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GRAND ARMY
of the REPUBLIC

HELD AT

ANN ARBOR, JUNE 19, 20, 21, 1940

WITH ADDRESS

OF

A. F. CHAPPELL, *Department Commander*

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

*A spirit of true comradeship was beautifully exemplified by the
citizens of Ann Arbor*

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

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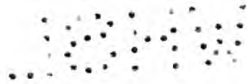
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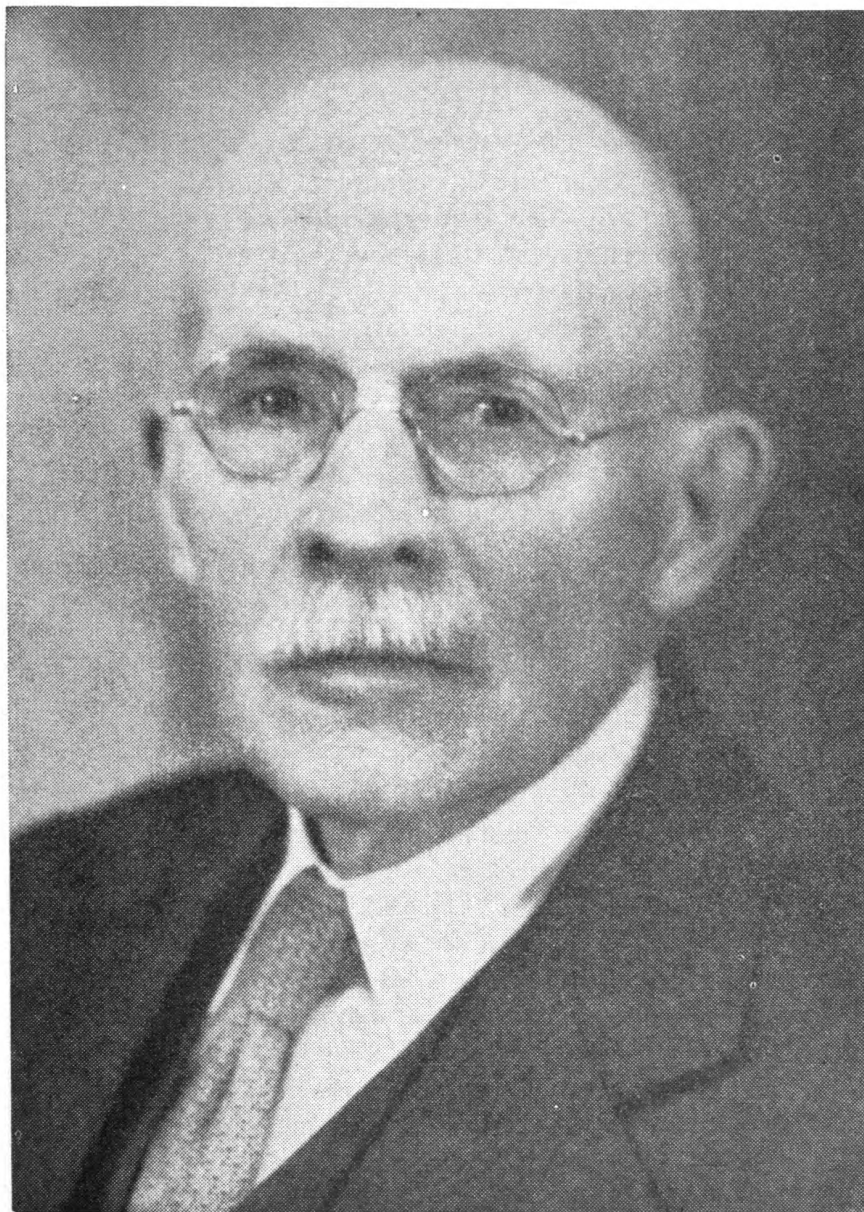
Headquarters Department of Michigan,
Grand Army of the Republic,
Lansing, 1940.

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

Sir: I have the honor to transmit to you the Journal of the Sixty-second Annual Encampment of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic, held in Ann Arbor, June 19, 20, and 21, 1940, as required by the statutes.

A. F. CHAPPELL,
Department Commander.





GOVERNOR LUREN D. DICKINSON

DEPARTMENT OFFICERS
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC
1939-1940

Department Commander—A. F. Chappell, Detroit.
*Department Sr. Vice. Com.—J. F. Beaumont, Milford.
Department Jr. Vice Com.—Ira M Stewart, Petoskey.
Chaplain—Eugene Owen, Grand Rapids.
Asst. Adj. and Quartermaster General—A. C. Estabrook, Grand Rapids.
Judge Advocate—John Killeen, Portland.
Patriotic Instructor—James H. Hamilton, Lansing.
Chief of Staff—John Haines, Detroit.
Senior Aide—Dennis McGonegal, Leslie.
Serg't National Colors—David Plumadore, Detroit.
*Serg't Department Colors—Samuel Spencer, Owosso.

NATIONAL OFFICERS
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC
1939-1940

*John E. Andrew—Commander-in-Chief, Quincy, Ill.
A. T. Anderson—Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, Washington, Pa.
W. W. Nixon—Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief, Jewell, Kansas.
Dr. Edward H. Cowan—Surgeon-General, Crawfordsville, Ind.
Rev. Joshua C. Pearce—Chaplain-in-Chief, Denver, Colo.
Thomas Ambrose—Adjutant-General, Chicago, Ill.
M. H. Davidson—Quartermaster-General, Louisville, Ky.
*James W. Willett—Judge Advocate General, Tama, Iowa.
Orrin S. Pierce—Inspector-General, Minneapolis, Minn.
Dr. John H. Stone—National Patriotic Instructor, Kokomo, Ind.
J. S. Dumser—Assistant Adjutant-General, Oakland, Calif.
John W. Fogler—Chief of Staff, Skowhegan, Maine.
W. P. Bryant—Senior Aide-de-Camp, Milwaukee, Wis.

*Died in office.



A. F. CHAPPELL
Department Commander
1939-1940



A. C. ESTABROOK
Assistant Adjutant and Quartermaster general
1939-1940

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

Russell A. Alger, deceased	Detroit, 1867
Wm. A. Throop, deceased	Detroit, 1868
Wm. Humphrey, deceased	Adrian, 1870
C. V. R. Pond, deceased	Lansing, 1878-9
A. T. McReynolds, deceased	Grand Rapids, 1880
Byron R. Pierce, deceased	Grand Rapids, 1881-2
Oscar A. Janes, deceased	Detroit, 1883
Rush J. Shank, deceased	Lansing, 1884
Charles D. Long, deceased	Flint, 1885
John Northwood, deceased	New Lothrop, 1886
L. G. Rutherford, deceased	Hart, 1887
Washington Gardner, 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, 1892-3
James H. Kidd, deceased	Ionia, 1893-4
Louis Kanitz, deceased	Muskegon, 1894-5
S. B. Daboll, deceased	St. Johns, 1895-6
Wm. Shakespeare, deceased	Kalamazoo, 1896-7
Aaron T. Bliss, deceased	Saginaw, 1897-8
Alex L. Patrick, deceased	Detroit, 1898-9
Russell R. Pealer, deceased	Three Rivers, 1899-1900
Ethan M. Allen, deceased	Portland, 1900-1
James VanKleek, deceased	Bay City, 1901-2
Edward C. Anthony, deceased	Negaunee, 1902-3
D. B. K. Vanraalte, deceased	Holland, 1903-4
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	Kalamazoo, 1908-9
Geo. L. Holmes, deceased, to fill vacancy	Detroit, 1909
James M. Greenfield, deceased	Flushing, 1909-10
Samuel J. Lawrence, deceased	Detroit, 1910-11
Geo. W. Stone, deceased	Lansing, 1911-12
John T. Spillane, deceased	Detroit, 1912-13
Frank R. Chase, deceased	Smyrna, 1913-14
Riley L. Jones, deceased	Detroit, 1914-15
Henry Rankin, deceased, died in office	Ypsilanti, 1915-16
Eli Strong, to fill vacancy, deceased	Kalamazoo, 1915-16
Lucius H. Ives, deceased	Mason, 1916-17
William O. Lee, deceased	Port Huron, 1917-18
David S. Howard, deceased	Pontiac, 1918-19
Edwin F. Lamb, deceased	Detroit, 1919-20
Henry Spaulding, deceased	Lansing, 1920-21
J. J. Holmes, deceased	Eaton Rapids, 1921-22
William Mears, deceased	Manton, 1922-23
Lyman A. L. Gilbert, deceased	Highland Park, 1923-24
Marvin C. Barney, deceased	Flint, 1924-25
John Steel, deceased	Benton Harbor, 1925-26
James R. Stephenson, deceased	Grand Rapids, 1926-27
Charles A. Bartlett, deceased	Detroit, 1927-28
A. C. Estabrook	Allegan, 1928-29
A. C. Estabrook	Allegan, 1929-30
A. C. Estabrook	Allegan, 1930-31
Orestus Blake, deceased	Jackson, 1931-32
Orestus Blake, deceased	Jackson, 1932-33
Charles M. Cook, (died in office)	Kalamazoo, 1933-34
John Killeen	Jackson, 1933-34
Frank D. Keelel, deceased	Saginaw, 1934-35
Ira M. Stewart	Petoskey, 1935-36
Ira M. Stewart	Petoskey, 1936-37
S. H. Carlton	Kalamazoo, 1937-38
A. C. Estabrook	Grand Rapids, 1938-39
A. F. Chappell	Detroit, 1939-1940

PAST SENIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

H. M. Bigelow, deceased	Montague, 1878-9
No record for 1880 or 1881	
G. R. Wright, deceased	Benton Harbor, 1882-3
M. A. Merrifield, deceased	Union City, 1884*
George L. Fisher, deceased	Fowlerville, 1885
S. A. Hosmer, deceased	1886
W. W. Cook, deceased	Lansing, 1887
True Hart, deceased	Midland, 1888
William H. Russell, deceased	Clio, 1889
E. L. Negus, deceased	Chelsea, 1890
C. L. Brundage, deceased	Muskegon, 1891
James A. Crozier, deceased	Menominee, 1892
L. M. Ward, deceased	Benton Harbor, 1893
Herman C. Frieseke, deceased	Owosso, 1894
Norm G. Cooper, deceased	Sturgis, 1895
Lucian W. Lyon, deceased	Saginaw, 1896
L. W. Sprague, deceased	Greenville, 1897
Moses F. Carlton, deceased	Port Huron, 1898
J. C. Bontecou, deceased	Petoskey, 1900
Theo C. Putnam, deceased	Grand Rapids, 1901
Marvin C. Barney, deceased	Flint, 1902
L. D. Vankleek, deceased	Pontiac, 1903
S. A. Aldrich, deceased	Muskegon, 1904
John J. Cornwell, deceased	Battle Creek, 1905
M. D. Morgan, deceased	Traverse City, 1906
Riley L. Jones, deceased	Saginaw, 1907
Edwin B. Nugent, deceased	Bay City, 1908
J. J. Drake, deceased	St. Joseph, 1909
Henry P. Shutt, deceased	Kalamazoo, 1910
A. J. Ward, deceased	Holland, 1911
H. C. Rankin, deceased	Ypsilanti, 1912
John A. Wardell, deceased	Lansing, 1913
Frank L. Manning, deceased	Jackson, 1914
Eli Strong, deceased	Kalamazoo, 1915
Thomas Davey, deceased	Detroit, 1915
M. M. Andrews, deceased	Bay City, 1916
H. W. Stevens, deceased	Tecumseh, 1917
J. J. Holmes, deceased	Eaton Rapids, 1918
George H. Keating, deceased	Bay City, 1919
M. D. Richardson, deceased	Lansing, 1920
E. A. Jennings, deceased	Flint, 1921
Samuel D. Bailey, deceased	Detroit, 1922-23
John A. Miller, deceased	Grand Rapids, 1923-24
Edwin R. Havens, deceased	Lansing, 1924-25
George W. Howe, deceased	Port Huron, 1925-26
Willis W. Crocker, deceased	Jackson, 1926-27
William E. Walker, deceased	Benton Harbor, 1927-28
J. P. Riley, deceased	Kalamazoo, 1928-29
J. P. Riley, deceased	Kalamazoo, 1929-30
John Killeen	Jackson, 1930-31
S. S. Puckett, deceased	Petoskey, 1931-32
J. J. Reiser (died in office), deceased	Grand Rapids, 1931-32
C. M. Cook, deceased	Kalamazoo, 1932-33
Eugene Owen	Grand Rapids, 1933-34
Ira Stewart	Petoskey, 1934-35
Theodore Burden, deceased	Holly, 1935-36
Theodore Burden, (died in office)	Holly, 1936-37
J. F. Beaumont	Milford, 1937-38
Gilbert LaCroix, (died in office)	Mt. Clemens, 1938-39
J. F. Beaumont, (died in office)	Milford, 1939-40

PAST JUNIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

S. B. Kitchell, deceased	Coldwater, 1878
W. A. Palmer, deceased	Grand Rapids, 1879
W. A. Palmer, deceased	Grand Rapids, 1879-80
Dallas Johnson, deceased	Montague, 1881
Oscar A. Janes, deceased	Hillsdale, 1882
J. N. Kellar, deceased	Saginaw, 1883
M. H. Humphrey, deceased	Three Rivers, 1884
H. F. Higgins, deceased	Petoskey, 1885
August Gobel, deceased	Detroit, 1886
Thomas H. Williams, deceased	Jackson, 1887
George W. Stone, deceased	Harrison, 1889
William Jibb, deceased	Adrian, 1890
Wm. H. Marston, deceased	Grand Rapids, 1891
Thomas M. Wiley, deceased	Owosso, 1892
E. C. Anthony, deceased	Negaunee, 1893
James M. Greenfield, deceased	Flushing, 1894
Oscar Palmer, deceased	Grayling, 1895
James O. Bellaire, deceased	Grand Rapids, 1896
Ren Barker, deceased	Reed City, 1897
D. C. Spears, deceased	Azalia, 1898
S. H. Mallory, deceased	Lake Odessa, 1900
Samuel J. Lawrence, deceased	Wyandotte, 1901
H. A. Backus, deceased	Detroit, 1902
M. D. Richardson, deceased	Lansing, 1903
Edward S. Jamison, deceased	Marine City, 1904
Dan J. Wilson, deceased	Jackson, 1905
S. M. Kent, deceased	Grand Rapids, 1906
O. Palmer, deceased	Grayling, 1907
Henry Spaulding, deceased	Hartford, 1908
George W. Wheeler, deceased	Boon, 1909
Albert Dunham, deceased	Jackson, 1910
George I. Nash, deceased	Marcellus, 1911
J. J. Holmes, deceased	Eaton Rapids, 1912
Charles A. Coolidge, deceased	Detroit, 1913
Marvin C. Barney, deceased	Flint, 1914
Thomas Davey, deceased	Detroit, 1915
Alison L. Bryant, deceased	Mayville, 1916
E. E. Lewis, deceased	Coldwater, 1917
Frank Lester, deceased	Mason, 1918
William G. Miner, deceased	Portland, 1919
E. S. Post, deceased	Grand Rapids, 1920
George G. Freeman, deceased	Detroit, 1921
John Seel, deceased	Benton Harbor, 1922-23
A. C. Estabrook	Allegan, 1923-24
Arthur E. Ferry, deceased	Owosso, 1924-25
Josiah Creque, deceased	Jackson, 1925-26
George S. Farrar, deceased	Port Austin, 1926-27
J. P. Riley, deceased	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, deceased	Kalamazoo, 1931-32
Frank D. Keeler, deceased	Saginaw, 1932-33
John W. Finch, deceased	Greenville, 1933-34
John W. Finch, deceased	Greenville, 1934-35
Edmond Rogers, deceased	Allegan, 1935-36
J. F. Beaumont	Milford, 1936-37
Eugene Owen	Grand Rapids, 1937-38
William Parker	Lake Odessa, 1938-39
Ira M. Stewart	Petoskey, 1939-40

ROSTER.

DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC
JANUARY 1, 1940.

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

Chartered December 9, 1887. Membership 4.
Post Commander—James F. Ives.
Charles Waltz. Peter Delamater. Charles Hurd.

CUSTER POST NO. 5, GRAND RAPIDS.

Chartered September 27, 1878. Membership 2.
Post Commander—Eugene Owen.
Member.
Martin J. Warner.

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

Chartered February 26, 1878. Membership 1.
Post Commander—H. W. Chase.
Cared for by Woman's Relief Corps.

FAIRBANKS POST NO. 17, DETROIT.

Chartered May 9, 1881. Membership 3.
Post Commander—A. F. Chappell.
David Plumadore. William H. Jackson.

DAVID BECKER POST NO. 25, OGDEN CENTER.

Chartered August 20, 1881. Membership 1.
Post Commander—George W. Wilt.

FARRAGUT POST NO. 32, BATTLE CREEK.

Chartered November 31, 1881. Membership 2.
Post Commander—Winfield Faith.
W. R. Howland.

ZACH CHANDLER POST NO. 35, SOUTH HAVEN.

Chartered November 30, 1881. Membership 1.
Post Commander—Nelson R. Wood.

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

Chartered February 2, 1882. Membership 3.
Post Commander—James A. Hamilton.
George E. Osborn. George Waffle.

WOODBURY POST NO. 45, ADRIAN.

Chartered February 13, 1882. Membership 3.
Post Commander—Baker J. Cole.
Charles E. Riker. J. H. Pangborn.

EDWARD POMEROY POST NO. 48, JACKSON.

Chartered March 9, 1882. Membership 1.
Post Commander—John Killeen.

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

Chartered April 25, 1882. Membership 2.
Post Commander—A. C. Estabrook.
Willard Moore.

SIXTY-SECOND ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

- U. S. GRANT POST NO. 67, BAY CITY.**
- Chartered June 12, 1882. Membership 1.
 Post Commander—Thomas E. Webster.
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- SHIELDS POST NO. 68, SHELBY.**
- Chartered July 27, 1882. Membership 1.
 Post Commander—E. M. Holt.
-
- ORCUTT POST NO. 79, KALAMAZOO.**
- Chartered September 20, 1882. Membership 2.
 Post Commander—S. H. Carlton.
 Lewis Seargent.
-
- BUTTERWORTH POST NO. 109, COLDWATER.**
- Chartered March 17, 1883. Membership 1.
 Post Commander—L. S. Daniells.
-
- FITZGERALD POST NO. 125, HASTINGS.**
- Chartered April 11, 1883. Membership 1.
 Post Commander—T. O. Webber.
-
- WHITESIDE POST NO. 143, CARO.**
- Chartered May 25, 1883. Membership 1.
 Post Commander—Orlando LeValley.
-
- LOMBARD POST NO. 170, PETOSKEY.**
- Chartered August 11, 1883. Membership 1.
 Post Commander—Ira M. Stewart.
-
- HEBER LEFAVOR POST NO. 181, MILFORD.**
- Chartered September 3, 1883. Membership 2.
 Post Commander—John F. Beaumont.
 George Sturtevant.
-
- L. B. QUACKENBUSH POST NO. 205, OWOSSO.**
- Chartered December 21, 1883. Membership 1.
 Post Commander—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.
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- ANDREWS POST NO. 294, BIG RAPIDS.**
- Chartered January 15, 1885. Membership 2.
 Post Commander—David Cantine.
 R. H. Russell.
 Cared for by Woman's Relief Corps.

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DETROIT POST NO. 384, DETROIT.

Chartered May 21, 1887.

Post Commander—John L. Hinman.

Membership 1.

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

Chartered November 18, 1893.

Post Commander—John Hains.
James J. Atkinson.

Membership 2.

STEELE BROS. POST NO. 441, MASON.

Chartered December 31, 1897.

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

Membership 3.

January 1, 1940—26 Posts; 44 Members.

Members at Large—6, Nelson J. Dunn, Saginaw; Cyrus Perrigo, Vassar; John M. Park, Coopersville; Madison Richard, Holland; M. J. Teeter, Manchester; Simon Smith, Fair Haven.

PROCEEDINGS
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WEDNESDAY, JUNE 19, 1940

TERRACE ROOM, UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN UNION.

Promptly at 2:00 p. m., the Sixty-Second Annual Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, was called to order.

Commander Chappell: The Encampment will please come to order. Once more we assemble for the transaction of such business as may properly come before us. May every thought and action be in a spirit of Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty. The Chaplain will ask the Divine blessing.

Chaplain Owen: Almighty Father, humbly we bow before Thee, our Creator, Preserver, Guide and Protector. We thank Thee for our lives, for Thy mercy which has kept us until this hour and for Thy constant care in our hours of danger, and for the preservation of our national integrity and unity. Bless our Country and our Order, make it an instrument of great good; keep our names on the roll of Thy servants and at last receive us into that Grand Army above where Thou art the Supreme Commander. Amen.

Commander Chappell: I appoint Comrade Owen to act as Officer of the Day. The Secretary will call the roll. The following Comrades responded: Commander A. F. Chappell, Detroit; Chaplain Eugene Owen, Grand Rapids; A. A. and Quartermaster General, A. C. Estabrook, Grand Rapids; Acting Patriotic Instructor, M. J. Warner, Grand Rapids; Serg't of National Colors, David Plumadore, Detroit; Acting Serg't of Department Colors, Orlando Le Valley, Caro; Chief of Staff, John Haines, Detroit (entered later).

Comrade Owen: Commander, a greetings committee from the Auxiliary of the American Legion.

Commander Chappell: We are happy to receive such a large delegation of ladies.

The President, on behalf of the Department President, Mrs. Joan Danhoff, extended good wishes with pledge of loyalty to the "Boys in Blue" and presents an exquisite bouquet of red, white and blue flowers.

Comrade Estabrook: Ladies, we sincerely thank you for the sentiments expressed. We appreciate the work you are doing, as we look to the younger organizations to carry on the patriotic work so necessary. Thank you for coming to us with your greetings and flowers.

Mrs. Ted Schmidt: Dear Comrades, we are glad you have come to our city. If we can add to your enjoyment in any way please call on us. Presents gifts and flowers to Commander.

Commander Chappell: I will ask Comrade Warner to respond.

Comrade Warner: Ladies, we do thank you for every thing and please come again. Badges are exchanged. Comrade Owen escorts the ladies out and announces—Commander, a committee from the Auxiliary Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Commander Chappell: You are very welcome. I depend on Miss Simpson to introduce you to our Comrades.

Mrs. Evelyn Vollard, Department President: I extend the good wishes of our Department with the pledge of "remembrance of all you have done for our Country." Tonight, as you attend the banquet we want you to wear a fresh rose and have brought these boutonnieres (wrapped in cellophane) for each Comrade. The local President, with the wish for many more Encampments, presents a gift for each Comrade.

Commander: Thank you all. I will ask Comrade Estabrook to respond to these greetings.

Comrade Estabrook: We are overjoyed in receiving such evidence of the esteem in which you hold the Grand Army and your hearty welcome to your city. I assure you this is one of the finest Encampments we have ever enjoyed. We will wear your roses tonight, with a thought of the givers. Thank you.

Miss Simpson adds a word of thanks as badges are presented.

Comrade Owen: A committee from the Disabled American War Veterans.

Miss Simpson presents the Department Commander, who clasps the hand of every Comrade and expresses true loyalty and honor for the "men of 61-65."

Comrade Le Valley responding. I have not heard all you said but I know you are glad we are here enjoying ourselves. We know the hardships the Disabled American War Veterans endured. Thank you and come again.

Miss Simpson: I present Mrs. Marjorie Chesher, Department Commander, Auxiliary Disabled American War Veterans.

Mrs. Chesher: I bring loving greetings from our organization. This little gift is to remind you we think of you often. May this remembrance give as much pleasure as was ours in the giving.

Commander Chappell: I thank you very much and will ask Comrade Estabrook to add a word.

Comrade Estabrook: You have said you will cherish the memories of the Grand Army. I know you will prove true to the ideals of your organization and ours which are the same—a better America. Badges presented. The visitors retire.

Bertha Madden, President of Corps No. 271, Bay City, presents Miss Simpson with a lovely bouquet. Miss Simpson fondly remembers the day of the institution of the Corps and wishes continued success.

Miss Simpson is remembered with beautiful gifts from Lora Villeneuve, Flint, and Mrs. Nelson J. Dunn, Saginaw, Corps No. 272.

Commander Chappell: I will ask Comrade Estabrook to take the chair while Miss Simpson reads my address. Before this could be done, Comrade B. Banta, United Spanish War Veteran, was admitted and personally greeted every Comrade, causing a ripple of laughter by saying, "We followed you in battle and are behind you now and always will be." Presents flowers and cigars. Ross Granger Camp No. 7 offering an immense basket of Peonies and Delphiniums.

Comrade Owen: A group of ladies wish to enter now.

Commander: Admit them.

Mrs. Wm. Staebler and members of the Auxiliary to Spanish War Veterans are presented and exchange greetings with every comrade.

Mrs. Staebler, presenting a basket of flowers, "flowers are symbolic of love. We feel you are the father of our order; it is an honor and pleasure to bring these remembrances to you. Our organization will preserve the memory of the Grand Army always."

Commander: I will ask Comrade Estabrook to respond to these friends.

Comrade Banta, and ladies of the auxiliary, President McKinley once said, "the highest tribute that can be paid a soldier, is, that he did his duty". That can truly be said of the Spanish War soldier as of ours of the Civil War. You hold an honored place in our records and in our hearts. We thank you for leaving your daily tasks to come to us. Our pleasure in this Encampment would have been lessened had you not visited us, with your Auxiliary. May success attend your organizations. Comrade Warner and Owen escort them to the door amid hand clapping and "goodbyes."

Comrade Chappell: Miss Simpson will please read my address.

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

Comrades:

Today we meet to open the 62nd Annual Encampment of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic. We have once before been entertained by the patriotic citizens of Ann Arbor. In 1892 with Charles L. Eaton Commander we enjoyed the hospitality of this beautiful University city. Many and great are the changes we see but the same warm welcome greeted us.

FRATERNAL VISITS.

It is with every increasing difficulty the Commander may accept the many invitations received. I did what I was able to, but many times our Secretary has been delegated to represent me. My first official visit was to Fairbanks Corps on the observance of Independence Day. During the summer months I made calls on Comrades in the southern part of the State.

In September dedicated and lighted the Perpetual Torch in the Michigan State Fair grounds honoring the veterans of all wars. One large stone bears the inscription for "Department of Michigan G. A. R." and was placed by members of Pingree Camp No. 5, Spanish War Veterans.

Accompanied by Adj. General Estabrook and our Secretary, journeyed to Pittsburgh, Pa., to attend National Encampment, arriving on Sunday we found Department Chaplain Owen and Delegate Warner waiting us, making four in attendance at every session and taking part in the parade.

Was honor guest at five receptions—three by Woman's Relief Corps, the Sterling Tent No. 3, Daughters of Union Veterans of Civil War and the Ladies of the G. A. R.

Attended one District Convention and the Institution of a Junior Club Corps given my name, an honor I deeply appreciate.

Severe illness prevented my accepting all but one, Installation service, in January. This also prevented my attending the preliminary meeting in Ann Arbor. To arrange for this Encampment, however, our interests were ably looked after by Miss Simpson.

The 58th anniversary of Pomeroy Post and 56th of Pomeroy Corps in Jackson was one of the pleasant events of my year. Though the serious illness of Judge Advocate Killeen prevented him making the trip from Portland.

I spent two days at Headquarters where I was joined by Adjutant Estabrook. The books were examined, finances discussed and details of the work given by the Secretary. Miss Simpson has begun much valuable research work. Through her efforts nine Comrades have been re-instated and others may soon be again in the Department.

I am grateful to Elizabeth Colliau, Past Dept. Secretary W. R. C., who has been my "official chauffeur" times without number and to our Secretary who arranged and accompanied me on these visits.

FINANCE.

The report of A. A. General needs careful attention as indicating the decline in membership (despite the efforts of the Secretary) and no receipts from per Capita Tax. On recommendation of Adj. Estabrook it was decided to keep Michigan on the honor roll of National, sending the dollar tax for every member we claimed, the Secretary, to write every Comrade explaining the need for this tax, reports nearly every Comrade has now responded. I recommend this Encampment take action on this.

The State appropriation cut to one-half the usual amount, necessitates the strictest economy; for this reason General Orders No. 3 was not issued.

PENSIONS.

House Resolution 7981 passed the house without one dissenting vote and is now before the Senate Committee on Pensions. Our appeal has gone out to our Senators and received most favorable replies.

MEMORIAL DAY.

More and more the placing of the Flag and flowers must be given to the tender care of our Auxiliary, the Allied Orders and Veterans of the late wars. To every one, my sincere thanks.

Memorial Sunday with 3 Comrades, attended service in St. Paul's Cathedral and on the day preceding Memorial, with five Comrades and several Sons took part in service in Woodmere Cemetery Soldiers plat. Here 400 school children placed the Flags. Following this with Department Secretary left for Grand Rapids to be with our six "boys" and officially visit the Home as guest of Col. Walter Baker, who this year inaugurated a service along the lines of that held in Arlington; this to be recognized as the tribute paid by the State, my duty as Commander was to be present.

Governor Dickinson gave the Memorial Address and with him I placed the wreath on the monument, surrounded by Adj. Estabrook, Chaplain Owen, Commander Ives and Comrades Warner, Hurd, and Russell. A great throng filled the grove where Commanders of all Organizations paid tributes. I spoke for the Grand Army. Before returning to Detroit was guest in the home of our Chaplain, making a trip to Holland, guest of Chamber of Commerce, whose representative guided us through the miles of tulips. Our thanks to Miss Giradot who arranged this treat.

IN MEMORIAM.

Sadly I record the passing of two from my staff, Sr. Vice Commander John F. Beaumont and Samuel Spencer Serg't Dept. Colors.

Our records show 25 Comrades have left us since last Encampment.

"The toil, the suffering all past,
Safely returned to THEE, at last."

As I close my last message to you, while war clouds hover over half the earth, we, who have known the horrors of war think with sad hearts of the innocent who must suffer. Let us remember GOD was with US in those dread years long past. Let us give thanks for the blessings of a free united Country—keeping ever the thought, I have faith in God, faith in my Country and under God's guidance peace will again reign.

I wish to thank all who have assisted my administration. For our A. A. General and our Secretary words fail to express all they have meant to me and to the Department. I marvel at the work accomplished by Miss Simpson as I realize the responsibilities that fall on her.

When health permitted, I tried to keep the Grand Army before the public and advance the interests of the Department. As I close my relations with you as Commander. I pledge my loyalty and support to my successor.

I submit four recommendations for your consideration. Miss Simpson will furnish typed copies.

With appreciation and thanks for the honor of serving the Department,

Yours in F. C. and L,
A. F. CHAPPELL,
Department Commander.

**RECOMMENDATIONS OFFERED BY DEPARTMENT COMMANDER
CHAPPELL.**

1. That the call for National Per Capita Tax of one dollar be printed in General Orders issued in November.

2. That the Will ordered made at the 60th Encampment be declared void and if located that it be destroyed; because impossible to carry out certain provisions, and to safeguard the Department against possible legal action.

3. That the Secretary, Leah M. Simpson, be authorized to contact State and National historical groups and if so decided, to catalogue and foliose valuable books, records and charters, pending the placing in National Libraries and Historical Societies, after the closing of the Michigan Department.

4. That no change be made in Secretary so long as Headquarters is maintained and the present Secretary, Leah M. Simpson be retained from year to year, that the work of caring for our records be left to her care.

Comrade Estabrook: What is your pleasure regarding this report?

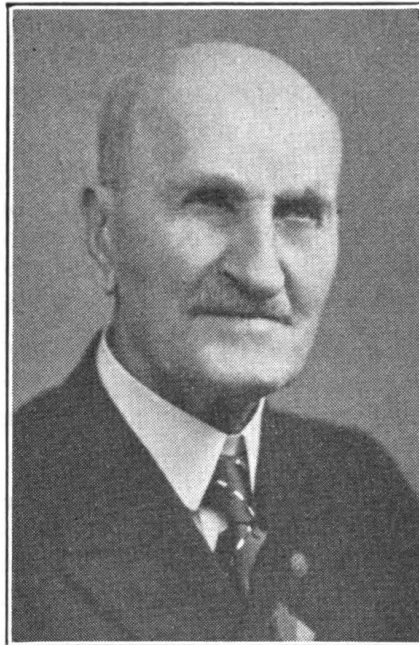
Comrade Le Valley: I move the report be accepted and the recommendations be given the committee to report on at next session. Seconded and carried.

Committee appointed A. C. Estabrook, Eugene Owen, Orlanda Le Valley.

Commander resumes the chair.

Commander: Have we other reports?

Miss Simpson: We can offer no report from our Senior Vice Commander. His sudden passing in April was a shock to all. A faithful attendant at Encampments, our loss is great. His last letter to Headquarters closed with the words, "I hope to meet you all in Ann Arbor."



J. F. BEAUMONT.
Company A, Third Calvary,
Department Sr. Vice Commander.
Died in office April 7, 1940.

Our Junior Vice Commander lies very ill. He too expected to greet his Comrades.

Comrade Estabrook: I move a message of greeting be sent our Comrades known to be ill. Seconded by Martin Warner and carried.

Commander Chappell: We will listen to the Chaplain's report. Read by Miss Simpson.



EUGENE OWEN,
Department Chaplain.

REPORT OF DEPARTMENT CHAPLAIN

A. F. Chappell, Department Commander :

Reports would indicate that more and more the observance of Memorial Day is recognized by patriotic organizations and citizens and that in the sunset of the life of the Department, our Comrades are making supreme effort to do their part.

Reports were received from 15 Posts. Memorial Sunday services were attended by sixteen Comrades and Memorial Day by twenty-three. These services show that all would pay honor to our soldier dead, as sermons were delivered by ministers of every faith. One Canadian Legion veteran, two World War, one Spanish War veteran and one son of a veteran.

In 64 cemeteries flags and flowers were placed on 8,528 graves. Parades and exercises are now arranged by our younger orders, the W. R. C., the Allied Orders, Veterans Council and Veterans of all wars. 94 orders in all, 1,175 school pupils taking part.

An outstanding observance was carried out by Col. Baker at the Soldiers Home, the Memorial address being given by Governor Dickinson, at which Posts 1, 5, 17, 56 and 294 were represented. Department Commander Chappell paid tribute to the Grand Army.

10 Posts own their burial plats. 18 graves reported unmarked.

Commander Wood spoke over the radio. Our 98-year-old Comrade in Adrian gave the Gettysburg Address at the Soldiers monument.

I urge upon all, especially the school teachers, to impress on the minds of their pupils the importance of being patriotic.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L,

EUGENE OWEN,
Department Chaplain.

Comrade Estabrook: I move the report be accepted and filed. Seconded by Comrade Plumadore and carried.

Commander Chappell: Comrade Estabrook will you present your report.

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

Grand Rapids, Michigan,

June 1, 1940.

To A. F. Chappell, Department Commander :

In accordance with the Rules and Regulations I submit my report for the year ending June 1, 1940

Number of Posts in good standing June 1, 1939 31

LOSSES DURING THE YEAR

By surrender of Charter 6
Number of Posts in good standing June 1, 1940 25

MEMBERSHIP

Number of Members June 1, 1939 59
Added during the year 9

LOSSES DURING THE YEAR

By death 25
Number of members in good standing June 1, 1940 43
Funds on hand June 1, 1939 \$2,502.57

RECEIPTS

Interest from Standard Loan Co. \$ 60.00
Per Capita Tax 33.50 93.50

\$2,596.07

DISBURSEMENTS

Express, keys, office supplies, envelopes \$ 5.58
Flowers for sick and deceased members 8.97
Rent of post office box 6.00
Typewriter repairs 2.30
Preliminary meeting and second trip to Ann Arbor .. 10.67
Official meeting at Headquarters 16.80

Thomas Ambrose, for Per Capita Tax	42.00	
Traveling expense and postage, A. C. Estabrook	17.00	
Travel expense, Commander Chappel and Secretary ..	28.41	
Encampment badges	9.30	
Official correspondence, checks, orders	21.48	
Mailing 1000 National and Department General Orders and 253 Journals	15.32	183.83
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Balance on hand June 1, 1940		\$2,412.24
In Standard Loan Co.		\$2,000.00
In closed bank	121.34	
Cash on hand	290.90	
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		\$2,412.24

I am reluctant to close this report without expressing my sincere thanks to you, Commander Chappell, for appointing me to the office of Assistant Adjutant and Quartermaster General. My work with you has been pleasant and I hope satisfactory, to you. I also thank the other members of your staff and particularly my secretary, Miss Leah M. Simpson for the efficient and courteous manner in which she has conducted the affairs of our office.

A. C. ESTABROOK.

Moved, seconded and carried, the report be accepted and filed with the records.

Officer of the Day: A greetings committee awaits.

Commander: Admit them.

Past Jr. Commander Schlenker of the Graft O'Hara Post 423, Veterans of Foreign Wars: It is a distinct pleasure to have this opportunity to present our good wishes. Our State Commander is attending convention in Benton Harbor so this honor came to me. Presenting gift, we hope your stay in our city will be pleasant and your Encampment so successful you will come again.

Commander Chappell: I thank you for coming to us and for this grand basket of flowers. Our room begins to look like a big flower garden.

Comrade Estabrook: We wish for your group a successful convention. It is pleasant to hear the sentiments expressed for the Grand Army. Our Chaplain will present our badge with one for your Commander, thank you.

Miss Simpson reads the:

REPORT OF DEPARTMENT PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR

A. F. Chappell, Department Commander.

While I have not been able to do much personal work, the reports received at Headquarters show much has been accomplished and the Grand



J. A. HAMILTON,
Patriotic Instructor.

Army has been much in the public eye, our Comrades having a part in many activities.

Twenty Posts reporting—Nos. 1, 5, 17, 19, 32, 35, 48, 42, 45, 56, 67, 68, 79, 109, 187, 210, 211, 294, 384, 433. Patriotic Instructors are no longer appointed, though in six Posts the Commanders act as Instructors and sent reports. Six schools were visited by Comrades who have personal knowledge of the presentation of 283 flags. All schools are well supplied with flags and regularly saluted, the teachers showing a marked degree of patriotism. Special programs on Washington and Lincoln birthdays—Armistice and Memorial Day. 15 schools have the Gettysburg Address in picture or plaque.

INTERESTING ITEMS CULLED FROM REPORTS.

Commander Wood, Post No. 35, attended reunion of the Van Buren County Battalion, and spoke at the cremation of a flag and tree planting, honoring the Grand Army and at the last services for his two Comrades.

Commander Holt writes—Memorial Day is a sacred day here. Everyone turns out to celebrate the Stars and Stripes. The Legion boys fire a grand salute and sound the bugle for the heroic dead.

Comrade Perine was honored by all Albion. Church and civic bodies, local and National radio broadcasts joined in celebrating his 100th birthday. Asst. Adjt. Estabrook conducted the observance in Allegan.

Department Commander Chappell spent Memorial Day in Grand Rapids Soldiers Home with six Comrades. Spoke at the exercises and with Governor Luren Dickinson placed the wreath on the monument.

Commander of Adrian Post rode in his wheel chair in the parade.

Comrade Dunn, Saginaw, again in the bunting decorated ambulance with nurses in attendance, held an honored place in the parade. The N. J. Dunn Corps held its memorial service at his home. The Bridgeport Boys Band rendering the war songs.

In Petoskey, the Memorial Day parade was routed past the home of Past Dept. Commander, Ira M. Stewart, who was ill, every band playing the songs he loved.

Twelve Comrades attended the Encampment at Jackson and four every session of National held in Pittsburgh, Pa. This would indicate we still have active Comrades to carry on the ideals of the Grand Army of the Republic.

I appreciate the appointment as a member of your staff.

Submitted in F, C, and L,

JAMES A. HAMILTON,
Department Patriotic Instructor.

Motion made, seconded and carried, report be accepted and filed.

Commander Chappell: Have we a report from the Soldiers Home Committee.

Miss Simpson: Commander, we have two. These are read, accepted and ordered filed; on motion made by Comrade Estabrook, seconded by Comrade Plumadore.

Michigan Soldiers Home, May 31, 1940.

Total number of Veterans—215.

Civil War—3.

Spanish American—55.

World War—157. 119 receiving no pension or monetary benefit.

Total number of women—156.

Civil War widows—55. 7 receiving no pension.

Spanish American widows—19. 4 receiving no pension.

Spanish American War Mothers—4. 3 receiving no pension.

Spanish American War wives—12. No pension.

World War Mothers—58. 54 receiving no pension.

World War widows—3. No pension.

Indian War widows—1. No pension.

On duty in main building—131 men, 50 women.

Hospital—49 men, 60 women.

Absent with leave—33 men, 46 women.

Without leave—2 men.

Submitted by,

M. J. WARNER.



M. J. WARNER

Grand Rapids, Michigan, June 15, 1940.

Minority report of Committee for Inspection of the Michigan Soldiers Home.

There is little change in management and in the general supervision from last year. The soldiers seem contented and happy.

The O. T. shop shows a lot of activity. Much has been done in the lathe craft line, and the men have made many pillow tops and crocheted stocking caps.

A fine improvement at the Hospital will be a new operating table, presented to them by a World War veteran. The cost of the table is \$945.00. There are at present 368 members at the Home, and the total amount of money supplied by the state is sufficient to care for but 276.

This month the home will operate on an inadequate budget, so will end up in the red, unless the state financiers furnish more money.

Respectfully submitted,

EUGENE OWEN.

Commander Chappell: I will appoint Comrades Estabrook and Owen to act as Resolutions Committee. The Secretary informs me all reports of officers have been received. We will proceed to election of Council of Administration.

Comrade Estabrook: I move the members be elected collectively, in the order named. Seconded by Comrade Le Valley and carried.

Comrades Le Valley, Warner, Stewart, Haines and Killeen were declared elected.

Comrade Owen: A committee from the Daughters of Union Veterans wish to enter.

Commander Chappell: Open wide the door to our Daughters.

Ruby Anglen: Commander, I present Eunice Metts, Myra Dunbar, Mable Johnson, Flora Rainey, Ida Meyer, Marie Robinson, Past Depart-

ment Presidents; Ida Glasgow, Past National President and your own Secretary, Leah M. Simpson, Past National Patriotic Instructor.

Commander Chappell: We welcome this lovely group of Daughters. Some of you I know very well, but you all look good to us.

Ruby Anglen: I am honored to bring to you your Daughters with the love and greetings of our President, Flossie Berry, of your home city. May your meetings be happy and may you continue with us many, many years to be our guide and inspiration. Sister Ida Glasgow representing our National President will pin on you the badge of our organization.

Mrs. Glasgow: This is a great honor. We, your Daughters, are your soldiers, we stand ready to help at all times. Roses were presented each Comrade who smilingly accepted with word of thanks to every Daughter.

Comrade Estabrook: We always anticipate your coming to us. The day would have lost much of its happiness had you not come to us with your flowers, your smiles and good wishes. With waving hands and smiling good byes they are escorted out by Comrades Owen and Warner and Miss Simpson.

Comrade Estabrook: I move we proceed with election of Delegates to National Encampment. Seconded by Comrade Warner and carried.

Nominations for Delegate at Large—Orlando Le Valley; Alternate, Martin Warner. No other nominations. Unanimous ballot is cast and election declared.

Comrade Owen: A greetings committee.

Commander: Admit them.

Four Past Department Presidents of the Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans, Lulu Lounsberry, Ruth Shoemaker, Florence Wright and Edith Helmie each have a word with the Comrades with the "wish to meet in Springfield."

Brother Chalmers of State Camp No. 1, leaves cigars for the "boys" to enjoy.

Comrade Estabrook presents badges with thanks for the kind thought which prompted the visit.

Officer of the Day: Commander, another committee. The National and the Department Commander Daughters of the G. A. R.

Commander Chappell: Admit them.

Commander Edith Owens extends an invitation to every Comrade to attend their banquet in Springfield while Martha O'Connor and members pin a rose on each Comrade and presents an armful of peonies to the Secretary. Badges and good wishes exchanged and the ladies retire.

Betty Cherrett Past President of Lyman Gilbert Corps and Grace Fernandez present lovely flowers honoring the memory of Past Depart-

ment Commander Lyman Gilbert, and are warmly thanked by Commander and Comrade Estabrook who pay tribute to the service of Lyman A. Gilbert in the Department.

Officer of the Day: Commander, I present Mrs. Ella Gordon Department President Woman's Relief Corps and Past Department Presidents, Eliza Taylor, Gertrude Lewis, Ella Rice Scott, Minnie Van Tuyl, Julia Allen, Lizetta Coady—Past National, Idella Mac Neal, Leah M. Simpson.

Mrs. Gordon: We are happy to come to your Encampment. With your permission we will speak to every Comrade before we ask you to accompany us to the Memorial service, also may I ask "our Leah" to read my report, so that every Comrade may hear what has been accomplished by your Auxiliary this year.

Mrs. Coady extends the greetings of the National President who has not arrived in the city.

Commander Chappell: I am sure we all have enjoyed the meeting with so many Past Department Presidents. As is our custom we will now attend the Memorial service.

Encampment adjourned at 3:45 to accompany the Past Presidents to the ball room where the memorial for both organizations was held.



ELLA GORDON,
Department President,
Woman's Relief Corps.



BESSIE OOST,
Department Secretary,
Woman's Relief Corps.

REPORT OF THE DEPARTMENT PRESIDENT OF THE
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS

Department Commander, A. F. Chappell.

As President of the Department of Michigan Woman's Relief Corps, it is a pleasure to submit to you and your Comrades, a report of the work for the year by your Auxiliary.

No. Corps June 1st, 1939	106
No. Corps June 1st 1940	107
No. members March 31st, 1939	5,368
No. members March 31st, 1940	5,473
Cash expended for relief	552.37
Cash expended by Dept. for relief	30.00
Expended for flowers	1,237.70
Value of relief other than money	26,031.28
Child Welfare other than money	1,287.10
Cash by Dept. to non-pensioned widows of G. A. R.	56.00
No. Veterans of G. A. R. assisted	42
No. Veterans families assisted	98
No. Army Nurses assisted	7
Spanish War Veterans assisted	416
World War Veterans assisted	1,272
No. of others assisted not relatives	3,731
Total number assisted	5,566

And now Dept. Commander, our year's work is nearly finished and one of my fondest memories will be having a fine Comrade for my leader. I appreciate and thank you for the many courtesies extended to me, and may God bless and keep you.

Submitted in F. C. L.,

ELLA GORDON,
Dept. President, the Woman's Relief
Corps.

THURSDAY, JUNE 20, 1940.

The second session of the 62nd Annual Encampment was called to order at 9:30 A. M. with six Comrades in attendance, Comrade Haines entering later.

The invocation was given by Chaplain Owen.

Commander Chappell: The Secretary will read the communications. A greetings telegram from Thomas Fitzgerald, Commander of Ann Arbor Post No. 46, American Legion. A telegram from the Greater Jackson Association with greetings and the invitation to hold the 1941 Encampment in Jackson. Invitation from Muskegon Chamber of Commerce bearing invitation to meet in Muskegon in 1941. Invitation from Hon. Max Templeton, Mayor of Lansing, to hold 1941 Encampment in Lansing. And a note from Mrs. Watson stating the flags which add such beauty to our room were loaned by the families of the last two Commanders of

Welch Post No. 137. Miss Simpson is instructed to express the appreciation of every Comrade for this kindly thought. Invitations to be acted on later.

Commander Chappell: Are there any Committees to report.

Miss Simpson: I have two reports.

REPORT OF THE RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE.

Resolved, That the Comrades of the Grand Army in Encampment assembled, in Ann Arbor, extend our heartiest thanks to the Mayor, the Chamber of Commerce, and the management of the Rackham Auditorium for the welcome extended at the official opening held in the magnificent Auditorium.

To the State Government for its generous contribution to the city committee; to general Chairman Mrs. Blanche Seabolt, and committees of W. R. C. and Daughters of Union Veterans who planned and carried out every detail for our comfort; the Ann Arbor Press who gave so generously of their time and space, with especial emphasis to the management of the Michigan Union—our Headquarters were perfect and every courtesy shown us making our stay in Ann Arbor long to be remembered. We are grateful to all.

Signed,

A. C. ESTABROOK,
EUGENE OWEN.

Comrade Le Valley: I move the report of the Resolutions Committee be accepted, filed, and one copy sent to the Ann Arbor Press. Seconded by Comrade Warner and carried.

Commander Chappell: Miss Simpson please read the other report.

Miss Simpson: It is the report on the recommendations offered with your report. Do you wish them read again?

Commander: It is not necessary as each had a copy.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RECOMMENDATIONS.

We have carefully considered the recommendations of the Department Commander and recommend the adoption of the same as presented.

A. C. ESTABROOK,
EUGENE OWEN,
ORLANDA LE VALLEY.

Comrade Warner: I move the report be accepted and the recommendations approved. Seconded by Comrade Plumadore and carried.

Miss Simpson: I thank you, Comrades, for the approval of my year's work as indicated by the expression of your desire that I be retained as

your Department Secretary. My every effort will be for your happiness and to prolong the life of the Michigan Department many years.

Comrade Owen: I present the National President of the Ladies of the G. A. R.

Mrs. Frances Haskell: Commander Chappell, this gift is to you personally. With it the appreciation of all you have done for us—"You have given us something that will outlast time, remain fixed as the stars above. Something to live and thrive in any clime—our flag we love."

Frances Dorsey, Department President: Presenting badge. We pledge ourselves to ever carry on in the name of the Grand Army. To your dear mothers, wives and sisters who sacrificed their men that their Country might endure, we pledge our fidelity. Seven Past Dept. Presidents joined in greetings. Two large cartons of tobacco were left for the Comrades. A rarely beautiful basket of flowers was presented in memory of Comrade Theodore Metzger, father of Past Department President Genevieve Viets.

Comrade Estabrook: We thank you for the good wishes and for your flowers and gifts. We will always welcome you. Our Secretary will present the badges. I see she is a dear friend of all of you. Thank you also for the invitation to your luncheon, we will be with you.

Commander Chappell: Our next business is deciding where to hold our 1941 Encampment. Jackson, Muskegon and Lansing have invited us.

Miss Simpson: Last night to assure us how very welcome we would be in Lansing, Mayor Templeton sent Mr. Black of the Olds Hotel to offer the welcome and facilities of the Hotel for our Headquarters.

Comrade Le Valley: Commander I think we should thank all who have invited us but as Lansing is central and we all want to see the old Headquarters room again I move we accept Lansing for 1941. Unanimous second and so carried.

Comrade Owen: I think it fine Miss Simpson has begun to arrange and find a place for our records, I have been keeping some for years.

Commander Chappell: All business being completed we will proceed to election of officers.

Comrade Estabrook: Comrades I nominate our present Commander.

Commander Chappell: Thank you for this courtesy but I decline.

Comrade Le Valley: I nominate A. C. Estabrook, seconded by Comrade Plumadore.

No other nominations, rules are suspended and Secretary casts unanimous ballot. Commander Chappell declares A. C. Estabrook elected Department Commander.

Comrade Estabrook: I place in nomination for Sr. Vice Commander, Martin Warner. Seconded by Eugene Owen. No other nominations. Secretary casts unanimous ballot and Martin Warner declared elected.

Eugene Owen: For Jr. Vice Commander I nominate Orlanda Le Valley, seconded by Comrade Plumadore. No other nominations, the unanimous ballot is cast and Orlanda Le Valley declared elected.

Comrade Estabrook: For Chaplain, David Plumadore, seconded by Martin Warner. Same procedure and David Plumadore declared elected.

Commander Chappell: This completes our election, a most harmonious one. Not a cloud has disturbed this Encampment or our deliberations. May we all be together in Lansing. I wish success to our new officers.

Comrade Owen: Commander, the hall is filled with Sons and in the other room a distinguished greeting committee waits.

Miss Simpson enters with Mrs. Elfie Carroll, National President of the Woman's Relief Corps and Mrs. Lizetta Coady, Past National President.

Comrade Estabrook to Commander Chappell: I am honored in presenting these ladies to you and to our Comrades.

Commander Chappell: This is a great pleasure to bid you welcome to the 62nd Encampment of the Michigan Department. The Sons were then admitted, eleven Past Department Commanders and twenty-nine members led by their Department Commander, Cloy V. Smith.

Commander Chappell: It is good to see so many Sons. The Grand Army Boys are going fast, keep us in mind and visit us whenever you can, as Comrade Estabrook says you make things lively for us. We are glad you came while the National President of our only Auxiliary is with us we know it has been our Womans Relief Corps that has stood by our side these many years. Mrs. Elfie Carroll, National President.

Department Commander, Adjutant General and Comrades: I am happy indeed to be with you today. I am honored coming into the presence of Veterans of the Civil War. My father was a veteran and I am the wife of one who served his country. To our Sons I appreciate your interest in the welfare and the love and attention you give to our Comrades—I wish for you every success in your work. Commander Chappell just as long as the United States needs patriotic women your Relief Corps will function. We are here to do your bidding and to perpetuate your memory when only the spirit of the Grand Army remains as our inspiration. I assure you we will never die out—certainly with the ideals of the Grand Army as our guide nothing too serious can happen to these—our United States. Presents gift from the Department President.

Mrs. Coady: My words will be few. To my Comrades I want to say I enjoy knowing you. You have come to see me and I have enjoyed your visits.

Miss Simpson responded for the Comrades.

Cloy V. Smith, Commander of the Sons: Commander, it has been a great honor to work with you this year. I thank you for your interest in our Order and pledge continued loyalty to the Grand Army. I claim the privilege of pinning this badge on you and also I have one for Miss

Simpson, your secretary, who has never failed in loyalty to our organization.

Frederick McMurtie: I speak from 50 years' actual experience with this organization. You have shown you appreciate our work, our aims. The memory of the years of association with the Grand Army of the Republic, is pleasing to us and we feel that the privilege is especially ours over that of our sons and grandsons who will continue on in this work after the last Grand Army man has gone. With this gift we wish you God-speed and a safe return to your homes. Long life to each and every one of you.

Commander Chappell: This has become such a jolly good meeting I think we will recess and visit, but before we do I will ask Miss Simpson to present the officers for next year. We had just finished our election when you entered.

Miss Simpson: I present as Department Commander one who has served us many times and well, Comrade A. C. Estabrook; Senior Vice Commander, Martin J. Warner; Junior Vice Commander, Orlando Le Valley, and Chaplain, David Plumadore. Our visitors gather 'round in hearty congratulations.

During intermission Commander suggested the Sons act as installing officer. This honor fell to brother Ray Kaywood, Past Department Commander, who appointed Glen Wigent, Officer of the Day.

Officers were presented and installed in full form into their respective offices.

Commander Estabrook: I appoint Eugene Owen as Assistant Adjutant and Quartermaster General. Comrade Owen takes the oath of office.

Commander Estabrook: Adjutant will you name the Secretary.

Comrade Owen: This has been taken care of by action of the Encampment and I gladly announce that Miss Simpson has consented to continue to serve us.

Comrade Estabrook: I approve the appointment.

Brother Kaywood: Commander Estabrook, it has been the greatest pleasure to do this service for the Grand Army—every Son here counts it another honor come to us. May you keep well and strong and have a successful year. Call on your Sons if there is anything we can do.

Mrs. Carroll, National President: This has been a wonderful meeting. I would have been sorry indeed to have missed it. All good wishes for the year and many more for the Michigan Department. This I know will be yours with the loyal Sons and your splendid Commander and the Secretary you are so fortunate to have, our Past Department President, Miss Simpson. Good bye and God bless you.

Commander Estabrook: Mrs. Carroll and Sons. Words of thanks fail me. This has been a most unusual closing of our Encampment and a very happy one. It seems like a real homecoming to have you with us.

We want you to carry on the work and uphold the ideals inaugurated by the Grand Army in 1886. May we all meet again.

Another ten minutes spent in friendly good byes and our guests reluctantly retire.

Commander Estabrook: It is now 12:30 and we have accepted an invitation to lunch. We will adjourn to re-convene at 2:30 for formal closing.

THURSDAY, JUNE 20—2:30 P. M.

Commander Estabrook: Comrades please come to order.

Our last hour together this morning left only one thing unfinished. I wish to thank our retiring Commander for the fine manner in which he conducted the business of this Encampment and our Secretary for her graciousness in receiving our many visitors and for her wonderful year's work.

I pledge my earnest effort to uphold the traditions of the Grand Army.

Comrade Chappell: It is now my pleasure to pin over a heart that beats true for the Grand Army, this Past Department Commanders jewel. We know you will wear it with honor to yourself and our Department.

Comrade Chappell: This is a proud moment for me. I thank you.

Commander Estabrook: All business being finished I declare the 62nd Annual Encampment adjourned—sine die.

OFFICIAL OPENING.

Wednesday morning, citizens and hundreds of delegates of the Allied Orders gathered in the Rackham Auditorium to enjoy a program befitting the dignity and splendor of this great building. This arranged and carried out by the general Chairman, Mrs. Blanche Seabolt, to officially open the 62nd Encampment of the Grand Army and conventions of the Allied Orders.

Assembly call by Bertram Green announced the arrival of the Grand Army. With one accord the great throng rises as slowly the Department Commander, five Comrades and their Secretary enter and proceed to the dais, while strains of "Tramp, Tramp, Tramp, the Boys Are Marching," fill the air.

PROGRAM.

Address of Welcome from the Mayor.

Local Attorney, Frank DeVine.

Welcome from the Chamber of Commerce—Registrar Ira M. Smith.

Response by Commander Chappell.

Presentation of the Flag by Leah Simpson, Dept. Secretary, G.A.R.

Accepted by Dean Clarence S. Yoakum.

“Star Spangled Banner” by the Lira Chorus.
 Short review of the History of the Civil War by Mr. John Muyskens,
 Professor of Phonetics.
 “The Lost Chord” by Sullivan—Choir.
 Prayer by Department Chaplain—Com. Owen.
 Dept. Commander declared the Convention officially open.

CAMP FIRE

Probably never again will the Grand Army enjoy one so unique. Two great flood lights took place of a Camp fire in illuminating the University Mall. The stirring appeal for true Americans to guard against “fifth column” activities, interspersed with war songs wafted to us from the Carillon Bells and sung by the Ford Dixie Eight, brought an inspiring day to its close.

THE PARADE.

Friday morning dawned clear and bright for the event of every Encampment—the Grand Army again passes in review.

The martial notes, the flags and the tramp of the many local and state organizations participating honoring the Civil War Veterans waving flags and greetings from their cars, formed a spectacle to thrill the heart and dim the eye of every spectator. It was a privilege to have witnessed it and one to be cherished forever.

Every year they're marching slower,
 Every year they're stooping lower;
 Every year the lilting music
 Stirs the hearts of other men.
 Every year the flags above them
 Seem to bend and bless and love them
 As if grieving for the future
 When they'll never march again.

PROGRAM—Wednesday, June 19

- 9:00 A. M. Registration.
- 9:30 A. M. Council of Administration will meet in Headquarters room. Executive Committee will audit books of Assistant Adjutant and Quartermaster General. Business discussion.
- 10:00 A. M. Official Opening—Rackham Auditorium.
- 1:30 P. M. Business Session.
- 2:00 P. M. Report of Commander.
- 2:30 P. M. Greetings from Allied Orders and Ann Arbor organizations.
- 3:30 P. M. Joint Memorial with W. R. C.—Ball Room.
- 6:00 P. M. Grand Army of the Republic and Allied Organizations Reception and Banquet, Michigan Union.
- 8:30 P. M. Campfire—in the Mall—Carillon Bells concert.

Thursday, June 20

- 9:00 A. M. Business Session.
- 2:00 P. M. Business Session.
- 6:00 P. M. Banquet with Sons, Daughters and Auxiliary—Masonic Temple.

Friday, June 21

- 10:00 A. M. Grand Annual Parade.

COMRADES REGISTERED—1940

	Age
Chappell, A. F. Detroit	95
Estabrook, A. C., Grand Rapids	92
Haines, John C., Detroit	97
LeValley, Orlando, Caro	92
Owen, Eugene, Grand Rapids	92
Plumadore, David, Detroit	94
Warner, M. J., Grand Rapids	94

**MEMORIAL ROLL
DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN G. A. R.
FOR THE YEAR 1939**

POST NO. 6—HILLSDALE

George A. Slayton.....Private Co. F, 15th Michigan Infantry

POST NO. 10—DUNDEE

George W. Francesco.....Private Co. I, 11th Michigan Infantry

POST NO. 17—DETROIT

Isaac Greusel.....Sergeant Co. E, 24th Michigan Infantry

Peter P. Miller.....Private Co. F, 51st Pa. Infantry

POST NO. 19—BANGOR

Harrison AshleyCo. G. 13th Michigan Infantry

POST NO. 24—FENTON

Andrew BlyCorporal Co. L, 10th Michigan Infantry

POST NO. 25—OGDEN CENTER

A. S. Beardsley.....Private Co. G, 19th Ohio Infantry

POST NO. 35—SOUTH HAVEN

William W. Buys.....Private Co. L, 11th Michigan Cavalry

POST NO. 48—JACKSON

Lewis BrowerPrivate Co. F, 20th Michigan Infantry

POST NO. 67—BAY CITY

Martin HeathPrivate Co. D, 16th Michigan Infantry

POST NO. 109—COLDWATER

Jefferson BurnsPrivate Co. E, 1st Ohio Lgt. Artillery

POST NO. 143—CARO

Lyman C. GradyPrivate Co. G, 23rd Michigan Infantry

POST NO. 187—OXFORD

Samuel AdamsPrivate Co. E, 2nd N. Y. Cavalry

POST NO. 205—OWOSSO

Samuel SpencerPrivate Co. E, 4th Michigan Infantry

POST NO. 384—DETROIT

A. E. Stewart.....Private Co. K, 22nd Michigan Infantry

POST NO. 433—DETROIT

Joseph CraverPrivate Co. M, 10th Michigan Cavalry

POST NO. 460—SAUGATUCK

J. J. Brown.....Private Co. M, 14th Illinois Cavalry

Theirs was a glorious struggle, fittingly crowned with the achievement of national Unity.

That unity has never been seriously threatened since they bought it at a tremendous cost.

That unity will never be destroyed so long as Americans recall their sacrifice with gratitude and with pride their valor.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN

GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC

Lansing, Michigan, June 23, 1939.

General Orders No. 1
Series 1939-1940.

- I. Having been elected and installed Commander of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic, at the Sixty-first Annual Encampment, held in Jackson, June 14-15-16, 1939, I hereby assume command with a deep appreciation of the honor conferred.
I earnestly solicit the co-operation of every Comrade, and of our Auxiliary and allied organizations who have been so helpful in the past.
- II. Officers Elected and Installed:
Department Commander—A. F. Chappell, Detroit.
Department Sr. Vice Com.—J. F. Beaumont, Milford.
Department Jr. Vice Com.—Ira M. Stewart, Petoskey.
Chaplain—Eugene Owen, Grand Rapids.
- III. Council of Administration:
Ira M. Stewart—Petoskey.
J. F. Beaumont—Milford.
Orlando LeValley—Caro.
Martin J. Warner—Grand Rapids.
- IV. Delegate to National Encampment—Martin J. Warner.
At Large—William Parker.
- V. Official Staff Appointments:
Asst. Adj. and Quartermaster General—A. C. Estabrook—Grand Rapids.
Judge Advocate—John Killeen—Portland.
Patriotic Instructor—James H. Hamilton—Lansing.
Chief of Staff—John Haines, Detroit.
Senior Aide—Dennis McGonegal—Leslie.
Serg't National Colors—David Plumadore, Detroit.
Serg't Department Colors—Samuel Spencer, Owosso.
- VI. Executive Committee:
Orlando LeValley, R. H. Russell, Lemuel Tingley.
Legislative Committee:
James J. Atkinson, S. H. Carlton.
Soldiers' Home Committee:
M. J. Warner, Eugene Owen.
- VII. The 73rd National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic will be held in Pittsburgh, Pa., August 27-September 1, 1939. National Headquarters of the Grand Army will be located in the William Penn Hotel.
Complete arrangements will be issued in next General Orders.

- VIII. Communications for the Department Commander should be addressed to 1217 23rd St., Detroit, Mich. Those for Asst. Adj. General to 4861 Buchanan Ave., Grand Rapids.
- IX. It is with deep sorrow we record the passing of Department Secretary, Mrs. Ida Davidson; always loyal to the Grand Army, she gave devoted service without thought of self; faithful to the end.
Leah M. Simpson, appointed by Asst. Adj. A. C. Estabrook, confirmed by Dept. Commander, has assumed the duties at Headquarters of the Michigan Grand Army, in the Capitol at Lansing.
- X. Comrades, let us stand firmly together during the coming year. Let us be an inspiration in the communities in which we live, for greater loyalty to our Country and Flag.

By command of

Official:	A. F. CHAPPELL,
A. C. ESTABROOK	Department Commander.
Assistant Adjutant General.	

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC

Lansing, Michigan, November 28, 1939.

General Orders No. 2
Series 1939-1940.

The 73rd. National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic has passed into history; For the second time as host to the Grand Army, Pittsburgh, Pa., left nothing undone for the comfort and pleasure of the visitors. Your Commander, accompanied by Adj. General Estabrook and our Secretary, Leah M. Simpson, arrived in Pittsburgh Sunday and found Delegate at Large Martin Warner and Chaplain Eugene Owen comfortably established in Wm. Penn Hotel, The Michigan Headquarters.

Memorial services, Semi-Official meeting and Camp Fire were held in the new Soldiers and Sailors Memorial Hall; Music furnished by the U. S. Band, addresses by the Governor and prominent citizens with Col. Robert G. Woodside presiding, called thousands to pay tribute to the soldiers of the Civil War.

Monday a meeting of Michigan delegates in Headquarters, called by Commander Chappelle, to consider legislation proposed by National.

Wednesday, Aug. 30—The blare of bugles and ruffle of drums early in the morning heralded the outstanding feature of the Encampment—the parade of the Grand Army. Departments were assigned to a position in line in order of seniority of date of Charter, Michigan being the 18th. Sessions of the Grand Army were held in the Wm. Penn hotel;

Comrade John E. Andrew of Illinois, elected Commander in Chief. The Encampment in 1940 will be held in Springfield, Ill., the home of the great Civil War President, Abraham Lincoln.

RECORDS: Post Adjutants and Secretaries, please report the passing of any Comrade to Headquarters office giving service record; When the last member of a Post passes, the Charter, books of record and all property of the Post shall be turned to the Department Adjt. General that proper disposition of these valuable records be made. If deposited with any Society, Memorial Hall or Library, notice of this must be sent to the Secretary, Leah M. Simpson, Headquarters, Lansing, Michigan.

NATIONAL LAW—provides that any Comrade who has been a member of Post now disbanded, may hold his membership in Department; if no Post near where he may enroll, send name, address and record to the Secretary, Box 433, Lansing, and receive the "Comrade at Large Certificate of Enrollment". The Department is desirous of enrolling every Michigan comrade. Please assist in this effort. Remember "there are no growing ranks from which recruits can be drawn into the ranks of the Grand Army of the Republic". Every honorably discharged soldier should hold that priceless distinction, "Comrade of the Grand Army of the Republic".

The **PRELIMINARY MEETING** of our Allied Orders will be called by Commander Chappelle to plan for the Encampment held in June, 1940. Notices will be sent in ample time for this meeting to be held in January.

Report Blanks ending Dec. 31, 1939 are enclosed; Post Adjts or Secretaries please fill and return to Headquarters—Box 433, Lansing, with Per Capita tax of 10c each member; Patriotic report should record all patriotic events in which our Comrades had any part; return these to James A. Hamilton, 514 N. Walnut St., Lansing, Michigan.

IN MEMORIAM.

Death has entered many homes the past year; We shall miss the cheery greetings and warm hand clasps of beloved Comrades and friends. To those who mourn the Department extends sincere sympathy.

"With banners furled they stand at rest,
Our Father will judge them right;
Where all is peace among the blest,
Their deeds will stand the light."

With the closing of the year comes the thought of the misery and unrest in other lands. May we give thanks to the Giver of all Good for the peace and comfort in our beloved America and daily renew our pledge of Loyalty to our Country and Flag.

CHRISTMAS; Once again we approach the season of "Peace on Earth, Good Will to Men". The Department Commander and Staff extend to every Comrade and to the members of our Allied organizations, heartiest Christmas Greetings with the wish that God will grant you the gift of joy and peace.

The book is closed, the record made,
 The last deed done, the last word said;
 The memory alone remains,
 Of all its griefs, its joys, its gains.
 And now with purpose full and clear,
 We turn to greet the glad NEW YEAR.

By Order of

A. F. CHAPPELL,
 Department Commander.

Official:

A. C. ESTABROOK,
 Assistant Adjutant General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN
 GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC

Lansing, Michigan, April 30, 1940.

General Orders No. 3-4
 Series 1939-1940.

I. The 62nd Annual Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, will be held in Ann Arbor, June 19-20-21, 1940. The W. R. C. and Allied Orders will hold their annual conventions at the same time and place; Headquarters of the Grand Army will be established at the Michigan Union, where Comrades may register with the Secretary and receive badges, upon arrival.

II. ENCAMPMENT PROGRAM

Wednesday, June 19

- 9:00 A. M. The Council of Administration will meet in Headquarters room. Executive Committee will audit the books of Assistant Adjutant and Quartermaster General. All Comrades are entitled to a seat and vote in this Encampment. General business discussion.
- 10:00 A. M. Official opening of the 62nd Annual Encampment, and the conventions of our W. R. C. and Allied Orders, by the Department Commander in the Rackham Auditorium; Address by the Mayor.
- 1:30 P. M. Business Session.
- 2:00 P. M. Report of Commander.
- 2:30 P. M. Greetings from Allied Orders and Ann Arbor organizations.
- 3:30 P. M. Joint Memorial with W. R. C.
- 6:00 P. M. Reception and banquet with W. R. C. and Allied Orders.
- 8:30 P. M. Campfire in The Mall; Carillon Bells concert.

THURSDAY, JUNE 20

- 9:00 A. M. Business Session.
 2:00 P. M. Business Session.
 6:00 P. M. Banquet with Sons, Daughters and Auxiliary at Masonic Temple.

FRIDAY, JUNE 21

10:00 A. M. Annual Parade.

III. All comrades will be entertained in the Michigan Union; Our Secretary, Leah M. Simpson, will make all arrangements. The Ann Arbor committees are preparing many unusual features.

IV. MOTHER'S DAY

May 9th, 1914, the President was authorized to issue a proclamation, designating the second Sunday in May as Mother's Day and calling upon the Government officials to display the U. S. Flag on all Government buildings and the people to display the Flag at their homes.

Let us unfurl the Flag and wear the red flower in joy for the living, or the white in her memory.

V. PEACE AND ARBITRATION DAY; MAY 18TH

The watch word of the Grand Army has always been Peace—with honor—its sacrifice and hardships brought a lasting peace to America.

As the long line of Blue fades from sight may every true American pledge:

"There shall come a day when warfare shall
 cease and all tears shall be wiped away".

VI. MEMORIAL DAY

May 5th, 1868, General John A. Logan issued the now famous General Orders No. 11, designating May 30th, for the purpose of strewing flowers or otherwise decorating the graves of comrades who died in defense of their country.

Every year since that time the Grand Army has kept the Faith; has remembered the fellowship of suffering that bound us together and at the appointed time has gathered in Church and Cemetery to honor the memory of our comrades. Now, age prevents the march of the Grand Army, but I call on every comrade to have some part in this observance. Attend service on the Sunday preceding Memorial Day; while we may, let us join hands with the soldiers of the later wars and our Auxiliary now so loyally carrying on this work.

Chaplain Blanks are enclosed. Post Secretaries please note every activity of your Comrades and return to Department Secretary Leah M. Simpson, Box 433, Lansing, immediately following Memorial Day.

VII. FLAG DAY

We are the greatest Nation on the earth today; it is the duty of every American to display the Flag, in all reverence, befitting the dignity of the Nation it represents.

“Still soar aloft, Old Glory
And tell the waiting breeze
No law but RIGHT and MERCY,
Shall rule the seven seas.

VIII. National General Orders No. 2 carried the call for one dollar per capita tax each member, ending Dec. 1939. This seemed to be not understood, necessitating much correspondence by our Secretary, tho gladly sent upon receipt of her letter; only ten not responding. Please remember this is a National law, when making 1940 reports.

IX. Your Commander is not unmindful of the many good wishes, flowers and cards received during his illness and would express a deep sense of gratitude for these messages.

X. Comrades, a short year ago you bestowed on me the proud title of Department Commander, fully realizing the real work and responsibility falls on the Secretary. Miss Simpson has been equal to every call. Assistant Adjutant Estabrook joins me in appreciation of the fine work instituted by Miss Simpson in locating every Civil War soldier in Michigan, and re-instating Comrades who once were members of the Grand Army; in no other way may the life of the Department be prolonged. We are glad to again extend the hand of Comradeship to Nelson J. Dunn, R. M. Teeter, Charles Hurd, Cyrus Perrigo, George Waffle, and W. R. Howland.

XI. With deep sorrow I am called to record the passing of two in my Official family; Department Sr. Vice Commander John F. Beaumont, joined his Comrades on that other Shore April 7, 1940. A true soldier in peace as in war. His faithful service to the Grand Army has left a loving Memory with us who remain. Samuel Spencer, Sergeant Department Colors, crossed the river to be again with his Comrades; Faithful to the end.

XII. I wish to thank the Comrades for the honor of serving the Department and for the co-operation given me and bespeak the same loyalty and support for my successor.

I would specially commend my Assistant Adjutant General, Comrade A. C. Estabrook whose love for the Grand Army and complete knowledge of the work made his advice and assistance most valuable.

To the Woman's Relief Corps and the Allied Orders my sincere appreciation of the great work each is accomplishing and my thanks for the many courtesies shown me.

By order of

A. F. CHAPPELL,
Department Commander.

Official:

A. C. ESTABROOK,
Assistant Adjutant General.

A SHORT HISTORY OF THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC

The Grand Army of the Republic was organized at Decatur, Illinois, April 6th, 1866, by Dr. B. F. Stephenson of Springfield, who had served as surgeon of the 14th Illinois Infantry. At the close of the Civil War he returned to his practice as a physician in Springfield, where in February, 1866, he first suggested the idea of the organization and made the draft of the ritual.

The first ritual was printed in the office of The Tribune at Decatur, the proprietors of which, with their compositors, had been Union soldiers.

The organization of Post No. 1 at Decatur was followed by the organization of Post No. 2 at Springfield, Illinois, and posts were thereafter rapidly established throughout Illinois.

The membership of the order was at its highest stage in 1890, when it stood at 458,230.

MICHIGAN

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. Bigelow
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	Quincy
N. H. Ferry Post No. 3	Montague
Phil Sheriden Post No. 4	Reading
Custer Post No. 5	Grand Rapids
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., 1940.

Year.	Posts	Members.	Year.	Posts	Members.
1879	6	127	1910	311	9,854
1880	9	281	1911	309	9,372
1881	13	482	1912	286	8,707
1882	27	1,019	1913	279	8,226
1883	100	4,442	1914	271	7,821
1884	209	10,311	1915	267	7,452
1885	288	14,475	1916	263	6,995
1886	316	16,957	1917	252	6,257
1887	348	19,226	1918	240	5,553
1888	371	21,353	1919	238	5,115
1889	373	21,418	1920	227	4,667
1890	377	21,255	1921	212	4,000
1891	375	20,765	1922	197	3,386
1892	391	20,905	1923	193	3,105
1893	390	20,469	1924	190	2,836
1894	384	19,020	1925	149	2,377
1895	383	18,059	1926	125	1,882
1896	373	16,766	1927	119	1,563
1897	382	16,096	1928	112	1,212
1898	385	15,831	1929	109	991
1899	386	15,531	1930	102	817
1900	382	15,102	1931	97	656
1901	375	14,930	1932	89	550
1902	368	14,406	1933	81	418
1903	359	13,716	1934	78	314
1904	355	13,168	1935	68	244
1905	346	12,282	1936	66	198
1906	340	11,566	1937	45	120
1907	326	11,068	1938	35	78
1908	318	10,688	1939	31	59
1909	313	10,220	1940	26	50

The records of the War Department, Sept., 1865, show the total number of men furnished by the State, from April 17, 1861 to April 30, 1865 was 90,048, without reference to periods of service. Not all of these were ever members of the Grand Army. The peak of membership being reached in 1889 with 21,418 on the rolls.

ENCAMPMENTS

DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC

Year	Entertaining City	Presiding Commander
1868	Detroit	Russell A. Alger
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

Year	Entertaining City	Presiding Commander
1887	Grand Rapids	John Northwood
1888	Lansing	L. G. Rutherford
1889	Bay City	Washington Gardner
1890	Adrian	Michael Brown
1891	Muskegon	Henry M. Duffield
1892	Ann Arbor	Charles L. Eaton
1893	Benton Harbor	Henry S. Dean
1894	Owosso	James H. Kidd
1895	Mt. Clemens	Louis Kanitz
1896	Saginaw	S. B. Daboll
1897	Greenville	William Shakespeare
1898	Port Huron	Aaron T. Bliss
1899	Petoskey	Alex L. Patrick
1900	Grand Rapids	Russell R. Peeler
1901	Flint	E. M. Allen
1902	Pontiac	James Van Kleeck
1903	Muskegon	Edward C. Anthony
1904	Holland	D. B. K. VanRaalte
1905	Traverse City	George H. Hopkins
1906	Saginaw	E. C. Cannon
1907	Bay City	Joseph B. Griswold
1908	Detroit	William Jibb
1909	Kalamazoo	George L. Holmes
1910	Holland	James M. Greenfield
1911	Ypsilanti	Samuel J. Lawrence
1912	Port Huron	George W. Stone
1913	Lansing	John T. Spillane
1914	Jackson	Frank R. Chase
1915	Kalamazoo	Riley I. Jones
1916	Bay City	Eli Strong
1917	Battle Creek	Lucius H. Ives
1918	Saginaw	William O. Lee
1919	Traverse City	David S. Howard
1920	Port Huron	Edwin F. Lamb
1921	Flint	Henry Spaulding
1922	Detroit	J. J. Holmes
1923	Grand Rapids	William Mears
1924	Lansing	Lyman A. Gilbert
1925	Port Huron	M. C. Barney
1926	Jackson	John Seel
1927	Benton Harbor	James R. Stephenson
1928	Kalamazoo	Charles A. Bartlett
1929	Bay City	A. C. Estabrook
1930	Pontiac	A. C. Estabrook
1931	Grand Rapids	A. C. Estabrook
1932	Petoskey	Orestus Blake
1933	Saginaw	Orestus Blake
1934	Grand Rapids	John Killeen
1935	Mt. Clemens	Frank D. Keeler
1936	Battle Creek	Ira M. Stewart
1937	Detroit	Ira M. Stewart
1938	Grand Rapids	S. H. Carlton
1939	Jackson	A. C. Estabrook
1940	Ann Arbor	A. F. Chappell

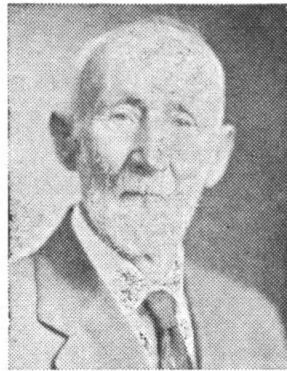
WHY THEY WERE ALWAYS CALLED "BOYS"

The enlisted men of the Civil War consisted of the following:

10 years of age and under	25
11 years of age	38
12 years	228
13 years	300
14 years	1,523
15 years	104,987
16 years	231,051
17 years	844,891
18 years	1,151,438
21 years	2,159,798
22 years and over	618,511



WE SALUTE MICHIGAN'S OLDEST VETERAN OF THE CIVIL WAR



JACOB H. PERINE
Commander of Hollingsworth Post No. 210

*All Albion joined in paying honor to him on his 100th birthday,
Jan. 29, 1940*



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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."