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Seventy - seventh
Annual National Encampment

**Sons of Union Veterans
of the Civil War**



BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS
AUGUST 17-21, 1958

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Commander-in-Chief 1957-1958

PRE-ENCAMPMENT ACTIVITIES**August 17, 1958****COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION MEETING**

The Council of Administration met at 1 P. M., Sunday, August 17, 1958 in the Sheraton-Plaza Hotel, Boston, Mass., with the following present: Commander-in-Chief Albert B. DeHaven; Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief Louis T. Story; Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief Harold E. Arnold; Council of Administration Members Fred E. Howe, Past Commander-in-Chief and Fred H. Combs, Sr., and National Secretary-Treasurer Albert C. Lambert.

The following matters were taken into consideration by the Council:

(1) Commander-in-Chief DeHaven appointed a sub-Committee of the Council of Administration, consisting of Council of Administration Members Past Commander-in-Chief Fred E. Howe and Fred H. Combs, Sr., to examine the audit of the Certified Public Accountant, presented by the National Secretary-Treasurer; and to prepare a budget for the coming year—to be submitted on the final day of the Encampment for action by the Encampment.

(2) In the matter of additional expense incurred by the Commander-in-Chief during the past year, over and above the call of duty, for a trip to Washington relative to matters dealing with the Centennial Commission, action was taken by the Council to authorize the payment of \$100.00 to Commander-in-Chief DeHaven to cover such expenses.

(3) The Council took action to accept the quotation of National Secretary-Treasurer Albert C. Lambert for editing, printing and distributing The Banner for the coming year—for six (6) issues, 1500 copies, 8 pages each at \$350.00 per issue.

(4) National Secretary-Treasurer Lambert reported on the proposal sent, by mail, during the past year to all members of the Council of Administration relative to a vote on the proposal to use registration fees received at National Encampments, in the future, for Encampment expenses and for entertainment of the delegates; and that each organization, beginning in 1960, be asked to donate \$200.00 to the Convention Committee for such Convention expenses. He submitted the following Resolution, which was adopted by the Council of Administration:

WHEREAS the number of cities with sufficient hotel accommodations to house the Allied Orders for a week are limited, and

WHEREAS, when such City is selected, it is questionable whether each of the Allied Orders will have a strong local or Department organization, and

WHEREAS, many Cities and Departments wish to entertain the National Encampment, but find it increasingly difficult to raise sufficient money to meet expenses, and

WHEREAS, it is accepted procedure in other organizations to charge a registration fee to be used to cover convention expense,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of Administration of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War that due to the increasing difficulty of local committees to raise funds incident to arranging a National Convention, we suggest that each of the Allied Orders in attendance donate the sum of \$200.00 to the Convention Committee, starting with the 1960 National Encampment, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this Resolution be sent to the National Encampments of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, the Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, and to the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, with the request that they consider this suggestion at their 1958 National Encampment.

(5) On the matter of the Resolution sent by mail during the year to members of the Council of Administration relative to a Civil War History Award, to be awarded at National Encampments to some outstanding American, no action was taken; and it was deferred to the final meeting of the Council of Administration to be held following the Encampment.

(6) Action was taken by the Council to award an Honorary Membership to Mr. George L. Cashman, Custodian of the Lincoln Tomb, in Springfield, Illinois.

(7) There was a discussion on the continuance of the ceremony at the Lincoln Tomb on April 15th, with the suggestion that the Central Regional Association be asked to prepare such program on behalf of the National Organization. However, action on this matter was deferred until the final meeting of the Council of Administration, following the Encampment.

JOINT MEMORIAL SERVICE PROGRAM

Oval Room — Sheraton-Plaza Hotel

Sunday, August 17, 1958 — 2:30 P. M.

Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War
 Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War
 Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic

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- Musical Prelude Mary Gordon
- Processional ... Department Commanders and Department Presidents
- Invocation Charles C. Webster
 National Chaplain, Sons of Union Veterans
- Scripture Reading Ethelyn Gray
 National Chaplain, Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans
- Tribute to Past Commander-in-Chief John E. Sautter—C. Leroy Stoudt
 Past Commander-in-Chief, Sons of Union Veterans
- Tribute to Past National President Cora Rowling—Cassea Orsborn
 Past National President, Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic
- Tribute to Past National Presidents of Auxiliary—Mildred R. Webster
 Past National President, Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans
- Tribute to the Grand Army of the Republic—
 The Old Rugged Cross Mary Gordon
- Tribute to Past Department Commanders Chester S. Shriver
 Past Department Commander, Sons of Union Veterans, Penna.
- Tribute to Past Department Presidents of the Auxiliary—
 Mary Stapleton
 Past National President, Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans
- Tribute to Past Department Presidents, Ladies of the Grand Army of
 the Republic Nellie D. Howe
 Past National President, Ladies of G.A.R.
- Placing of Flowers in Memory of the Departed Members—
 Past Department President Hattie Kesselring, Auxiliary
 Past Department President Mae Lenke, Ladies of the G.A.R.
- Benediction Sarah May Fitz
 National Chaplain, Ladies of the G.A.R.

GRAND ARMY CAMP FIRE PROGRAM**(Grand Army of the Republic Tradition)****Oval Room — Sheraton-Plaza Hotel****Sunday, August 17, 1958 — 7:00 P. M.**

Albert B. DeHaven, Commander-in-Chief
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

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- Concert of Selected Music Jimmy Hooley's Orchestra
Call to Order John L. Day
Past Department Commander
General Chairman, Encampment Committee
- Advance to Colors U. S. Military, Veterans and Patriotic Groups
National Anthem Orchestra
Pledge of Allegiance Assembly
Led by Clark Mellor, Senior Vice Department Commander
- Invocation Rev. George Driver
Department Chaplain
- Introducing Master of Ceremonies Addison Quinn
Past Department Commander, Mass.
- Welcome Edwin J. Lennon
Massachusetts Department Commander, S.U.V.C.W.
- Greetings from the Mayor of Boston Hon. John B. Hynes
Welcome from the Governor of Massachusetts ... Hon. Foster Furculo
- Greetings from:
Military Order of Loyal Legion
National President, Auxilliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War
National President, Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic
National President, Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War
National President, Woman's Relief Corps
Department President, Auxilliary to Sons of Union Veterans
Department President, Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic
Department Commanders of United Spanish War Veterans, Veterans of Foreign Wars, American Legion, Disabled American Veterans, Jewish War Veterans, Amputee Veterans, Marine Corps League and Amvets.
- Response to Greetings Albert B. DeHaven
Commander-in-Chief, Sons of Union Veterans
- Speaker: This is Our Heritage Hon. George Wells
- Selections by The State Highway Choraleers:
"Bless This House"
"You Will Never Walk Alone"
"Battle Hymn of the Republic"
- Paul Agrillo, Director Roberta Pellerin, Accompanist
- Tribute to the Grand Army of the Republic Ernest G. Wells
Department Council
- Vocal Selection "America the Beautiful" ... Kathryn M. Flood, Soloist
"America" Assembly
- Taps Retirement of Colors Adjournment

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Seventy-Seventh Annual National Encampment SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR

Headquarters—Sheraton Plaza Hotel—Boston, Massachusetts
Sessions—Venetian Room

August 17-21, 1958

MONDAY MORNING SESSION

August 18, 1958 — 10:30 A. M.

Commander-in-Chief DeHaven: The Officers and Members of the Seventy-Seventh Annual National Encampment of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War will please come to order.

At this time, I wish to make the following appointments:

Guide—Delegate Clark Mellor, Massachusetts

Color Bearer—Department Commander Clarence P. Renell, Maine

Guard—Past Department Commander George A. Strait, Rhode Island

Pianist—Past Department Commander John B. Davis, Massachusetts

The Encampment then opened in Ritualistic form.

The 1958 National Encampment Committee, represented by Chairmen John L. Day of the Sons, Pamela S. Elder of the Auxiliary and Alice F. Harwood of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, was then escorted into the Encampment. Flowers and a personal gift were presented to the Commander-in-Chief, and Department Commander Edwin J. Lennon extended greetings on behalf of the Department of Massachusetts. (Response was by National Secretary Albert C. Lambert.)

Flowers were presented to Commander-in-Chief DeHaven from his son, daughter and grandchildren by Personal Aide Maurice J. Warner, Maine.

Roll call of Officers showed all present except the National Graves Registration Officer, Bertrand O. DeForest. The roll of Past Commanders-in-Chief was called, with eleven present. (Past Commander-in-Chief Grant arrived at the afternoon session, for a total of twelve present at the Encampment.)

COMMITTEES

Commander-in-Chief DeHaven: The following Committees for this Encampment are hereby appointed:

Credentials

Bertram Isaacs, Delegate, New York, Chairman

Coby F. Wilcox, Department Commander, California

Archie Aldrich, Past Department Commander, Vermont

Ernest G. Wells, Delegate, Massachusetts

Eugene Wallingford, Delegate, Massachusetts

Albert C. Lambert, National Secretary-Treasurer

Resolutions

U. S. Grant, 3rd, Past Commander-in-Chief, Maryland, Chairman
 Col. Frederic G. Bauer, Past Commander-in-Chief, Massachusetts
 C. Leroy Stoudt, Past Commander-in-Chief, Pennsylvania
 Joseph S. Rippey, Department Commander, New York

Officers' Reports

Wm. M. Coffin, Past Commander-in-Chief, Ohio, Chairman
 Cleon E. Heald, Past Commander-in-Chief, New Hampshire
 Charles L. Messer, Past Department Commander, New York
 Roscoe Mathis, Department Commander, Illinois
 Homer L. Young, Past Department Commander, Iowa
 Charles A. Brady, Jr., Delegate, Illinois

Constitution and Regulations

Charles H. E. Moran, Past Commander-in-Chief, Massachusetts,
 Chairman
 John H. Runkle, Past Commander-in-Chief, Pennsylvania
 Edwin J. Lennon, Department Commander, Massachusetts
 Dr. Charles J. Higgs, Department Commander, Pennsylvania
 Alton Sharp, Past Department Commander, New Jersey

Ritual and Ceremonies

J. Kirkwood Craig, Past Commander-in-Chief, New Hampshire,
 Chairman
 H. Dwight Bromley, Department Commander, Rhode Island
 James M. Blackman, Past Department Commander, Illinois

Restoration of Rank

Fred E. Howe, Past Commander-in-Chief, New York, Chairman
 Urion W. Mackey, Past Commander-in-Chief, Michigan
 Chester S. Shriver, Past Department Commander, Pennsylvania

Press

Harold M. Drown, Past Department Commander, Massachusetts,
 Chairman
 Herbert Bogue, Delegate, Massachusetts
 Walter J. Morse, Department Commander, Vermont
 C. Leon Lewis, Department Commander, Connecticut
 Fred Pfeister, Jr., Department Commander, Ohio

Fraternal Greetings

Wm. M. Coffin, Past Commander-in-Chief, Ohio, Chairman, all Past
 Commanders-in-Chief; and to the Auxilliary all delegates from the
 Department of New Jersey.

Encampment City (1960)

Council of Administration, and Commander-in-Chief

Commander-in-Chief DeHaven: May we have a report from the
 Credentials Committee at this time?

PRELIMINARY REPORT OF CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

Delegate Bertram Isaacs, New York: Commander-in-Chief, we have
 a preliminary report from the Credentials Committee which shows a
 total registration of 105.

Commander-in-Chief DeHaven: Thank you, Brother Isaacs.

Past Commander-in-Chief Bauer: Commander-in-Chief, I move you that the sessions of this Encampment open at 9:30 A. M. and adjourn at 5 P. M., unless sooner adjourned; and that there be a recess from 11:45 A. M. to 1:30 P. M.; that reports of officers be referred, without a motion and without debate, to the Committee on Officers' Reports; that reports of Committees containing recommendations be received and that a call for objection be made, and if no objection is offered, the recommendation of the Committee be adopted without formal motion and vote. (Seconded by Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief Story, and carried.)

Commander-in-Chief DeHaven: We are now under Reports of Officers; and if the Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief will preside, I will present my report.

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief Story assumed the office of Commander-in-Chief, while Commander-in-Chief DeHaven read:

REPORT OF THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF

August 18, 1953

To the Officers and Members
77th National Encampment
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

Brothers:

I herewith submit to you a report of the office of your Commander-in-Chief and his activities during the past administrative year, and the State of the Order.

Visitations

I visited very many places; sometimes with Mrs. DeHaven accompanying me. We were most royally received and entertained by many hospitable friends who did their utmost to see that we were well taken care of, and we certainly were. The places and all the friends are too numerous to relate here.

The bug-bear of Commanders-in-Chief is trying to figure how many Encampments to attend. With 14 in June, and 7 in April and May, most on week-ends, it is just impossible to attend all of them. Heads of Veteran and Fraternal organizations make out a schedule of continuous visits, regardless of Conventions. I, therefore, made similar plans; with the kind help of Past Commander-in-Chief Frederick K. Davis of Eugene, Oregon: who, with his fine wife were hosts of my wife and myself. He made excellent arrangements for meetings in Oregon and Washington. Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief Louis T. Story of California also made some very fine arrangements for meetings in California.

I spent 25 days in the West where, in five Departments, I attended 13 formal and 7 informal gatherings. From autograph books, into which most of those attending wrote their names, I found 617 at formal meetings and 98 at informal gatherings. When you consider that at their Encampments, there were possibly not more than 125, I feel such visits did much more good because I was able to get "down to grass roots" and talk with the rank and file—hear what they have been doing, listen to their difficulties, give advice when asked and I feel that, in many cases, I bolstered their faith in our Order.

I was in every State in which we have a Department. The Officers in three Departments felt they could not get a gathering suitable to meet me; but I was in those States, and would have visited, if wanted. I made nine special trips which were of some length from

my home. I went, in October, to the National Congress of the Military Order of the Loyal Legion, to which I had been invited. Then, in November, to Gettysburg, to the first annual observance of the passing of the G.A.R. In December, to Trenton; and then another trip to Washington to attend the general meeting of the U. S. Civil War Centennial Commission and again, February 12 to Washington where, upon invitation of the Loyal Legion, I participated in Birthday ceremonies at the Lincoln Memorial. Then there were trips to Philadelphia, to Detroit, and to Grant's Tomb in New York; then to Springfield, Illinois where I presided at the ceremonies at Lincoln's Tomb, on the anniversary of Lincoln's death in which, at our invitation, the Military Order of the Loyal Legion participated.

Lincoln Tomb Observance

We had a very impressive Ceremony on April 15th, the Anniversary of Lincoln's death, at the Lincoln Tomb in Springfield. The placing of wreaths and the inspiring address of Past Commander-in-Chief William M. Coffin on Lincoln's Farewell Address was most impressive.

Because of illness of the Chairman of arrangements and the absence of other Illinois members to help take over, the affair, with the exception of the ceremony, was almost a failure. There was a lack of publicity, of outside attendance and attendance of our own members. The Senior Vice Department Commander Roscoe Mathis of Illinois, Past Commander-in-Chief William Coffin and your Commander-in-Chief were the only Sons present. The Loyal Legion members were Past Commander-in-Chief William C. Duval, who is also a member of the Sons but was representing the Loyal Legion, James High of Illinois, Frank Huntington of Wisconsin and Comrade McElroy of Philadelphia. There were only three Sons and four Loyal Legion members present.

Something must be done if we are to continue this observance. The arrangements must be made by some responsible Committee of a size that will make this observance an attraction that will bring a lot of our own members, as well as a good audience. With music, and plenty of pre-publicity, it could become an affair of the status it should be, especially with the Loyal Legion participating.

Centennial Committee

The Council of Administration, to whom the recommendation for the appointment of a Centennial Committee was referred, voted to have the Commander-in-Chief appoint a committee of three, consisting of the National Representative in Washington, the National Historian and National Patriotic Instructor.

These three were appointed, but it did not work out right. They were far apart, and could not get together for consultation. Also, the National Representative became Chairman of the National Government Commission.

Over a period of years, there would be replacement in these offices of people who would not be familiar with it. I believe that the appointment of one man as representative on the Advisory Council of the U. S. Centennial Commission, as was suggested upon invitation by the Chairman of that Commission itself, to serve for the duration of the U. S. Centennial Commission would be better; and, if he feels a sub-committee is needed, he can make a recommendation to the Commander-in-Chief to that effect. In the meantime, he can keep the membership informed through the channels of The Banner on any suggestions the Commission may make, and advise the Committee of our activities and other information the Centennial Committee may be interested in.

Woolson Medal

Congress voted to give a gold Medal to all living Civil War Veterans. Comrade Woolson died before his could be presented to him. The Treasury Department ruled they could not give it to anyone else, including his heirs. The heirs have petitioned Congress to have the Treasury Department give the medal to the National Organization of the Sons of Union Veterans, who have promised to see it is prominently displayed in some Museum. This bill has finally been passed by both Houses of Congress.

Grand Army Articles

Last year, Cora Gillis, former Secretary of the Grand Army of the Republic informed Fred Howe, then Commander-in-Chief that she had some articles left with her when the G.A.R. passed out of existence, and she offered them to our organization. Brother Howe took some of the articles home and informed me, after I assumed office, about the articles.

Thinking that we had come into possession of some valuable relics, I asked Brother Howe to catalogue them. The outcome was disappointing. Brother Howe kindly went to Jamestown, N. Y. and found only about half a ton of old journals and a lot of buttons, badges and other small articles. However, Brother Howe found, and shipped to the National Secretary almost a complete set of old Grand Army proceedings. The other books and small articles he shipped to the Massachusetts Department, where they were accepted, for display.

State of the Order

We are an organization of quality and recognized as such by similar organizations. I have worked along that line this year. Our organization is one that men of any rank would be proud to join, one in which members should be proud to carry a paid up membership card and one of which our Fathers would have been proud.

However, I wish to remark that the National organization is not a separate body, run by a few. The National organization is a supreme body organized by all the Departments themselves, and ruled by their delegates. All Officers are elected, all legislation of business and all plans are made by the Departments themselves, through their delegates.

The Departments, on a whole, are in fine condition; that is, in better condition than would be expected under present circumstances. Most Departments are busy collecting Civil War relics, getting G.A.R. Memorial buildings in better shape; and turning to the work of preparing for the coming Centennial years. The progress observed is admirable. The fact these Departments are working on something substantial, for the betterment, for the ideals for which we are obligated, shows in the harmony that exists there.

A few Departments do not have such harmony, the lack of which is reflected by disunion and differences of opinion that has caused a split into factions. If the energy that is put into these differences could be put to work in the right channel, what an accomplishment could be shown.

Illinois

There was a split among Department Officers in Illinois. Money was tied up, and the Department Commander was dropped by his Camp for non-payment of dues; and a notarized statement, to that effect, was forwarded to National Headquarters, which resulted in the Department Senior Vice Commander Roscoe Mathis being placed

in charge of the Department. There is much more to the story; but I feel that with our National Counselor there, matters will be smoothed out eventually.

Michigan

There was still a different matter in Michigan, that purely concerned the Department itself. The Department Commander, Secretary and Council broke with the tradition of the Allied Organizations; and decided to take their Encampment to a place other than that decided upon by representatives of the Allied bodies. This was called to my attention, by Camps; asking that I make the Officers change their minds and go to the place selected. I informed them that a Commander-in-Chief cannot go into any Department and tell them what they must or must not do. However, I did what I could to persuade the Officers to reverse their decision, but with no success. I did get them to hold a special meeting, which was legally called and open to all delegates. The National Counselor and myself sat in on the meeting, which was very harmonious, and which was tape recorded. We took no part. It was deplorable that not one of the delegates of the complaining Camps attended. Boycotting will not correct anything. During the meeting they voted to prepare a new set of By-Laws. By-Laws were adopted at their regular Encampment and sent to this office for approval where they were, in turn, sent to our National Counselor for consideration and advice. The By-Laws appear to have articles that seem most dictatorial and created too much independence to the Officers of the Department.

The Michigan Department of the Auxiliary officially protested what they called the arrogance and dictatorial position assumed by the Officers of the Sons; and the Auxiliary created a situation—such that their National President had to go to Michigan and reconcile the Auxiliary in such a way that if the Sons will come to reason, plan and consult with their Auxiliary there is no reason why harmony could not thrive again in Michigan.

Encampment

It is time we gave serious consideration to the changing of the name of our annual meetings to Convention instead of Encampment. Encampment is a misnomer. It applies to a military body, and we are not a military body.

The Grand Army of the Republic, in their earlier days, were military men and did, in fact, encamp. Most of the delegates to their Encampments were housed in streets of Tents because there were not enough hotel facilities. We, naturally, kept using the word encampment after the G.A.R. passed away. It is not a question that if it was good enough for the Grand Army it is good enough for us. Veterans organizations all call their meetings conventions. Because of the changes that would have to be made in our C. & R. and Ritual, we should make some study as to the advisability of changing the name, and when.

In conclusion, I want to thank warmly every member of our Order, regardless of rank, for anything they may have done the past year that contributed towards furthering the obligations of our Order. I want to thank our National Officers for the help they have given. My association with them has been most pleasing.

I want to give special thanks to three of our National Officers.

Our Washington Representative, Past Commander-in-Chief U. S. Grant, 3rd, has been a most faithful representative of our organization in Washington. Regardless of his activities with other organizations, he has never been too busy to forward our interests there.

He has interested himself in legislation, on our behalf, and has been very kind in giving sound advice, whenever I have asked.

Our National Secretary, Past Commander-in-Chief Albert C. Lambert, has been lauded so many times that he knows the praises by heart. My tribute is that he will be a very hard man to replace.

My old friend, commonly called "Dick" Locke, a Past Commander-in-Chief, has come to be a fixture in the office of Counselor and is a most substantial legal light for any Commander-in-Chief to lean upon.

No Commander-in-Chief had a better co-partner than our own Auxiliary National President, Miss Anne O. Clayton. She has been helpful in many ways to our organization, and to myself. I admire the ability she has shown; and for her thoughtfulness in doing so many things to forward the interests of our Order. I thank her, from the bottom of my heart, for the many kind things she has done.

Mrs. Twanette Paull, National President of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, although not as close as the Auxiliary, has interested herself in helping us whenever she could.

Mrs. Ylavaune Howard, National President of the Daughters of Union Veterans and Bessie Coughlin, National President of the Woman's Relief Corps have been very cordial and helpful. My association with the heads of the G.A.R. family has, indeed, been pleasant.

Recommendations

Our Detroit Encampment, as did our Auxiliary and the Ladies of the G.A.R., adopted a Resolution recommending that arrangements be made for the five organizations of the Grand Army Family to meet together in 1960; in the same city, and initiate the Centennial of the Civil War with a united front. We have received a favorable reply from the Daughters of Union Veterans, but not the Woman's Relief Corps. In view of our action: I present recommendation—

No. 1—I recommend that the choosing of a meeting place for our 1960 Encampment be left in the hands of the Council of Administration and the incoming Commander-in-Chief, who will consult with the Allied bodies as to a place that would be agreeable to them, and report back to our 1959 Encampment.

The United States Civil War Centennial Commission, General U. S. Grant, Chairman, invited your Commander-in-Chief to appoint a representative of our organization to act on the Advisory Council of the Commission, to serve for the duration of the Commission. Your Commander-in-Chief appointed Past Commander-in-Chief Albert C. Lambert, who is familiar with the Commission activities, to represent our Order on the Commission's Advisory Council for the duration of the Commission. Therefore, I offer:

No. 2—I recommend that the action of your Commander-in-Chief be confirmed.

Because of the lack of interest, publicity and attendance for the ceremony at the Tomb of Lincoln, in Springfield, Ill., and realizing that, in case we wish to continue the observance, something must be done, on a suitable scale to make this the success it should be, I offer:

No. 3—I recommend that the Council of Administration take under advisement the continuance of the observance and, if continued, to suggest such plans to the Commander-in-Chief that would be consistent to its successful operation.

No. 4—I recommend that serious thought be given to the changing of the name of our annual meetings to Convention instead of Encampment. I sincerely believe it should be done soon.

I have, this last year, given all of my time and paid a lot of my expenses; and possibly have had more than the normal amount of

trouble in Departments. However, it has been a joy serving you. If, in any way, I have won your approval I certainly will be fully repaid.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. & L.,

(Albert B. DeHaven)
Commander-in-Chief.

(Applause of the Encampment followed, after which the Report of the Commander-in-Chief was referred to the Committee on Officers' Reports.)

Commander-in-Chief DeHaven: If the Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief is ready with his report, we will hear it now.

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief Story:

REPORT OF SENIOR VICE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF

208 No. Rose Ave.
Compton 2, Calif.
July 30, 1958

Mr. Albert B. DeHaven
Commander-in-Chief
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

Dear Commander-in-Chief:

Having been elected Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief at the Detroit Encampment, I wish to thank the Officers and members of this great Order for the privilege of serving another year.

Upon returning to California, I was greeted by my many friends who were very happy and pleased that the Department of California and Pacific had been honored with the high office of Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief. Every one, with a few exceptions, has worked hard to make this a fruitful year for the National organization, and the Department.

In October, I attended the joint District meeting in Fresno. December 15th, I attended the reception for the Commander-in-Chief and the National President of the Spanish War Veterans in Los Angeles; also the meeting of District No. 2, both meetings in Los Angeles. Past Commander-in-Chief Frederick K. Davis and wife honored us with a visit in January. In early February, Past Commander-in-Chief Richard Locke visited Los Angeles—we were happy to have him for the short visit. February 3rd I visited Oakland, and on the 5th Santa Rosa. February 8th, I attended the Lincoln banquet in Los Angeles. February 9th, I attended the Midwinter meeting of the California and Pacific Department in Inglewood. All five Orders participate in the Lincoln banquet, and the Officers are chosen from all the orders.

In March, we were honored with a visit of our Commander-in-Chief Albert B. DeHaven and National Treasurer Nellie DeHaven of the Auxiliary. We visited the site of the 1959 Encampment in Long Beach. They stayed two nights in the hotel which we expect to be our headquarters in 1959. General Phil Kearney Camp and Geo. M. Burlingame Camps and their Auxiliaries combined to hold a Reception for them, in the name of the Department. Our members were happy to welcome them to California. We were able to take them to several places of interest near Los Angeles.

District No. 2, meeting in Santa Ana, was honored by the presence of Commander-in-Chief and Mrs. DeHaven. Mrs. Story and I had the honor of escorting the Commander-in-Chief and Mrs. DeHaven to Fresno, where they enjoyed a potluck dinner and a Camp meeting.

The next day, we went to the Santa Cruz big trees and on to a banquet in San Jose. By visiting the many cities in California, most all of the Department members were able to meet our Commander-in-Chief and welcome him. We all learned to love and admire them both for their fellowship, and devotion to the Order.

April 20th the Department of California and Pacific held their Encampment in Long Beach. We had a very fine Encampment. We initiated four new members into the Sons and the ladies initiated eight new members into the Auxiliary. I had the honor of installing the Department Officers, also the Officers of several Camps.

On Memorial Day, I attended and represented the National Order of Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War at services in the Veterans National cemetery in Sawtelle, in the morning. There are 38,000 Veterans interned there, from all wars. That afternoon, I attended and represented our National Order at Memorial Services held in McArthur Park, Los Angeles, where all Patriotic and Veteran organizations hold a combined service, sponsored by the City of Los Angeles.

I wrote to all Department Commanders asking for information regarding G.A.R. property, not legally disposed of. Illinois Department was the only one to respond. They reported that through two of their Camps, they have equity in two buildings formerly occupied as G.A.R. Halls—one in Chicago, and one in down state Illinois. Due to complexity of interest in the property, they have no redeemable value. They also have a large collection of history books and mementoes in their library.

The California Department, along with the other Patriotic Orders, have a room in the Capitol Building in Sacramento for the display and preservation of their relics and mementoes. Patriotic Hall in Los Angeles has a library containing the names and records of all Civil War Veterans; and a great number of showcases with relics and mementoes of the Civil War, and other Wars.

The Department of California and Pacific is sorry to report that, owing to the lawsuit in Long Beach tying up their funds, they have not been able to make the improvements planned for the ocean front. Therefore, the California Department will not be able to have our Grand Army Highway marker completed for the 1959 National Encampment. We are still raising funds for it, and hope to build it as soon as Long Beach can complete their improvements.

California Department is busy raising funds and planning entertainment for the 1959 Encampment. We hope to make every one who comes to the 1959 Encampment happy. This will be a wonderful Encampment for the far West, the first in the history of our Order.

I wish to thank the National Encampment for the honor bestowed upon the Department of California and myself. It has been a pleasure to serve the Commandery-in-Chief in the far west once again; and I hope I have been faithful to the trust placed in me.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. & L.,

(Louis T. Story)

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief.

(Referred to Committee on Officers' Reports.)

Commander-in-Chief DeHaven: Thank you, Brother Story. Brother Arnold, are you ready to present your report?

Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief Arnold:

REPORT OF JUNIOR VICE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF

Coventry, R. I.
August 16, 1958Mr. Albert B. DeHaven, Commander-in-Chief
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

My dear Commander-in-Chief:

To you, and the Members of the 77th Annual Encampment here assembled, I herewith am submitting a report of the activities and work of your Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief for the year about to close and, in doing so, I hope I have not faltered.

Shortly after returning home from our last National Encampment, I had the solemn duty to assist in the funeral service of one of the most patriotic members of our organization, P.D.C. Harry J. Geer of my own Department; and all who knew him will agree with me on that statement.

On Saturday, September 19th, I attended the reception to the President of the Department of Massachusetts Auxiliary, Mrs. Nancy Call. On Saturday, October 19th, I had the pleasure of bringing the greetings of the Commander-in-Chief to the Reception to the Department Commander of Massachusetts, Everett M. Atwood. On October 26th, I traveled to Worcester, Mass. to attend the New England Regional Conference. On November 3rd, I attended and brought the greetings of the Commander-in-Chief to the reception tendered to the National President of the Woman's Relief Corps, Mrs. Bessie Coughlin, of our own Rhode Island Department. Saturday, November 9th, I again had the privilege of bringing the greetings of the National Organization to the reception to the Department Commander of Connecticut, Mr. Bertrand DeForest, Jr. On November 16th, I traveled to Holyoke, Mass. to attend the Dedication Day program, sponsored by the local Camp there and, again, brought the greetings to this outstanding program. On November 19th, I took part in a Dedication Day radio program, sponsored by the Grand Army Family of my own Department, on a local radio station. On November 23rd, I traveled to Portland, Maine to attend the reception tendered to our Commander-in-Chief by the Department of Maine. This affair was well attended by many friends of our Commander-in-Chief, from far and near. On December 6th, as Junior Vice Commander, I had the honor of installing the Officers of Elisha A. Dyer Camp No. 7 and, again, on December 19th, installed the Officers of Amos P. Chapman Camp No. 6 of my own Department. These two occasions I look upon with great pleasure—the reason being that, of all the years I have been a member of the Sons of Union Veterans, it was the first installation I had the honor of performing.

On February 9th, I attended the Annual Lincoln Banquet sponsored by the G.A.R. family of Rhode Island, and brought the greetings of the Commander-in-Chief. On March 15th and 16th, attended the New England Spring meeting at Providence; and on March 30th, attended and brought the greetings to the Annual Encampment of the Department of Rhode Island, Woman's Relief Corps. On Saturday, April 5th I attended the Annual Encampment of the Rhode Island Department, Daughters of Union Veterans. On Friday, April 11th, took part in the Memorial exercises of my own Department and placed flowers in memory of all National and Past National Officers who had passed away during the year. On Saturday, April 12th, at our business session, we were honored by several National and visiting Department Officers being present; and, in the evening, our Commander-in-Chief gave us an inspiring message. On Sunday, April 13th, attended the Annual

Department Encampment of the Ladies of the Grand Army and, again, brought greetings from our National Organization. On May 3rd, I attended the Massachusetts Department Encampment, and on May 10th traveled to New Haven, Conn. to attend the Department Encampment there. I had planned to attend all Encampments in New England and New York but being a Forest Ranger, one has to work with the weather. If it is wet, I go—if not, I stay; and I would not wish for rain so I could attend, but for sunshine so that those who could attend could enjoy themselves. On Sunday, June 30th I had the extreme pleasure of presenting an American Flag to a Fire Department in Bristol, R. I. I was given this honor by my own Department; and it was presented in memory of a young man who died of wounds inflicted in the line of duty in the Korean Campaign, while serving with the United States Navy. It was the flag that was on his casket, and was given to the Department by his Mother for just such an occasion. The Fire Station where the flag will fly is only about 150 feet from the shores of the Atlantic Ocean, where the young Sailor died from his wounds. What better place for Old Glory to fly.

After these exercises, along with my Department Commander and several other Department Officers, I traveled to the Bristol Veterans Home where we were taken on a tour of inspection by the Commandant of the Home; and I must brag at this time, for I believe that it is one of the finest of its kind in our country. It has a total of 274 beds, and is now operating to full capacity, including five female veterans.

In regards to membership in our organization, several of the Departments have instituted new Camps, the newest being in Portsmouth, N. H., which was instituted last Wednesday evening, August 13th. Past Department Commander Brother Ernest Wells, a member of the National Membership Committee, deserves the credit for his many hours of work in this endeavor.

As membership chairman, I have received many suggestions on membership, some of them being used at present, with results. I believe there are Camps being formed in State Departments at this time, and the results will be reported later. As membership in the organization is the responsibility of the Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief, I offer the following recommendation:

RECOMMENDED that the National Council of Administration investigate the advisability of securing the services of some firm or organization to recommend some type of membership campaign similar to other organizations in a business-like manner so we may increase our membership. The expense of this campaign to be taken from the National G.A.R. fund. I believe this fund is to promote the memory of the G.A.R.; and I believe that by securing members and building up our organization, we can carry out this program.

Again, many thanks for the honor and privilege of serving as your Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief. I remain yours in

F. C. & L.,

(Harold E. Arnold)

Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief.

(Referred to the Committee on Officers' Reports.)

Commander-in-Chief DeHaven: Thank you, Brother Arnold. We will now recess until 1:30 P. M.

MONDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

August 18, 1958 — 1:30 P. M.

The Encampment opened in regular form.

Commander-in-Chief DeHaven: The National Patriotic Instructor, Brother Riggs has a presentation to make at this time; and he will now escort into the Encampment the man who will accept the presentation.

The National Patriotic Instructor escorted Mr. Van Billingham, representing Dave Garroway, into the Encampment.

National Patriotic Instructor Riggs: Mr. Van Billingham, through the courtesy of the National organization of Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, I would like to present this award through you, to Dave Garroway for his outstanding achievement on his Today's Show in the field of patriotism and the teaching of history. He is a fine example of true American Patriotism, and his contribution is great in acquainting us with many historical facts on his TV program and we, therefore, feel that we should present this plaque to him, in recognition of his patriotic service.

Mr. Van Billingham: Thank you very much. It is a pleasure to accept this award, on behalf of Dave Garroway. He is very much interested in historical events and likes to bring them to the attention of his TV audiences; as he feels that it is educational and interesting to his TV viewers.

I am sure he will be very proud of this patriotic award from the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, and I know he will cherish it dearly. Thank you again.

(The National Patriotic Instructor escorted him from the Encampment, amid the applause of the Delegates.)

Past Commander-in-Chief Grant: I would ask the special privilege of calling to your attention a matter which cannot wait.

You may remember that when we met in Cincinnati, Brother Locke was Chairman of a Joint Committee of all the organizations meeting there which drew up a number of resolutions on general national issues, expressing our views and attitudes on these national problems. I think it would be very wise if we repeated that, and had a similar Committee this year; with two members from the Sons, and two members from each of the other organizations. This Committee would meet and draw up some resolutions, along these lines, to be presented to the Encampment for action day after tomorrow.

I think these resolutions are of tremendous value to us, and, in addition, give us the proper kind of publicity which we need so greatly.

I move that the Commander-in-Chief appoint two members to such Joint Committee, to recommend resolutions expressing the attitude of this organization on various national issues; and that we request the Auxillary and Ladies of the G.A.R. to appoint two members to that Committee; and I hope that you will include Brother Locke on that Committee. (Seconded by Delegate Harold M. Drown, Massachusetts, and carried.)

Commander-in-Chief DeHaven: I will appoint on that Committee Past Commanders-in-Chief U. S. Grant, 3rd, and Richard F. Locke.

We are now under the Reports of Officers, and will have the report of the National Patriotic Instructor.

National Patriotic Instructor Riggs presented:

REPORT OF NATIONAL PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR

To: Commander-in-Chief Albert B. DeHaven and
Members of the 77th Annual National Encampment
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

Brothers:

BUILD YOUR ORGANIZATION

One year ago, I accepted the appointment as your National Patriotic Instructor, bringing honor to the Department of California and Pacific, my Camp—A. Podrasnik No. 15 of Ontario, and to myself. I am grateful for this appointment and I have tried, to the best of my ability, to fulfill the duties of this most responsible office in our Organization.

Believing that personal contact is important to the success of any office and living in the State of California, thus making it quite a distance for traveling, I have contacted the Departments by letters.

CIRCULARS were sent to every Camp Patriotic Instructor, through the courtesy of the Department Patriotic Instructors. These circulars gave suggestions for bettering our public relations, giving us publicity and needs for raising funds.

I have stressed, beside the Grand Army of the Republic Memorial Fund, Life Memberships; and I am happy to report that three of our members have subscribed to this permanent fund, becoming life members:

Richard F. Locke, Past Commander-in-Chief
Wm. M. Coffin, Past Commander-in-Chief
Earl F. Riggs, National Patriotic Instructor

Certificates of Merit were sent to each Department Patriotic Instructor with instructions for their use; and a request that I be notified who had been given these certificates.

"I REMEMBERED CARDS" was my way of saying "thank you one and all" who contributed to the National Patriotic Instructor's Fund.

PUBLICITY

I have made a sincere effort to keep our organization before the public. I have written articles for our local papers. Four articles, timely in nature, have been published in The Banner. Arrangements have been made through Mr. Giles, Program Chairman and Manager of Radio Station KCCS, Ontario, Calif. to present Radio Tape Recordings from the Society of American Coalition. The recordings are 15 minutes in length. The first program entitled "The Communist Campaign Against our Immigration System," by Mr. Arens, will be presented during the month of September 1958.

In view of the fact that I believe we derive much good from our membership in the American Coalition Society, I offer as:

Recommendation No. 1—"That the National Organization, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War continue their membership in the American Coalition of Patriotic Societies, Washington, D. C."

I participated in the Memorial Day Parade and Services in Pomona this year. Our decorated car won second prize. I also rode in the All States Picnic Parade, in Ontario on July 4th, and received a very fine ovation from the viewing group.

I have been invited to lead the Pledge of Allegiance to our Flag on several occasions at Non-partisan political meetings.

Publicity is so badly needed that I would like to offer:

Recommendation No. 2—"That the National Patriotic Instructor establish the presentation of a Memorial at the Annual Encampment

—the money for this Memorial to be taken from the funds raised by the National Patriotic Instructor."

I have visited most of the Camps in my own Department, attended the District meetings, serving as Patriotic Instructor. It was my pleasure to serve as Installing Officer for two of our Camps.

Legislation will be presented to the California State Senate by Senator Raymond Gregory of San Bernardino County, enacting a Centennial Committee in the State of California. In this interest, I offer as:

Recommendation No. 3—"That each Department of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War cause to have enacted legislation in their State or States, as the case may be, for a Centennial Committee."

Because there is a movement on to change our National Anthem, by the presentation of several Bills in the House Judicial Committee, I offer:

Recommendation No. 4—"That the National Organization, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, assembled in Encampment in Boston, Mass., August, 1958, go on record as opposing any change in our National Anthem; and that letters to this effect be sent to the members of this Committee from this Encampment."

Having been appointed on the Centennial Committee of the National Organization, after corresponding with Gen. U. S. Grant, 3rd, I called together the Department Commander of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, and the Department Presidents of the Allied Orders of the Grand Army of the Republic, for the purpose of uniting together and having a float in the Tournament of Roses Parade in Pasadena, January 1, 1961. I felt this would be a wonderful way for California to lead the way for the beginning of our Centennial.

I am happy to report that all except the Woman's Relief Corps joined in the idea, and all agreed to appoint a Committee for consideration of ways and means to raise the necessary funds for this participation.

Another suggestion which I made to this Committee, and one which was received with favorable comment was trying to have the Tournament of Roses Parade Association have as their Grand Marshal on January 1, 1961 our own Brother U. S. Grant, 3rd.

Recommendation No. 5—"That the Commandery-in-Chief procure and have presented at the Cathedral of the Pines, Rindge, New Hampshire, a Medallion imprinted with the Badge of the Grand Army of the Republic; same to be installed in the base of the Altar of the Nation, along with other Veteran and Patriotic medallions."

I have visited with Mr. Douglass Sloan, the founder, and he informs me that a space has been reserved on the base of the Altar for the G.A.R. Medallion.

FRUITAGE

I would commend the Department of Colorado and Wyoming for the most outstanding report of Memorial Day activities. This is a small Department, but their report was excellent.

I would like to commend the Departments of Massachusetts, New Hampshire, and New Jersey for their work on the Centennial, in having legislation already passed and members of our organization appointed and working on this committee.

Reports were received from eleven Departments and it was most difficult to judge which was the best. All Departments report excellent Memorial Day Services and each Department has something Special. The Department of Massachusetts reported the most work along the line of the Centennial.

However, I am going to award to the Department of Pennsylvania a Certificate of Merit for two outstanding programs, held on November 16, 1957—the presentation of a Juke Box to "Scotland School for Veterans Children," and Remembrance Day at the Grand Army of the Republic Monument in Gettysburg.

We have a member in our organization who has done much for us and has given freely of his time and money. I feel that he should be recognized for his efforts, in our behalf, and I would like to present to General U. S. Grant, 3rd, a plaque for outstanding service to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

I would also like to present to Dave Garroway, TV Narrator, for outstanding programming on his "TODAY" Show, a plaque in recognition of his services. So much history of the great United States is given on this show that I feel we, as a Patriotic Organization, should give recognition to Dave Garroway.

APPRECIATION

If possible, I would like to say "Thank you" one and all for your kind assistance this year—to the Brothers who have given me many suggestions and offered encouragement; and to those who have donated to the fund of the National Patriotic Instructor; and to Brother Albert B. DeHaven, Commander-in-Chief for appointing me to this most important office—I trust I have fulfilled your every expectation.

To Brother Albert C. Lambert, National Secretary-Treasurer, thank you for your patience and advice. You have been most helpful in keeping our accounts in balance.

To my own Department and the members of my Camp, for your loyal support and the many courtesies extended to the Office of National Patriotic Instructor, I say a humble and sincere thank you.

GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC MEMORIAL FUND

The following is a list of the donations received for The Grand Army of the Republic Memorial Fund:

Department of California and Pacific	Total
Mamie M. Deems, P.N.P., \$5.00; Lena G. Barrett, P.N.P., \$5.00; Phil Kearney Camp No. 7, Pasadena, \$5.00; District Nos. 1 and 2, Joint Meeting, \$11.00; Stanton Camp No. 8, Inglewood, \$5.00; Henry W. Lawton Camp No. 10, Long Beach, \$5.00; Henry W. Lawton Auxiliary No. 20, \$5.00; Dr. L. J. Snow, P.D.C., \$10.00; District No. 2, \$5.00; J. Val Loebel, \$2.00; Earl Riggs, N.P.I., \$64.00; Guy L. Paine, \$1.00; J. C. Ems, \$5.00; Col. Walter H. Adams, \$2.00; Santa Ana Camp No. 12, \$10.00; J. Wilbur Coursey, P.D.C., \$5.00; California Department Officers, \$18.00; E. F. Paguin, \$2.00; A. Podrasnik Camp No. 15, Ontario, \$15.00; Joseph E. Hooker Aux. No. 9, Pomona, \$5.00; Hannah Dabel, P.D.P., \$1.00; Joe E. Hooker Camp No. 9, Pomona, \$5.00; Gen. W. S. Rosecrans Camp No. 2, Los Angeles, \$2.50; All States Picnic, \$150.00; Mary Gately, \$10.00; John Gately, \$10.00; Beatrice S. Riggs, P.N.V.P., \$5.00; Rev. Thomas Langdon, \$5.00; Louis T. Story, \$5.00; Charles Riggs Auxiliary, \$5.00	\$383.50
Department of Connecticut	
John T. J. Judson, \$5.00; Frank L. Wilder, \$5.00; Leon Lewis, D.C., \$2.00; Allen F. Spink, \$1.00; C. Brown Newton, P.D.C., \$1.00; James Ledwith, \$1.00	15.00

Department of Illinois

Paul Herschell, Jr., \$12.50; Illinois State Camp, \$1.00; James Watson, \$1.00; William H. Dougall, \$5.00; Charles A. Brady, Jr., \$5.00; James M. Blackman, \$1.00; George W. Lovering, \$1.00; Department of Illinois, \$50.00 76.50

Department of Indiana

Lela B. Shugart, P.N.P., \$1.00; Frank L. Thomas, \$1.00; Ralph O. Yingst, \$5.00; Gen. Wm. Benton Camp No. 28, \$5.00 12.00

Department of Iowa

Jacob Kitchner, \$5.00 5.00

Department of Kansas

Charles Katterman, \$2.00 2.00

Department of Maine

Albert B. DeHaven, C. in C., \$10.00; Florence M. Fairbrother, \$1.00; Elizabeth B. Vinal, \$5.00; Maurice J. Warner, \$5.00 21.00

Department of Maryland

Gen. U. S. Grant, 3rd, P.C. in C., \$25.00 25.00

Department of Massachusetts

Charles H. E. Moran, P.C. in C., \$2.50; Ursula Shepardson, \$5.00; Ernest G. Wells, \$5.00; R. H. Widdecombe, \$2.00; Capt. Albert Prince Camp No. 112, \$5.00; Ira Buxton, \$1.00; Gilbert Stearns, P.C., \$1.00; Alfred E. Cooper, \$5.00; Harold M. Drown, \$5.00; Morton E. Conerse Aux. No. 15, \$1.00; Boston Camp No. 61, \$5.00; Hon. Frank J. Donahue, P.D.C., \$5.00; Harold P. Shepardson, \$2.50; William O. Fuller, P.D.C., \$5.00; John L. Day, \$3.00; Roy C. Call, \$2.00; Edith Emery, \$3.00; Clark W. Mellor, \$2.00; Charles W. Hooper, P.D.C., \$2.00; L. D. Sargeant, Camp 21, \$2.00 64.00

Department of Michigan

Guy E. Moshier, \$1.00; Urion W. Mackey, P.C. in C., \$5.00; Cloy V. Smith, \$1.00 7.00

Department of Minnesota

Department of Minnesota, \$5.00; Camp No. 8, \$5.00 10.00

Department of Missouri

Ethelyn Gray, \$1.00 1.00

Department of New Hampshire

New Hampshire Department, \$10.00; Cleon E. Heald, P.C. in C., \$5.00; J. Kirkwood Craig, P.C. in C., \$10.00; Camp No. 3, Portsmouth, \$3.00 28.00

Department of New Jersey

Albert C. Lambert, P.C. in C., \$5.00; Anne O. Clayton, National Pres., Aux., \$5.00; Ella G. Reeger, \$5.00; Department of New Jersey, \$10.00; Alton Sharp, D.C., \$5.00; Anna M. Williams, \$1.00; Jennie L. Pritchard, \$1.00; Angus Gillis (Memory of Grandfather Angus Gillis), \$5.00; Ferd V. Dayton Camp No. 5, \$5.00; S. A. Howell, \$2.00; Louis Epple, \$1.00 . . . 45.00

Department of New York

Allied Organizations G.A.R., \$1.00; Fred E. Howe, P.C. in C., \$5.00; New York Department, \$25.00; Dupont Eisemand Camp No. 2, Brooklyn, \$5.00; Lafayette Camp No. 140, \$2.00; Boys of Ward Island, \$1.00; Lt. William Bruckel, \$5.00; Charles L. Messer, P.D.C., \$1.00; Truman A. Vincent, P.D.C., \$1.00 46.00

Department of Ohio

Charles H. Bigley, D.C., \$2.00; Frank W. Barber, \$5.00; Henry J. Shreader, \$1.00; Fred Pfeister, Jr., \$10.00; C. Edward Wetzel, \$5.00 23.00

Department of Oregon and Washington

Frederick K. Davis, P.C. in C., \$10.00; Department of Oregon and Washington, \$10.00; Eugene Camp, \$10.00 30.00

Department of Pennsylvania

C. Leroy Stoudt, P.C. in C., \$5.00; Department of Pennsylvania, \$25.00; Gen. E. O. Cord Camp No. 54, \$5.00; James Cameron Camp No. 160, \$10.00; Connyingham Camp No. 169, \$2.00; Mary L. Maier, \$1.00; Robert F. Swayne, \$2.00; Gen. George Meade Camp No. 16, \$5.00; Capt. W. S. Newhall Camp No. 40, \$5.00; Charles J. Higgs, D.C., \$10.00; Gen. George A. McCall Camp No. 31, \$2.00; Robert W. Arnold, \$2.00; Bradbury Camp No. 149, \$2.00; Frank M. Heacock, \$2.00; Ivan Frantz, \$1.00; J. Frank Dawson, \$1.00 80.00

Department of Rhode Island

Tilton Camp No. 9, \$1.00; Newhall Camp No. 40, \$5.00; H. Dwight Bromley, D.C., \$5.00; Department of Rhode Island, \$20.00 31.00

TOTAL \$905.00

Sincerely in F. C. & L.,

(Earl F. Riggs)
National Patriotic Instructor.

(Applause was given by the Encampment; after which the Report was referred to the Committee on Officers' Reports.)

Commander-in-Chief DeHaven: At this time, we will hear the report of the National Secretary Treasurer and, Brothers, please pay attention as this report is very important.

National Secretary Lambert:

REPORT OF NATIONAL SECRETARY-TREASURER

Trenton, N. J.
August 15, 1958

Mr. Albert B. DeHaven
Commander-in-Chief,
77th National Encampment
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

My dear Commander-in-Chief:

1. Once again it is my privilege and pleasure to report on the fiscal transactions of the office of National Secretary-Treasurer. The books, records, assets, etc. have been audited by the J. S. Teunan Co., Certified Public Accountants, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1958. Their audit and survey, and certified copies of their report have been furnished to the Council of Administration, and to the Congress of the United States. The statistical supplement to this report furnishes excerpts from their reports.

2. My observation, over the years, is that undue expression has been placed on the negative aspects of our present organization. I believe that the time has come to grow up to the fact that times have changed. The fraternal organization has reached and passed its peak in our society, and our organization has reached and passed its peak in membership, as well. We hold that our basic concepts are more lasting than are those of many social and fraternal groups. If this is so, then our mission today is not to attempt to swell the ranks of the Order with members whose purpose in joining is selfish. Our mission should be to inspire those Sons of Union Veterans who have remained loyal. They will be replaced not in quantity, but in quality.

3. The key to perpetuation of our Order lies in sound financial standing and policies. In this respect, we have made remarkable progress in the past few years. The balance in the General Fund discloses an increase during the past year of \$1,564.84, in spite of a declining membership. This has been accomplished to a large degree by the unselfish service of your National Officers serving without commensurate compensation and at their own expense. The Permanent Fund is a bright feature of our financial structure, showing an increase during the past fiscal year of \$2,159.60, from the following sources:

Income		Expense	
Dividends and Interest ..	\$944.98	Interest on Life Member-	
Donation, U. S. Grant, 3rd	500.00	ships	\$22.50
Other Donations	65.00	Brokerage	11.63
Honor Roll	70.00		
Life Memberships	600.00		
Member at Large Fees ...	13.75		

4. Life Memberships received during the past year are:

Richard F. Locke	Earl F. Riggs
Charles P. Weldin	William M. Coffin
Edward N. Barnard	Frederick K. Davis

5. The following made donations to the Permanent Fund during the past year by entering names on the Permanent Honor Roll:

Marshall Hope, N. Y.	J. Val Loebel, Calif.
Howard E. Waite, Mass.	Anne O. Clayton, N. J.
Herman Teichman, Ohio	Louis T. Story, Calif.
Donald Peacock, Mich.	

6. The second annual ceremony held at the Lincoln Tomb on April 15 in Springfield, Illinois was disappointing in that little or no arrangements were made or promulgated in advance. This is a worthy project that deserves more thought and planning. We are indebted to the membership of the Loyal Legion for their invaluable assistance and support, and should extend an expression of our appreciation. To assure the continuance of the observance at Abraham Lincoln's Tomb in Springfield, Ill., on the date of his death, I offer:

Recommendation No. 1—That the incoming Commander-in-Chief appoint a Committee to arrange for the observance, said Committee to secure a wreath, arrange a program, and advise our membership sufficiently in advance of the event, to insure attendance. It has been suggested that the Central Regional Association might accept responsibility for arranging the celebration. It has also been suggested that our Auxiliary might wish to participate by the presentation of a wreath at the observance.

7. Three Charter Fees have been received during the year. They were for new Camps at Brandon, Vermont; Port Huron, Michigan and Portsmouth, New Hampshire.

8. A discrepancy seems to exist in the C. & R. inasmuch as it provides for Camp Secretaries and Treasurers and the National Secretary and Treasurer to be elective officers, but provides that Department Secretaries and Treasurers to be appointive officers.

To correct this situation, I offer:

Recommendation No. 2—That the following change be made in the Regulations:

Page 22, Article 4, Chapter 2, Section 2, Line 3—Following Department Council add "Department Secretary, Department Treasurer, or Department Secretary-Treasurer."

Page 23, Article 4, Chapter 2—Eliminate Section 4 and add a new Section 4 to read:

"The term of all elective and appointive officers shall be for one year, provided however, that Departments may fix the term of their Secretary and Treasurer (or Secretary-Treasurer), and location of office."

9. The Banner has again been published at modest net cost to the Order. It is regrettable that more Camps do not subscribe to The Banner for their entire membership. It is important that the non-attending member be advised of the activities and accomplishments of the Order.

10. During the year correspondence has been answered daily on a variety of questions. Quarterly Report blanks have been furnished to each Department; a National Roster has been issued; Banner subscriptions have been recorded; the 1957 Proceedings have been edited and distributed; the investments of the Permanent Fund have been supervised; minutes and actions of the Council of Administration were edited and reported; a perpetual inventory has been kept and orders for supplies have been filled; and the Banner addressograph mailing list has been maintained.

11. Much has been said about Sons of Union Veterans leadership of the Allied Orders as a result of the G.A.R. Deed signed by Comrade Woolson. Leadership of a group can only be claimed and maintained by those worthy, capable and deserving. It is regrettable that in some Departments, irresponsible Department officers have arbitrarily

attempted to dictate unreasonable demands upon their own Auxiliary, as well as the other members of the Allied Orders. This can only lead to misunderstanding and distrust, and will result in harmful results to all concerned.

12. The great struggle of our day is not for peace, and not for prosperity, but for the minds and souls of men. Grim, indeed, is the picture when in their sweeping grasp for world domination the Russians absorb millions in population and uncounted thousands of acres of land, great cities, gigantic industries and entire nations, while we struggle to hold together our weakening and fearful allies whose very economic and military existence we must support, else it collapse. The deepest resources of mind and soul and substance must be mustered if we are to have the victory. It is in the heritage which we safeguard that the national will to victory will be found. There are children—millions of them in our schools—who must be taught the old virtues all over again. For the newer, weaker brand is the pap on which their natures are now undernourished and the gospel which they absorb is a badly watered-down version of the old American truths. Make no mistake about it, unless we win this battle for the minds and souls of men—and win it for our children and our children's children—we will have lost in the ultimate struggle for freedom everywhere. This job of saving America is a citizen's job—an individual responsibility, as it has always been, and, pray God, as it always will be. The task is to make the people think, again, with realism, with patriotism, with clarity, and to mobilize their individual will into the united action which brings results.

The Sons of Union Veterans is an organization with a most important duty to the republic, a responsibility which becomes vital as one contemplates the predicament in which our country finds itself; for ours should be a never-failing voice testifying to the faith of our fathers—to the pure American spirit of that amazing war machine, the Grand Army of the Republic.

13. To you, Commander-in-Chief DeHaven, I extend congratulations on your conscientious loyalty and devotion to duty. Yours has been an extremely difficult year, beset with more than the usual problems. Your patience, understanding and knowledge of our tradition and heritage has stood you in good stead.

I wish to express to you my appreciation for your many courtesies, and to the National Officers for their splendid cooperation.

Sincerely in F. C. & L.,

(Albert C. Lambert)
National Secretary-Treasurer

NATIONAL TREASURER'S FINANCIAL STATEMENT

JULY 1, 1957 to JUNE 30, 1958

	General Fund	Legis- lative Comm.	Nat'l Patr.		Perm. Fund
			G.A.R. Fund	Chief of Staff Fund	
Balance July 1, 1957	\$2,649.77	32.57	997.64	56.35	1,061.64
RECEIPTS					
Per Capita Tax	5,797.00				
Supplies	986.65				
Banner Subscriptions	961.50				
Registration Fee—1957	226.00				
Gift—Auxiliary	500.00				
Charter Fees	15.00				
Rebate—Congressional Record	14.10				
Transfer from Legislative Committee	32.57				
Transfer from Chief of Staff	315.85				
Nat'l Patriotic Instructor 1956-57			168.00		
Nat'l Patriotic Instructor 1957-58			412.50		
Chief of Staff Fund				259.50	
Donations					565.00
Dividend—Public Service N. J.					54.00
Dividend—American Tel. & Tel.					130.50
Interest—U. S. Bonds					40.00
Dividend—Wellington Fund					338.34
*Stock Dividend—Wellington Fund					382.14
Honor Roll					70.00
Life Memberships					600.00
Members At Large					13.75
Pub. Serv. N. J. Stock sold					1,743.26
Amer. Tel. & Tel. Stock sold					4,869.00
U. S. Bonds sold					3,200.00
	<u>\$8,848.67</u>		<u>580.50</u>	<u>259.50</u>	<u>12,005.99</u>
	11,498.44	32.57	1,578.14	315.85	13,067.63

DISBURSEMENTS:

Supplies	480.09
The Banner	1,880.97
Commander-in-Chief	1,000.00
Salaries	1,200.00
F. I. C. A.	54.00
Encampment expense	685.69
Rent	400.00
P. C. in C. Badge	130.00
Proceedings—1957	645.00
Office exp.—postage—express	585.91
C. P. A. Audit	100.00
Flowers	44.32
Lincoln Monument expense	10.20
Lincoln Tomb expense	20.00
Insurance	35.50
Congressional Record	12.15

	<i>Nat'l Patr.</i>				<i>Perm.</i> <i>Fund</i>
	<i>General</i> <i>Fund</i>	<i>Legis-</i> <i>lative</i> <i>Comm.</i>	<i>G.A.R.</i> <i>Fund</i>	<i>Instructors</i> <i>Chief of</i> <i>Staff</i> <i>Fund</i>	
Transfer to General Fund		32.57			
Transfer to General Fund				315.85	
Grave Marking Committee			25.00		
Lincoln University Scholarship			300.00		
American Coalition			40.00		
Printing			16.50		
G. A. R. Property—express			24.39		
Interest on Life Memberships					22.50
Wellington Fund—967 shs. purchased					12,318.52
*Wellington Fund—33 shs., stock div'd					382.14
	7,283.83	32.57	405.89	315.85	12,723.16
<i>Cash Balance July 1, 1958</i>	\$4,214.61		1,172.25		344.47

JULY 1, 1958

Permanent Fund

Cash	\$344.47
1,000 Shares Wellington Fund (mkt. value \$13,760.00)	12,700.00
	\$13,045.13

Stock and Supplies Account

Cost of Supplies on hand 7-1-57	\$2,667.64	Received for supplies	\$986.05
Cost of Supplies purchased	480.00	Cost of supplies sold	664.13
	3,147.73	Profit on supplies	\$322.52
Cost supplies on hand 7-1-58 ..	2,483.60		
Cost of supplies sold	\$664.13		

Comparative Balance Sheet

	<i>June 30, 1958</i>	<i>June 30, 1957</i>	<i>June 30, 1956</i>
CASH			
General Fund	\$4,214.61	3,649.77	3,102.67
Patriotic Instructor G.A.R. Fund ..	1,172.25	997.64	1,335.50
Legislative Committee		32.57	42.77
Chief of Staff Fund		56.35	
Permanent Fund	344.47	1,061.64	242.77
PERMANENT FUND INVESTMENTS			
(Book value)	12,700.66	9,823.89	8,966.10
INVENTORY AT COST	2,483.60	2,667.64	2,472.05
	\$20,915.59	17,289.50	16,162.82

NATIONAL SECRETARY'S ANNUAL CONSOLIDATED REPORT 1957-1958

Departments	Good standing June 30, 1957		GAIN		LOSS		Good standing June 30, 1958		Associates Included	Delegato Representation
	Camps	Members	Camps	Members	Camps	Members	Camps	Members		
Calif. & Pacific	13	301	1	28	..	28	14	301	..	7
Colo. & Wyo.	3	54	..	..	1	22	2	32	..	2
Connecticut	19	346	..	..	..	46	19	302	..	7
Illinois	12	147	2	83	2	95	12	135	..	4
Indiana	10	117	..	23	3	67	7	73	..	2
Iowa	6	100	..	..	..	9	6	91	1	3
Kansas	6	57	..	..	..	..	6	55	..	2
Maine	19	345	..	7	..	21	19	331	..	2
Maryland	6	72	..	..	..	7	6	65	..	2
Massachusetts	73	1136	..	..	8	157	65	1003	2	21
Michigan	8	216	1	22	..	13	9	225	5	5
Minnesota	6	76	..	2	1	17	5	61	..	2
New Hampshire	12	189	1	24	2	36	11	177	2	5
New Jersey	16	323	..	6	..	28	16	301	7	7
New York	38	646	..	22	3	82	35	586	..	13
Ohio	29	376	1	15	2	40	28	351	..	8
Ore. & Wash.	3	87	..	3	..	16	3	74	5	2
Pennsylvania	51	898	..	34	2	100	49	832	12	18
Rhode Island	12	163	..	1	..	5	12	159	..	4
Vermont	13	200	2	26	2	31	13	195	1	5
Wisconsin	7	88	1	11	2	21	6	78	..	3
Camp 21, So. Carolina	1	16	..	..	..	..	1	16	..	1
Camp 4, Missouri	1	18	..	..	..	3	1	15	..	1
Camp 30, Missouri	1	5	..	2	..	1	1	6	..	1
Nat'l Camp at Large	1	3	..	2	..	..	1	5	..	1
	366	5979	9	337	28	847	347	5469	35	134

RECAPITULATION

In good standing 6-30-57	366
GAIN	337
LOSS	6316
In good standing 6-30-58	347

CAMPS ORGANIZED: Brandon, Vt.; Port Huron, Mich.; Portsmouth, New Hampshire
 CAMPS REINSTATED: Santa Cruz, Cal.; Cleveland, Ohio; Sheboygan, Wis.
 CAMPS DROPPED, SUSPENDED, DISBANDED: Colorado; Denver; Indiana; Kokomo, Valparaiso, Winchester, Massachusetts; Canton, Woburn, Charleston, So. Hanison, Eastondale, Shrewsbury, Fitchburg, Berlin; Minnesota; Detroit Lakes; New Hampshire; Lebanon, Hinsdale; New York; Kingslon, Troy, Granville; Ohio; New Philadelphia, Lo-raine; Pennsylvania; Nazareth, Uniontown; Vermont; Barre; Wisconsin; Thorpe.

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Seventy-seventh Annual Encampment

(Applause of the Encampment followed the reading of this Report, after which it was referred to the Committee on Officers' Reports.)

Commander-in-Chief DeHaven: Thank you, Brother Albert. It has been a privilege to work with you during the past year; and words alone cannot express my gratitude to you for the assistance you have given to me and the service you have rendered to this organization.

Is the National Chaplain ready with his report?

National Chaplain Charles C. Webster:

REPORT OF NATIONAL CHAPLAIN

7 John St.
Springvale, Maine
July 27, 1958

To: Albert B. DeHaven, Commander-in-Chief
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, and
Members of the 77th Annual Encampment

My dear Commander-in-Chief:

One year ago you honored me by appointing me as your National Chaplain. It was an honor I cherished very much, and I hope I have served you and our Organization in such a manner that there will be no regrets in your choice.

I have tried to fill this office in a dignified manner; and tried to carry out the work of my office to the satisfaction of yourself and the members of our beloved organization.

I have attended many affairs of our Order, not only in Maine, but in many of our New England Departments; and have been most cordially received at all our meetings—and I have enjoyed meeting with all Brothers and Sisters of our Order.

While in St. Louis last winter, I had the pleasure of meeting many members of the Missouri Department where, through the efforts of Brother and Sister Moushey and Brother Mohr, a meeting was held to honor our Commander-in-Chief, and his good wife, National Treasurer of our Auxiliary, Nellie. My wife, Past National President, Mildred R. Webster and myself met our Commander-in-Chief at the Railroad station, when he and Nellie arrived. We went to a hotel where we had a rest, and later were picked up by the Mousheys and other Brothers and Sisters and taken to the place of meeting—where we were entertained and attended a Banquet, given by the Brothers and Sisters of the Missouri Department.

Our Organization has met with a great loss this past year, by the death of our good and faithful Brother, Past Commander-in-Chief John E. Sautter. I am sure the sympathy of our entire membership is extended to his bereaved family, as well as my own personal sympathy. I also extend our sympathy to all who have lost loved ones within our ranks. May the good Lord console them all.

To Fred E. Colwell, who filled this office last year and who is now Chairman of our Legislative Committee, I extend my regrets for his illness, and wish for him a speedy recovery.

Yours in F. C. & L.,

(Charles C. Webster)
National Chaplain.

(Referred to the Committee on Officers' Reports.)

Commander-in-Chief DeHaven: We will now have the report of the National Historian.

National Historian Allen F. Spink:

REPORT OF NATIONAL HISTORIAN

175 Ridgewood Rd.
West Hartford, Conn.
August 16, 1958

Commander-in-Chief Albert B. DeHaven
Officers and Members of the
77th Annual Encampment
Boston, Massachusetts

Dear Brothers:

This year I am privileged to report that several Department Commanders have appointed Department Historians, and have sent their names and addresses to this office. Most of those Brothers have sent me some very interesting information of an Historic value, with reference to the Civil War and the Civil War Veterans. I hope that every Department Commander has appointed a Historian in his Department and will send the names and addresses to the National Historian.

I am sure that in most Departments, during the course of the year, some special event has taken place and is known only to that Department. I had hoped that a running history of these events could be compiled, year by year, along with the duties of this Office but, as I said last year, the only way for a National Historian to compile such a report is for each Department to let him know about these affairs.

This year, the report of your National Historian will have to be brief; as I have not been as active as I would like to have been, due to illness terminating in an operation.

I had hoped to get a circular letter to each Department Historian thereby becoming closer to each Officer, hoping that more could be accomplished. I would suggest that such a letter be written by the incoming National Historian, and would suggest that this letter be written soon after the close of this Encampment.

It has been a distinct pleasure and privilege to have served you, Commander-in-Chief DeHaven, as your National Historian; and may I extend my sincere wish that you have a most successful and harmonious Encampment.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. & L.,

(Allen F. Spink)
National Historian.

(Referred to the Committee on Officers' Reports.)

Commander-in-Chief DeHaven: May we now have the report of the National Personal Aide.

National Personal Aide Maurice J. Warner read:

REPORT OF NATIONAL PERSONAL AIDE

Boston, Mass.
August 18, 1958

To: Commander-in-Chief Albert B. DeHaven
and the 77th National Encampment,
Boston, Massachusetts

Dear Commander-in-Chief and Brothers:

I would like, at this time, to make a brief report on part of my work during my term as your Personal Aide. While some of my accomplishments may not come under the direct duties of my office.

I feel they were a credit to our organization and, therefore, of some benefit to you.

I was appointed by our Department Commander of Maine to be the Chairman for a Reception honoring you and your Staff; and with the able assistance of a fine Committee, both men and women, was able to have a very successful affair.

As permanent Chairman of the Memorial Day Committee of the Sons of Union Veterans in Bath, Maine, I have full charge of all work that is carried out on that day—including the contracting of, as well as the confirming of, all bills for Memorial Day, in the name of the City.

I have arranged for the public display of Civil War relics, etc., in various Museums or Historical Societies in Maine, and am now arranging for the opening of a Civil War Room in one of them.

I have been invited to give lectures on the Civil War period, as well as the history of our own organization. Some of these invitations were extended to me as a representative of our National organization.

I have arranged and had printed a Flag-burning ceremony showing the proper way of disposing of the American Flag, before appropriate witnesses; and have portable racks and equipment so that I can carry everything in the trunk of my car for use in other communities.

I have attended many activities of our Allied groups, and have also located, as well as disposed of properly, many mementoes of the Civil War and the Grand Army of the Republic.

I wish to thank you for the honor and privilege of serving.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. & L.,

(Maurice J. Warner)
National Personal Aide.

(Referred to the Committee on Officers' Reports.)

Commander-in-Chief DeHaven: We will now have the report of our Representative in the District of Columbia.

Past Commander-in-Chief Grant presented:

REPORT OF REPRESENTATIVE IN THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

College Hill,
Clinton, N. Y.
17 August, 1958.

To the Commander-in-Chief,
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War,
Boston, Massachusetts.

My dear Commander-in-Chief:

I have the honor to submit herewith my annual report as Representative of our Order in the District of Columbia, in compliance with the provisions of the Act of Congress Approved August 20, 1954, for the year just past.

1. Without taking your time and trying your patience with a list of events which I was privileged to attend as a representative of the Commandery-in-Chief, I would like to start, for the sake of emphasis, with my two activities that seem to me of sufficient importance to merit being printed in the Proceedings of this National Encampment.

2. At our last Encampment a resolution was passed opposing the construction of the so-called Constitution Avenue bridge, across the Potomac at Washington. Examination of the plans, submitted by the District Commissioners to the National Capitol Planning Commission

for approval, showed that the encroachment on the grounds of the Lincoln Memorial and the injury to the said great Memorial would be much worse than I had supposed when I brought the project to your attention last year.

3. The law authorizing this bridge had been passed by Congress without any hearings, under the mistaken impression that those, who had objected at the previous hearing on the "E" Street bridge, were all agreed to the Constitution Avenue site. The efforts of the Commission of Fine Arts, the National Park Service, the Planning Commission, and many patriotic organizations to have the bill amended (S. No. 994) and the river crossing located in a tunnel further up the stream passed the Senate, but failed of passage by the House at the end of last year's session. The District Commissioners took advantage of this situation to say they could only go ahead with the bridge as authorized by the 1954 Act.

4. Apparently Governor Adams and Gen. Persons, on behalf of the President, adopted this view and committed themselves to it, at least such was the essence of the answer I received when I took up the matter with Governor Adams on my return to Washington after our Encampment. The National Park Service was instructed to keep quiet, and the Planning Commission had been so changed in membership that it was split on the subject. The Commission of Fine Arts was, therefore, the only official body to continue the fight with us.

5. It is pertinent that the D. C. Commissioners' plan, proposed a bridge not in extension of Constitution Avenue, as every one inferred from the name; but locating an overpass for 23rd Street, exactly on the north-south axis of the Lincoln Memorial, and from under this the approach to the bridge would rise and cross the north-west corner of the Lincoln Memorial grounds, go over the monumental approach from the Rock Creek and Potomac Parkway at a height most harmful to the view from the Lincoln Memorial, askew to the Memorial's east-west axis, and crossing the river so as to screen the water-gate to the east and the Theodore Roosevelt Memorial to the West, and filling the Lincoln Memorial grounds and setting with the pretzel of approach and connecting roads. To appreciate the injury of the latter it is necessary to note that the roads and grading would have destroyed some 390 full grown trees in the Memorial's landscaping.

6. Fortunately, the President's approval of the bill had indicated some requirements he felt necessary to prevent injury to the Memorial and Memorial Bridge, among these that the Secretary of the Interior should approve the approach roads. The District Commissioners paid little or no attention to the limitations the President had placed on his approval, but the more Secretary Seaton studied the situation, apparently, the less he liked it. Meantime, I, on your behalf and that of the Military Order of the Loyal Legion, realized that here was an outrage proposed, a desecration of the Lincoln Memorial and its setting, and of the Theodore Roosevelt Memorial which just must not be permitted. So, with the understanding support of our Commander-in-Chief, I did what I could to organize opposition to the project. Every patriotic and civic organization that really understood what was proposed, passed resolutions against it. We shall probably never know how the outrageous effects got to the President, but finally, after the League of Republican Women and the D.A.R. had acted, he came out with a statement calling for legislation to have the bridge moved about 1000 feet upstream. That legislation has now passed.

7. The Second Item of Importance I have to report on is the matter of the Woolson Gold Medal. Some years ago, Congressman Robert L. F. Sikes of Florida got a bill through Congress to give a Gold Medal to each of the then survivors of the Civil War. Of course,

it took some time to design and cast these medals. Comrade Woolson died before his could be presented to him. I found it was being held by the Director of the Mint, as he could not give it to anyone else without legislative authorization, and it would soon be returned and melted up. So, with the Commander-in-Chief's approval, Dewey Meade obtained from the Woolson heirs a request for it to be given to the Sons of Union Veterans, to be preserved and displayed as a Memorial to their Father.

8. Mr. Sikes gladly enough introduced the bill, and our good friend Congressman Keating cooperated with him and, indeed, introduced a substitute bill which passed the House promptly. In May, I discovered that it had been referred to a Subcommittee of the Senate Judiciary Committee, and had lain dormant there, no hearing having been scheduled. Senator Joseph C. O'Mahoney of Wyoming, who is a member of our Civil War Centennial Commission, and who had been ill and had been much distressed by his wife's serious illness, nevertheless expedited the bill through the Senate with almost magical speed, as soon as he was apprised of our interest in the measure and its purpose, and it was signed by the President last Wednesday. I learned this fact on Thursday by calling Mr. Morgan in the White House, and there followed some hectic arranging with the friendly and effective Director of the Mint, Mr. William H. Brett, as I thought you would all like to see the Woolson Gold Medal at this Encampment. The Secretary of the Treasury wanted to present it in person, but he was attending hearings at the Capitol and after fixing two times for the presentation, finally had to telephone that he regretted deeply he could not get away, and it would be presented by the Under-Secretary of the Treasury, Julian B. Baird, himself from Minnesota, on Friday afternoon August 15th at 4:45 o'clock. So, here it is, including a description and a copy of the receipt I signed, on behalf of our Order.

9. Other legislative matters of import to our Order were the bill for a Congressional Charter for the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, for the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, and for the National Woman's Relief Corps. For the two former bills, I recommended approval in the name of our order. I do not remember any request from the Woman's Relief Corps for our endorsement. However, on inquiry I found that there was no chance of any of these bills being approved by the Committee handling them. Not only is there an agreement now between the Judiciary Committee of the House and that of the Senate that they will not recommend any more Congressional Charters, except in very exceptional cases; but also have the implication that, when three organizations of the same patriotic family have bills in for this purpose, they are not likely to be considered exceptional cases.

10. On several other occasions, with the Commander-in-Chief's approval, I have spoken for our Order, especially in connection with the Walter bill relating to the Nationality and Immigration Act, with the resolutions of the American Coalition, and with the acquisition of additional land needed to preserve the essential features of the Antietam and Shiloh Battlefields. While I did not presume to speak for our Order in regard to this matter, there is another bit of legislation that I think you will be interested in hearing about: The Congress has, in the last few days, also passed an act to transfer to the National Park Service, for maintenance and operation as a National Memorial, the Tomb of General Grant on Riverside Drive in New York. Heretofore it has been maintained by the Grant Memorial Association with inadequate appropriations from the City. The latter is glad enough to be relieved of the financial burden, fiscally poverty stricken as that great city is.

11. You will note that the Civil War Centennial Commission has also included in its statement of purposes the discovery and marking of the monuments and burial places of all Civil War Veterans. This is one activity in which it counts on the active cooperation of the whole Grand Army family. It has also given backing to the restoration and repair of the Civil War Memorial in New York City, to the preservation of the Chattanooga Battlefield against encroachment by the new freeway proposed across Moccasin Bend and the cutting down of Cameron Hill for fill to build the freeway.

RECOMMENDATIONS

12. In conclusion, I recommend:

(a) Resolutions of thanks and appreciation to the members of Congress who helped with the bill to give us the Woolson Medal.

(b) Resolutions of appreciation and thanks to all organizations, members of Congress, the President and Secretary Seaton for their help in preventing the outrageous Constitution Avenue Bridge.

(c) A resolution concurring generally with the resolutions adopted by the last meeting of the American Coalition, reserving the right to act independently in individual cases as they arise.

(d) The appointment immediately of two brothers to act on a joint committee with two members of the Ladies of the G.A.R. and two ladies of our Auxiliary to propose resolutions of general policy on national questions, which all three organizations can adopt at this Encampment.

(e) A resolution inviting the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic and the Auxiliary to appoint immediately two representatives each to meet with the said Joint Committee.

(f) A Resolution authorizing the Commander-in-Chief, when in agreement with the National Secretary-Treasurer and the Washington Representative, to act for our Order in emergencies, when there is not time to call a meeting or have a mail vote of the Council of Administration, and when such action is, in his opinion, appropriate and in accord with the purposes of our Order.

(g) A Resolution recommending to the Civil War Centennial Commission that item 7 of its "Suggestions" be enlarged to include the proper maintenance of Civil War Historic Sites and Landmarks, the discovery and marking of graves and personal monuments of persons who participated honorably in the War.

(h) A Resolution favoring passage of Congressman Schwengel's bill H. R. 13646, or any bill for the same purpose that may be introduced in the next Congress to provide for the microfilming of original military and naval records of the Civil War, both Union and Confederate.

(i) A Resolution recommending legislation to earmark the old Pension Office Building as a Veterans Memorial, to be administered under the General Services Administration for a Military and Naval Museum, with authority to permit the organizations whose membership is descended from the Veterans of the Civil War, both Union and Confederate, to occupy space therein as far as practicable without encroaching on space needed for its primary purpose of displaying military and naval mementoes and exhibits, and that the museum space and exhibits be controlled and administered by the Smithsonian Institution.

Respectfully submitted,

(U. S. Grant, 3rd)
Registered Agent in D. C.

(Referred to the Committee on Officers' Reports.)

Past Commander-in-Chief Grant: In connection with this report, I should like to suggest that with reference to the Congressional Charter matter for the ladies' organizations, we might pass that information contained in my report on to the two ladies organizations. Perhaps it might lead them to make some sort of merger, and then they would apply for a Congressional Charter as one Union Civil War organization, as was done by the Daughters of the Confederacy. In that way, they would have a better chance of getting their Charter.

At this time, Commander-in-Chief DeHaven, it gives me great pleasure to present to you, and the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, the Albert Woolson Gold Medal. (Reads inscription on both sides of medal.)

Official Description of Woolson Gold Medal

OBVERSE—Ulysses S. Grant and Robert E. Lee, representing honor to the great soldiers and leaders of the North and the South, and also representing the friendship ties between the two. Around the rim are the words, "Honor to great soldiers and to great Americans."

REVERSE—Shields of the North and South, separated by a torch which represents Light; there is a sword in the background representing War and Strength, with the olive leaves in front of the torch representing Peace. Unity between the North and South is tied in by the ribbon. The inscription reads: "Presented with honor to the surviving veterans of the War Between The States—Act of the Congress of the United States of America."

I inquired as to the cost of this medal, and was told that it cost about \$900.00; so it is very valuable, in a number of ways. (Past Commander-in-Chief Grant presented medal to Commander-in-Chief DeHaven, as their picture was taken by a photographer from the Boston Herald; amid the applause of the Encampment.)

Commander-in-Chief DeHaven: This is truly the acme of my year as Commander-in-Chief and of this Encampment. I had hoped, quite some time ago, that we might have this medal here at the Encampment but when General Grant told me of the delays they ran into getting this legislation through, I gave up all hope. It certainly is a surprise to have it here, and I am mighty proud to accept it, on behalf of our organization. Our sincere thanks goes to General Grant, who made this possible.

National Counselor Locke: I want to ask General Grant who prepared the inscription on the back of the medal; in which the term "war between the states" is used.

Past Commander-in-Chief Grant: If you will recall, I said in my report that the bill for this Medal was gotten through Congress by Robert L. F. Sikes, Congressman from Florida. Since this legislation originated in the south, and as they think of the Civil War as a "War between the States," it was perfectly natural that he should use this term—and very little could be done about it.

However, I would like to point out to you that those who set up the Civil War Centennial Commission call it the Civil War. The law setting up our Commission is subsequent to the other; so I would say that we are one step ahead now.

Commander-in-Chief DeHaven: Thank you, Brother Grant. We are still under Reports of Officers, and we will now have the Report of the National Graves Registration Officer.

Department Commander G. Leon Lewis; Connecticut, read:

REPORT OF NATIONAL GRAVES REGISTRATION OFFICER

1381 Dartmouth Street,
Baldwin, L. I., New York
July 22, 1958

Commander-in-Chief Albert B. DeHaven,
Members and Delegates to the
Seventy-Seventh National Encampment,
Boston, Massachusetts.

Honorable Sir and Brother:

It is with a feeling of honor, and a deep sense of personal satisfaction in the actual knowledge of a year of definite progress and accomplishment, that I am privileged to render, for the thirteenth term, my report as National Graves Registration Officer. Actually this is the 33rd annual report to be made by this office to the Commandery-in-Chief, the program of marking and recording veterans' graves having been adopted as a National project in June of 1926.

Despite the many years that individual Camps and Departments have been engaged in this important work, it is far from being completed. However, I feel that this past term has witnessed positive results for progress, has made great strides forward, and has been one of the busiest terms for this office in several years.

The post of National Graves Registration Officer has developed and expanded in its duties over the past two or three years in many phases of research work. This officer has become not only a registrar and advisor and administrator of the project of grave marking, but has become necrologist, genealogist and archeologist as well.

Many long hours have been spent this year in assisting various individuals, many not connected with our Order, to locate and compile data concerning their ancestors, their graves, headstone types and inscriptions, their family connections and relationship, and their war records. On several occasions recruits for membership in Camps of our Order have been assisted in like manner in order to establish their eligibility to join a Camp. These research projects have required much correspondence, contacting cemetery officials, town and city clerks, our own Grave Marking officers in the field, who have travelled miles to visit cemeteries and town halls to search records and obtain data. Assistance has been rendered to us by American Legion Posts as well as other Veteran organizations, and we have solicited State Adjutant General's offices in various States and the several Federal offices in Washington, D. C., in order to obtain the information requested of us. As may well be expected correspondence in these matters has been frequent and extensive, toward the final accomplishment of our investigations, but it has been a great satisfaction to be able to furnish those whom we were serving, the complete information they so anxiously sought. The reward for the long hours setting research machinery in motion, was realized when we were privileged to give to these people the data that they depended upon us to find for them, and to receive their letters of appreciation. May I say here that history and genealogy have long been my hobby, and as the founder and former president of an historical society in Connecticut, this type of work is for me a pleasure. That our findings gave pleasure to those whom we have served has made our efforts worth while, and especially those not connected with our Order must have received a most favorable impression of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

An indication of the fact that we have been alert to every possibility to promote this work is given later in this report in the

interesting story of the grave of one of the crew of the famous U. S. Naval Vessel "MONITOR" contained in the report for the Connecticut Department.

This office has been kept extremely busy throughout the past term with many and varied duties. Beside directing many letters of encouragement and advice to Grave Marking Officers in our Camps and Departments, I have issued complete instructions for the conduct of the project to newly appointed Department Grave Registration Officers; have written letters of appeal to State Veterans' Commissions, cemetery officials, and to town and city officials concerning laws affecting veterans' graves, the setting of headstones, and protesting in a certain instance the failure of a cemetery superintendent to cooperate with our Grave Registrars in the field and to overcome their objections to setting headstones at the graves of our veteran dead.

I have written and had published articles for the public press, particularly in one city where its citizens were apathetic toward rendering aid for the proper observance of Memorial Day, urging perpetuation of the memory of the Grand Army of the Republic and quoting General Logan's famous General Order No. 11. I have also written a column for THE BANNER containing grave marking suggestions for our Camps and Departments. I have issued hundreds of applications for State and Federal headstones to Camp and Department Grave Registration officers and to individuals not connected with our Order. I have answered a constant flow of correspondence from individual members of our Order offering suggestions for the progress of our work; assisted in obtaining grave flags for Union veterans of the Civil War buried in Canada, and have kept in constant correspondence with the General Services Administration and other bureaus in Washington concerning the data required for our work.

In an official capacity, I attended the 74th annual encampment of the Connecticut Department at New Haven, and I represented the National body at the Installation of Officers of Tilden Camp No. 26 in New York City, where I was accorded every courtesy and the honors of the Order. At these and other affairs, I have always spoken of the importance of the project of marking and recording veterans' graves and have urged our members to even greater efforts in this work.

I have received and read carefully reports from Department Grave Registration Officers and have replied to each with commendation for their fine work. These reports, together with all correspondence received and copies of letters issued from this office are kept on file in several bound volumes representing the business of each term. Another bound volume on file contains all of the 32 previous reports of this office to the National organization as taken from the printed proceedings of the several Encampments of the Commandery-in-Chief since the institution of this grave marking project by the National body. These volumes provide a complete reference file which is continually used to advantage by this office.

Our Order is fortunate to have in its membership a loyal working force of Brothers throughout the nation who are actively engaged in the work of recording and marking the graves of veterans, and who are erecting memorials in bronze or in granite, or marble at their graves. Departments, almost without exception, have appointed experienced members to head up this work in their respective states, and our Camps everywhere have always had members doing this work, who are outstanding in their knowledge of this project. To name them all would be an impossibility here, but I wish to personally commend each and every one of these faithful Brothers for their

interest and their accomplishments in this work, which to my mind is among the most important projects we are sponsoring as an organization.

There are some whose efforts have come to my close attention, partly because of my own participation in their work, and because they have been faithful in rendering reports of their progress. These members deserve our appreciation and commendation for their ability and for their tireless efforts in our behalf.

Following is a brief description of some of the work being accomplished by our members in the field in various parts of the country, and which have been reported to this office:

Connecticut: Department Graves Registration Officer Benjamin H. Rose has been doing a herculean job in the cemeteries of his State and his accomplishments are many. He has waged an untiring controversial campaign with cemetery officials, in cemetery board conference and special sessions to bring about enforcement of state laws concerning veterans' graves and the proper care of them. He has personally applied for and attended to the erection of countless headstones at veterans' graves, and he has vigorously protested in some instances where cemetery officials attempted to prevent the erection of headstones for veterans. An instance which indicates the alertness of this Office to opportunities in this work and the cooperative spirit of our workers in the field, may be found in the following account. A column in the New Haven Sunday Register labeled "Know Your State" told of an interview with an old-time resident of Putnam, Connecticut, who stated that he had often visited the grave of one Thomas L. Taylor USN, who was the last known survivor of the crew of the Union ironclad "MONITOR." He went on to say that the grave was unmarked. A friend in New Haven gave the clipping to your National Graves Registration Officer and immediately I took action. Brother Ben Rose was contacted after unsuccessful attempts to reach the old-timer who had told the reporter this story. Brother Rose lost no time travelling the 108 miles from his home to Putnam and investigated the matter. He located the cemetery sexton, the grave of the Naval veteran who had served on the "MONITOR" and, as a result of Brother Rose's efforts, an application has been placed with the State for a headstone which will soon be erected at this sailor hero's grave in little Putnam, Connecticut.

Another who has done outstanding work in Connecticut is Samuel W. Morrell of Stamford, who has covered all of the cemeteries in the southwestern Connecticut area and has arranged erection of many headstones at veterans' graves.

Indiana: Department Graves Registration Officer Alva Reef, P.D.C., has, with his good wife, compiled a six book record of 500 pages of the names of veterans buried in Indiana cemeteries, with the dates of their birth and death, and dates markers were ordered and erected at these graves. Four new headstones were set and others are on order. Brother Reef has provided this office with a bound copy of the veterans' graves already located in the various counties in his State. A good job, and well done by Brother Reef.

Maine: Department Graves Registration Officer Charles C. Webster is no novice in this work. He has been doing this job in Maine Department for years and is well equipped in the knowledge of grave marking and recording. So efficient has his work been over the years that the veterans' graves in his state have nearly all been marked with headstones. However, a number of stones have been ordered and several new stones have been erected during the year. Bath, Gray and Sanford have been most active in securing headstones

with Sister Darling, P.D.C. Warner, and the late P.D.C. Miller assisting Brother Webster in the project. The loss of P.D.C. Vernon W. Miller of Bath, who had been very faithful in this line of work, has been a sad blow to the Maine Department.

Massachusetts: Applications for new headstones have been issued to grave marking officers in Barre and in Hubbardston. Barre has been working on headstones for six unmarked veterans' graves and in each community Sisters of the Auxiliary have been assisting.

New Hampshire: Hudson Centre's Hermon R. McCoy of Camp 18, Nashua has been quite active in caring for veterans' graves in a number of cemeteries in his state. He has arranged for erection of 23 headstones at unmarked graves and has done a remarkable job in and around his community in this work.

New Jersey: Abraham Lincoln Camp's William W. Vanderhoof, supervisor of Veterans' Interment for Union County, has been extremely active in this phase of our work and has caused to have issued a brochure to all veteran organizations in the county explaining the method by which headstones may be procured for veterans' graves. He has also taken a most active part in the Memorial Day arrangements in his community and has promoted our Order's part in observances in connection with the day, in a most impressive manner.

New York: Our work has been progressing in every town and city in the great Empire State where there is a really tremendous job to do. I was privileged to sit in on New York City's Camp No. 26 plans for the care of several hundreds of veterans' graves in their jurisdiction and had first hand observation of the efficiency with which this work is laid out. I assisted members of this Camp in making application for headstones. Berry Camp No. 89, Niagara Falls, has been fortunate in mustering a new member, Irving Richard Reed, whose hobby it is to visit old abandoned cemeteries in remote parts of Niagara County and recording location of veterans' graves and inscriptions of existing headstones. Brother Reed has sent in lists of these graves to this office and his reports have contained some very progressive suggestions for our work. When a project is begun to compile a complete list of New York State's cemeteries and veterans graves therein, Brother Reed has volunteered to act as a collection point for Niagara County. His interest and his efforts are to be highly commended.

Pennsylvania: In Mt. Carmel, a loyal band of workers headed by Past Camp Commander Robert E. Delcamp has been quietly doing a wonderful work in this line. They have kept this office busy supplying application forms for headstones, and of 165 veterans' graves in their cemeteries, they have already erected 116 headstones and have orders pending for the other 49 which they hope to have set before the summer is over. It is such material that our project boasts of, and it is such loyalty and devotion on the part of our members working at it in the field, that marks the progress and accomplishment of the all-important work of grave marking. Our appreciation and our commendation is due to these faithful Brothers.

CONCLUSION

In closing this report I wish to take this opportunity for a personal note. First I wish to thank you, Commander-in-Chief DeHaven for your confidence in me which prompted you to honor me with re-appointment to this office under your administration.

To have been considered worthy of this post by being selected to serve in it for 13 consecutive terms, is to me one of the highest honors and the sincerest commendation of my loyalty to our honored Order that could come to me from this National body. It more than

compensates for the hours spent in the operation of this project and is a reward to be highly cherished.

My interest in this work stems from childhood when I learned it by participation with my honored grandsire Lieutenant Silas O. Dwinell of the 6th Vermont Infantry, who for years had charge of the cemetery work for Kellog Post No. 26, Grand Army of the Republic of Derby, Connecticut. When I became old enough to join the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, which was on May 10th, 1918, forty years ago, I was given direction of the graves registration work in the 12 cemeteries under jurisdiction of my Camp, by virtue of my experience with my grandfather in the work. I had by then memorized the name of every veteran and the location of his grave. Shortly thereafter while my grandfather was still with me, I made maps of all of the cemeteries in the area, locating the veterans' graves thereon and presented them to the Camp. These were drawn on tracing cloth and prints are easily taken from the master cloth and are supplied each year to decorating squads to facilitate location of the graves.

From the foregoing sketch, it will be apparent that I have brought to this National Office, experience as well as devoted interest. I trust that my stewardship has met with your approval, Commander-in-Chief and Brothers, and that it has met with the satisfaction of the National organization.

It has afforded me great honor and much pleasure to have been privileged to conduct the affairs of this office another year.

The small amount of \$25.00 budgeted each year toward the expense of this project has been used to partially cover the cost of postage and supplies necessary to the proper conduct of a business office on a national scale.

Respectfully submitted in Fraternity,
Charity and Loyalty,

(Bertrand O. DeForest, Sr.) P.D.C., Conn.
National Graves Registration Officer.

(Referred to the Committee on Officers' Reports.)

PRESENTATIONS BY NATIONAL PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR

National Patriotic Instructor Riggs: Commander-in-Chief, I have two presentations to make and if agreeable to you, would like to make them at this time.

I would like to ask the Commander of the Pennsylvania Department to come forward, please. (Department Commander Dr. Charles J. Higgs came forward.) As National Patriotic Instructor, I would like to present to the Pennsylvania Department, through you, this Certificate of Merit for the most outstanding report submitted by any Patriotic Instructor in the Departments.

Department Commander Dr. Higgs: I am very happy to accept this certificate, on behalf of the Department of Pennsylvania, and we are very proud to have won it. I should like the Pennsylvania delegation to rise, and I will introduce them to you (introduces members of Pennsylvania delegation). Again, thank you—it is a pleasure to accept this award.

National Patriotic Instructor: I should now like to address Past Commander-in-Chief Grant.

Brother Grant, on behalf of the National organization, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War; and as National Patriotic Instructor, I would like to present this plaque to you for outstanding service to

our national organization. Your contribution in a great many instances, has been of great value to us and we are very grateful to you.

Past Commander-in-Chief Grant: Thank you very much.

COMMUNICATIONS — GREETINGS

National Secretary Lambert read the following telegrams and letters containing best wishes for a fine encampment, and regrets at their inability to attend the Encampment from:

Past Commander-in-Chief Charles F. Sherman, New York
 Past Commander-in-Chief Henry Towle, Maine
 Past Commander-in-Chief Neil D. Cranmer, New York
 Past Commander-in-Chief Roy J. Bennett, Iowa
 Past Commander-in-Chief Frederick K. Davis, Oregon
 Past Department Commander Chester L. Charter, Minnesota
 Past Department Commander Frank M. Heacock, Pennsylvania

RESOLUTIONS

The National Secretary read the following resolutions, after which they were referred to Committees:

- (1) From the Department of New Hampshire—relative to the "New Hampshire Plan" for re-organization of the Order—
(Referred to the Committee on Constitution and Regulations.)
- (2) From the Department of New Hampshire—That Article VI, Section 3, page 4 of the C. & R. be changed from 150 to 75—
(Referred to the Committee on Constitution and Regulations.)
- (3) From the Department of New Jersey—relative to revision of forms 60 and 61 (Camp and Department Patriotic Instructor Reports)—
(Referred to the Committee on Resolutions.)
- (4) From the Department of Vermont—relative to revision of Form 60, similar to Resolution from the Department of New Jersey—
(Referred to the Committee on Resolutions.)
- (5) From Capt. Cook Camp No. 223, Buffalo, N. Y.—relative to the use of the term "War Between the States"—
(Referred to the Committee on Resolutions.)
- (6) From the Department of Pennsylvania—That Article 7, Section 3, relative to "Associates" be repealed and revised, in accordance with change submitted by them—
(Referred to the Committee on Constitution and Regulations.)
- (7) From the Department of Rhode Island—That Article IV, Section 2 of Chapter II, page 22 be amended, in accordance with change submitted by them—
(Referred to the Committee on Constitution and Regulations.)
- (8) From the Department of Vermont—that the words "blood relatives" in Article III, page 2 of the C. & R. be stricken out, and "Direct lineal descendants" inserted—
(Referred to the Committee on Constitution and Regulations.)
- (9) From Brothers Waite, Haynes and Cutting of the Massachusetts Department—that in General Regulations, Chapter V, Article III, a new section be added, following Section 5, to cover Life Membership Badges—
(Referred to the Committee on Constitution and Regulations.)
- (10) From the Council of Administration—That each of the Allied Orders contribute the sum of \$200.00, to the Convention Committee in the cities in which Encampments are held, starting with the 1960 Encampment—
(Referred to the Committee on Resolutions.)

(11) This consisted of a group of communications from Camps in the Department of Michigan. The 1958 Encampment of the Allied Orders of the Grand Army was held in Grand Rapids, that of the Sons was held in Port Huron and is illegal, these Camps maintain; and they ask the National organization to direct them to meet again in an Encampment which will be legal.

Resolutions have been adopted by the Michigan Department of the Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans, Daughters of Union Veterans, and Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic requesting the Michigan Department of the Sons of Union Veterans to adhere to rules set up by the Allied Orders; and to meet with and cooperate with the other members of the Allied Orders.

National Secretary Lambert: I move you that this entire matter be referred to a Special Committee appointed to study it thoroughly; and report back to this Encampment, before it adjourns. (Seconded by Past Commander-in-Chief Bauer, and carried.)

Commander-in-Chief DeHaven: I will appoint the following Committee to study this matter:

Past Commander-in-Chief Richard F. Locke, Chairman

National Secretary-Treasurer Albert C. Lambert

Past Commander-in-Chief William M. Coffin

Past Commander-in-Chief C. Leroy Stoudt

I believe we are now under Reports of Committees; and we will hear the report of the G.A.R. Highway Committee.

National Secretary Lambert read:

REPORT OF THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC MEMORIAL HIGHWAY COMMITTEE

527 Stetler Ave.,
Akron 12, Ohio
August 12, 1958

To: Commander-in-Chief Albert B. DeHaven and
Members of the 77th National Encampment.
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

My dear Commander-in-Chief:

Your Commander-in-Chief Brother DeHaven asked me to be the Chairman of the Grand Army of the Republic Memorial Highway Committee and I accepted, hoping I could do some good by writing letters to the Department Commanders of the States through which the Highway passes.

I want to thank the Department Commanders of California and Pacific, Connecticut, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, Colorado and Wyoming, Ohio, Iowa and New York for their prompt answers to my letter asking them to appoint three Brothers in their State to serve on the Highway Committee.

In my letter to these Brothers who were appointed to the Committee, I suggested three things we could do to keep Route 6 as a Memorial to the Grand Army of the Republic.

These Departments sent the following reports:

California and Pacific—Brother Frank Woerner—

By 1959, U. S. Highway No. 6 will be completed. This highway will be an eight-lane freeway and will be marked with G.A.R. Highway U. S. 6 signs. Throughout the State, he also reported they have \$1,500.00 in their Treasury to erect a monument at the terminus of

the highway at Long Beach. They expect this fund to grow by the time the highway is completed.

New York—Past Commander-in-Chief Fred E. Howe—

The Highway is in fine shape to travel. There are about ninety miles of Route 6 in the State, which also has G.A.R. markers. The scenery is fine; and is well worth our time to travel.

Ohio—Brother Paul E. Grate—

The second monument at the east and west ends of Route 6 in Ohio have been erected and will keep up the marked areas in good shape. There are a lot of roadside parks which are used by a lot of travelers.

Pennsylvania—Brother William J. Blakely—

The highway is kept in good condition. The Highway Department keeps the markers in good shape, and have installed 16 new markers. There are 403 miles of Route 6 in Pennsylvania. Brother Blakely keeps in touch with the Highway Department at all times and I think that is one way to get something done on the Highway.

I am sorry that more of the Departments did not send in a report. The General Chairman of the Highway Committee has to depend on letter writing, hoping that Brothers will work on it from there.

I want to thank Commander-in-Chief Brother DeHaven for appointing me to his staff of officers.

I was highly honored to represent our Commander-in-Chief and the National organization in Massillon, Ohio, November 30, 1957 at a reception for National President of the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Ylavane Howard.

We were very happy to have you, Commander-in-Chief, in Dayton, Ohio at our No. 3 District Meeting.

Sincerely in F. C. & L.,

(W. Earl Corbin)

Chairman—G.A.R. Highway Committee.

(Adopted as read.)

Commander-in-Chief DeHaven: We will now have the Report of the Committee on Legislation.

The National Secretary then read:

REPORT OF THE LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

August 15, 1958

Mr. Albert B. DeHaven, Commander-in-Chief
Officers and Delegates,
77th National Encampment
Boston, Mass.

Greetings:

On January 27th of this year, the House Committee of the Judiciary delivered an adverse report on seventeen Special Day Bills, at that time pending before that Committee. Included in the list was HR 49, the Bill introduced by Representative Kenneth B. Keating, of New York, which would have established November 19th of each year, the anniversary of Lincoln's Gettysburg Address, as a special day on our national calendar (not a holiday). In the past, it has been the custom of the Committee to frown on many of these Special Day

bills and to let them die in some forgotten pigeon-hole; but this collection received the modern, streamlined treatment of "adverse report."

Mr. Keating's bill (HR 49) is a model of pure American patriotism, in both concept and context; and certainly deserves something better than the back-handed brush-off it received from this "adverse report."

The election of Maj. Gen. U. S. Grant, III recently to the chairmanship of the National Civil War Centennial Commission, while earnestly hoped for by every loyal Son of a Union Veteran, certainly is a tribute to the General himself—but also to our Order as well. Now it is incumbent on every member to get behind our Past Commander-in-Chief and give him our 100% support and co-operation throughout the entire four year commemoration of the Centennial itself.

Sincerely yours in F. C. & L.,

(Fred E. Colwell), Chairman
National Legislative Committee.

(Adopted as read.)

National Counselor Locke: This organization has never had a more sincere, loyal, and hard working member than Fred Colwell; and I would move that the National Secretary be directed to send him a telegram wishing him improvement in health, together with the best wishes of all present here at this Encampment. (Seconded by Delegate Clark Mellor, Massachusetts; and carried.)

Commander-in-Chief DeHaven: We are now ready for the report of the Committee on Americanism and Education.

National Secretary Lambert: Up to this time, no report has been received. If it arrives during the Encampment, it will be given before the close of our sessions.

Commander-in-Chief DeHaven: Are there any other Committee reports at this time?

(An open discussion period followed, in which delegates related matters of interest from their respective Departments which they felt was for the good of the order.)

Commander-in-Chief DeHaven: May we have a report from the Credentials Committee please.

Delegate Bertram Isaacs, New York: Commander-in-Chief, the Credentials Committee presents a supplemental report. We now have a total registration of 112.

Commander-in-Chief DeHaven: Thank you, Brother Isaacs. We will now recess until 9:30 A. M. tomorrow.

TUESDAY MORNING SESSION

August 19, 1958 — 9:30 A. M.

The Encampment opened in usual form.

Commander-in-Chief DeHaven: I think we should have a report from our Credentials Committee, as the first order of business.

Delegate Bertram Isaacs, New York: Commander-in-Chief, your Credentials Committee report a total of 126 members registered this morning.

Commander-in-Chief DeHaven: Is Brother Drown in the room? If so, we would like to have a report of the Publicity Committee.

Delegate Ernest G. Wells, Massachusetts: While Brother Drown is not in the room, I can give an interim report, as I have had the pleasure of serving on that Committee.

Your Publicity Committee has been active, and has been able to get items into the papers daily. The Boston Globe has been printing items about the Encampment, in nearly every issue of that paper, and yesterday they published quite a news story. This morning's issue of the Boston Herald had the picture, taken yesterday afternoon in the Encampment, of Past Commander-in-Chief Grant presenting the Albert Woolson Medal to the Commander-in-Chief.

Brother Drown and his Committee have been working hard to get publicity by the Boston newspapers, and I can assure you that we will continue with this project during the entire Encampment.

I understand that Brother Drown has a written report, which will be turned in later and, I assume, will be incorporated into the proceedings of this Encampment.

The following report was received from the Chairman of the Committee:

REPORT OF THE PUBLICITY COMMITTEE

Stoughton, Mass.
August 20, 1958

Commander-in-Chief DeHaven,
Members of the 77th National Encampment
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

Brothers:

I have been informed that a report is expected of press items on our encampment. We feel results are very well worth the effort expended and in the short time available, will try for a complete and comprehensive tabulation.

For a year, within the Boston Committee, on appointment by Chairman "Jack" Day, and with the help of Ernest G. Wells, P.N.P.I.; then on assignment the past few months, in advance, by Commander-in-Chief Albert B. DeHaven, we constantly functioned. Across the nation, releases reacted practically 100%.

Key folks, such as the Commander-in-Chief himself, National Secretary Albert Lambert, National Patriotic Instructor Earl Riggs, Leonard Wyman, Amer. Com., Herbert Bogue, N. E. Regional Association Publicist and a "veteran" journalist with me a long time; and even National President Twanette Paull of the Ladies of the G.A.R. gave

able assistance. These had to be different, exclusive stories, for local colorization. Of course, I had a FEW contacts, in addition.

Publications using full "copy" were: Trenton Sunday Times Advertiser; Portland Express-Telegram; several Southern California issues; Kansas City Mo. Star; Manchester, N. H. Union and Keene, N. H. Sentinel. And in Massachusetts were: Springfield Union, Brockton Enterprise; New Bedford Standard-Times and the Stoughton Chronicle. We received prominent display stuff—bold faced caption (some double columns and illustrated). I believe it would be conservative to say we totalled full page newspaper size. Most of this, I have seen personally.

Boston dailies were slow getting in motion, but we have certainly "crashed" them the past few days. Realizing a little pressure would be needed, I went to work on best contacts I've had for over forty years, in the field of journalism, for our Order. Truthfully, I have been amazed though my contention has always been we do all right, but never as well as we would like. Fortunately no fires, murders, deaths or any scandals came along to throttle us. If thus, our chances would have been as good as the proverbial snow ball in the hot place.

Thank all you swell fellows who have worked with me, and my apologies to any I have neglected to recognize. Thanks, Commander-in-Chief DeHaven; and my fine friend "Jack" Day—for the confidence placed in me.

In F. C. & L.,

(Harold M. Drown). Chairman
Publicity Committee.

Commander-in-Chief DeHaven: Is the Committee on Restoration of Rank ready to report?

Past Commander-in-Chief Howe: Up to the present, nothing has been turned over to our Committee, or proposed; so we will withhold our report to see if anything comes in.

Past Commander-in-Chief Grant: I would like to raise a question relative to something in our Ritual, which seems to be contrary to the law. I raised this question two years ago, and would like to repeat it now. That is the placing of the flag on the altar, and placing the Bible on top of it. (Reads Ritual—General Instructions, page 3, Par. 5; also the law.) When this question was raised before, we did not have a copy of the law. I would suggest that this matter be referred to the Committee on Ritual and Ceremonies; and that Past Commander-in-Chief Stoudt be consulted about it, as he has made an extensive study of it.

Commander-in-Chief DeHaven: This matter will be referred to the Committee on Ritual and Ceremonies.

Does anyone have anything to offer at this time for the good of the order?

Past Commander-in-Chief Grant: I would like to tell you, briefly, about the Civil War Centennial Commission; and what we hope to accomplish.

We, of the Centennial Commission feel that this should be a commemoration—not a celebration. The events, the heroism, and sacrifices given by Americans in the Civil War is something which we feel should be commemorated. No other war in our history had such losses, sustained by those participating in the struggle—with entire regiments and brigades being lost in battle—and such deeds, and the events which took place in that war should be commemorated. The Confederates sustained similar losses, and showed similar heroism.

I think that our attitude in this organization, the Sons of Union

Veterans of the Civil War, should be that which was expressed by the Commander-in-Chief of the Union Armies—that all are Americans again now; they are good citizens, and we accept them as such.

The Centennial Commission hopes that this commemoration will be one to establish better feeling and get rid of Sectionalism—as the Union Army, and many of the Confederate leaders, tried to do after the war was over. I have several speeches, made by Confederate leaders—such as General Lee's farewell to his troops, by Governor Wyatt of Virginia, by General Nester; also the statement of the Aide to General Lee, about the surrender at Appomattox and, in all of these speeches they pointed out that the war was over, and that they were to return to their homes and be good American citizens. We believe that neither the Confederate organizations, nor the Union organizations will do anything contrary to that belief; which might result in ill feeling and encourage Sectionalism.

It is the purpose and plan of the Commission to also inspect Civil War Monuments; inspect burial grounds to see that the graves of these veterans are properly marked; to authorize the micro-filming of all Civil War original records, diaries, accounts, etc. The National Archives has agreed to release all confidential correspondence, which has never been published before; and we hope the Commission will be in a position to arrange for printing of supplementary volumes of this correspondence, etc.—to be published and made available for research. You can help us with that sort of thing in your national position of patriotic organizations by writing your Congressmen to get the bills passed to do these things.

The commission, with its limited funds, cannot pay for the commemoration in the different States. Local people will have to arrange their own commemorative events; and all the Commission can do is give assistance, if asked; and do research work.

Ours is a big country and, although there were some States in which there were no battles, they furnished regiments which sustained severe losses and gave tremendous service. Or, they might have sent distinguished officers into that war. We feel that these States have a great many things to commemorate, as well as those in which battles were fought. For example, let's take Illinois—the state where I was born. There were no battles in that State, but it sent some very distinguished officers. Their participation in the war might justify commemorative events in the towns from which they came. This same thing is true in a number of other States, and we hope that commemorative events may be held in these States.

Yesterday when the Resolutions were read, a Brother raised the question of "War Between the States." Personally, I think we should call it the War of the Rebellion. We think of it as the Civil War; and the South thinks of it as a scrap between the States. When the bill for the Woolson Gold medal was introduced, it was by a Confederate Congressman and so the description on the back of the medal was in accordance with his line of thought and was designated as the "War Between the States." When our Commission bill was introduced, the Daughters of the Confederacy objected to calling it the Civil War Commission. We were able to overcome that objection, however, and it is known as the Civil War Centennial Commission. Let's not be too quarrelsome about this matter. We do not use the term, and will continue to explain that it was a Civil War; but let's not make it a reason for creating more hard feelings.

Briefly, that is the picture of what the Civil War Centennial Commission is trying to do.

(He also spoke about the transfer to the National Park Service for maintenance and operation as a National Memorial of the tomb

of General Grant on Riverside Drive, N. Y.; and the resolution recommending legislation for the old Pension Office Building, to be designated as the Veterans Memorial Building, in Washington, D. C.—both of which are covered in his report.)

I thank you all for listening so patiently; and if there are any questions, I would be glad to answer them for you. I hope that what the Civil War Centennial Commission is trying to do will have your hearty support.

(A period of open discussion on matters of interest to the delegates from the various Departments followed. Various members of the delegations were introduced by their Department Commanders; and Past Department Commander Chester S. Shriver, Pennsylvania, spoke about the first Annual G.A.R. Remembrance Day, observed at the statue of Comrade Albert Woolson in Ziegler's Grove, in Gettysburg on November 16, 1957. The second Remembrance Day will be held November 15, 1958.)

Commander-in-Chief DeHaven: Thank you, Brothers. Are there any Committee reports at this time?

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RITUAL AND CEREMONIES

Past Commander-in-Chief Craig: Your Committee has had a meeting and considered the matter submitted to us a short while ago, by Past Commander-in-Chief Grant, relative to the placing of the Bible on the flag on the altar.

We agree unanimously that the Bible has a perfect right to be on the altar of the Sons of Union Veterans. The Bible needs the flag, and the flag needs the Bible and, therefore, we recommend that the part in the Ritual pertaining to the flag and the Bible remain as it is now.

Past Commander-in-Chief Grant: Commander-in-Chief, I would move that the report of the Committee be approved; and that it be out of order to raise this question again—unless it is presented in the form of a petition, signed by no less than ten (10) members of the Order. (Seconded by Past Commander-in-Chief Craig; and carried.)

Respectfully submitted,

J. Kirkwood Craig, Chairman, New Hampshire
H. Dwight Bromley, Rhode Island
James M. Blackman, Illinois
Committee on Ritual and Ceremonies.

VISIT OF NATIONAL PRESIDENT OF THE AUXILIARY

Miss Anne O. Clayton, National President of the Auxiliary, was escorted into the encampment by National Secretary Albert C. Lambert; and Miss Ella G. Reeger, National Personal Aide, was escorted in by Council of Administration Member Fred H. Combs, Sr.

Commander-in-Chief DeHaven: Brothers, it is the high-light of my Encampment to receive my National President of the Auxiliary. I would like, if time would permit, to tell you a lot of good things about her—I couldn't tell you any other kind. She has not only been a fine leader in her own organization, but has been a wonderful co-worker and has helped our organization a lot. I had the pleasure of traveling with her in many Departments; but in the middle and western States, I was not able to travel with her at the time she made her official visits. But I do know that she put in a good word

for us wherever she went; and from the reports I have heard, she certainly did a fine job.

I am very proud of her, I am proud to have been associated with her this past year and it is now my privilege to present to you the National President of the Auxiliary, Anne O. Clayton.

National President Clayton: My Commander-in-Chief Brother DeHaven, all National Officers of the Sons of Union Veterans, Past Commanders-in-Chief and Brothers all, and good and faithful Dolly; it is really a thrill for me to be permitted to come into your Encampment this morning, and be in the midst of such a handsome group of gentlemen.

I am happy to be here and particularly happy in being able to bring to you the sincere greetings of the National Organization, Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, your Auxiliary; and to add to it my own personal greetings.

It has been my pleasure to be very closely associated with the Sons of Union Veterans for the past 28 years, and I am very proud of that association. It has always been a privilege to work with, and for the Sons and I assure you that I shall continue to do that for the next 28 years, if at all possible.

During my travels this year, I have been privileged to meet many of the Sons and I want to sincerely thank you for all the courtesies extended to me. I couldn't have asked for any better co-operation and courtesy than I have received. You have been wonderful, and I appreciate it deeply.

I assure you, too, that when I did travel with your Commander-in-Chief, it was a pleasure. Whether I was traveling with him, or alone, I did everything in my power to promote the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, as well as my own organization; and if I was able to do anything to help you, I was only too happy to do it.

At this time, it is my extreme pleasure to present this little envelope which contains a check from the National Auxiliary for \$500.00. It is our love token to the Sons, with the love and best wishes of our organization to the Commander-in-Chief and the Sons of Union Veterans.

I would like to say, also that it has been a pleasure to be associated with Brother DeHaven and his wife. He has never given me a bit of trouble at any time, and has been a help to me on many occasions. I brought a personal gift, and I feel a little hesitant in presenting it to the Commander-in-Chief as it may seem to you to be a bit out of the ordinary; but please don't blame me, as it is what he wanted. So, here it is, Brother DeHaven, and I want you to know that I appreciate all that you have done for me this year; and this gift comes with my very best wishes.

Commander-in-Chief DeHaven: Anne, I don't know what to say. We have had a lot of fun this year—and have ribbed each other back and forth, all year; but when we got down to business we really meant business.

She is a grand girl, and it has been a pleasure to be associated with her. Anne, it has been a privilege to work with you; and I know the Brothers appreciate very much the work you have done this year.

I will call on National Secretary Lambert to respond to you.

National Secretary Lambert: Commander-in-Chief and Brothers, Sister National President and Personal Aide; coming from the Department of New Jersey, it is indeed a pleasure for me to respond to our National President.

We think it is a man's world, but as we look around us into almost any field of endeavor we find that women are very prominent—in

business, in civic, social, religious and in organization work. We find that they are always very active, and they devote much time and effort to whatever project or business in which they are interested. Much of the world's stock is controlled by women's investments; a large percentage of our business is controlled by women—and it is quite evident that they are very important. And so it is with our Auxiliary and we might as well face it—we would be at a loss, as an organization, without our Auxiliary. They do so much for us, year after year and I am sure that we couldn't get along without them.

Our Auxiliary is blest with such wonderful material that, year after year, they are able to produce women who give to their organization fine leadership. We, in New Jersey, have reached the climax of our ambitions in having furnished such a President of the Auxiliary this year and we are, indeed, proud. She is a worker—not only in the National organization, but in her local and Department organization as well; and she has been a worker ever since she first joined the Auxiliary.

Anne and Ella are members of Garfield Auxiliary No. 18 of New Jersey and they both are constantly working—doing the menial chores, as well as any others, that are to be done. They both are active in their Auxiliary; and you can be sure that whatever is going on, they are right “in the thick” of it. These girls are members 365 days a year—and that is the reason that Anne is National President this year.

She has had a very fine year; and one which has been very interesting. Much of her traveling has been done by plane and, in that connection, I recall an experience which she had which should prove that she is a very important person. When leaving Springfield, Ill., Anne found, on arrival at the airport, that the plane had taken off and she had missed it. However, when they discovered she was missing, they came back—just for her. She was embarrassed, of course; but met that as she has met every other situation during the year—taking it “in stride”—and with the dignity befitting the National President of our Auxiliary.

What can I say to you, Anne, except that we appreciate the loyalty, the devotion and love evidenced by your organization, over the years. Our Auxiliary is our guiding star which we need so much; and I say this not from the standpoint of the \$500.00 love gift, but from the standpoint of all the things you do for us, and have done for us, down through the years.

We wish for you a harmonious Convention with constructive decisions during your business sessions, complete enjoyment in the social affairs and a safe journey home. Thanks for taking time out from your Convention to come to us and giving us the opportunity to extend our sincere appreciation and love to you, and to our Auxiliary.

National President Clayton: I would like to say this is one of the nicest things that has happened at this Encampment. Thank you, Albert and Brothers.

Commander-in-Chief DeHaven: And now it is my pleasure to introduce to you Ella Reeger, National Personal Aide of the Auxiliary.

National Personal Aide Ella Reeger: Thank you, Commander-in-Chief. My National President, Commander-in-Chief, and all the members of this Encampment; it is indeed a pleasure to accompany Anne to your meeting and it is evident that you are having a fine Encampment.

I hope you have a constructive meeting, and that all your plans and dreams for the future will come true.

Brother DeHaven, it has been a pleasure to be in your company many times during the year. It has been a privilege to be associated with you and your lovely wife.

Thanks again for calling on me; and my best wishes to you all.

Commander-in-Chief DeHaven: Thank you. I know that you both are hard workers in New Jersey, and I know how hard you worked for the National organization this last year. Thank you so much for coming, and it has been a pleasure to have you with us.

(They were escorted from the Encampment.)

The Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief presided, as the Commander-in-Chief left the Encampment to go to the Auxiliary and extend his personal greetings to the National President and the Auxiliary.

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief Story: Has anyone anything to offer at this time?

Past Commander-in-Chief Heald: In the report of the National Patriotic Instructor he made reference, and had a recommendation concerning the Cathedral of the Pines in Rindge, N. H.

This is a national shrine. It is maintained by an Incorporated Association. Federal money does not go into the maintenance of it. It is a shrine to veterans of all wars. It is a tremendous thing. The Altar of Nations is composed of stones from every State in the Union and every country in the world. A picture of this Altar of the Nations has been circulated about the room so that you might know what I am talking about.

On Memorial Day, they hold patriotic Memorial Day Services. The Governor of every State and all possessions is represented, and a rose is placed on the altar by the Governors, or their representatives. All of the veteran, patriotic and civic organizations are there presenting wreaths. It so happens that we have never clearly defined whether this is a project to be undertaken by the Commandery-in-Chief, or whether it is a regional project. Our National Secretary has never been instructed as to our status.

This past year, the New England Regional Association was invited to present a wreath. No one was designated to procure the wreath and take it to the services from the National Organization but I knew the Commander-in-Chief was to have sent one. I called the Cathedral of the Pines and was informed that the National Organization of the Sons of Union Veterans had not sent a wreath, and I was to bring one. This I did, but the one handed to me at the time I was called on to make the presentation was not the one I brought. So, there I was with one wreath from the National organization; and one from the New England Regional Association. I feel that we want to be represented at this service, and I feel that we should; but I do not think it necessary to present two wreaths. So, I suggest that either the New England Regional Association, or the National organization be authorized officially to procure that wreath and make the presentation.

In the report of the National Patriotic Instructor, he recommended that the Medallion, imprinted with the Badge of the Grand Army of the Republic, be furnished and installed in the Base of the Altar of Nations, along with other veteran and patriotic medallions.

The National Counselor, Brother Locke, National Patriotic Instructor Riggs and myself went over to the Cathedral and talked to the official in charge. Every organization is represented, and space has been reserved on the base of the altar for the G.A.R. medallion. Mr. Sloan told us that one or two organizations have requested the privilege of providing this G.A.R. medallion but he felt that the Sons of Union Veterans, being the male organization, should provide and present it. The National Secretary informs me that we have

a bronze medallion which is the proper size and design in his office. I would suggest that we provide it, and that a proper presentation be made of it. I happen to live about twenty miles from the Cathedral and know Mr. Sloan, Superintendent of the Cathedral; and I would be very happy to arrange a fitting presentation, or cooperate with anyone who might be chosen to present this medallion, but I think we should decide who is going to present it.

I would move that the Commandery-in-Chief furnish the medallion for the Base of the Altar of Nations; and that the incoming Commander-in-Chief appoint one or more persons to arrange for a fitting presentation of this medallion. (Seconded by Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief Arnold, and carried.)

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief Story: Is there anything else to come before the Encampment?

Past Commander-in-Chief Heald: I have just conferred with the National Secretary, and move that the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War present annually, at the Cathedral of the Pines, a wreath at the Memorial Day service—that the New England Regional Association be authorized to have the Superintendent at the Cathedral of the Pines procure the wreath which is to be presented by the Commander-in-Chief or his representative. (Seconded by Delegate Clark Mellor, Massachusetts; and carried.)

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief Story: We will now recess until 1:30 P. M.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

August 19, 1958 — 1:30 P. M.

The Encampment opened in regular form.

Commander-in-Chief DeHaven: I believe that the Committee on Resolutions is ready to report.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

Past Commander-in-Chief Grant: The Committee on Resolutions wishes to submit a preliminary report at this time on the following matters:

(1) From the Department of New Jersey, and a similar Resolution from Vermont State Camp—relative to Forms 60 and 61 (Camp and Department Patriotic Instructors Reports), requesting they be revised more along the question and answer style previously used.

Your Committee recommends approval of this Resolution, and suggests that it be referred to the Council of Administration for implementation. (Adopted.)

(2) Resolution from the Council of Administration—that each of the Allied Orders contribute the sum of \$200.00, starting with the 1960 Encampment, to the local Encampment Committee to assist them in the entertainment of the National Encampment; and that a copy of the Resolution be sent to the National Encampments of the Sons of Union Veterans, to the Auxiliary and to the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic asking for their action.

Your Committee recommends the adoption of this Resolution, subject to the action of the other Orders; and also recommend the authorization of \$200.00 per year, starting with the 1960 Encampment, for this purpose.

Past Commander-in-Chief Runkle: I am for the resolution as suggested, but where is that money to come from?

National Secretary Lambert: From the General Fund—to be reimbursed by our present registration fee. (Adopted.)

(3) A letter of statement of considerable interest and historical importance in regard to the use of the term "War between the States" from S. Grove McClellan, Camp No. 223, Buffalo, N. Y.

The Committee on Resolutions did not feel that this was a subject to be covered by a Resolution, but recommends that this material be published in The Banner. (Committee sustained.)

(4) If you will take action that resolutions of thanks be prepared and sent to the proper people here in Boston—the hotel, the Mayor and the Governor; and also letters of thanks to be sent to Members of the House and Congress who helped get the bills through for the Woolson Medal and the Constitution Avenue Bridge, the Committee will prepare them and turn them over to the National Secretary.

National Secretary Lambert: I move you that the Resolutions Committee be authorized to prepare the usual resolutions of thanks for the Convention City and also those to Members of Congress. (Seconded by Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief Story; and carried.)

Courtesy Resolutions of Thanks were sent to:

Mr. William Bowman, Convention Manager, Sheraton-Plaza Hotel

Mr. David White, Office of the Governor of Massachusetts

Mr. John Brown, Office of the Mayor of Boston

Resolutions of appreciation, for their assistance in securing passage of H.R. 9989, the bill giving the Sons of Union Veterans custody of the Gold Medal voted by Congress for Comrade Albert Woolson were sent to:

U. S. Senator, Hon. Joseph C. O'Mahoney

Congressman Hon. Robert L. F. Sikes

Congressman Hon. Kenneth B. Keating

(5) Resolution presented by the Committee—That the incoming Commander-in-Chief shall appoint a committee of three to investigate and recommend a suitable location for the display of the Woolson gold medal; and that such recommendations be submitted to the Council of Administration, and the Council be given authority to act upon these recommendations. (Adopted.)

Past Commander-in-Chief Grant: That is a partial report. We have additional matters to report on at a later session.

Commander-in-Chief DeHaven: Thank you, Brother Grant. May we have a report from the Credentials Committee.

Delegate Bertram Isaacs, New York: The Credentials Committee now report a total of 136 registered.

Past Department Commander Homer L. Young, Iowa: Commander-in-Chief, I would like to say a word at this time.

At the passing of Comrade Woolson, the Sons of Union Veterans performed the Burial service at his burial. Five of the Brothers participated in that service and, at the following National Encampment a resolution was passed that a gold star be issued to those five men. I have received my gold star and on behalf of the other four brothers and myself, want to thank the Commandery-in-Chief for that recognition. I am proud to have received one of those gold stars, and feel very privileged to wear it. Thank you very much.

Commander-in-Chief DeHaven: We have waiting in the lobby a delegation from the Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States.

The following were escorted in and presented to the Encampment: Gen. U. S. Grant, 3rd, Commander-in-Chief of the Military Order of the Loyal Legion,

Col. Frederic G. Bauer, Member of the National Board of Officers, William M. Coffin, Member of Ohio Commandery.

General Grant gave a short history, together with the requirements for membership in the Military Order of the Loyal Legion; and brought official greetings from the Order. Greetings were also extended by the other members of the delegation. (Response by Past Commander-in-Chief John H. Runkle.) They were then escorted to their seats in the Encampment.

Commander-in-Chief DeHaven: Is the Committee on Officers' Reports ready to present their report?

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON OFFICERS' REPORTS

Past Commander-in-Chief Coffin: Commander-in-Chief and Brothers, we have gone over the reports of the Officers submitted to us and are now ready to present our report.

Report of Commander-in-Chief

Your Committee has studied, with great interest, the report of our Commander-in-Chief. It is evident that he has expended considerable effort in carrying out the duties of his office in a most creditable manner. In addition, he has encountered many unusual and difficult situations during his term of office and has exercised judgment which reflects his many years of service in our order. He

is to be commended on his firm and tactful handling of these difficult situations. He retires from the office of Commander-in-Chief with the respect and esteem of each and every member of this Order. The Commander-in-Chief's report contains four (4) recommendations:

(1) That the choice of a meeting place for the 1960 Encampment be left in the hands of the Council of Administration and the incoming Commander-in-Chief, who will consult with the Allied bodies as to a place agreeable to them—and report back to the 1959 Encampment.

The Committee concurs with the recommendation in principle; and recommend that the Council of Administration investigate the possibility of a Joint National Encampment in 1960; and report back to the Commander-in-Chief, with recommendations as to the time and place preferred by the Allied bodies, for action by the 1959 Encampment. (Adopted.)

(2) That the action of Commander-in-Chief DeHaven, in appointing National Secretary Lambert to represent the Order on the Civil War Centennial Commission's Advisory Council for the duration of the Commission be confirmed by the Encampment.

The Committee recommends concurrence. (Adopted.)

(3) Relative to the ceremony at the Lincoln Tomb in Springfield, Ill.—

This subject is also covered in the report of the National Secretary-Treasurer; and no action is recommended until we reach that report. (No objection.)

(4) That serious thought be given to changing the name of the annual meetings to Convention instead of Encampment.

We find it necessary to refer this to the Committee on Constitution and Regulations; as the term "National Encampment" is used in various places in our Constitution and is also listed in the Charter granted to us by Congress.

Chairman Coffin: I would like to add my personal commendation to the Commander-in-Chief for his sincere efforts during this past year.

Report of National Secretary-Treasurer

In the report of the National Secretary-Treasurer, his recommendation No. 2 would require a change in the Regulations. In order that this Committee can consider this change at this time, and include it in their report, this Committee refers the matter to the Committee on Constitution and Regulations. (No objection.)

Report of Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief

The report of the Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief shows that he has been attentive to his duties.

He has represented the Order on the West Coast, and he assisted in the entertainment of the Commander-in-Chief while visiting the Department of California and Pacific.

We commend him on his report of his activities.

His report contains no recommendations.

Report of Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief

This report shows a clear understanding of the duties of the office of Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief, and reflects the many years of service Brother Arnold has rendered to our order. He is to be highly commended.

There is one recommendation in his report:

(1) That the Council of Administration investigate the advisability of securing the services of some firm or organization to recommend

a membership campaign to increase membership; with expenses for this campaign to be taken from the G.A.R. fund.

Your Committee recommends that this subject be referred to the Council of Administration, for further study. (Adopted.)

Report of Representative in the District of Columbia

The Committee carefully considered this report and we would be remiss if we passed this by without recognition of the ultra-valuable service that is given to this organization by General Grant.

As our representative agent in Washington, under requirement of our Charter, he lists things of great importance in his report; and we would advise you to carefully study the report.

We recognize the great value of the services rendered by U. S. Grant, 3rd, and we cannot say enough to adequately recognize these services. The Committee recommends that we express our cordial thanks and gratitude to General Grant by a rising vote of the Encampment. (Rising vote of thanks, and applause, given Past Commander-in-Chief Grant by the Encampment.)

His report contains nine (9) recommendations; and in order to keep things moving along, your Committee would refer all of these to the Committee on Resolutions immediately, as the stated subject matter in these recommendations require preparation of Resolutions to cover them. (No objection.)

Chairman Coffin: This is a partial report. We wanted to dispose of matters which had to be referred to other Committees in order that they could get to work on them. We will have an additional report later.

Commander-in-Chief DeHaven: Thank you, Brother Coffin. Is Brother Moran ready to report for his Committee?

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTION AND REGULATIONS

Past Commander-in-Chief Moran: Commander-in-Chief and Brothers, your Committee on Constitution and Regulations wish to report on the following changes submitted to us:

(1) From the Department of Rhode Island—That Article IV, Section 2 of Chapter II, page 22, be amended to read: "The Department Commander, Senior Vice Department Commander, Junior Vice Department Commander, Department Council, Department Secretary, Treasurer (or Secretary-Treasurer), Delegates and Alternates to the National Encampment shall be elected at the annual encampment, etc." and that Article IV, Section 4 of Chapter II, page 23, be amended to read, "The term of all elective and appointive officers shall be for one year, provided, however, that Departments shall elect their Secretary and Treasurer (or Secretary-Treasurer) and fix their term and location of office."—also covered in Recommendation No. 2 of National Secretary-Treasurer.

Your Committee recommends adoption.

(2) From the Department of New Hampshire—That Article VI, Section 3, Page 4 of the Constitution and Regulations be changed from 150 to 75, to read: "A Department may be formed by authority of the Commander-in-Chief, to consist of five or more Camps with a minimum aggregate membership of seventy-five members."

Your Committee does not concur.

Past Commander-in-Chief Craig: I think it would be far better to have an active Department of 5 Camps with 75 members than a Department with 15 Camps and 250 members. I do not agree with the report of the Committee.

National Secretary Lambert: What is the purpose of this?

Commander-in-Chief DeHaven: New Hampshire is afraid they might lose their Charter.

National Secretary Lambert: If you will examine the National Secretary's consolidated report, which was distributed at an earlier session, and look at the membership in good standing in the various Departments you will find that there are a number of them under strength. If we are going to enforce these regulations, you will lose about six Departments; such as Minnesota, Oregon, etc. We are not enforcing the regulation now, and it doesn't require any particular legislation.

Past Commander-in-Chief Runkle: We are talking about the formation of a Department in this recommendation, not about one which is already formed. Page 4, Section 3 says that "a Department may be formed with 5 or more Camps with a membership of 150 members." I can't see any regulations that require disbandment except under Section 5, page 4 which says "The Commander-in-Chief shall have the power to revoke the Charter of any Department which may not conform to the Constitution and Regulations of this Order, or which becomes reduced to less than the number of Camps and members required for organization thereof."

Commander-in-Chief DeHaven: It is the policy of the Commander-in-Chief to be just as generous as possible to hold on to our members.

National Secretary Lambert: Section 4 refers to organization; Section 5 refers to revocation of a Charter by the Commander-in-Chief, which means that the Commander-in-Chief has the authority to revoke a Charter. It is not being enforced, and if it is enforced, we will lose several Departments.

Past Department Commander Charles F. Dexter, Michigan: I agree with Brother Craig.

Delegate Robert W. Heald, New Hampshire: What is the purpose of having a regulation and not enforcing it? I think it should be changed so that the regulation can be enforced.

National Secretary Lambert: The Constitution does not say they will lose their Charter. It says the Commander-in-Chief may revoke their Charter—he does not have to do it.

National Counselor Locke: Personally, I don't think there is much of a question here. The Commander-in-Chief has the authority to put a Department out of business, but can you conceive any Commander-in-Chief of this organization who would toss out members? I am with the Committee.

Delegate Howard E. Waite, Massachusetts: I move that the report of the Committee be adopted. (Seconded by Delegate Clark Mellor, Massachusetts.) The vote was in doubt, and a rising vote was taken, with the following results:

To accept Committee recommendation—51

To reject Committee recommendation—30

(Committee recommendation adopted.)

(3) From Brothers Waite, Haynes and Cutting of the Massachusetts Department—Add new Section 5a, in General Regulations, Chapter V, Article III, following Section 5—"Constitutional Life Members may wear the Life Membership Badge. This shall be the regular Badge of the Order, suspended from a plain bar in lieu of the regular member bar. The ribbon shall be that of the National Organization, in the center of which shall be a bar inscribed 'Life Member'."

Your Committee believes that any member who pays \$100.00 for life membership, should have a badge with proper designation but as the proposed amendment has a cost proposition to consider, we

recommend its reference to the Council of Administration to investigate its cost, etc., and report back to the 78th National Encampment. (Adopted.)

(4) From the Department of Vermont—That the words "blood relatives" in Article III, page 2 of the Constitution and Regulations be stricken out; and insert in their stead the words "direct lineal descendants."

Your Committee believes that this should be adopted; but as it is an amendment to the Constitution and has not been published as required by our regulations, no action can be taken. We recommend that it be published, after having been re-submitted by the Vermont Department, prior to the 78th National Encampment so that action can be taken at that Encampment. (Committee sustained.)

GREETINGS COMMITTEE FROM THE AUXILIARY

The Greetings Committee from the Auxiliary consisting of the following were escorted in and presented: (All were from the Department of Maine.)

Ida Klein, Past National President,
 Mildred Webster, Past National President,
 Nellie DeHaven, National Treasurer,
 Marguerite Miller, Department President,
 Susan Renell, Department Chief of Staff,
 Beulah Freeman,
 Ruby Plummer,
 Marguerite Merritt, Past Department President,
 Eva Lawry,
 Frances Warner, Department Secretary,
 Ethel Knowles,
 Louise Walker,
 Elizabeth Vinal, Department Council,
 Florence Fairweather,
 Dawn Warren,
 Evelyn Dusten, Past Department President,
 Gladys Hurley,
 Golda Hall, Past Department President,
 Hilda York, Past Department President.

Commander-in-Chief DeHaven: It is a real pleasure to welcome this Committee from the Auxiliary, and I am particularly pleased that it is headed by my good friend, Ida Klein; and includes the Maine delegation. At this time, I would like to call on Sister Ida Klein.

Past National President Ida Klein: Brother DeHaven, and Brothers of the Sons of Union Veterans, it is a pleasure to come into your Encampment to greet you this afternoon. I think that I would have come in to see you and greet you, Albert, even if I had not been on this Committee.

We, in Maine, know your Commander-in-Chief very well, have known him well for many years, know what a fine person he is and the wonderful work he does—not only as your Commander-in-Chief but in his local Camp and the Department of Maine; and we want everyone to think as highly of him as we do in Maine.

In our Convention, up in the front part of the room, we have a slogan, "Service above self," which has been the slogan of the Auxiliary this year. We know this has been your slogan, Albert—not only this year, but in all the years since you became a member of this organization.

Our National President tells me that you have done much this year, not only for the Sons, but also for the Auxiliary—and we are, indeed, grateful. This wasn't news to me—it was just what I expected of you.

I know that it has meant much to the Sons of Union Veterans to have you as their Commander-in-Chief; and to us in Maine, who knew you so well and had such respect and admiration for your ability and accomplishments, it meant twice as much.

I have been delegated by the National Organization to bring you a personal gift. This is not for the Sons—not for anybody but you. We considered this matter and decided that we wanted to get you a little token to remember the National organization by—something just for you, that would keep us in your memory. As Commander-in-Chief, as a wonderful Brother of the Sons of Union Veterans, but more especially as a personal friend, I am happy to present it to you. (Presents personal gift from the Auxiliary to the Commander-in-Chief.)

Commander-in-Chief DeHaven: There is so much I would like to say, but I can't find the words. Thank you so much, Ida; and my sincere gratitude to the Auxiliary for the personal gift. And now, I would like to present Sister Mildred Webster, the good wife of our National Chaplain.

Past National President Mildred Webster: Commander-in-Chief, I am very happy today to bring my own personal greetings to you. We are so proud of you in Maine and so happy to have had you as the head of the Sons of Union Veterans this year; and I wish for you, and your Officers of this Encampment, one of the finest Encampments that has ever been had.

Commander-in-Chief DeHaven: Thank you, Mildred. And now, the Department President Marguerite Miller.

Department President Marguerite Miller: Commander-in-Chief, Brothers and Sisters, I am very pleased to be here to bring the greetings of your Department Auxiliary in Maine.

We are very proud to have had a Commander-in-Chief of the Sons from Maine this year; and we know that you have done an excellent job.

And now that your year is about to come to a close, we hope you will have a very pleasant and successful Encampment; and from all of us in Maine, our very best wishes to you for all that is good.

Commander-in-Chief DeHaven: It is now my privilege to present someone very special to you—my wife, Nellie; and I want you to know they don't make them any better.

National Treasurer Nellie DeHaven: Brother DeHaven, my Commander-in-Chief and my husband, words cannot express how happy and proud I am to have my husband serve as the Commander-in-Chief of this organization this year.

I can tell you he has given the very best of himself; and I know what he has done, on your behalf, during the year. He has given of himself very freely in the service of the Sons of Union Veterans; and I am sure he has had a very wonderful and happy year as the head of your organization. And now, I hope that you will have the best Encampment ever.

(The other members of the Committee also extended personal greetings.)

Commander-in-Chief DeHaven: And now, I would like to call on Department Commander Renell to respond.

Department Commander Clarence P. Renell, Maine: Commander-in-Chief Brother Albert, Brothers, and the Greetings Committee from the Auxiliary, I was highly pleased and delighted to escort you into

the Encampment; and I would like to thank you for coming. Past Commander-in-Chief Locke informed me, a short time ago, that he didn't want anybody to respond to the Auxilliary but himself. Therefore, I will yield to Brother Locke.

National Counselor Locke: Commander-in-Chief, Sisters of the Auxilliary, and Brothers; it is a privilege for me to express our appreciation for your visit to us, and for your continued assistance.

One of the most outstanding events in our Encampment is the visit from the representatives of our Auxilliary; and I doubt if I can say anything to you which has not already been said on previous visits to us. But, this I know is true—if it were not for our Auxilliary we, of the Sons of Union Veterans, would certainly not enjoy our present status—and we can only hope to maintain it with your help. When I speak of help, I refer not only to your monetary gift to us; but to your constant assistance in the work for which we are organized. In the years past, our Auxilliary has stood shoulder to shoulder with us and has worked hard to further our interests; and we know that you will continue to do so, in the future. You have supported us in our every endeavor, and we want you to know that we appreciate all that you have done.

We sincerely hope that you are having a fine Convention. I feel sure with the leadership of your fine National President who, this year, has done much not only for the Auxilliary but for the Sons too, it will be one of the best Conventions you have ever had.

Again, we thank you for coming, and extend our grateful appreciation to you for everything you have done for us. God bless you all.

The Committee from the Auxilliary was escorted out; and the Greetings Committee from the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic were escorted in and presented.

VISIT OF NATIONAL PRESIDENT AND GREETINGS COMMITTEE LADIES OF THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC

Twanette Paull, National President, Missouri,
 Frances M. Kuhns, Past National President, Pennsylvania,
 Edwina P. Trigg, Past National President, Missouri,
 Pearl C. Cook, Past National President, Illinois,
 Margaret Hopkins Worrell, Past National President, D. C.,
 Harriet Eaton Hughes, Past National President, New York.
 Mabel S. Taylor, Past National President, R. I.,
 Nellie D. Howe, Past National President, Michigan.
 Theo. McCallum, Past National President, Wisconsin,
 Gussie L. Morin, Past National President, Washington.

Commander-in-Chief DeHaven: I want to introduce to the Brothers here one of my co-workers of this year, who is a fine worker and a wonderful lady. She has done much for all our organizations. I have had many reports of the excellent work she has been doing, and we are grateful to her, and the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic for all they have done for us.

It is my pleasure to present to you Twanette Paull, the National President of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic.

National President Twanette Paull: Commander-in-Chief Brother DeHaven, the Past National Presidents who accompanied me, and all you Sons of Union Veterans; it is a great thrill for me to come into your Encampment, to extend our good wishes and greetings to you. We are most happy to be in Boston with you.

I am having a lovely Convention and I know yours, too, is a fine one—mainly because of the efforts of the splendid Convention Com-

mittee with whom we worked this past year. Speaking for myself, I want to say that no one could have had a better Committee for our Convention here in Boston than I did; and I am most grateful to them. I am delighted, too, in seeing so many of the Sons I have had the pleasure of meeting during this past year.

Commander-in-Chief DeHaven and I met one another on several occasions this past year; and those meetings were always very pleasant.

It is indeed a pleasure to extend greetings, on behalf of my organization; and to add my own personal good wishes. I want you to accept this little gift which I brought with me, Albert; and with it comes a lot of love, from deep in my heart and my appreciation to you and your charming wife for our fine friendship and pleasant association during this year. (Presented personal gift to Commander-in-Chief DeHaven; also a personal gift to John L. Day, General Chairman of the Encampment Committee.)

The National President then introduced the other members, all Past National Presidents, who accompanied her; and each extended greetings and good wishes for a fine Encampment.

(Response was by Past Commander-in-Chief Bauer.)

ALLIED ORDERS AND PATRIOTIC ORDERS GREETINGS

A large delegation from the Allied and Patriotic Orders, headed by Pamela S. Elder, Encampment Committee Chairman for the Auxilliary, and consisting of the following, extended greetings and, in some instances, presented gifts to the Commander-in-Chief:

Dorothy Morris, Past Department President—Representing National President Bessie K. Coughlin, and Department President Pauline Torr of the Woman's Relief Corps,

Zita O'Conner, Past Department President, Woman's Relief Corps—Representing the National President,

Mabel K. Skinner, Past Department Field Officer, Woman's Relief Corps,

Nellie Goodman, Past National President, Daughters of Union Veterans—Representing National President Ylavaune Howard, Edwin J. Lennon, Massachusetts Department Commander, Sons of Union Veterans,

Barbara Brown, Massachusetts Department President, Auxilliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War,

Anna L. Silva, Massachusetts Department President, Daughters of Union Veterans,

Emma LaMote, Massachusetts Department President, Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic,

Elizabeth A. Larkin, Massachusetts Department President, Auxilliary United Spanish War Veterans,

Catherine Brown, Massachusetts Department Chief of Staff, Ladies Auxilliary of the Veterans of Foreign wars—Representing Department President Elizabeth Cefelo,

Beatrice McNamara, Past Department President, Marine Corps League—Representing Department President Ruth Rogers.

Helen T. Willour, Massachusetts Department President, American Gold Star Mothers, Inc.,

Doris Mullen, Massachusetts Department District President, Amvets Auxilliary,

Marte Kenny—Representing Mrs. Lydia Johnson, Massachusetts Department President, The World War Mothers of New England,

Katherine R. White, Massachusetts State President, United War Mothers of America, Inc.,
Helen Sheridan, Massachusetts Department President, Amputee Veterans Association,
Preston Lincoln, Recorder of Massachusetts Commandery, Military Order of the Loyal Legion,
Arthur T. Lou, National President, Sons of Spanish-American War Veterans,
Frederick Hogan, Massachusetts Department Commander, Spanish War Veterans.

(Response was by Past Commander-in-Chief Moran; after which the delegation was escorted from the Encampment.)

National Counselor Locke: Commander-in-Chief, there is something which is rankling in my chest. I am anxious to get it out of my system, and I don't think I will get a better opportunity than right now.

We are having a happy time here in Boston. It is quite a number of years since we last met in Boston but now, as then, we are having a successful Encampment and we are most happy about that fact. But, there are some things bothering us—and they are retarding our progress.

I have been getting a magazine called the Farm Journal, published for the past seventy-five years in Philadelphia, in which there is a column called "passed by the non-sensor." In that column, there is very frequently a communication from Uncle Levi Zing; and he sometimes gets off some pretty good things. I read this, years ago, in that column, "typical Americans are individuals who spend their time fighting among themselves, while organized groups take over their country."

It seems that such is the case with the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. We have our squabbles, which occupy the center of the floor as it were and our real work fades into the background.

Just what does it mean to be a patriotic American, and a loyal Son of a Union Veteran? Is it merely to put in an appearance on such occasions as this; and then go home and forget all about the Sons of Veterans, and their work, until next year? It is all very well to attend your Camp and Department meetings, and your National Encampment and have a good time but, to my mind, being a loyal Son of a Union Veteran involves more than that. We turn out, on feast days, and recite the heroic part our fathers played in our nation's history but we seem to forget that many of the inheritances, left to us by our fathers may, by reason of our neglect, become ashes in our hands. The main reason that this condition exists is that we are "typical Americans"—fighting among ourselves and forgetting the more important things with which we, as a leading patriotic organization, should be concerned. Don't you think it is time that we grew up, time that we became men and time that we devoted our time and efforts to that for which we are organized?

When I was Department Commander of Illinois, my Chaplain was a beloved Methodist minister, and my very good friend. The concluding words of his report, submitted to the Department Encampment were, "Let us think our Father's thoughts, let us act our Father's deeds, and with our eyes upturned to our Father's God, let us be true to their services and sacrifices." Did you ever hear anything more fitting for us as Sons of Union Veterans?

For twenty-five years or more, I have been regarded as a crab and one of the worst critics this Order ever had; and I must admit

that every day I am getting crabbiere—but I can't see why we can't get down to brass tacks and begin to do something that will be a credit to those who have gone before us, and for whom we are organized.

We have several points of trouble at present, as follows:

First, one of the Departments has two candidates for the office of Commander-in-Chief in this Encampment. I have known both of these men, and they are fine fellows. There is a scrap in that Department and it seems they just can't get it settled. They have taken up their time and consumed the time of others in trying to settle their differences and haven't done it. So, what is our duty in this situation? Tell me, if you can. Shall we give these boys a "kick in the pants," or what shall we do? Why can't we learn to get these things settled in our own Departments, and never allow them to progress to this point.

Secondly, we have another Department in the Order where there is a great deal of friction—what are you going to do about that problem? This one is between the Camps in the Department in question and the commanding officers of the Department. I wonder if you have any suggestions as to how we can solve these problems which, in the first place, should never have come to us. If so, I would like to have the answers. Let's stop fighting among ourselves and get down to the business of doing the things we should be doing; so that we might be a credit to our Fathers.

Perhaps I have talked too long and said too much; but if I can get you to think—and act—, then my words will not have been in vain. One of the greatest Americans who ever lived gave expression to these words, "A house divided against itself cannot stand." The Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War cannot stand divided; so Brothers let's think it over and get to work. (Applause of the Encampment.)

Commander-in-Chief DeHaven: Thank you, Brother Locke. I can tell you right now that the advice of Brother Locke is always sound; so give this matter some serious thought.

Are there any Committees ready to continue with their reports?

SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTION AND REGULATIONS

Past Commander-in-Chief Moran: Your Committee on Constitution and Regulations submits the following supplement to our previous report:

(5) From the Department of New Hampshire—relative to the organization being known as an American Patriotic Organization, rather than a ritualistic secret Order; and submitting resolutions for re-organization of the Order.

Your Committee contends we are not a service organization, nor do we feel we should be. We are the official representatives of the Grand Army of the Republic, a veteran organization. We, therefore, recommend non-concurrence.

National Counselor Locke: I move that the recommendation of the Committee be laid on the table. (Seconded by Past Commander-in-Chief Howe.) The vote was in question, and a rising vote of the Encampment was taken, resulting in the following:

To table the recommendation of the Committee—55.

Against tabling the recommendation of the Committee—22.

Past Commander-in-Chief Heald: Since we have not adopted the recommendation of the Committee, action can now be taken on the matter submitted by the New Hampshire Department.

National Secretary Lambert: Inasmuch as it has not been promulgated in advance, as required, we can take no action.

Past Commander-in-Chief Heald: I would like to inquire why this resolution was not promulgated. I was informed that it was mailed in May.

National Secretary Lambert: The reason it was not published is that it doesn't propose any amendments to the Constitution. It describes it in principle only—it doesn't mention any specific change. If you wish to amend the Constitution, give us proposed amendments—so that it can be published in advance of the Encampment, and at the Encampment can be referred to the Committee on Constitution and Regulations.

Inasmuch as the motion was to table, and since this matter, in its present form, does not affect the Constitution, it should go to the Resolutions Committee—and let them come in with something definite. I move it be referred to the Resolutions Committee. (Seconded by Past Commander-in-Chief Heald, and carried.)

Commander-in-Chief DeHaven: We will now recess until 9:30 A. M. tomorrow.

WEDNESDAY MORNING SESSION

August 20, 1958 — 9:30 A. M.

The Encampment opened in regular form, and with a moment of silent prayer for those who passed on during the year.

Commander-in-Chief DeHaven: I believe that the Committee on Resolutions is ready to continue with their report.

SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

Past Commander-in-Chief Grant: Commander-in-Chief and Members of the Encampment, the Joint Committee of the three organizations are recommending the following resolutions; and your Resolutions Committee wishes to include it in our report:

(6) Joint Committee Resolutions on Statement of Policy on general national issues, expressing our views and attitudes—

(A) We reaffirm our belief in and adhere to the general principles enunciated in the Declaration of Independence, and the Constitution of the United States of America;

(B) We oppose any "creeping Socialism" or modification of the Constitution that is inconsistent with the aforesaid basic principles; and

(C) We favor all necessary expenditures for National Defense and for such scientific research as may be necessary for our National Security; and

(D) We oppose any amendment of the Immigration and Nationality Act that would weaken it or facilitate Communist or other subversive infiltration into this country; and

(E) We favor reduction in expenditures for foreign aid so far as possible without breach of commitments already made, and a tariff high enough to protect our industries against unfair competition with cheap foreign labor; and

(F) We oppose Federal Aid to Education or any extension of Federal jurisdiction or control over the prerogatives reserved to the States by the Constitution, and

(G) We express our appreciation of the skill and good judgment with which the President and Secretary of State have managed our foreign relations to date; and while recognizing the usefulness of the United Nations as an agency for the settlement of international problems; we oppose, as possible gradual steps towards world government, any increase in the powers granted the United Nations, whether by treaty or by executive agreement.

Your Committee recommends adoption of these Resolutions. (Adopted.)

(7) Recommendation from the Representative in the District of Columbia—That the Commander-in-Chief is authorized, when in agreement with the National Secretary-Treasurer and the Washington Representative, to act for our Order in emergencies, if there is not time to call a meeting or to obtain a vote by mail of the Council of Administration, provided such action is, in his opinion, appropriate and not inconsistent with the purposes and policies of our Order. Your Committee recommends adoption. (Adopted.)

(8) Recommendation from the Report of the Representative in the District of Columbia—That the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil

War recommend to the Civil War Centennial Commission that it amend item 7 of its "Suggestions" to include a proper maintenance of Civil War Historic sites and landmarks; and also the discovery and appropriate marking of the graves and personal monuments of persons who participated honorably in the War for the preservation of the Union.

The Committee recommends adoption. (Adopted.)

(9) Recommendation from the Representative in the District of Columbia—That the Sons of Union Veterans urges upon Congress the passage of bill H.R. 13646, or any bill that may be introduced at the next session of Congress for the micro-filming of original military records of the Civil War, both Union and Confederate; and that a copy of this Resolution be furnished Hon. Fred Schwengel and the Chairmen of the Committees to which it may be referred.

The Committee recommends adoption. (Adopted.)

(10) Recommendation from the report of the Representative in the District of Columbia—That the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War recommend legislation to designate the Civil War Pension Office Building as a Memorial to the veterans of our wars; and

That the operation and maintenance of the Building be assigned to the General Services Administration, with authority to assign rooms or space not needed for museum purposes to the organizations composed of descendants of the participants in the Civil War, both Union and Confederate; and

That an American Military and Naval Museum be established therein under the Smithsonian Institution, and

That an Advisory Board of fifteen, appointed by the President from among qualified members of the principal hereditary and veterans organizations, and one representative each from the Department of the Army, Department of the Navy, and the National Park Service, to make recommendations to the Smithsonian Institution and the General Services Administration relative to the parts of the project entrusted to each of them.

The Committee recommends adoption. (Adopted.)

(11) From the Resolutions Committee—That the Sons of Union Veterans recommend to the Civil War Centennial Commission that it obtain national legislation recognizing and designating U. S. Route 6 as "Grand Army Highway" and U. S. Route 20 as "Gen. U. S. Grant Highway."

Your Committee recommends adoption. (Adopted.)

(12) From the Resolutions Committee—That hereafter Resolutions recommended for passage at our National Encampments shall not be referred to the Committee on Resolutions unless the full text has been reduced to writing when submitted, except when so referred by a two-thirds vote of the Encampment.

Chairman Grant: I might explain, Commander-in-Chief, that our Committee has been handling a great many recommendations during this Encampment. In some cases, Resolutions were presented to us, in general terms only; and the people submitting them didn't take the trouble to write them as Resolutions, in the proper form. I don't think you should expect the Resolutions Committee to take the time to try and put these other peoples ideas into proper shape to be presented to the Encampment, so I think we should adopt a general policy on the matter of submitting Resolutions.

Your Committee recommends adoption of this Resolution. (Adopted.)

(13) From the Resolutions Committee—That the Sons of Union Veterans extend their thanks to the Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States for their cooperation and active assistance

rendered by them in arrangements for the ceremony at President Lincoln's Tomb on April 15, 1958.

The Committee recommends adoption. (Adopted.)

(14) From the Department of New Hampshire, relative to our organization being known as an American Patriotic Organization, rather than a ritualistic secret order; and submitting resolutions for re-organization of the Order.

On this matter, the Resolutions Committee present the following, and would recommend its adoption:

Whereas, the proposal of the New Hampshire Department does not explicitly state what changes in the Constitution and Regulations are desired, or necessary, to carry out the recommendations made in general terms, and

Whereas, the recommendations in many respects may be for the good of the Order, but contemplate such essential changes in our Organization and its character and procedures as to require careful study and thorough consideration;

Therefore, be it resolved, that the incoming Commander-in-Chief is hereby authorized and requested to appoint a Committee, of not more than seven, to study said recommendations and to recommend such changes in our Constitution and By-laws as it may consider desirable for the Good of the Order; and

That the said Committee recommend its conclusions to the Council of Administration to act on them and make its recommendations for any changes in the Constitution in time for action at the next National Encampment.

Chairman Grant: This is all we have before us, at this time.

Commander-in-Chief DeHaven: Are there any other Committee reports?

FINAL REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTION AND REGULATIONS

Past Commander-in-Chief Moran: Commander-in-Chief and Brothers, all of our report was given yesterday, except these two matters:

(6) From the Department of Pennsylvania—That Article 7, Section 3 relative to Associates be repealed; and changes made, as submitted by the Pennsylvania Department.

Your Committee reports that no action can be taken on this matter because it was not promulgated in accordance with the rules of the Order. We recommend that it be re-submitted, and published prior to the 78th National Encampment so that it can be acted upon at that Encampment. (Committee sustained.)

(7) Recommendation No. 4 in the Report of the Commander-in-Chief—that serious thought be given to the changing of the name of our annual meetings to convention instead of Encampment.

Your Committee reports that no action can be taken, as this is presented merely as a suggestion and does not recommend a specific change in the Constitution and Regulations. (Committee sustained.)

Chairman Moran: That completes the report of our Committee on matters submitted to us for consideration.

Respectfully submitted.

Chas. H. E. Moran, Chairman, Massachusetts,
John H. Runkle, Pennsylvania.

Edwin J. Lennon, Massachusetts,

Dr. Charles J. Higgs, Pennsylvania

Alton Sharp, New Jersey

Committee on Constitution and Regulations.

National Counselor Locke: I move you that the report of the Committee on Constitution and Regulations; and also any other Committees which have completed their reports up to this time, be accepted and the Committees discharged. (Seconded by Delegate Howard E. Waite, Massachusetts; and carried.)

Commander-in-Chief DeHaven: The Committee on Constitution and Regulations, as well as the Committee on Ritual and Ceremonies is hereby discharged, with the sincere thanks of the Encampment.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON RESTORATION OF RANK

Past Commander-in-Chief Howe: I would like to present the report of the Committee on Restoration of Rank.

Our duties have been light, as there were no requests turned over to us for consideration.

We would ask that our report be accepted, and that we be discharged from duty.

Respectfully submitted,

Fred E. Howe, New York, Chairman.
 Urion W. Mackey, Michigan,
 Chester L. Shriver, Pennsylvania
 Committee on Resoration of Rank.

Commander-in-Chief DeHaven: Thank you, Brother Howe; and your Committee is discharged, with thanks.

Past Department Commander Frederic V. Bell, Massachusetts: Commander-in-Chief, may I refer back to the Report of the Graves Registration Officer to make a suggestion?

I notice in his report nothing was said about States or communities which have a definite law on the subject of the care of veterans graves. We, in Massachusetts, have a State law requiring every community in the State to have a Graves Registration Officer; and I would suggest that the incoming Commander-in-Chief instruct his Graves Registration Officer to ascertain how laws of that nature are working out. We do not know how this plan is working out; and possibly an officer, such as the Graves Registration Officer, of the Commandery-in-Chief could get that information.

Commander-in-Chief DeHaven: Thank you, Brother Bell. I think that is a fine idea.

Is there anything else to come before us at this time?

National Counselor Locke: Commander-in-Chief, you will recall that yesterday you appointed a special Committee to investigate the problem which exists, both in the Sons and Auxiliary, in the Department of Michigan. That Committee consisted of Past Commanders-in-Chief William M. Coffin, Albert C. Lambert, C. Leroy Stoudt and myself.

We had talked this over individually in advance, and without authority in the hope of bringing about a reconciliation but we didn't make any progress. Last night, we were in conference with one faction involved in this difficulty for over an hour; and we have considered both sides of this matter—and we are now ready to submit a report.

The Committee is unanimous in recommending that a special Department Encampment be called by the incoming Commander-in-Chief, or his representative, in the Department of Michigan to attempt to straighten out their difficulty and restore peace and harmony in the Department. We would also recommend that this special Encampment be held, preferably within the next sixty days, and at a location in the center of the Department of Michigan.

I would move the adoption of these recommendations of the Committee. (Seconded by Delegate Howard E. Waite, Massachusetts, and carried.)

Commander-in-Chief DeHaven: I wanted this cleaned up before I went out of office. I think this will settle it; and I am sure a solution can be reached if the Michigan boys get together and make up their minds they are going to solve the problem.

Past Department Commander Cloy V. Smith, Michigan: Commander-in-Chief and delegates of the National Encampment, we have tried to settle this matter in our own Department. There has been trouble brewing for quite some time and we tried to rectify it, but it just didn't work out.

Past Commander-in-Chief Grant: I have been told this is partly a question between the Sons of Union Veterans and the Auxiliary in the Department of Michigan, and there are some personalities involved in it. I have also been told that the Auxiliary, in Michigan, has before it a resolution to change the rules so that it will not be required to meet with the Sons, at the same time and place they meet.

If it is at all possible, I would suggest that in trying to settle this matter both the National body and the Michigan Department of the Auxiliary be, in some way, brought into the discussion.

National Counselor Locke: I doubt if that will be necessary. I think that if we are able to bring about a settlement that our Auxiliary will be with us—both on a National level and in the Department of Michigan.

(Committee recommendation adopted.)

A thirty minute recess was declared, as the Fraternal Greetings Committee left the Encampment to call on the other organizations.

Commander-in-Chief DeHaven: The Encampment will now come to order. Is the Committee on Officers' Reports ready to continue with their report?

SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON OFFICERS' REPORTS

Past Commander-in-Chief Coffin: Your Committee on Officers' Reports wish to continue with our report of yesterday:

Report of National Secretary-Treasurer

The Committee finds it difficult to express our deep appreciation to the National Secretary for his fine work over the years. We commend him heartily for his efficient service and his devotion to the Sons of Union Veterans. We cannot find the words, it seems, to properly pay tribute to him; but we urge everyone of you to read his report. Study it carefully, as it contains a great deal of valuable and interesting information pertaining to this Order.

My mind goes back over the years to a report made when I was going out of office, in 1925. That report was made by Horace Hammer, after he had been National Secretary for twenty years. In that report he gave a resume of his work and of the status of the Order, both present and future. He didn't make any recommendations, but his entire report was prophetic—with the things which were going to come to pass in this organization, in the future.

It seemed for a time that those things would not come true; but this report of National Secretary Lambert shows that those things are definitely coming to pass. For a while, we were down "at the bottom," but this report shows that we have begun to climb upward and onward and I am sure that, under the administration of such capable men as Albert Lambert, we shall continue in that direction.

Take time to read and analyze his report, as it is one of the

most important submitted to this Encampment. As for the Committee, we again commend him for his fine work in the capacity of National Secretary-Treasurer. His report contains two recommendations:

(1) That the incoming Commander-in-Chief appoint a Committee to arrange for continuance of the observance at the Tomb of Abraham Lincoln, in Springfield, Illinois, on the date of his death.

Your Committee recommends that this entire matter be referred to the Council of Administration, with specific instructions to see that positive action is taken to ensure the continuance of this observance. (Adopted.)

(2) This recommendation referred to a change in the Regulations, and was referred yesterday to the Committee on Constitution and Regulations.

Report of National Patriotic Instructor

We would like to commend the National Patriotic Instructor for his earnest effort during the year in that office; and for his elaborate and lengthy report of the work of that office. He seems to have devoted quite a lot of time and effort in raising funds, and we are most appreciative of his efforts. This report contains five recommendations:

(1) That membership in the American Coalition of Patriotic Societies be continued.

Your Committee concurs. (Adopted.)

(2) That the National Patriotic Instructor establish the presentation of a Memorial at the Annual Encampment, the money for this Memorial to be taken from the funds raised by the National Patriotic Instructor.

Your Committee approves the idea but, as it involves the expenditure of funds, recommend that it be referred to the Council of Administration for their study and action. (Committee sustained.)

(3) That each Department cause to have enacted legislation in their State, or States, for a Centennial Committee.

Your Committee reports no action, as this matter was covered in the report of the Commander-in-Chief, and has been acted upon. (No objection.)

(4) That the Encampment go on record as opposing any changes in our National Anthem; and that letters be sent to members of the House Judiciary Committee, to this effect.

Your Committee reports no action, as they did not feel competent to express an opinion on this subject. No definite change was suggested, and it was felt that we could make no recommendation.

Delegate Howard E. Waite, Massachusetts: I move that the proposition, as submitted by the National Patriotic Instructor, with particular emphasis on the words, "any change" in our National Anthem be adopted. (Seconded by Past Department Commander John B. Davis, Massachusetts; and carried.)

(5) That a medallion, imprinted with the badge of the Grand Army of the Republic, be installed in the Base of the Altar of the Nations at the Cathedral of the Pines, Rindge, N. H., be provided by the Commandery-in-Chief.

Your Committee reports that such action has already been taken by this Encampment. (No objection.)

We renew our commendation to National Patriotic Instructor Riggs for his fine work during the past year.

Report of National Chaplain

We have known Brother Webster for a great many years; and we all know that his work is devoted, dedicated, and indicates his

interest in the work of this Order. We congratulate him on a job well done. There are no recommendations in his report.

Report of National Historian

We regret the illness of Brother Spink, and hope that the days to come will restore him to complete health again.

We are well aware of the excellent job he has done in this office, in the past; and express our appreciation for his fine work. We wish him well, and thank him for the report he has submitted; in which there were no recommendations.

Report of National Graves Registration Officer

This report is very detailed, and complete. It contains no specific recommendations. However, we feel that we would be remiss if we did not call attention to the fact that Brother DeForest has been in this office for a long period of time; and he has done an excellent job during all those years. We congratulate him, and the Order, for having had his services in that capacity during this period of time.

We thank him for his splendid report and wish him God speed; and if it is necessary to budget money for his work, we recommend that it be done.

Report of Personal Aide

The report of the Personal Aide is brief, and contains no recommendations.

We wish to compliment him on his work as Personal Aide this year, and express our appreciation for his services.

We recommend a slight change in the wording of his report (corrected and inserted in the proceedings, in accordance with this recommendation).

Respectfully submitted,

William M. Coffin, Chairman, Ohio,
Cleon E. Heald, New Hampshire,
Homer L. Young, Iowa,
Charles L. Messer, New York,
Roscoe C. Mathis, Illinois,
Charles A. Brady, Jr., Illinois.
Committee on Officers' Reports.

Commander-in-Chief DeHaven: Thank you, Brother Coffin. The Committee on Officers' Reports is now discharged, with the thanks of the Encampment.

Past Commander-in-Chief Grant: I would just like to have a moment to tell you that the Auxiliary and the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic have passed the Resolutions, giving our views on national issues, recommended by the Joint Committee of all three organizations. I think it is a fine thing that we adopt such Resolutions.

Commander-in-Chief DeHaven: Thank you, Brother Grant. We will now recess until 1:30 P. M.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION
August 20, 1958 — 1:30 P. M.

The Encampment opened in regular form.

SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

Past Commander-in-Chief Grant: Two additional Resolutions were handed to me; and your Committee on Resolutions would now like to report on them.

(15) That the incoming Commander-in-Chief be authorized and requested to contact the Commander-in-Chief of the Sons of Confederate Veterans with reference to holding one or more reunions of the two organizations during the years 1961-1965, inclusive.

Your Committee recommends adoption, if not already done. (Adopted.)

(16) That the incoming Commander-in-Chief be requested to appoint a Committee whose members are so located that they can meet together to consider and report on the advisability of admitting collateral descendants of Civil War Veterans, along substantially the same lines as the Military Order of the Loyal Legion.

Your Committee recommends adoption.

Chairman Grant: If I might, I would like to add my personal reaction on this matter. Since you have provided for a study of the New Hampshire plan, which will involve changes in the Constitution and Regulations, by a special Committee, they will have to meet to consider that matter. It might be that you would want to refer this matter to the same Committee, for their study.

(Adopted, and referred to the same Committee as the New Hampshire Plan.)

Past Commander-in-Chief Grant: Commander-in-Chief and Brothers, I want to mention something very close to my heart.

A Professor of Mathematics at Indiana University has written the most carefully researched and the most authentic history of the Civil War that has been written, to my knowledge. He has written four volumes of this history, and it will take him two years more to finish it. But, he has been very ill, after having had a serious operation over a year ago, and he may not live to complete this history.

I would like to ask you to elect him as an Honorary Associate Member of this Order. He is Dr. Kenneth P. Williams, Historian and retired Professor of Mathematics of Indiana University; and I would so move, Commander-in-Chief. (Seconded by National Patriotic Instructor Riggs; and carried.)

Commander-in-Chief DeHaven: We are now ready to hear the report of the Budget Committee of the Council of Administration.

REPORT OF BUDGET COMMITTEE
COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION

Council of Administration Member Combs: Your Budget Committee of the Council of Administration present the following proposed budget for the coming year:

Proposed Budget—1958-1959

Receipts:	
Per Capita Tax—5200 Members @ \$1.00	\$5,200.00
Registration Fees—120 Members @ \$2.00	240.00
Sale of Supplies	660.00
Banner Subscriptions	1,000.00
Gift from Auxiliary	500.00
Total Receipts	\$7,600.00
Disbursements:	
The Banner	\$2,100.00
Commander-in-Chief's Expenses	1,000.00
National Secretary (Salary) \$800.00 (Expense) \$400.00	1,200.00
Supplies	500.00
Encampment Expense (1959)	1,400.00
Shipping Expense—Supplies, etc.	100.00
Rent of National Headquarters	400.00
Miscellaneous (Incl. P. C. in C. Badge)	300.00
Printing, Stationery, Postage	300.00
Proceedings—1958	700.00
C. P. A. Audit	100.00
Lincoln Tomb and Lincoln Monument Expense	100.00
Total Disbursements	\$8,200.00

Recommendations:

That the following appropriations be made from the G.A.R. Memorial Fund:

- \$25.00 for Committee on Grave Marking
- \$25.00 for National Historian
- \$100.00 for G.A.R. Highway Committee
- \$300.00 for Lincoln University Scholarship
- \$25.00 for American Coalition

Respectfully submitted,

Fred H. Combs, Sr., New Jersey,
Fred E. Howe, New York,
Budget Committee,
Council of Administration.

(Adopted.)

Mrs. Margaret H. Worrell, Past National President of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic was escorted into the Encampment and introduced. She spoke about various legislation in Washington; and particularly on her Resolution relative to the use of the United Nations Flag.

(The Resolution was referred to the Resolutions Committee; and response was by Past Commander-in-Chief Grant—after which Mrs. Worrell was escorted from the Encampment.)

Commander-in-Chief DeHaven: Is there any other business to come before the Encampment?

FINAL REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

Past Commander-in-Chief Grant: Your Resolutions Committee is ready to report on the Resolution presented by Mrs. Worrell:

(17) In compliance with the request of Mrs. Margaret Worrell, that the Sons of Union Veterans take action on the use of the United Nations Flag, the Resolutions Committee would suggest a somewhat shorter Resolution; and present:

"WHEREAS, the use of the United Nations' flag, in a position superior to or in competition with our National flag has on various occasions been proposed; and

WHEREAS, we are informed that legislation is actually pending to place the emblem of the United Nations on our Nation's airplanes;

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War that we oppose any such legislation or any use of the United Nations' flag or emblem in a position superior to, or equal to the Flag or Coat of Arms of the United States of America.

Your Committee recommends adoption. (Adopted.)

Respectfully submitted,

U. S. Grant, 3rd, Maryland, Chairman,
Frederic G. Bauer, Massachusetts.
C. Leroy Stoudt, Pennsylvania,
Joseph S. Rippey, New York,
Committee on Resolutions.

Past Commander-in-Chief Grant: That completes the report of the Resolutions Committee, and we would now ask to be discharged.

Commander-in-Chief DeHaven: Thank you, Brother Grant for a job well done. Your Committee has had a lot of work, and you have certainly handled it very well. We are most grateful to you, and you are now discharged, with the sincere thanks of the Encampment.

Is there any more business? If not, we will have the Report of the Credentials Committee.

CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE — FINAL REPORT

Delegate Bertram Isaacs, New York: The Credentials Committee present a final report:

Number of members enrolled, 140. composed of:	
Past Commanders-in-Chief	12
Past Department Commanders	58
Past Department Commanders (Registered, not present)	3
Department Commanders	11
Delegates	51
Alternate Delegates	5
Total	140

Respectfully submitted,

Bertram Isaacs, Chairman, New York,
Coby F. Wilcox, California,
Archie Aldrich, Vermont,
Ernest G. Wells, Massachusetts,
Albert C. Lambert, New Jersey,
Eugene Wallingford, Massachusetts.

(Report adopted on motion of Past Commander-in-Chief Runkle, seconded by Past Commander-in-Chief Moran; and carried.)

Commander-in-Chief DeHaven: Before we go into nomination and election of Officers, I want to thank each of you for the manner in which you have conducted yourselves during this Encampment. I think every Commander-in-Chief who ever presides at a National Encampment has his fears, previous to the Encampment, such as the sessions being long and drawn out with long discussions, arguments, etc. Your decorum has been of the finest during this Encampment; and I want to sincerely thank you.

Past Commander-in-Chief Howe: I move you, Commander-in-Chief that we now go into Nomination and Election of Officers. (Seconded by Past Department Commander Carl P. Gutekunst, Pennsylvania; and carried.)

Commander-in-Chief DeHaven: I will appoint as Tellers:
Chester S. Shriver, Past Department Commander, Pennsylvania,
James M. Blackman, Past Department Commander, Illinois,
Henry Weiler, Past Department Commander, Massachusetts.

NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Commander-in-Chief

Commander-in-Chief DeHaven: National Secretary, you will call the roll for nominations for Commander-in-Chief.

The National Secretary called California & Pacific.

Department Commander Coby Wilcox, California & Pacific: Commander-in-Chief and Brothers, I sincerely believe that in spite of our small number in California, we have a member in that Department who would make a good Commander-in-Chief.

Before our Encampment in California, in April, two of our most active and best known Brothers had a very vigorous, spirited campaign for the endorsement of the Department of California, for the office of Commander-in-Chief. We had a wonderful time in that campaign, just like that of a political campaign. When the campaign was over, and we had our Encampment in Long Beach; and the 37 votes were counted, the results were:

27 voted for Louis T. Story

10 voted for Earl F. Riggs

Both of these boys are good friends of mine; and whatever I have to say is not to discredit either of them, as they are both fine men and hard workers.

I have been entertained in the homes of both of these men; and would not say anything against either of them. However, in accordance with the vote of that Encampment and as Department Commander, it is now my duty, and my pleasure, to place before you the name of Louis T. Story for the office of Commander-in-Chief.

Delegate John Gately, California and Pacific: Commander-in-Chief and Brothers, I am Delegate No. 1 from California; and I chose the man I felt was the best man to represent our Order. Although I am not in agreement with my Department Commander, it is a man's prerogative to have a different opinion, if he so chooses.

I know both of these men, have been treated very well by both of them and will agree they both are fine men. But, I hold this Order of ours in high esteem; and I would like to present to you the man I think would be the best one to fill this high office. His very initials in his name are symbolic:

E—Energetic

F—Fair

R—Right

I know that he will make a fine Commander-in-Chief, and I am pleased to place the name of Earl F. Riggs in nomination for that office.

Commander-in-Chief DeHaven: Your Department has endorsed a candidate and, as a Delegate, you are bound by the vote of your Department. If you had been a Past Department Commander, you would be privileged to make the nomination. Therefore, I must rule that it is out of order.

Delegate John Gately, California and Pacific: Commander-in-Chief, I will pass to Past Department Commander Frederic Bell of Massachusetts.

Past Department Commander Frederic V. Bell, Massachusetts: As a member of the Massachusetts Department, have I the privilege to speak for California?

National Counselor Locke: My opinion is that you can speak for California, or for anyone else, if you so desire.

Past Department Commander Frederic V. Bell: Brothers, this is a peculiar situation.

We, in Massachusetts, have no fight with either faction in the California Department. Whatever their differences may be, we will let them settle these differences or problems by themselves. However, as general members of the Order across the nation, it is our duty to see that the best man is selected to head this organization—because his influence, the manner in which he conducts the duties of his office, and his wisdom and opinions put forth to solve any situations which might confront him, will be felt in every Department of this Order. That man, in my opinion, is Earl Riggs.

I have never been entertained by either of these men; and I have formed my opinion on the basis of their Officers' Reports and their performance, not only this year, but in the past.

The report made by Brother Riggs indicates to me, even if I knew nothing else about him, that he is a hard, steady worker—as evidenced by that fund which he raised as National Patriotic Instructor, one which I understand is the largest we have had for many years. He has made several very strong recommendations in that report; and while one or two might have been debatable, it shows that he is alert and on the job. His whole attitude is earnest, he is energetic and works for the best interests of this Order; and I am sure he will make a splendid Commander-in-Chief.

I know nothing about the fight in California and it may be none of our business; but it is our business to elect the best man—and I believe that man is Earl Riggs.

I understand, too, that Brother Riggs has recently instituted a new Camp; and has gotten thirty-eight members. Brothers, that is really doing things and that is the kind of man we need in this office.

Therefore, it is my pleasure to nominate Earl F. Riggs of California, for the office of Commander-in-Chief.

Past Department Commander J. Elmer Wohlgenuth, California & Pacific: Brother Commander-in-Chief, I protest the use of the words "faction" or "fight" in relation to the Department of California. That is our affair; and we do not have any fight.

We have come to this Encampment endorsing, as a Department, Brother Story. Therefore, it is my opinion, and I think the Brothers in the Department who are present agree, that the Department is united for Brother Story.

Brother Riggs has been nominated as an independent candidate. He is an independent; and not a candidate of the California Department. There is no fight, no faction, no argument about it. We, as a Department, voted to endorse Brother Story and we, therefore,

stand for him. I would like, therefore, to second the nomination of Brother Story.

After a five minute recess, the National Secretary called the Departments with the following

RESULT OF VOTE

Departments	Story	Riggs
California and Pacific	6	2
Connecticut		3
Illinois	2½	2½
Kansas	1	
Maine	2	5
Maryland	1	1
Massachusetts	3	29
Michigan	1	2
New Hampshire	1	4
New Jersey	10	
New York		7
Ohio	1	1
Pennsylvania	8	1
Rhode Island	3	3
Vermont		3
Recapitulation		
Earl F. Riggs	63½	
Louis T. Story	39½	

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief Story: Commander-in-Chief, I would like to move that the vote of the Encampment be made unanimous for Brother Riggs. (Seconded by several; and carried.)

Commander-in-Chief DeHaven: Brother Riggs, I declare you elected as Commander-in-Chief of this Order. Do you accept?

National Patriotic Instructor Riggs: I do, and will serve the office to the best of my ability.

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief

Commander-in-Chief DeHaven: Nominations are now open for Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief.

The National Secretary called the roll to Illinois.

National Counselor Locke: I would like to present, as a candidate for Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief a man of whom we are very proud in Illinois.

He is possessed with qualifications which are greatly needed in this organization. He is young, enthusiastic, efficient, well educated and well liked by everyone. He is very active in his own Camp and in the Department; and is at present the Secretary-Treasurer of the Illinois Department. He is a "cracker-jack," and just the type of man this organization needs.

I take pleasure in placing in nomination the name of Charles A. Brady, Jr. of Illinois, for Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief.

(Seconded by Past Commander-in-Chief Coffin.)

National Counselor Locke: Since there is only one nominee for Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, I move that the unanimous vote of the Encampment be cast for Charles A. Brady, Jr.

(Seconded by Delegate Clark Mellor, Massachusetts; and carried.)

(The National Secretary cast 140 votes for Charles A. Brady, Jr. for Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief.)

Commander-in-Chief DeHaven: Brother Brady, you have been elected to the office of Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief. Do you accept?

Delegate Charles A. Brady, Jr., Illinois: I do, and will do my very best.

Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief

Commander-in-Chief DeHaven: Nominations are now open for Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief.

The National Secretary called the roll to Massachusetts.

Past Commander-in-Chief Moran: You have selected as Commander-in-Chief a man from the west coast; for Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief a man from the middle west and it is now my pleasure to present the name of a man from the eastern part of our country. He is a working member of this Order, one who is dependable, intelligent and a fine person. He is a fine entertainer, and is well liked. He devotes a great deal of time and effort, in behalf of this organization and I know he will be an excellent officer.

On behalf of the Massachusetts delegation, I take great pleasure in nominating Past Department Commander Carder A. Perkins of Massachusetts for Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief.

Delegate Vernard L. Gordon: As there is only one candidate I move that the National Secretary cast the unanimous vote of the Encampment.

(Seconded by Past Department Commander John B. Davis, Massachusetts; and carried.)

(The National Secretary cast 140 votes for Carder A. Perkins for Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief.)

Commander-in-Chief DeHaven: Brother Perkins, you have been elected Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief of this national body. Do you accept?

Past Department Commander Carder A. Perkins, Massachusetts: I do, and will serve to the best of my ability.

Member—Council of Administration (2 Year Term)

Commander-in-Chief DeHaven: Nominations are now open for a two year term to the Council of Administration.

The National Secretary called the roll to Pennsylvania.

Past Commander-in-Chief Stoudt: Commander-in-Chief, there was a time when we didn't pay too much attention to the election of a man to serve on the National Council. His duties were very light, in most cases; and very little was required of him.

That picture is changed today. We now have a Federal Charter and there are important matters to be supervised by the Council, important decisions to be made; and it now becomes important that we choose wisely the members of the Council of Administration.

Therefore, starting last year, we deemed it advisable to place on this Council a Past Commander-in-Chief—a man with great experience in our organization and a man in a position to render opinions which will be to the best interests of this organization. That man, with his tremendous experience and ability was Past Commander-in-Chief Grant.

The man whose name I want to place in nomination needs no lengthy introduction. You all know him, and most of us have known him for many years. He hasn't missed an Encampment in the past ten years, and he served as your Commander-in-Chief in 1950. He has rendered splendid service to this organization for over thirty years, and I know he will continue to do so for many years to come. He is a business man; and I know that it is not necessary for me to dwell upon his ability, along those lines. His business record speaks for itself.

I am, therefore, very happy to present to you the name of John H. Runkle of Pennsylvania as a member of the Council of Administration for a two year term.

Past Department Commander Carder A. Perkins, Massachusetts: I move that the National Secretary cast the unanimous vote of the Encampment as there is only one nominee for this office.

(Seconded by Delegate Clark Mellor, Massachusetts; and carried.)

(The National Secretary cast 140 votes for John H. Runkle for a two year term on the Council of Administration.)

Commander-in-Chief DeHaven: Brother Runkle, you have been elected to a two year term on the Council of Administration. Do you accept?

Past Commander-in-Chief Runkle: I do.

Commander-in-Chief DeHaven: I will now discharge the Tellers; also all Committees of this Encampment, with our sincere thanks for your help.

This concludes the business of the Encampment, with the exception of Installation of Officers. Brother Riggs, will you name your Installing Officer, and proceed with that order of business.

Commander-in-Chief elect Riggs: The Installing Officer will be Past Commander-in-Chief Heald.

Mrs. Beatrice Riggs, wife of the Commander-in-Chief elect; Mrs. Nellie DeHaven, wife of the retiring Commander-in-Chief; Mrs. Ursula Shepardson, National President elect of the Auxiliary; Miss Anne O. Clayton, National President of the Auxiliary; and a delegation from the Auxiliary were escorted into the Encampment to witness the Installation.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

The Installation of Officers followed, with Past Commander-in-Chief Cleon E. Heald as Installing Officer; Past Commander-in-Chief C. Leroy Stoudt as Installing Guide; and National Chaplain Charles C. Webster as Installing Chaplain.

The Commander-in-Chief elect asked the National Secretary to read the following list of appointments:

National Patriotic Instructor—Thomas Chadwick, Vermont

National Chaplain—Rev. Thos. H. Langdon, California

National Counselor—Richard F. Locke, Illinois

National Historian—Allen F. Spink, Connecticut

National Chief of Staff—C. Leroy Stoudt, Pennsylvania

Registered Agent in D. C.—Gen. U. S. Grant, 3rd, U.S.A., Ret., Maryland

National Graves Registration Officer — Bertrand O. DeForest, Connecticut

Personal Aide—John Gately, California

Musician—John B. Davis, Massachusetts

Guide—Robert W. Heald, New Hampshire

Past Commander-in-Chief Heald: The National Secretary will call the names of the newly elected Officers, (complied with) and:

Commander-in-Chief Earl F. Riggs, California,

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief—Charles A. Brady, Jr., Illinois,

Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief—Carder A. Perkins, Massachusetts,

Council of Administration:

Albert B. DeHaven, Maine (1 Year),

John H. Runkle (2 Years),

National Counselor—Richard F. Locke, Illinois,

National Historian—Allen F. Spink, Connecticut,

National Chief of Staff—C. Leroy Stoudt, Pennsylvania,

Registered Agent in D. C.—Gen. U. S. Grant, 3rd, U.S.A., Ret., Maryland,

Personal Aide—John Gately, California
were installed in Ritualistic form.

(The newly elected Commander-in-Chief was escorted to his station by his wife, Mrs. Beatrice Riggs.)

Past Commander-in-Chief DeHaven: Commander-in-Chief Riggs, it is my pleasure to present to you the badge of your office. I know you will wear it proudly, as I did; and I know it will be a guiding star to you during your term of administration, as it was to mine. My congratulations, Earl; and I know you will do a fine job as Commander-in-Chief of this organization.

Commander-in-Chief Riggs: Thank you, Brother DeHaven. I hope that I will have as nice a year as you had. You can be sure that I will call on you during this year, as I will expect help from you.

Past Commander-in-Chief Coffin: I am happy to be one of the first to address you in this office of high esteem; and my best wishes and congratulations go to you for a very successful and enjoyable year.

And, now, I would like a few words with Brother DeHaven, who has just become a Past Commander-in-Chief.

Brother Albert, I know that it will not take you long to realize that this is not the end of your career in the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War—it is only the beginning. Your work is not through; and we hope that you will enjoy good health for many years to come, as your efforts will be required, and appreciated, by this organization far into the distant future.

I think Brother DeHaven asked that I perform this last sad rite because it seems as though our paths have been sort of parallel from the cradle to the grave—officially, that is. He was the Division Commander of Maine the year that I served as Commander-in-Chief of this organization. I knew then that he was a man we could always depend upon and in the years that intervened, my opinion has been strengthened because he has proved that he is definitely such a man. He is active in his Camp, and is Secretary of his own Department; and is always interested in doing what is best for this organization.

I was elected Commander-in-Chief in 1924, and presided in Grand Rapids, Michigan in 1925. During that year, and prior to that Encampment, I tried my best to get in touch with every member of our Order through the Department Secretaries. There was one individual who brought outstanding results in that endeavor—and that was Albert DeHaven.

I have watched him with keen interest, all these years and perhaps it was in memory of those days thirty-four years ago that I responded to his call last year, with great pleasure, and installed him as Commander-in-Chief. And now, it is again my privilege to make this presentation.

Albert, you may think this is the end but it is only the beginning. Knowing you as I do, I am sure that you will not retire into the background; but will always continue in the work of the Sons of Union Veterans. I feel sure that you are just commencing your role of service, which you will fulfill with the same zeal with which you have done all the things you did in the many years past.

It is with extreme pleasure that I present to you the emblem of a Past Commander-in-Chief, and would ask that it be pinned on you by your wife.

(Mrs. Nellie DeHaven pinned the Past Commander-in-Chief's badge on her husband.)

(At this time, a plaque was presented to Past Commander-in-Chief DeHaven from the Rhode Island Department by Department Commander H. Dwight Bromley.)

Commander-in-Chief Riggs: First of all, I want to thank Past Commander-in-Chief Heald for installing me as Commander-in-Chief. I have known him for a number of years, and I think he is one of the finest men in this organization.

It will be difficult to follow Brother DeHaven in this office, as he has done such a fine job; but I will try to carry out the duties of this office, to the best of my ability. I want to thank you for electing me and I hope that with the assistance of the National Officers, the Departments and all the members of this Order it will be possible to have a wonderful year.

Past Commander-in-Chief Stoudt: Commander-in-Chief, before we close this Encampment I feel that it is definitely in order that a rising vote of thanks be extended to the Massachusetts Department for the splendid Encampment they have given us this year. I will so move you, Commander-in-Chief. (Seconded by several, carried; and a rising vote and applause of the Encampment given the Massachusetts Department.)

Past Commander-in-Chief Grant: I think that the situation of hotels, invitations from cities and Departments, etc. for our National Encampments in the future is such that the custom adopted last year should be followed—that is the acceptance, and action by the Encampment on the place in which we are to meet two years hence. Since this Encampment has been unable to settle the matter of where the Encampment is to be held in 1960, I move that we authorize the Council of Administration to investigate possible places in which we might meet, and advise us of their findings at our next Encampment; after consultation with the Auxiliary and the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic. (Seconded by Past Commander-in-Chief Coffin, and carried.)

Past Commander-in-Chief Grant: I move that a rising vote of thanks be given to Past Commander-in-Chief DeHaven for the splendid way he has led us this past year; and for the success he has achieved. He has done a fine job and we are grateful to him.

(Seconded by Delegate Clark Mellor, Massachusetts; and carried—and rising vote of thanks given Past Commander-in-Chief DeHaven.)

National Counselor Locke: I move you that the minutes of this Encampment as taken by the Encampment Stenographer be the official Proceedings of this Encampment, when approved by the retiring Commander-in-Chief and National Secretary; and that this Encampment now adjourn. (Seconded by Delegate Herbert Bogue, Massachusetts, and carried.)

(The Encampment closed in Ritualistic form.)

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Certified as a true and correct transcript of the proceedings of the Seventy-Seventh Annual Encampment.

Albert B. DeHaven
(Commander-in-Chief.)

Attest:

Albert C. Lambert
(National Secretary.)

Annamae D. Berhalter
(Official Stenographer.)

COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION MEETING

August 20, 1958 — 4 P. M.

A meeting of the Council of Administration was held in the Sheraton Plaza Hotel, Boston, Massachusetts, at the close of the 77th Annual National Encampment of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

Commander-in-Chief Earl F. Riggs presided; with the following present: Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief Charles A. Brady, Jr.; Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief Carder A. Perkins; Members of the Council of Administration Past Commanders-in-Chief U. S. Grant, 3rd, John H. Runkle and Albert B. DeHaven; National Secretary-Treasurer Albert C. Lambert; also Past Commanders-in-Chief Richard F. Locke and Fred E. Howe.

Several matters had been referred to the Council by the Encampment. These were taken into consideration, and resulted as follows:

(1) Relative to the revision of Patriotic Instructor's Forms 60 & 61 (Camp and Department forms), action was taken by the Council to designate National Secretary Lambert and Past Commander-in-Chief C. Leroy Stoudt to revise these forms, after which they are to be submitted to the Commander-in-Chief for his approval.

(2) In the matter of a Committee of three members to be appointed by the incoming Commander-in-Chief to check into suitable and proper disposition of the Woolson Gold medal, for future display of this medal, Commander-in-Chief Riggs appointed:

Past Commander-in-Chief U. S. Grant, 3rd
National Secretary-Treasurer Albert C. Lambert
Wm. D. Duval of the Military Order of the Loyal Legion.

(3) Relative to the securing of invitations for the 1960 Encampment—action was taken by the Council that National Secretary Lambert check into the matter, and make preliminary arrangements; his findings to be submitted to the Council of Administration, and to the other Allied Orders for their approval.

(4) By action of the Encampment a bar was approved, to be attached to the badge of a Life Member—the National Secretary was instructed by the Council to secure and provide such bar, at a nominal fee to the life members requesting them.

(5) The matter of the Lincoln Tomb observance was discussed with special emphasis on the implementation of the program. Action was taken by the Council to appoint Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief Charles A. Brady, Jr. as Chairman of the Committee; with instructions that he select his own Committee in the Department of Illinois to arrange for participation in this ceremony.

(6) Relative to the Michigan Department matter, this had been referred, by the Encampment, to the incoming Commander-in-Chief; to call a special Encampment of the Michigan Department, within the next sixty (60) days, and that he, or his representative, be present to preside over the Encampment.

It was suggested that the Commander-in-Chief duly notify every Camp of this action; also all Past Department Commanders and all Auxiliaries in the Department of Michigan.

As Commander-in-Chief Riggs will be unable to attend this Encampment, he appointed National Counselor Richard F. Locke to represent him.

(7) The matter of the presentation of a plaque each year, to some outstanding citizen, by the National Patriotic Instructor, which had been referred to the Council by the Encampment, was considered. Action was taken by the Council that the matter be left in the hands of the Commander-in-Chief and National Patriotic Instructor, who are to confer with the National Secretary-Treasurer on the selection of the recipient—and that the sum of approximately \$25.00 be spent for this award.

(8) On the Resolutions presented by the Department of New Hampshire on the re-organization of the Order, and the one relative to "Collateral descendants," Commander-in-Chief Riggs appointed the following Committee:

Past Department Commander Chester S. Shriver, Pennsylvania,
Chairman,

Past Commander-in-Chief Cleon E. Heald, New Hampshire,

Past Commander-in-Chief Albert B. DeHaven, Maine,

Past Department Commander Frederic V. Bell, Massachusetts

to thoroughly investigate these matters and report back to the Council of Administration; after which a vote of the Council can be taken by mail.

REPRESENTATION

Chapter 3, Article 2, Section 1, Constitution and Regulations: "one delegate from each Department, whatever its membership, and one additional delegate for every fifty members or major fraction thereof."

Department	Seniority Rank	Date Instituted	June 30, 1958 Membership	Delegates
California and Pacific	19	July 1, 1886	301	7
Colorado and Wyoming	23	March 22, 1929	32	2
Connecticut	5	May 15, 1883	302	7
Illinois	10	July, 1883	135	4
Indiana	18	June 12, 1885	73	2
Iowa	6	June 2, 1883	91	3
Kansas	9	June, 1883	55	2
Maine	4	April 10, 1883	331	8
Maryland	20	June 15, 1887	65	2
Massachusetts	2	July 17, 1882	1003	21
Michigan	15	June 24, 1884	225	5
Minnesota	17	January 1, 1885	61	2
New Hampshire	11	August, 1883	177	5
New Jersey	8	June 14, 1883	301	7
New York	13	November 6, 1883	586	13
Ohio	3	August 1, 1882	351	8
Oregon and Washington	22	June 8, 1923	74	2
Pennsylvania	1	July 4, 1882	832	18
Rhode Island	14	February 14, 1884	159	4
Vermont	12	October, 1883	195	5
Wisconsin	21	September, 1887	78	3
Camp 21, So. Carolina			16	1
Camp 4, Missouri			15	1
Camp 30, Missouri			6	1
Nat'l Camp at Large			5	1

SEVENTY-SEVENTH ENCAMPMENT ROLL

Boston, Massachusetts

August 17-21, 1958

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1881	*Harry T. Rowley	Pennsylvania	
1882	*Harry T. Rowley	Pennsylvania	
1883	*Frank P. Merrill	Maine	
1884	*Harry W. Arnold	Pennsylvania	
1885	*Walter S. Payne	Ohio	
1886	*Walter S. Payne	Ohio	
1887	*George B. Abbott	Illinois	
1888	*George B. Abbott	Illinois	
1889	*Charles F. Griffin	Indiana	
1890	*Leland J. Webb	Kansas	
1891	*Bartow S. Weeks	New York	
1892	*Marvin E. Hall	Michigan	
1893	*Joseph B. Maccabe	Massachusetts	
1894	*William E. Bundy	Ohio	
1895	*William H. Russell	Kansas	
1896	*James Lewis Rake	Pennsylvania	
1897	*Charles E. Darling	Massachusetts	
1898	*Frank L. Shepard	Illinois	
1899	*A. W. Jones	Ohio	
1900	*Edgar W. Alexander	Pennsylvania	
1901	*Edward R. Campbell	Maryland	
1902	*Frank Martin	Indiana	
1903	*Arthur B. Spink	Rhode Island	
1904	*William C. Dustin	Illinois	
1905	*Harley V. Speelman	Ohio	
1906	*Edwin M. Amies	Pennsylvania	
1907	*Ralph Sheldon	New York	
1908	*Edgar Allan, Jr.	Maryland	
1909	*George W. Pollitt	New Jersey	
1910	*Fred E. Bolton	Massachusetts	
1911	*Newton J. McGuire	Indiana	
1912	*Ralph M. Grant	Connecticut	
1913	*John E. Sautter	Pennsylvania	
1914	Charles F. Sherman	New York	51 Woodridge Circle, Trumbull 19, Conn.
1915	*A. E. B. Stephens	Ohio	
1916	*William T. Church	Illinois	
1917	*Fred T. J. Johnson	Maryland	
1918	*Francis Callaban	Pennsylvania	
1919	*Harry D. Sisson	Massachusetts	
1920	*Pelham A. Barrows	Nebraska	
1921	*Clifford Ireland	Illinois	
1922	*Frank Shellhouse	Indiana	
1923	*Samuel S. Horn	Pennsylvania	
1924	Wm. M. Coffin	Ohio	3755 Hyde Park Ave., Cincinnati 9, Ohio
1925	*Edwin C. Irelan	Maryland	
1926	*Ernest W. Homan	Massachusetts	
1927	*Walter C. Mabie	Pennsylvania	
1928	*Delevan Bates Bowley	Calif. & Pacific	

<i>Elected</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Department</i>	<i>Address</i>
1929	*Theodore C. Cazeau	New York	
1930	*Allan S. Holbrook	Illinois	
1931	Frank C. Huston	Indiana	1071 Edgewood Ave., Jacksonville, Fla.
1932	*Titus M. Ruch	Pennsylvania	
1933	*Park F. Yengling	Ohio	
1934	*Frank L. Kirchgassner	Massachusetts	
1935	Richard F. Locke	Illinois	526 Crescent Blvd., Glen Ellyn, Ill.
1936	*Wm. Allan Dyer	New York	
1937	*Wm. Allan Dyer	New York	
1938	*Win. L. Anderson	Massachusetts	
1939	*Ralph R. Barrett	California	
1940	J. Kirkwood Craig, D.D.	New Hampshire	P. O. Box 1074, Manchester, N. H.
1941	Albert C. Lambert	New Jersey	P. O. Box 457, Trenton 3, N. J.
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1943	C. LeRoy Stoudt	Pennsylvania	2540 Fairview Ave., Mt. Penn; Reading, Pa.
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1945	*H. Harding Hale	Massachusetts	
1946	Neil D. Cranmer	New York	568 Robinson St., Elmira, N. Y.
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1949	John H. Runkle	Pennsylvania	814 N. 2nd St., Harrisburg, Pa.
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1951	Roy J. Bennett	Iowa	924 Loomis Ave., Des Moines 15, Iowa
1952	Frederick K. Davis	Ore. & Wash.	1193 Pearl St., Eugene, Oregon
1953	U. S. Grant, 3rd	Maryland	1135 21st, N.W.
1954	Maj.-Gen., U.S.A., Ret.		Washington 6, D. C.
1955	Frederic Gilbert Bauer	Massachusetts	123 Heights Road, Ridgewood, N. J.
1956	Colonel, A.U.S., Ret. Fred E. Howe	New York	1345 Michigan Ave., Niagara Falls, N. Y.
1957	Albert B. DeHaven	Maine	35 Berwick St., Sanford, Me.

Sons of Veterans

1881	†*Alfred Cope	Pennsylvania
1882	†*Alfred Cope	Pennsylvania
1883	†*Edwin Earp	Massachusetts
1884	†*Edwin Earp	Massachusetts
1884	†*Louis M. Wagner	Pennsylvania
1885	†*Louis M. Wagner	Pennsylvania
1886	†*Louis M. Wagner	Pennsylvania

The Post System

1889-90	†George W. Marks	New York	Brooklyn, N. Y.
1890	†George T. Brown	New York	

Honor Conferred by Commandery-in-Chief

<i>Elected</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Department</i>	<i>Address</i>
1883	*A. P. Davis	Pennsylvania	
1899	*R. M. J. Reed	Pennsylvania	
1939	*Horace H. Hammer	Pennsylvania	
1953	*Albert Woolson	Minnesota	

PAST GRAND DIVISION COMMANDER

E. Howard Gilkey Ohio

* Deceased

† Conferred by Commandery-in-Chief.

NATIONAL ENCAMPMENTS

<i>No.</i>	<i>Year</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Place</i>	<i>State</i>
1st	1882	Oct. 18	Pittsburgh	Pennsylvania
2nd	1883	Aug. 6-7	Columbus	Ohio
3rd	1884	Aug. 27-30	Philadelphia	Pennsylvania
4th	1885	Sept. 17-18	Grand Rapids	Michigan
5th	1886	Sept. 1-2	Buffalo	New York
6th	1887	Aug. 17-19	Des Moines	Iowa
7th	1888	Aug. 15-17	Wheeling	West Virginia
8th	1889	Sept. 10-13	Paterson	New Jersey
9th	1890	Aug. 26-29	St. Joseph	Missouri
10th	1891	Aug. 24-29	Minneapolis	Minnesota
11th	1892	Aug. 8-12	Helena	Montana
12th	1893	Aug. 15-18	Cincinnati	Ohio
13th	1894	Aug. 20-23	Davenport	Iowa
14th	1895	Sept. 16-18	Knoxville	Tennessee
15th	1896	Sept. 8-10	Louisville	Kentucky
16th	1897	Sept. 9-11	Indianapolis	Indiana
17th	1898	Sept. 12-14	Omaha	Nebraska
18th	1899	Sept. 7-9	Detroit	Michigan
19th	1900	Sept. 11-13	Syracuse	New York
20th	1901	Sept. 17-18	Providence	Rhode Island
21st	1902	Oct. 7-9	Washington	D. C.
22nd	1903	Sept. 15-17	Atlantic City	New Jersey
23rd	1904	Aug. 17-19	Boston	Massachusetts
24th	1905	Sept. 18-20	Gettysburg	Pennsylvania
25th	1906	Aug. 21-23	Peoria	Illinois
26th	1907	Aug. 20-21	Dayton	Ohio
27th	1908	Aug. 25-27	Niagara Falls	New York
28th	1909	Aug. 24-26	Washington	D. C.
29th	1910	Sept. 20-22	Atlantic City	New Jersey
30th	1911	Aug. 22-25	Rochester	New York
31st	1912	Aug. 27-29	St. Louis	Missouri
32nd	1913	Sept. 16-18	Chattanooga	Tennessee
33rd	1914	Sept. 1-3	Detroit	Michigan
34th	1915	Sept. 28-30	Washington	D. C.
35th	1916	Aug. 30-31	Kansas City	Missouri
36th	1917	Aug. 22-23	Boston	Massachusetts
37th	1918	Aug. 20-21	Niagara Falls	New York
38th	1919	Sept. 9-11	Columbus	Ohio
39th	1920	Sept. 22-24	Indianapolis	Indiana
40th	1921	Sept. 27-29	Indianapolis	Indiana
41st	1922	Sept. 26-28	Des Moines	Iowa
42nd	1923	Sept. 4-6	Milwaukee	Wisconsin
43rd	1924	Aug. 12-14	Boston	Massachusetts
44th	1925	Sept. 1-3	Grand Rapids	Michigan
45th	1926	Sept. 21-23	Des Moines	Iowa
46th	1927	Sept. 13-15	Grand Rapids	Michigan
47th	1928	Sept. 18-20	Denver	Colorado
48th	1929	Sept. 10-12	Portland	Maine
49th	1930	Aug. 26-28	Cincinnati	Ohio
50th	1931	Sept. 14-17	Des Moines	Iowa
51st	1932	Sept. 19-22	Springfield	Illinois
52nd	1933	Sept. 19-21	St. Paul	Minnesota

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53rd	1934	Aug. 14-16	Rochester	New York
54th	1935	Sept. 9-12	Grand Rapids	Michigan
55th	1936	Sept. 22-24	Washington	D. C.
56th	1937	Sept. 6-9	Madison	Wisconsin
57th	1938	Sept. 5-8	Des Moines	Iowa
58th	1939	Aug. 29-31	Pittsburgh	Pennsylvania
59th	1940	Sept. 10-12	Springfield	Illinois
60th	1941	Sept. 15-18	Columbus	Ohio
61st	1942	Sept. 15-17	Indianapolis	Indiana
62nd	1943	Sept. 20-23	Milwaukee	Wisconsin
63rd	1944	Sept. 12-14	Des Moines	Iowa
64th	1945	Oct. 1-4	Columbus	Ohio
65th	1946	Aug. 25-29	Indianapolis	Indiana
66th	1947	Aug. 10-14	Cleveland	Ohio
67th	1948	Sept. 26-30	Grand Rapids	Michigan
68th	1949	Aug. 28-31	Indianapolis	Indiana
69th	1950	Aug. 20-24	Boston	Massachusetts
70th	1951	Aug. 19-23	Columbus	Ohio
71st	1952	Aug. 24-28	Atlantic City	New Jersey
72nd	1953	Aug. 23-27	Buffalo	New York
73rd	1954	Aug. 8-13	Duluth	Minnesota
74th	1955	Aug. 21-25	Cincinnati	Ohio
75th	1956	Sept. 9-13	Harrisburg	Pennsylvania
76th	1957	Aug. 18-22	Detroit	Michigan
77th	1958	Aug. 17-21	Boston	Massachusetts

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