted, carried.

On motion by Comrade Chappelle, seconded by Comrade Owen and unanimously carried, Encampment in 1940 be held in Ann Arbor.

Comrade Killeen: As it is our rule to dispose of all routine business before election of officers and this has been done, I move we proceed with election.

This was seconded by Comrade Haines and carried.

Comrade Stewart: I nominate A. F. Chappelle for Department Commander. This was seconded by Le Valley.

On motion duly made, seconded and carried the rules were suspended and acting secretary cast one ballot bearing the name of A. F. Chappelle for Department Commander.

Commander Estabrook: I declare him elected Department Commander.

Comrade Chappelle: I nominate John Beaumont for Senior Vice Commander.

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The motion was seconded by Comrade Killeen.

As there was no other nomination, the same procedure was taken as before.

Commander Estabrook: I declare him elected.

Comrade Owen: I nominate Ira M. Stewart for Jr. Vice Commander.

Commander Estabrook: No other nominations, I declare him elected.

Comrade Killeen: I nominate our present Chaplain, Eugene Owen for Chaplain.

This motion was seconded by Comrade Le Valley and carried.

Commander Estabrook: I declare him elected Department Chaplain.

Commander Estabrook explains that by action of the 71st National Encampment, Sept. 9, 1937 the office of the Department of Medical Director was abolished.

Officers were installed by Commander Estabrook.

Commander Chappelle pledged his best effort for the Grand Army this year. Appoints Past Commander Estabrook Assistant Adjutant and Quartermaster General.

Comrade Estabrook announced his acceptance and takes the pledge of Assistant Adj. and Quartermaster General.

Leah M. Simpson, Past Dept. President, W. R. C. and Past Nat'l Patriotic Instructor of Daughters of Union Veterans, is appointed to take up the work in Headquarters at Lansing, confirmed by Commander Chappelle and so ordered.

Officer of the Day: Announces a greeting Committee, and Mrs. Eleanor Stables, President of Fairbanks W. R. C. No. 10 and Evelyn Parker, Past President, extend congratulations, good wishes and flowers to Commander Chappelle of Fairbanks Post No. 17. The Commander thanks them heartily and presents the new Department Secretary, Leah M. Simpson, also a member of Fairbanks No. 10, Detroit.

With a friendly good-bye and wish to meet every Comrade in 1940 in Ann Arbor, the ladies retire.

Commander Chappelle: Is there any further business to come before this Encampment?

All business declared taken care of on motion by Comrade Le Valley, seconded by Comrade Haines and carried. The sixty-first Encampment was declared adjourned, subject to call of the Dept. Commander.

Commander Chappelle: We stand adjourned.

UNOFFICIAL PROGRAM

Again the Department of Michigan Grand Army of the Republic records a most harmonious and successful Encampment and would express appreciation to the citizens of Jackson for their hospitality and kindness, to the Mayor for his hearty welcome to our Auxiliary and Allied Orders, who worked tirelessly for our enjoyment.

The many unusual features made the sixty-first Annual Encampment outstanding.

The joint session with the Woman's Relief Corps where the Mayor's welcome was extended and greetings from our Allied Organizations received was an enjoyable innovation.

The banquet and ball with our Sons and Daughters and Auxiliary was attended by nearly 300 as was the Banquet given by our Auxiliary to the Grand Army and Allied Orders.

THURSDAY EVENING CAMP FIRE

A spirit of good fellowship always abounds at a Camp Fire, this most unusual one at the marvelous Cascades was no exception. Never in the records of our Department do we find anything like it.

The thrilling address of Col. John G. Emery, former National Commander of the American Legion, by loud speaker system, reached the more than 1,000 members of the eight veteran organizations and hundreds of citizens gathered at the Cascades.

The Francis Hodgebloom quartette led in singing the famous old wartime songs.

Our Comrades were deeply interested in the drill of the Legion Zouaves who put on a special program honoring them. The climax reached when the "attack" broke behind the ramparts, bursting fireworks lending realism, as the Zouaves charged over the wall, one aged veteran of 1861 could not restrain himself—shouting: "Go Get 'em Boys. Get 'em."

The Cascades were then brilliantly illuminated.

THE PARADE

Jackson citizens and school children 10,000 strong thronged the streets to pay high tribute to the survivors of the Civil War, as the twelve Veterans rode slowly along in Flag decked automobiles led by the Michigan Center Band, to the stirring strains of "Military Escort March."

Following came the Sons of Union Veterans, Police escort led by Chief of Police Harris, firemen, three batteries of the 119th Field Artillery, The Michigan National Guard, long lines of Allied Orders, and W. R. C., Junior Clubs, the Polish Boys' band, Rose City Post American Legion, Jackson Jr. Zouaves, and Boy Scouts all with Flags and colors, and flashing uniforms, made up a splendid parade. Capt. Leland K. Dewey, President Reserve Officers, Capt. Harold D. Miller, Natl. Guard, Capt. Charles Ottoman, Chief of Police Harris, and the Greater Jackson Business Association, deserves great credit for staging this colorful parade.

PROGRAM

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 14

- 9:30 A.M. Registration
- 10:00 A.M. Council of Administration will meet in Headquarters room. Executive Committee will audit the books of the Assistant Adjutant and Quartermaster General, and transact any other business deemed necessary.
 - 2:00 P.M. Opening Session of the Encampment, with the W. R. C. Welcome Address by Russell Bengel, Mayor of Jackson, Greetings by Allied Organizations in W. R. C. Ball Room.
 - 2:30 P.M. Report of Commander
 - 3:00 P.M. Joint Memorial with W. R. C. Hotel Hayes
 - 4:00 P.M. Reception for the Grand Army of the Republic Hotel Hayes
- 6:00 P.M. Banquet and Ball with Sons, Daughters and Auxiliary Main Ball Room, Otsego Hotel

THURSDAY, JUNE 15

- 9:00 A.M. Business Session
- 2:00 P.M. Business Session—Election and Installation
- 6:00 P.M. W. R. C. Banquet and Allied Orders
- 8:00 P.M. Campfire will take place at the William and Matilda Sparks Foundation with the Illuminated Cascades as a background.

FRIDAY, JUNE 16

10:00 A.M. Grand Annual Parade.

IN MEMORIAM

This may we do, our loyalty to prove To men to whom we stand in heavy debt Live as they lived: honor the land we love: Stand fast; be true; our duty ne'er forget.

MEMORIAL ROLL FOR THE YEAR 1939

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Name.	Rank.	Company.	Regiment.	Residence.	Date of death.	Jo I
	John	V. Logan Po	John A. Logan Post No. 1, Grand Rapids			
Jordan Barr	Private	K	16th Michigan Infantry	Grand Rapids	May 16, 1938	, 1938
	Fa	irbanks Pos	Fairbanks Post No. 17, Detroit			
Emory Morris	Private	М	1st Michigan Engineer and Me- chanic	Detroit	Dec.	23, 1938
	-	Fenton Pos	Fenton Post No. 24, Fenton			
I. H. Lawrence	Private	Battery A	1st Michigan Artillery	Fenton		
	Far	ragut Post	Farragut Post No. 32, Battle Creek			
John W. Walker James E. McDonold	Private	A I	25th Michigan Infantry	Battle CreekBattle Creek	Nov. May	1938
	Zach (Chandler Po	Zach Chandler Post No. 35, South Haven			
John Eitel		1	86th Ohio Infantry	South Haven	July 9	9, 1938
	Cha	s. T. Foster	Chas. T. Foster Post No. 42, Lansing			1
James Kennedy	Private	ΡG	154th Ohio Infantry	Lansing	June May	7, 1938 31, 1938
		Voodbury Po	Woodbury Post No. 45, Adrian			
Grovenor Vanderpool	Private	D	11th Michigan Cavalry	Adrian	Jan.	3, 1938

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Anson Croman.	Corporal	Ъ.	20th Michigan Infantry	Munith	Oct. Nov.	1, 1938 13, 1938
		C. J. Basset	C. J. Basset Post No. 56, Allegan			
William Burnett.	Private	Н	8th N. Y. Cavalry		Aug.	1938
	ď	S. Grant Po	Grant Post No. 67, Bay City			
B, G. Groomes.	Lieutenant		U. S. Dragoons	Bay City	Oct.	10, 1938
	William	Sanborn Po	William Sanborn Post No. 98, Port Huron			1
Orin Sitts	Private	E	1st Michigan Cavalry	Port Huron	April	24, 1938
	Butter	worth Post	Butterworth Post No. 109, Coldwater			
Henry Stahl	Private	124	3rd Maryland Cavalry	Coldwater	July	10, 1938
	George	5	Whitney Post No. 188, Hadley			
Nathan Green	Sergeant	Н	9th Michigan Cavalry	Hadley	Jan. 2	22, 1938
	E. W. I	Hollingswor	W. Hollingsworth Post No. 210. Albion			
James Harrington	Private			Albion		
	H. D.	Terry Post	Terry Post No. 216, Mt. Clemens			
Gilbert La Croix	Private	J	5th Michigan Infantry	Mt. Clemens	Sept.	24, 1938
	General	Charles Gri	General Charles Griffin Post No. 386, Farwell			
S. H. Frye.	Private	71st Penn.	Volunteers	Farwell	July	10, 1938

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death.	Residence.	Regiment.	Company.	Rank.	Name.

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To the shadowy shores of sunset O'er the purple hills they've gone, They've crossed to that horizon Where the dusk awaits for the dawn.

ENCAMPMENTS

DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC

Year	Entertaining City	Presiding Commander
1868	Detroit	Russell A. Alger
1869	Lansing	
1870	Lansing	William Humphreys
1879	Grand Rapids	
1880	Grand Rapids	
1881	Quincy	
1882	Muskegon	[[] [] [[] [] [] [] [] [] [] [
1883	Battle Creek	
1884	Detroit	
1885	East Saginaw	
1886	Jackson	
1887	Grand Rapids	
1888	Lansing	
1889	Bay City	
1890	Adrian	
1891	Muskegon	
1892	Ann Arbor	
1893	Benton Harbor	
1894	Owosso	Lamos H Kidd
1895		
1896	Mt. Clemens	
	Saginaw	
1897	Greenville	[14] (14] - 18] · 10 · 19] [17] · 17] · 17] · 17] · 17] · 17] · 18] · 1
1898	Port Huron	
1899	Petoskey	Alex L. Patrick
1900	Grand Rapids	Russell R. Peeler
1901	Flint	
1902	Pontiac	
1903	Muskegon	Edward C. Anthony
1904	Holland	
1905	Traverse City	
1906	Saginaw	E. C. Cannon
1907	Bay City	
1908	Detroit	
1909	Kalamazoo	
1910	Holland	James M. Greenfield
1911	Ypsilanti	
1912	Port Huron	George W. Stone
1913	Lansing	John T. Spillane
1914	Jackson	Frank R. Chase
1915	Kalamazoo	
1916	Bay City	
1917	Battle Creek	
1918	Saginaw	William O. Lee
1919	Traverse City	David S. Howard
1920	Port Huron	Edwin F. Lamb
1921	Flint	
1922	Detroit	
1923	Grand Rapids	William Mears
1924	Lansing	
1924	0	
1920	Port Huron	

1926	Jackson John Seel
1927	Benton Harbor James R. Stephenson
1928	Kalamazoo
1929	Bay City
1930	Pontiac A. C. Estabrook
1931	Grand Rapids A. C. Estabrook
1932	PetoskeyOrestus Blake
1933	Saginaw Orestus Blake
1934	Grand Rapids John Killeen
1935	Mt. Clemens
1936	Battle Creek Ira M. Stewart
1937	Detroit Ira M. Stewart
1938	Grand Rapids
1939	Jackson A. C. Estabrook

RESUME

The Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic, was organized as a Provisional Department, May 8th, 1867, in the City of Detroit, by General R. A. Alger, who became the first Commander. He was followed by William A. Throop—William Humphreys.

In March of 1878 the Department of Michigan barely existed. There were supposed to be four Posts but in reality there were but two that showed any signs of life.

January 22nd, 1879, the Department of Michigan was re-organized with the following Officers, Posts and Members:

Department Commander	C. V. R. Pond
Dept. Sr. Vice Commander	N. H. Biglow
Dept. Jr. Vice Commander	W. A. Palmer
Chaplain	C. R. DeClute
Medical Director	N. J. Pierce

Council of Administration

A. D. McReynolds J. C. Messmore J. Ellis Dan W. Sawyer H. H. Weaver

Posts

Van Pelt Post No. 1	Coldwater
C. O. Loomis Post No. 2	
N. H. Ferry Post No. 3	
Phil Sheridan Post No. 4	Reading
Custer Post No. 5Gra	
Parker Post No. 6	Petersburg

The following numbers show the gain and loss of Posts and members in the Department of Mich. after it was re-organized—year by year from Jan., 1879, to Jan., 1939:

Year.	Posts.	Members.	Year.	Posts.	Members.
1879		127	1910		9,854
1880			1911	. 309	9,372
1881			1912		
1882		1,019	1913	. 279	8,226
1883		4,442	1914		
1884			1915		
1885	288		1916		6,995
1886			1917	252	6,257
1887	348		1918		
1888			1919		5,115
1889	373		1920	227	4,667
1890			1921	. 212	4.000
1891			1922	197	3,386
1892	391		1923	. 193	3.105
1893			1924	190	2,836
1894	384		1925		
1895			1926	125	1,882
1896			1927		
1897	382		1928	. 112	1,212
1898			1929	. 109	
1899		15,531	1930	. 102	
1900	382		1931		
1901	375		1932	89	550
1902			1933		
1903			1934		
1904	355	13,168	1935		
1905	346				
1906			1936		
1907			1937		
1908	318		1938		
1909	313		1939	. 31	

COMRADES REGISTERED

Age	9
Beaumont, J. F., Milford 90	
Chappelle, A. F., Detroit	ł
Estabrook, A. C., Grand Rapids	2
Haines, John C., Detroit	7
Killeen, John, Portland	2
LeValley, Orlanda, Caro 90)
Owen, Eugene, Grand Rapids 90)
Plumadore, David, Detroit	2
Perrigo, Cyrus, Vassar	£
Stewart, Ira M., Petoskey	3
Tingley, Lemuel, Ionia	3
Warner, M. J., Grand Rapids	\$



SIXTY-FIRST ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN

GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC

Lansing, Michigan, July 6th, 1938.

GENERAL ORDERS No. 1.

Series 1938-1939.

I. The Sixtieth Annual Encampment of the Department of Michigan, held at Grand Rapids, June 13-14-15th, '38 having elected me as Department Commander for the ensuing year, and having been duly installed, I hereby assume command, and in doing so, desire to express to the comrades of the department my most sincere thanks for the honor bestowed upon me. Fully realizing the great responsibility resting upon me, I enter upon the duties incumbent on the office with the determination to give my best efforts to perpetuate the fine record of our Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic.

II. OFFICERS ELECTED AND INSTALLED.

Department Commander	A. C. Estabrook, Grand Rapids
Department Sr. Vice Commander	Gilbert LaCroix, Mt. Clemens
Department Jr. Vice Commander	William Parker Lake Odessa
Chaplain	Eugene Owen, Grand Rapids
Medical Director	David Plumadore, Detroit

III.

COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION.

Ira Stewart Pete	oskey
A. F. Chappelle De	troit
Gilbert LaCroix	mens
J. F. Beaumont	
Eugene Owen Grand Ra	

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DELEGATES TO NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT.

Delegate-at-large A. F. Chappelle Gilbert LaCroix David Plumadore Alternate-at-large William Parker

M. J. Warner Lemuel Tingley

OFFICIAL STAFF APPOINTMENTS.

A. A. and Quartermaster General	S. H. Carlton,
	Kalamazoo
Judge Advocate	
Patriotic Instructor	Orlanda LeValley, Caro
Chief of Staff	Ira M. Stewart, Petoskey
Sr. Aide	John Killeen, Portland
Serg't National Colors	William Burnett, Allegan
Serg't Department Colors	J. A. Hamilton, Lansing

VI.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Ira M. Stewart, A. F. Chappelle, Gilbert LaCroix.

Legislative Committee.

S. H. Carlton John Killeen

Soldiers' Home Committee.

Eugene Owen M. J. Warner

- VII. The 72nd National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic will be held in Des Moines, Iowa, September 4-9, 1938. Headquarters will be established at Hotel Fort Des Moines. Complete arrangements will be issued in next General Orders.
- VIII. Communications for the Commander should be addressed to 4861 Buchanan Ave., Grand Rapids, Mich. Those for the Assistant Adjutant General to 1120 March St., Kalamazoo, Mich.
- IX. During the coming year let us again unite in an effort to display an object lesson in Patriotism which will so impress the youth of our land, that they will strive to emulate the example set by the "Boys who wore the Blue". Thanks again.

By Command of

A. C. ESTABROOK, Department Commander.

Official: S. H. Carlton, Assistant Adjutant General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN

GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC

Lansing, Michigan, August 20th, 1938.

GENERAL ORDERS NO. 2. Series 1938-1939.

- I. As previously announced. the 72nd National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic will be held in Des Moines, Iowa, September 4th to 9th, 1938.
- II. Michigan Headquarters will be established at the Fort Des Moines Hotel Monday afternoon, September 5th. Comrades may register as soon as they arrive.

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- III. A meeting of Delegates and those entitled to a seat in the Encampment, will be held in Headquarters Room, Tuesday evening, Sept. 6th at 7:30. Badges will be distributed at this time.
- IV. Department Headquarters at Lansing will be closed from September 2nd-12th.
 - V. The ROCK ISLAND LINES offer the following information regarding train service and rail fares for your convenience. For time of trains and other information consult your Local Ticket Agent.

SCHEDULES

Chicago to Des Moines

"]	Rocket"	No. 23	No. 5	No. 9	No. 7
Lv. Chicago	:45 PM	8:35 PM	11:30 PM	1:15 AM	9:20 AM
Ar. Des Moines11	:45 PM	4:40 AM	7 :25 AM	12:30 PM	6:05 PM
Des Moines to Chicago					
"Roc	ket"	No. 8	No. 10	No. 6	No. 14
Lv. Des Moines	AM 10):25 AM	12:15 PM	7:00 PM	11:30 PM
Ar. Chicago	PM (5:30 PM	9:45 PM	5:50 AM	7:25 AM

RAIL FARES—CHICAGO TO DES MOINES

Round trip party Coach	
Round trip First-class	
Lower berth-\$2.50	Upper berth—\$2.00

VI. All requests for rooms and other information should be addressed to Mrs. Ethel H. Early, Convention Bureau, Des Moines, Iowa.

VII. Official Programs will give time and place of meetings.

By Command of

A. C. ESTABROOK, Department Commander.

S. H. CARLTON,

Assistant Adjutant General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN

GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC

Lansing, Michigan, December 6th, 1938.

GENERAL ORDERS No. 3. Series 1938-1939.

I. The seventy-second National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic convened in the City of Des Moines, Iowa, September 4-9, 1938. Headquarters were established at the Fort Des Moines Hotel where all comrades were made welcome, and everything was done for their comfort and pleasure by the management of the Hotel. One of the pleasing features of the Encampment were the many banquets given by our allied organizations to which the comrades were honored guests.

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II. Wednesday, September 7, 1938. The Spirit of the Sixties breathed new life into the streets of Des Moines as thousands of their Loyal Patriotic Citizens thronged the streets. "It was Parade Day" and led by the United States Marine Band, the comrades marched in "Review" once again.

- III. Sessions of the Grand Army of the Republic were held in Fort Des Moines Hotel. Comrade Robert M. Rownd of Ripley, New York, was elected Commander-in-Chief. Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, was chosen as the meeting place for 1939.
- IV. Report Blanks for the year ending December 31, 1938, are enclosed. Post Adj. or Secretary will please fill out promptly and return to Headquarters, Lansing, Michigan, Box No. 433, with per capita tax of ten cents for each member. Patriotic Instructors' Blanks should be filled out and mailed to Department Patriotic Instructor, Orlanda Le Valley, Caro, Michigan.

"In Memoriam"

With deep sorrow we announce the death of Comrade Gilbert La-Croix, Department Sr. Vice Commander who passed away Sept. 24, 1938. Age, 92. He enlisted in Company "C" 5th Michigan Infantry and was the last member of H. D. Terry Post No. 216 of Mt. Clemens, Michigan.

> Even death has a wonderful mission Though it robs us of those we love It lifts our hearts from our surroundings To long for that meeting above. No matter how heavy the burden, No matter how great the despair, Doesn't Heaven seem nearer and clearer, To know that our loved ones are there?

- VI. The 1939 Department Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic and Allied organizations will be held in Jackson, Michigan. Dates to be announced later.
- VII. As time moves on we are once more at the end of another year. Our Assistant Adj. General heartily joins me in a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year wish to "All Comrades, Sons of Union Veterans, Our Auxiliary, and Allied Organizations," and may we bring a small portion of joy, peace, and happiness into the hearts of all of you whom we love.

By Command of

A. C. ESTABROOK, Department Commander.

Official: S. H. CARLTON, Assistant Adjutant General.

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HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC

4861 Buchanan Avenue, S.W., Grand Rapids, Michigan, May 6, 1939.

GENERAL ORDERS No. 4.

Series 1938-1939.

I. The 61st Annual Encampment of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic will be held in Jackson, June 14, 15 and 16, 1939. Headquarters will be established at the Hayes Hotel. Comrades can register and receive badges Wednesday A. M. All Comrades of this Department in good standing and in possession of the countersign are entitled to a seat and a vote in this Encampment.

ENCAMPMENT PROGRAM

Wednesday, June 14, 1939

- 11:00 A.M. The Council of Administration will meet in G. A. R. headquarters. The Executive Committee will audit the books and accounts of the Assistant Adjutant and Quartermaster General, and transact such business as may seem necessary.
- 2:30 P.M. Joint Memorial Service with Woman's Relief Corps at W. R. C. meeting place.
- 6:00 P.M. Guests at banquet with the Sons, Daughters and Sons' Auxiliary.

Thursday-June 15, 1939

- 9:00 A.M. Business Session
- 2:00 P.M. Business Session
- 6:00 P.M. Guests at W. R. C. Banquet
- 8:00 P.M. Campfire—William and Matilda Sparks Foundation with Cascades as a background.

Friday—June 16, 1939

10:00 A.M. Annual Parade

III.

"MOTHER'S DAY"

The second Sunday in May has been dedicated to Mothers.

"I cannot pay my debt

For all the love that she has given,

But thou, Lord, will not forget

Her due reward-bless her on earth and in Heaven."

In her memory let us attend services on "Mother's Day", May 14th, and wear a "Pure White Flower".

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"MEMORIAL DAY"

"Now bring me sweet flowers, bring roses and lilies, Bring evergreen wreaths and forget-me-nots blue, Bring pansies for thoughts of dearly loved Comrades, Bring laurels for heroes so loyal and true. We scarcely can see for our eyes dim with weeping— Sad thoughts and sad memories crowding each breast, But we heap high the flowers, the beautiful flowers, Where the silent Grand Army is lying at rest."

Once more we have reached the "Nation's Day of Remembrance", and tenderly beautiful is that great memory which draws us to our dead. Due to the advanced age of the Comrades, the real work of Memorial Day has been taken over by the Soldiers of later Wars and our Auxiliary.

"MEMORIAL SUNDAY"

It is my desire that all Comrades, who are able, will join with the Patriotic Organizations for services on Memorial Sunday, May 28. Chaplain Blanks are enclosed and should be filled out and returned to the Department Chaplain, Eugene Owen, 343 Sheldon Avenue, S.E., Grand Rapids, Michigan.

VI.

V.

"IN MEMORIAM"

With deep sorrow, I announce the death of two members of my Official Family: Gilbert LeCroix, Department Senior Vice Commander, who died Sept. 24th, 1938 and William Burnett, National Color Bearer, who passed away Aug. 23rd, 1938. They were faithful members of the Grand Army of the Republic.

> "They are passing away—these friends of ours, Like a leaf on the current cast; We watch them as one by one they go, Into the dreamland of the past."

VII.

"IN CLOSING"

Comrades, no greater honor can ever come to me than that which I have received at your hands. I have done my best to serve the Department. It is for you to render the verdict. This being my last General Order, I surrender to him who will be my successor; the Gavel and authority given into my hands at Grand Rapids last June. Again, I take my place in the ranks as a Comrade, to work with added zeal for the interest of "OUR GRAND ARMY".

> "May we plan and build for the future Without hope of personal gain; Bury all that is selfish within us, That our Order may achieve and attain."

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Again I thank you for the honor which has been mine. For the many evidences of your esteem and for the cordial and generous support accorded me.

By Order of

A. C. ESTABROOK, Department Commander.

Official:

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G. H. CARLTON, Asst. Adj. General.

The report of the Adjutant General's Dept. at Washington showed that according to records, the actual number of men furnished by Michigan from the beginning of the War to Nov. 1, 1864, was 83,347.

WHY THEY WERE ALWAYS CALLED "BOYS"

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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 begrimed 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."