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NATIONAL OFFICERS 1970-1971

Commander-in-Chief	George L. Cashman
Sr. Vice Commander-in-Chief	Norman R. Furman
Jr. Vice Commander-in-Chief	John C. Yocum
Council of Administration	Fred H. Combs, Jr.
Council of Administration	Allen B. Howland
Council of Administration	Joseph S. Rippey
National Counselor	Albert C. Lambert
National Secretary-Treasurer	Chester S. Shriver
National Patriotic Instructor	Robert J. Wolz
National Chief of Staff	C. Leroy Stoudt
National Chaplain	Edwin K. Kramer
National Historian	Elmore J. Houston, Sr.
National Graves Registration Officer	Arthur L. Ballou
National G. A. R. Highway Officer	Charles W. Hooper
District of Columbia Representative	Arthur L. Glenum
Personal Aide	Charles A. Brady, Jr.

COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF



GEORGE L. CASHMAN

1970 - 1971

Council of Administration Meeting, Sunday, August 15, 1971

Parker House — Boston, Mass.

The Council of Administration of our Order met in formal session in the Headquarters Suite with Commander-in-Chief, George L. Cashman calling the meeting to order at 1:15 P.M. The following were present:

George L. Cashman	Commander-in-Chief
Norman R. Furman	Sr. Vice Commander-in-Chief
John C. Yocum	Jr. Vice Commander-in-Chief
Allen P. Howland	Council Member
Joseph S. Rippey	Council Member
Fred H. Combs, Jr.	Council Member
Chester S. Shriver	National Secretary-Treasurer
Albert C. Lambert	National Counselor

Minutes of the previous meeting of August 1970 were approved as read by the National Secretary.

The following items were discussed and presented:

1. National Secretary Shriver reported the Kansas Department had forwarded all Department records, books and remaining property and a check in the amount of \$8.94 to close out their records. By request at the 1970 Encampment, the Kansas Department was dropped and disbanded.
2. R. M. Smith Camp No. 21 - Beaufort, S. C., recently submitted the per-capita tax report and payment of arrears dues and requested re-instatement. By motion of Jr. Vice Commander-in-Chief Yocum, seconded by Sr. Vice Commander-in-Chief Furman, the Camp was re-instated by majority vote. Motion carried.
3. Following discussion of printing and replenishment of National Headquarters supplies, and in lieu of rising cost of printing, it was decided to have certain supplies reordered by offset printing to minimize cost. Of specific importance was the restocking of the Certificate of Membership.
On a motion by Bro. Yocum, seconded by Bro. Combs, the new Membership Certificates would be printed on light blue paper via offset process. National Counselor volunteered to have this done in his home town.
4. Bro. Albert C. Lambert, Editor of the BANNER submitted his report for the four (4) issues of 1970-1971 which contained excellent material and substance in quality. A vote of thanks was extended by motion from Bro. Shriver, seconded by Bro. Howland. Motion carried. Following much discussion as to the future of the BANNER in reference to the cost of printing and the request of Bro. Lambert requesting to be relieved of his Editorship, the members voted to table the subject until Wednesday, August 18th at which time another meeting of the Council would be held and invite the Past Commanders-in-Chiefs to have a broader discussion as to ideas and suggestions.
5. Copies of the National Treasurers Financial and Membership Report was distributed and reviewed. This for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1971.

Commander-in-Chief Cashman then announced the following committees —

Audit: Sr. Vice Commander-in-Chief Furman
Jr. Vice Commander-in-Chief Yocum, Chairman

Budget: Council Member Fred H. Combs, Jr., Chairman
Council Member Joseph S. Rippey

The meeting recessed at 2:45 P.M.

George L. Cashman
Commander-in-Chief

Chester S. Shriver
National Secretary-Treasurer

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SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR

Headquarters: The Parker House, Boston Massachusetts
Sessions: Old Boston Room

All Officers and Delegates assembled in the Ballroom for the Joint Opening of the Sons and Auxiliary at 10:00 A.M. Following the beautiful opening service planned by the Auxiliary Chief of Staff, the Sons adjourned to the Old Boston Room for their business sessions as follows.

MONDAY SESSIONS

August 16, 1971

Commander-in-Chief Cashman: The Officers and members of the Ninetieth Annual National Encampment of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War will please come to order.

At this time I would like to appoint the following floor Officers to serve this Encampment:

Guide	Allen F. Spink, PDC, Conn.
Color Bearer	James Y. Ledwith, PDC, Conn.
Inside Guard	Allen Howland, PDC, Mass.

(At this time, the Massachusetts Encampment Committee was escorted to the Commander-in-Chief's station and presented Commander-in-Chief Cashman with a basket of flowers and their good wishes for a successful Encampment. Commander-in-Chief Cashman thanked the committee for their hard work in the planning of the Encampment in Boston)

Commander-in-Chief Cashman: At this time I would like to appoint the following Encampment Committees:

CREDENTIALS

Harry Gibbons, Chairman	PDC, New York
Kenneth Wheeler	PDC, New Hampshire
Arthur L. Ballou	PDC, Vermont
Clarence J. Riddell	PDC, Pennsylvania

RESOLUTIONS

Fred H. Combs, Jr., Chairman	P.C. in C., New Jersey
Charles A. Brady, Jr.	PDC, Illinois
Robert Lawrence	PDC, New Hampshire
Harold Rogers	D. C., California and Pacific
William C. Rule	PDC, Massachusetts

OFFICERS REPORTS

C. Leroy Stoudt, Chairman	Past Commander-in-Chief, Pennsylvania
Maurice Warner	PDC, Maine
William Vanderhoof	D.C., New Jersey
Henry S. Bowen	PDC, Massachusetts
Richard Greenwalt	D.C., Ohio

CONSTITUTION and REGULATIONS

William M. Coffin, Chairman	Past Commander-in-Chief, Ohio
Joseph S. Rippey	Past Commander-in-Chief, New York
Chester S. Shriver	Past Commander-in-Chief, Pennsylvania
Thomas L. W. Johnson	Past Department Commander, Wisconsin
Cleon H. Heald	Past Commander-in-Chief, New Hampshire

RITUAL and CEREMONY

Frank M. Heacock, Sr., Chairman	Past Commander-in-Chief, Penna.
George W. Long	Past Department Commander, Penna.
Wallace J. Macomber	Department Commander, Rhode Island
Ned Durkee	Past Department Commander, Vt.
Burton E. Kannenberg	Department Commander, Wisconsin

(At this point the Credentials Committee reported 91 Brothers registered)

REPORT OF THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF

Springfield, Illinois
August 16, 1971

To the Officers and Members of the
90th Annual Encampment
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

Greetings:

It is indeed an honor and a privilege to submit to you herewith my formal report and accounting of my activities and service to our Order during the past twelve months tenure in my office.

On August 27, 1970, in the City of Miami Beach, Florida, you entrusted to me the honor and responsibilities of the highest office within your power to bestow. For your expression of confidence I was then most grateful, and I am truly grateful today. In accepting the office of Commander-in-Chief, I was fully aware of the grave, and perhaps awesome responsibilities attendant to the office. It was my determination to do all that my limited talents and capabilities would permit, to further the interests and welfare of our Order. I have sought at all times to justify your confidence and to faithfully fulfill the trust you had placed in me. How well I have succeeded in this, or how far I have fallen by the way-side, will be determined by you from this report.

As it has been with every Commander-in-Chief who has preceded me, and as it will undoubtedly be with every Commander-in-Chief who will follow, the complete fulfillment of their plans and aspirations, must in the nature of things, fall short of the goal. While I have not succeeded in accomplishing all that I had planned and hoped for, due largely to insurmountable obstacles in my path, the demands of my job, and continuing disability of my wife, I hope to have, to a reasonable extent, merited your confidence.

One of the great pleasures to be enjoyed by a Commander-in-Chief during his term of office comes when he is called upon to charter and install the officers of a new camp where none has existed. In January I presented the charter and installed the officers of Morgan Raid Camp # 4, Decatur, Indiana. The organization of this camp represents an outstanding accomplishment of the Brother whose determination, energy and perseverance, who would not accept defeat, made the activation of this camp possible. To this Brother, James Halberstadt, we offer our sincere thanks and commend him for his zeal in organization. Brother Halberstadt followed his fine performance by being the prime mover that brought about the camp's auxiliary.

The Department of Oregon and Washington, and P.D.C. George P. Harriman, are to be commended for the formation of a new camp, the Rudolph S. Hummel Camp # 2, Portland, Oregon. Proving once again, that with desire and energy, it can be done.

The Remembrance Day program at Gettysburg, Pa., on November 21, 1970, was most impressive. The day's program was attended by National President of the Auxiliary. Eileen Coombs, and the National Presidents of the other Allied Orders. It was my pleasure to place a wreath and represent the Commandery-in-Chief at the ceremonies held at the Albert Woolson monument at Ziegler's Grove on the battlefield. At the Commemoration Dinner held that evening, at which my wife spoke, I was permitted the honor of presenting our annual scholarship award to a deserving American history major of Gettysburg College, Charles Michaud of Massachusetts, a descendant of a Union soldier.

A few of the ceremonies, meetings and other functions which I have attended representing the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, may be worthy of mention.

On August 31, 1970, at Cincinnati, Ohio, I was a guest at the Annual Convention of the National Woman's Relief Corps, and where I was most graciously received. The warmth, cordiality and hospitality could not have been greater.

At Akron, Ohio, on October 10, 1970, I, as Commander, presided over the business of the Central Regional Conference. Here I relinquished my office to a most worthy Brother, Robert J. Wolz. This conference, and those that I have attended in prior years, was constructive and very much worthwhile, and they should be continued with greater participation.

At Springfield, Illinois, on November 11, 1970, I participated, as has been customary for several years, in the annual Veterans Day observances.

At Oak Park, Illinois, the Mid-Winter Encampment of the Illinois Department was held on December 8, 1970. Here I brought greetings to the Auxilliary from the National Organization. In the evening I enjoyed a testimonial dinner given in my honor and sponsored jointly by the Sons and Auxilliary.

By invitation, I appeared at the Soldiers and Sailors Home in Quincy, Illinois, on December 18, 1970, where I participated in the ground-breaking ceremonies for the All Faiths Chapel.

At the annual ceremony held at the Lincoln Memorial, Washington, D.C., commemorating the birthday anniversary of Abraham Lincoln, I was honored by being chosen to present a floral wreath in the name of the Commandery-in-Chief. This colorful and moving ceremony is sponsored annually by the Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States. In Philadelphia, the following evening, I read a brief paper under the title of Lincoln and Religion, at the annual Lincoln Day Dinner sponsored by the Sons of Veterans Club of Pennsylvania.

On April 15, 1971, the annual Lincoln Tomb Ceremony was held at the Lincoln Tomb in Springfield, Illinois, a report of which will be read later during this encampment.

On Memorial Day, May 31, 1971, in Springfield, conducted by the Sangamon County Inter-Veterans Council, of which our local Camp is a member, a beautiful and inspiring ceremony was held honoring our Civil War dead. The ceremony at the Grand Army Mound in Oak Ridge Cemetery features a colorful parade in which a number of veteran and other patriotic organizations participate. As I have done for several years, I delivered General John A. Logan's Order # 11.

On June 4, 1971, I attended the 89th Annual Encampment of the Department of Illinois held in Chicago.

On June 5, National President of the Auxilliary, Eileen Coombs, and I made the trip to Summit, Wisconsin, to attend the 88th Annual Encampment of that Department. As evidence of the esteem in which Commander Burton E. Kannenberg is held, he was elected Department Commander for the fourth consecutive term.

On June 12-13, 1971, I attended the Annual Encampment of the Department of Indiana, held at Indianapolis, and was present at Fort Benjamin Harrison for the 2nd Sons of Veterans Reserve Encampment during the colorful reenactment of the historic Morgan's Raid.

At Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, I attended the Annual Encampment of that Department, June 20-23. Here I was given the VIP treatment by Jr. Vice Commander-in-Chief, John Yocum, who took me under his wing and acted as escort to my wife and me throughout the entire proceedings, and for which we are truly grateful.

Following Gettysburg, I went to Alliance, Ohio, where I attended the Annual Encampment of that Department, June 25-27, and where my wife and I were treated with the utmost consideration. I was pleased that Brother Robert J. Wolz was again elected to the office of Department Commander.

During the year, as Secretary-Treasurer, I have attended every meeting of my Camp, General John A. McClernand Camp # 4, Springfield, Illinois.

At each of the Department Annual Encampments attended, except at Chicago, I acted as Installing Officer for the newly elected officers.

To Senior and Junior Vice Commanders-in-Chief, Norman Furman and John Yocum, and to Past Commander-in-Chief, Frank Woerner, my sincere appreciation for representing the Commandery-in-Chief at functions where I was unable to be present.

It has been my pleasure this year to have named three National Aides for their recruitment of new members. These Brothers are, Department Commander Clarence Merydith of Portland, Oregon, Brother Claude Butcher of Lake Oswego, Oregon and to Brother James F. Halberstadt of Decatur, Indiana.

I am sure that we all are happy to know that the Department of Indiana has more than doubled its membership this year. The efforts of these Brothers should be an inspiration to each of us. Hearty congratulations.

During the year, as it has been for many years, I received many requests to speak before various fraternal and civic organizations. Where it is feasible, I accept. This year, for reasons obvious to anyone who reads the daily papers, I have concentrated my remarks on the subjects of Patriotism and Americanism. These subjects, to my mind, are very much in need of exploitation in these troubled times. We, as patriotic Americans, who hold our great heritage in reverence and esteem, must abhor the iniquitous and venomous attacks being made upon our way of life. Such attacks as witnessed taking place in our Nation's Capitol last May, and such as have happened in many places throughout the country. It is inconceivable that a woman, elected by the people to represent her district in Congress would, and could have the impudence to aid and abet a demonstration such as that by a mentally and morally sick, unkempt mob, and then to publicly announce, "This is the most beautiful sight I have ever seen."

Without respect for the law and its processes, without a law-abiding attitude on the part of the people, those two great things for which the Constitution stands, political union and individual freedom, must ever be in grave jeopardy. Admittedly, there are injustices to remedy, but serious as some of them may be, the remedy must be found in the processes of law. Any resort to riot, to extreme forms of pressure and intimidation should have no place whatever. Organized disturbances, marches, sit-ins, obstruction of traffic, arson, bombings, and other forms of imposition and intrusion cannot but hinder the normal forces of progress. We, members of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War and our Auxiliary, have taken a sacred oath to support and defend the government of the United States, and have a duty to do all that we may to promote a respect for law and order, to foster a love of God and Country. Although we are small in number, I am convinced that we, individually and collectively, have the potential to help bring about a return to normalcy. We must, in some way, combat the present subversive and iniquitous undermining of our sacred institutions. The very foundation of our nation is at stake. Abraham Lincoln once said, "There is no grievance that is a fit subject of redress by mob law."

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I would like to pay tribute to a fine group of young men, the 114th Regiment Illinois Volunteer Infantry (reactivated), a number of them are also members of the Sons. This group has taken part in every patriotic function held in Springfield, and in many other parts of the state. Their colorful, dignified and well-drilled appearances have created much comment and interest, and in time, cannot help but reflect credit to our Order and to help increase our membership.

I wish to express my personal appreciation, and that of the National Organization, to Brother Thomas L. W. Johnson for his outstanding service as Chairman of the Legislative Committee, and as co-chairman of the April 15 Lincoln Tomb Ceremony. He has for several years, fulfilled his obligations with spirited dedication and distinction.

This report would be incomplete without a word of commendation for our Secretary-Treasurer and Past Commander-in-Chief, Chet Shriver and for National Counselor, Editor of the BANNER, Past Commander-in-Chief, Al Lambert. The work that these Brothers do, their unselfish and untiring efforts and dedication in our behalf is immeasurable. We are most fortunate to have such devoted officers.

In the matter of recommendations, I have but two to offer for your consideration.

1. I recommend the abolishment of paragraph 2, Section 2. Article IV, page 22 of the Constitution and Regulations. This statement reads, "Provided that no member shall be eligible to election to the Office of Department Commander who is not present and entitled to vote at the Department Encampment." This provision could easily work to deprive a Department of a sincere and qualified administrator, who through circumstance, might be prevented from attending an encampment. I have known of one or two situations where a Department Commander, unqualified temperamentally, and otherwise, was elected to that office because no one other present could or would accept the post. This provision could work detrimentally, especially in smaller departments, to the welfare of the Order.

2. I recommend that elected officers of any camp be permitted to pass upon the qualifications of a member to wear the War Medal, without having to obtain the consent of a Department Commander. Certainly, if the officers of a camp are qualified to pass upon the eligibility of a candidate for membership, they must be equally qualified to determine the right of a member to wear the War Medal, a matter of far less importance.

I wish to commend all officers and committees for their interest and fine service performed during the year. Their assistance has been both unselfish and effective.

To Sister Eileen Coombs, National President of the Auxiliary, whose friendship has been most rewarding, and to her staff of officers for their support, both loyally and financially, my deepest appreciation. My association with National Presidents, Helen M. Johnson of the Woman's Relief Corps; Marion Doughty of the Ladies of the G.A.R.; and Miss Bertha Loomis of the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, has been most cordial and constructive.

It is with mixed emotions that I relinquish the duties and responsibilities of this office. I have tried to represent you with sincerity and dignity. I regret that I have not accomplished much more for the welfare of this fine patriotic organization. It is with pleasure that I anticipate the continuation of the happy relationship I have enjoyed with old friends and new.

To my successor, my sincere good wishes, and I pledge to him my whole-hearted support, and where possible, I say to him, ask and ye shall receive.

Respectfully submitted in
Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty

George L. Cashman
Commander-in-Chief

Upon conclusion of the report by Commander-in-Chief Cashman, those assembled rose and applauded.

Sr. Vice Commander-in-Chief Furman: Brothers, you have heard the report of the Commander-in-Chief. What is your pleasure?

National Secretary-Treasurer Shriver: I move you that we accept the report of the Commander-in-Chief and all Officers reports, without debate, and turn them over to the Committee on Officers reports. Seconded by Jr. Vice Commander-in-Chief Yocum. Motion carried.

Commander-in-Chief Cashman: At this time we will continue with the reading of the Officers reports.

REPORT OF SENIOR VICE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF

TO: Commander-in-Chief Cashman

Officers and members of the 90th Annual Encampment,
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

One year ago, in the city of Miami Beach, Florida, I was greatly honored by being elected to the office of Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief. At that time I vowed to fulfill the duties of the office to the best of my ability. Following is a report of my endeavors to carry out that vow:

On September 18th, 1970, I attended a dinner and reception for the Department President of the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War — Mamie Carter — at the Masonic Temple, Pultney Square, Bath, New York. Extended greetings of the National Organization, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

The 26th of September, 1970, attended a dinner and reception for the Department Commander and Department President of the Sons and Auxiliary, New York Department. Brought greetings of the National Organization, SUVCW.

October 10th, 1970. I attended a dinner and reception for the National President of the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Miss Bertha Loomis. Expressed regrets of the Commander-in-Chief, and brought greetings of the National Organization.

October 24th, attended a dinner and reception for the Department President of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, Gladys McBee. Brought greetings from National Organization, Sons of Union Veterans and invited all those present to attend our Dedication Day ceremonies at Gettysburg.

On the 21st of November, at Gettysburg, attended the Dedication Day ceremonies at the Woolson Monument. That evening, after the banquet of the Past Presidents Association, showed some color slides of activities of the Sons of Union Veterans.

At the January meeting of Chaplain P. G. Cook Camp # 223, initiated three new members.

On February 12th, 1971, participated in a ceremony at the Lincoln Monument, Buffalo and Erie County Historical Society. Placed a wreath for the Sons of Union Veterans and Civil War Round Table. Had very good Newspaper and TV coverage.

April 16th, at a meeting of the Military History Chapter of the Buffalo and Erie County Historical Society, held at the G.A.R. Hall annex, spoke of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War and Sons of Veterans Reserve, showed color slides, and helped conduct a tour of the G.A.R. Hall.

On April 25th, 1971, took part in a Memorial Service at the Grant Monument, Riverside Drive, New York City. Represented the Commander-in-Chief of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. At-

tended a dinner and reception at Stouffers Restaurant, and brought greetings of the National Organization, SUVCW.

May 2nd, 1971, attended a ceremony at Grant's Cottage, Mount McGregor, Wilton, New York. Brought greetings of the National Organization, and urged all those present to write to their Legislators about Governor Rockefeller's plan to close this memorial to General Grant. The caretaker of Grant's Cottage, Mrs. Gambino, has been on this job for over 60 years, and should have some kind of recognition for doing an excellent job.

On May 8th, 1971, attended the wedding of my son Bill, a career man in the United States Army, and member of Cook Camp # 223. After their reception, M.C'd a dinner and reception for Department Commander Larry Isaacs and Department President Frances Ganley at the Lenox Hotel in Buffalo.

May 16th, took part in a flag burning ceremony and dedication of a new flag at the Civil War Cannon, in Glenwood Cemetery, Waverly, New York.

During Memorial Day week, assisted in flagging over 1800 Civil War Veterans graves in Forest Lawn Cemetery, Buffalo, New York.

At Waterloo, New York, on May 29th, I took part in a parade and ceremony at the Memorial Day Museum. Presented a 42-star flag to the Museum, then placed a wreath at the Memorial Day Monument. This entire commemoration was arranged by Past Department Commander Charles Doane. Waterloo, New York, has been officially recognized as the birthplace of Memorial Day.

May 31st, at Rindge, New Hampshire, attended the Annual Memorial Day Service at the Cathedral of the Pines, and placed a wreath on the "Altar of the Nation" for the National Organization, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. Wreaths were also presented for over 60 other Veteran, Patriotic, and Service Organizations, by National Heads of their representatives, including one placed by the National President of our Auxiliary, Sister Eileen Coombs. This service was very impressive, and will always live in my memory. If at all possible, try to visit the CATHEDRAL OF THE PINES.

On June 5th, 1971, we attended the 50th Anniversary dinner of the Daughters of Union Veterans, at Ontario, New York. Brought greetings of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. The Daughters of Union Veterans Tent at Ontario still had four charter members living, and three of them were at the dinner.

From June 23rd to 26th, 1971, attended the New York Department Encampment at Syracuse, New York, and brought greetings from Commander-in-Chief Cashman and the National Organization, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. It was here that the New York Department agreed to host the National Encampment in the New York Department in 1973 or 1974. The highlight of this visit was when I installed the new department officers, with my Brother, Harry E. Furman, as Department Commander. Presented a check—for the Department—to the Onondaga School for Retarded Children.

July 3rd, 4th, and 5th, attended the Grand Army of the Reunion bivouac at Gettysburg, Pennsylvania. Met many old friends, and made some new ones. The cavalry units were the hit of the parade on July 3rd, and the Reenactment of Picket's Charge was really a good show. July 5th, at the Peace Light Memorial, represented the National Organization, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, and spoke to the Troops assembled there.

Although I held myself in readiness to pinch-hit for the Commander-in-Chief if necessary, I received only one such request. At the Grant Monument Committee Dinner in New York City, Past Department Commander Ledwith invited me to attend the Encampment of the Department of

Connecticut, but I had already arranged to go to Mount McGregor, for the ceremony at Grant's Cottage. Sorry, Jim.

I hope my efforts meet with your approval, and I am happy to have had this opportunity to serve the National Organization, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

Sincerely in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

Norman R. Furman
Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief

REPORT OF THE JR. VICE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF

Mr. George L. Cashman

Commander-in-Chief

Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

To the Officers and Members of the 90th National Encampment

Greetings:

Just one year ago, in the fabulous city of Miami Beach, Florida, you, the members of this grand and noble organization, saw fit to entrust to me, the office of Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief. Realizing the obligations and duties of this office, I most humbly accepted the challenge, and it is my earnest desire that you will all say, "he has done his job to the best of his ability." Yes, after some forty plus years, this organization still comes first in my heart, and it is my earnest desire to see it grow once more in the public's eye as it has for a great number of years.

Having just assumed the duties of my office, while in Miami, I was approached by the then Department President of the Maryland Department. She requested of me the necessary applications for membership as well as the necessary forms for chartering a new Camp. This Camp was to be organized in Brunswick, Maryland and as of this date no word has been received regarding the formation of this Camp.

Upon returning home from Miami, I was in touch with Past Commander-in-Chief, Brother Frank M. Heacock regarding the formation of a Camp located at Hockenson, Delaware. Both of us felt that a Camp could be formed there as the Auxiliary was a rather new one. On one occasion that both of us had attended and was sponsored by the Auxiliary we found over seventeen male persons present that were eligible for membership. At that time the Auxiliary expressed their desire to have a Camp. Once again the proper papers were issued and while nothing has come of this Camp at the present, both Brother Frank and myself do feel that a new Camp will be forthcoming in the very near future.

During the month of December of last year I received a letter from Past Department President, Sister Clara Lewis of Pittsburgh requesting that I send applications and necessary information regarding the formation of a Camp to be located at Marion Centre, Pennsylvania. These forms were sent to a Mr. Stephenson along with a letter containing pertinent information as to the formation of a Camp. At the Annual Encampment of Pennsylvania held in Gettysburg this June a letter was read from Mr. Stephenson expressing his regrets, as it was too much work and also that he did not have enough people interested. Mr. Stephenson did return all of the forms sent to him to Brother Long who was our Department Commander.

During the month of May of this year, Brother Lew McKey of the Department of Oregon and Washington informed me of the formation of a new Camp in that Department and has very good prospects of forming another. My personal congratulations to the Brothers in this Department for all of their efforts in furthering the good of our Order. May I also add my personal congratulations to the Brothers in the Department of Indiana for their efforts in organizing a new Camp in that Department. Both of these Departments have proven to all of us that "it can be done."

In the past year I have written letters to all Department Junior Vice Commanders with the exception of two namely California and Pacific and Colorado and Wyoming. Our National Secretary-Treasurer did not have the names of the last two Departments mentioned. These letters were congratulatory in assistance with membership and their interest in our Order. From these letters I received just two replies although replies were not necessary. One of my letters was from Brother Richard A. Smith, Jr., of the Department of Wisconsin requesting some information and I trust that what I passed on to him was satisfactory and that his mission was accomplished.

Many of us know that it is just impossible to fulfill all of the social obligations that we would like to. I did fulfill many of these and it was my pleasure to do so. Visitations included the Departments of New Jersey, Pennsylvania and Delaware-Maryland at which time I represented our National Organization.

May I at this time offer the following two recommendations:

1. That the Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief receive the proper stationery of the National Organization and other forms pertaining to the duties of his office just as soon after National Encampment as possible.
2. That the Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief be made aware of his obligations of the duties of his office, (Membership) and that he submit at least one (1) item to the BANNER during his term of office.

In bringing this report to a close may I at this time offer my thanks to just a few of the many wonderful Brothers that have made my year as your Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief a most memorable one. First to the Department of New Jersey for the many courtesies shown to me, not only for this year but for the many years in the past. Your friendships will never be forgotten. To Past Commander-in-Chief, Brother Harold E. Arnold for his wonderful offer of a trophy to be given to the Department bringing in the greatest number of new members. Thank you, Brother Arnold, you are the greatest. To my own Pennsylvania Department and especially Past Commander-in-Chief, Brother Leroy Stoudt, for the many courtesies and fatherly advice given. I do not feel that any officer of this National Organization could function properly without the unselfish assistance that is always offered by our National Secretary-Treasurer Brother Chet. Thank you, Chet, we would be lost without you. To our Commander-in-Chief and his wonderful wife "Dorothy", may our friendship continue for many years to come. To each and every Brother, my warmest "thank you" for permitting me to serve our Order once again. Every year brings all of us closer together.

Fraternally yours F. C. & L.,
 John C. Yocum
 Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL SECRETARY-TREASURER

To George L. Cashman, Commander-in-Chief
 90th Annual National Encampment
 Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War
 Officers and Delegates Assembled

Greetings:

1. It is with pleasure that I submit to you, Commander-in-Chief, and the Brothers here assembled, this formal report of the accomplishments under this Administration and the financial and membership status for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1971.

2. The books, records and financial standing have been audited by Clay W. Garret, Certified Public Accountant, Hanover, Pennsylvania, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1971, copies of which have been examined and approved by the Audit Committee of the Council of Administration of this Encampment and will be forwarded to the Congress of the United States in conformity to our Act of Congress and Congressional Charter. A statistical report of the financial status and membership standing is attached to the report and a copy distributed to each Officer and Delegate present for this encampment.

3. The analysis of our membership standing and the income from per capita, continue to decrease. True there is income from other sources, but a successful business cannot spend more than its income to remain successful. Of great importance we note the cut in expenditure in the printing of the proceedings. Replenishment of supplies was low last year and several Departments who were late in reporting per capita for the year 1969-70 were credited to other income for 1970-71. All Officers, Committees and membership as a whole, must consider every recommended appropriation and expenditure before voting.

4. Income from the Permanent Fund investments were authorized by the Council of Administration to be used in the General Fund for this fiscal year. The total of \$1,483.83 was lower than those earned for the last several years. A total of 2135 shares of Wellington Fund Investments currently have a Market Value of \$24,830.05 while the Cost Value was \$30,082.44. This Fund continues to be one of sound investment despite the trend for lower return in the past year.

5. The following have made contributions to the Honor Roll Fund which are deposited in the Permanent Fund. These in memory of a Civil War descendant and have been recorded at your National Headquarters and printed in the BANNER.

Henry C. Gates	\$10.00
Ralph Shadle, Jr.	10.00
Fred H. Combs, Jr.	10.00
Marion E. Combs	10.00
Harry J. Owens	10.00
Muriel Fields Allen	10.00
Raymond Nichols	10.00
Total	
	\$70.00

Life Memberships were received and recorded as follows:

Thomas E. Hoffman, Department of Ohio	\$100.00
Raymond Nichols, Department of New Jersey	100.00
Total	\$200.00

6. Reports, letters and inquiries are received daily at your National Headquarters and number into the hundreds annually. All communications are immediately answered. Late reporting of per capita holds back date-lines of quarterly reports. Current membership status is lacking a true report when Department Secretaries and Commanders don't submit reports on time. Last year, many inquiries were received relative to possible membership, each of which was forwarded to the Department from where the letter originated. Some inquiries questioned Student Scholarship Aide from our Order. Others seeking lineal heritage from a Civil War Veteran thinking our Order retained Archives for such recording. Supplies last year totaled \$1,023.75 which was one of the highest years for supply sales. Minutes of all meetings of the Council of Administration are recorded. A copy of the 1970 National Encampment Proceedings have been mailed to Congress of the United States and National Archives Library of Congress. A large stock of administration and saleable supplies are stocked at National Headquarters.

7. In addition to executing the duties of the National Secretary-Treasurer, it was my pleasure to represent our Order at many historic and patriotic programs in eastern and central United States. It was always a pleasure to assist you, Commander-in-Chief. As another man from the State of Illinois, you served with dignity and pride as our leader, and you had a dedicated Staff of Officers to serve with you.

Although our ranks are lessening, may we — the living — pick up the reins of those who have dropped them and continue to plow ahead into the future with a pride that reflects the heritage for which we are dedicated. The Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic did it. Is it not for us to do likewise today?

Respectfully submitted,

Chester S. Shriver
National Secretary-Treasurer

NATIONAL SECRETARY'S CONSOLIDATED REPORT — 1970-1971

DEPARTMENTS	Good Standing		GAIN		LOSS		Good Standing		Associates		Delegate
	June 30, 1970 Camps Members	1970 Camps Members	1970 Camps Members	1971 Camps Members	1970 Camps Members	1971 Camps Members	June 30, 1971 Camps Members	1971 Camps Members	Included	Representation	
California & Pacific	12	155	0	5	0	24	12	136	0	4	
Colorado & Wyoming	1	13	0	1	0	1	1	13	3	1	
Connecticut	9	104	0	1	0	4	9	101	0	3	
Illinois	9	149	0	16	1	32	8	133	11	4	
Indiana	4	32	1	32	0	4	5	60	0	2	
Iowa	6	48	0	0	0	0	0	48	0	2	
Kansas	4	16	0	0	4	16	—	—	—	—	
Maine	9	94	0	5	0	6	9	93	0	3	
Maryland	4	58	0	2	0	7	4	53	1	2	
Massachusetts	35	392	0	17	2	34	33	375	0	9	
Michigan	9	116	0	0	0	4	9	112	0	3	
Minnesota	1	5	0	0	0	1	1	4	0	1	
New Hampshire	7	82	0	1	0	0	7	83	5	3	
New Jersey	8	180	0	29	1	15	7	194	18	5	
New York	19	275	0	14	0	46	19	243	7	6	
Ohio	12	106	0	16	0	9	12	173	0	4	
Oregon & Washington	2	47	1	43	0	2	3	88	16	3	
Pennsylvania	34	537	0	18	1	73	33	482	13	11	
Rhode Island	10	160	0	0	1	19	9	141	0	4	
Vermont	7	78	0	0	0	10	7	68	0	2	
Wisconsin	3	48	0	4	0	2	3	50	2	2	
Members at Large	1	14	0	3	0	1	1	16	0	1	
<i>Totals</i>	203	2769	2	197	10	310	198	2656	76	75	

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CAMPS GAIN: Camp No. 20—Morgan Ruid, Decator, Indiana Department — 23 Members
 Camp No. 2—Rudolph Hummel, Portland, Oregon & Wash. Dept. — 21 Members

CAMPS LOST: Camp No. 48—Phophetstown, Illinois Department — 10 Members
 Camp No. 52—Leominster, Massachusetts Department — 4 Members
 Camp No. 67—Abington, Massachusetts Department — 0 Members — Consolidated
 Camp No. 24—Madison, New Jersey Department — 1 Member
 Camp No. 140—Bethlehem, Pennsylvania Department — 9 Members
 Camp No. 10—Gen. Burnside, Bristol, Rhode Island Department — 9 Members
 Kansas Department — 16 Members

DEPARTMENTS SHOWING MEMBERSHIP INCREASE

Indiana	28 Members	Ohio	7 Members
New Hampshire	1 Member	Oregon & Washington	41 Members
New Jersey	14 Members	Wisconsin	2 Members

NATIONAL SECRETARY'S FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Statement — Cash Receipts and Disbursements Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1971

	<i>Total</i>	<i>General Fund</i>	<i>G.A.R. Memorial Fund</i>	<i>Perma- nent Fund</i>
<i>Cash Balance, June 30, 1970</i>	\$ 3,388.73	\$ (539.52)	\$3,316.05	\$612.20
RECEIPTS				
Per Capita Tax	\$ 3,860.65	\$3,860.65	\$	\$
Registration Fees	155.00	155.00		
Supplies Sold	1,028.75	1,028.75		
Gift from Auxiliary	500.00	500.00		
National Patriotic Instruction 1969-70	506.28		506.28	
National Patriotic Instructor 1970-71	504.00		504.00	
Miscellaneous	61.00		61.00	
Interest on Permanent Fund	1,483.83	1,483.83		
Donations-Honor Roll Fund	70.00			70.00
Life Memberships	200.00			200.00
Miscellaneous	18.84	18.84		
Total Receipts	\$ 8,388.35	\$7,047.07	\$1,071.28	\$270.00
Total	\$11,777.08	\$6,507.55	\$4,387.33	\$882.20
DISBURSEMENTS				
Supplies Purchased for Resale	\$ 380.84	\$ 380.84	\$	\$
The Banner	2,094.00	2,094.00		
Commander-in-Chief Expense 1970-71	1,000.00	1,000.00		
National Secretary-Treasurer Expense 1970-71	800.00	800.00		
Encampment Expenses 1970	248.03	48.03	200.00	
Proceedings-1970	474.00	474.00		
Printing, Postage and Stationery ..	299.36	299.36		
C.P.A. Audit	250.00	250.00		
Stenographer	200.00	200.00		
Testimonial for Commander-in-Chief	188.82	188.82		
Lock Box	3.00	3.00		
Scholarship Fund	250.00		250.00	
Remembrance Day Expense	124.60		124.60	
Lincoln Tomb Expense	389.65		389.65	
Cathedral of the Pine Wreath	15.00		15.00	
National Mil. Dept.-SVR	100.00		100.00	

Memorial Fund Flyers	43.58		43.58	
Life Membership Int. Paid	\$5.00			\$5.00
<i>Total Disbursements</i>	\$ 6,945.88	\$5,738.05	\$1,122.83	\$ 85.00
<i>Cash Balance, June 30, 1971</i>	4,831.20	769.50	3,264.50	797.20

	<i>Balance</i> 6/30/70	<i>Revenue</i>	<i>Expendi- tures</i>	<i>Balance</i> 6/30/71
General Fund	\$ 2,427.92	\$7,747.07	\$7,085.96	\$ 3,089.03†
G.A.R. Memorial Fund	3,316.05	1,071.28	1,122.83	3,264.50
Permanent Fund				
Unrestricted Surplus	27,629.64	200.00	85.00	27,744.64*
Honor Roll Fund	3,065.00	70.00	-0-	3,135.00*
<i>Total</i>	\$36,438.61	\$9,088.35	\$8,293.79	\$37,233.17

<i>Description</i>	<i>Cost Value</i>	<i>Market Value</i>
Wellington Fund, Inc. 2135 Shares		
Common — Par Value \$1.00	\$30,082.41*	\$24,830.05
Cash	797.20*	

†\$3,089.03 General Fund Balance is composed of cash and inventory.

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL COUNSELOR

To Mr. George L. Cashman
Commander-in-Chief
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

Dear Commander-in-Chief:

I have the honor to submit to you my report as National Counselor, the appointment which I was pleased and honored to receive.

The duties actually pertaining to my office did not prove very arduous. The few matters brought to our attention were answered by you, hence any opinion from me has not been necessary. Again it can probably be said that our membership are versed in our Constitution and Regulations requiring little inquiry.

While there have been no official requests, I have received several inquiries relative to the status of Associate Members in view of the recent revision in our Constitution.

Camps and Departments may now elect Associates to elective office, and while only a few have availed themselves of this, there have been outstanding examples of the wisdom of this action. In many cases, the Associates have been instrumental in increased strength and influence.

When Associates were first being considered several years ago, fear was expressed that they would soon be in control of our Order, but this certainly has not proven to be so. The report of the Natl. Secretary-Treasurer for last year, shows that there were only 68 Associates in the entire organization.

My personal opinion is that the only restriction that should be placed on Associates is in percentage of membership. I feel that Associate Membership should be restricted to 25% of the membership of any Camp, instead of 50% as presently provided for.

I can see no immediate need for more legislation, in view of the very few number of Associates involved.

Sincerely in F. C. & L.

Albert C. Lambert

REPORT OF THE PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR

East Palestine, Ohio

Commander-in-Chief Cashman, Delegates, Brothers All:

A year ago I was greatly honored by Commander Cashman to be asked to serve our Order. I entered the office humbly and with great hope. Hopeful that the goal of \$1200 would be raised and hopeful that I might add to the good of the Order.

Since we no longer require formal reports from our Departments as to their patriotic work, I am most pleased to have received so many voluntary reports. Some of the most notable are:

Oregon — a Civil War concert played by the Oregon Blues Brigade Band, SVR; New York — the fine Grant's Tomb services; New York, Ohio and Wisconsin who reported GAR Memorial Day observances in addition

to the public Memorial Day services. INDIANA, however, must be cited for exceptional promotion of the Order . . . Indianapolis being the site of the 2nd SVR National Encampment brought nationwide press coverage via Associated Press and the U. S. Dept. of Defense and state and local governments called special attention to us. Ben Harrison Camp must be credited with raising badly needed funds for this outstanding project. Illinois must also be noted for the fact that the governors of the Lincoln states all attended this year's Lincoln Tomb service brings much credit to our Order.

As the chief duty of this office is fund raising and finances are becoming a serious problem, I would like to make the following recommendations based upon conversation with many Brothers around the country:

1. For the size and age of our organization, we have very few LIFE MEMBERS. I therefore recommend that we approve the payment of the Life Membership fee on an installment basis with a small carrying charge. This will increase the number of Life members and help increase the Permanent Fund. This plan is successfully used by a number of other organizations.
2. As we have an ever increasing average age, I recommend that we alter a requirement for membership and lower the age limitation to 14. Perhaps by catching a young man's interest at this age we can keep him for life. It should be pointed out that the rest of the Allied Orders have a lower age for membership or a junior order.
3. As per capita tax is rapidly becoming unable to meet expenses of both the National and Department organizations and many Camps seem burdened with increases in per capita tax. I recommend that the National organization increase the minimum application-initiation fee to \$10.00 with the following disbursements: \$5.00 to the Camp, \$3.00 to National Organization and \$2.00 to the Department. The monies to be collected with per capita tax. The national regulations for over 30 years required payment of a new member fee and many Departments still collect some fee. This, therefore, seems both logical and reasonable. Compare our present initiation fee with any other National Organization and you'll see how far behind the times we really are.
4. Having reviewed the last 12 years Natl. Pat. Instr. activities — more and more projects are desired and needed and the amount of money needed from this Fund has increased proportionately and will continue to increase, if only because of inflation. This year's goal I am sure will be reached, but we must look ahead. For too long we have considered only the here and now and made no preparation for tomorrow. I must, therefore, recommend either this Encampment or the Council of Administration decide upon additional means to finance the activities of the Order. Perhaps we should restore the Chief of Staff's Fund raising activities. Perhaps the organization should have a ways and means project, etc. These being in addition to the Natl. Pat. Instr.'s Fund.

YOU must decide how we are to progress; I thank you for the opportunity you have given me to serve this past year.

Yours in F. C. & L.

Robert J. Wolz

FINANCIAL REPORT OF NATIONAL PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR 1970-71

Commander-in-Chief, Delegates, Brothers All

Thank You! So many small donations came into my office showing that you as individual members do want to be counted in the organizational work of the Order.

Thanks must be given to all the members and auxiliaries who sent in donations and worked on my special projects . . . even states who did not directly contribute did purchase raffle tickets.

But recognition must be given the following who gave so willingly their time, effort and funds: Mr. & Mrs. Robert C. Wolz, Jack Yocum, Ed & Betty Kramer, George & Audrey Long, Dick & Jane Greenwalt and so many more. The following is the result of my effort and those of my close and dear friends. To all Brothers. Thank you.

CONNECTICUT

Robert Beebe	\$ 2.00	Allen Spink	10.00
Conklin Sellers Camp 55 ..	1.00	Charles L. Upham Camp 7 ..	10.00
Robert T. Mack	1.00	Chauney A. Geer	10.00
Total		\$25.00	

CALIFORNIA & PACIFIC

John A. Logan Camp #20	\$ 5.00	Phil Sheridan Camp #4 ..	10.00
John D. Burford	1.00	Fenwick B. Warner	2.50
Total		\$18.50	

ILLINOIS

George Cashman	\$10.00	Ray Cowell	3.00
Gen. James McClernard		Charles Bournstine	2.50
Camp #4	5.00	Charles Brady	5.00
Paul E. Herschel	10.00	Dr. J. J. Kazar	10.00
James M. Blackman	10.00		
Total		\$55.50	

INDIANA

Gen. William Benton		Benjamin Harrison	
Camp 28	\$10.00	Camp 356	5.00
Total		\$15.00	

IOWA

Fred H. Poush	\$ 4.00		
Total		\$4.00	

KANSAS

Co. C., 34th Illinois			
Regt. SVR (Coffeyville)	\$10.00		
Total		\$10.00	

MAINE

Sumner Field	\$11.00	Arthur R. Stevens	1.00
Lyndon V. Plummer	3.00	Mourice Warner	1.00
Harold E. Lourocher	2.00	Eileen Coombs	2.00
Total		\$20.00	

MARYLAND - DELAWARE

Maryland Department	\$10.00	Arthur Glenum	10.00
William Irwin	2.00	Howard D. Jester, Sr.	5.00
Frank Lucas	5.00	Agnes D. Davis, PNS	1.00
Howard Barlow	10.00	William A. Davis, Jr., PDC	1.00
Col. Robert G. Shaw Camp #3	10.00	Frederick A. Davis	1.00
Total		\$55.00	

MASSACHUSETTS

Lislie Covey	\$ 1.00	Chester W. Adshead	1.00
Charles Hooper	1.00	Allan Howland	1.00
Edward Loke	5.00	Ralph Bickmore	2.00
Willard C. Bodge	3.00	William Rule	1.00
Ralph S. Floyd	5.00	Alfred Durocher, D.C.	1.00
Dana Lincoln, Sr.	1.00	James H. Cheney	2.00
Charles W. Robinson	5.00	Massachusetts Department	25.00
Lewis C. Adams	5.00	Howard E. Waite	1.00
Alton F. Lyon	5.00	Frank Smith	1.00
Charles Burnham	5.00	P.C. in C. William Haskill	2.00
Camp #15-Memorial- Frank Russell	5.00	Theodore Winthrop Camp #81	5.00
Harry A. Cummings	5.00	Eugene E. Russell	2.00
Henry E. Fowler	3.00	Robert L. Wood	2.00
Bay State Camp #61	5.00		
Total		\$100.00	

MICHIGAN

Department of Michigan	\$ 5.00	L. H. Orebaugh	5.00
Fred Conley	5.00		
Total		\$15.00	

MINNESOTA

T. P. Heffelfinger	\$15.00	Minneapolis Camp #8	10.00
George E. Bailey	1.00		
Total		\$26.00	

MISSOURI

Louis Moushey (N.J.)	\$ 5.00	Meael Moushey	1.00
Russel Moushey	1.00	Ethelyn Gray	2.00
Total		\$9.00	

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Howard M. Wheeler	\$ 5.00	William L. John	2.00
Rev. Russel Milnes	5.00	New Hampshire Dept.	5.00
Cleon Heald	5.00	Alfred J. Clark	2.00
	Total	\$24.00	

NEW JERSEY

William Vanderhoff	\$10.00	Walter H. Williams	5.00
Fred Combs, Jr.	20.00	Department of New Jersey	10.00
Albert C. Lambert	10.00	Gen. James Garfield Camp	
Fred Dayton Camp #5	5.00	#4	15.00
G.L.R. Thompson	1.00	Cpl. Bill Moore, SVR	1.00
John Love Camp #12	5.00	Alton Sharp	5.00
Percy Davenport	5.00		
	Total	\$92.00	

NEW YORK

Bert Isacs	\$ 1.00	Jessee L. Mix	2.00
Lawrence Isacs	1.00	Howard Bunkes	1.00
Allied Organization (NYC)	35.00	Harry Furman	10.00
Joseph Rippey	30.00	Benjamin F. Cadwell	5.00
Norman Furman	5.00	Abe Lincoln #6	5.00
Arthur Knowles	5.00	Robert McMahon	2.00
James Cavanaugh	5.00	Chester E. Hudson	1.00
Otto H. Spin	1.00	Cecil M. Baer	2.00
Charles H. Hoag	2.00	Rita M. Baer	1.00
Edward Cohen	1.00	148th New York Inf., SVR	5.00
Son of GAR (NYC)	10.00	Mr. & Mrs. Devene	
Vincent Edmunds	5.00	Williamson	5.00
Amon B. Oakley	5.00		
	Total	\$147.00	

OHIO

Mr. & Mrs. Robert C. Wolz	\$12.00	Auxiliary #82-Salem	20.00
John Decker, PDC	5.00	P.C. in C. William M. Coffin	10.00
Thomas Hoffman	5.00	McClellan Camp #91	5.00
Earl B. Swisher (Memorial)	5.00	PDC Robert Austin	5.00
Fred Pfeister, Jr., PDC	5.00	PDC Richard Greenwalt	5.00
John Moore	1.00	DP Jane Greenwalt	5.00
Merrit Roesser	2.00	William A. Orr	10.00
Ohio Department	12.50	19th Ohio Regt. SVR Inc.	15.00
PDC & Mrs. Paul Grate	5.00	Phillip Triem Camp 43	20.00
P.D.P. Lilly McCollough	5.00	Margaret Orr, LGAR	2.00
	Total	\$154.50	

OREGON & WASHINGTON

Charles Hansen	\$ 1.00	LTC C. R. Butcher, SVR	5.00
Lew W. McKee, PDC	1.00	Oregon Blues Brigade, SVR	10.00
C. S. Merydith, PDC	1.00	Lt. Neal A. Cooper, SVR	5.00
	Total	\$23.00	

PENNSYLVANIA

P.C. in C. Chester Shriver	\$ 5.00	Gen. George Meade Camp	
Elmer Price	5.00	#16	5.00
CPT. Marlin Billman, SVR	4.00	Bradbury Camp #149	2.00
Jesse A. Blakeley	5.00	George Godshalk	5.00
Aaron T. Medary	3.00	Eva Erisman	1.00
John D. Erskine	10.00	Pennsylvania Dept.	25.00
Randolph H. Hammer	10.00	George Long, P.D.C.	5.00
Elsie B. McPherson	1.25	John Stark, PDC	5.00
Charles Sandwick, Sr.	5.00	LTC Edgar M. Post, SVR	3.00
Harry Gibson	5.00	LTC Donald Lewis, SVR	2.00
James Bradley	2.00	CPL Ivan Franz, SVR	1.00
William Simpson	5.00	LTC Mary Bannan, SVR	1.00
Arthur Torrence	2.00	Ivan E. Franz	4.00
James A. Garfield Camp		William Kearney, D.C.	1.00
#34	5.00	Robert Werkheiser	5.00
George W. Arold, Jr.	2.00	Thomas Monahan	3.00
Gen. W. A. Morgan, retd.	5.00	Clarence Riddell	5.00
Charles Lutz	1.00	Philadelphia Camp #200	5.00
Goodling Dugan	2.00	P.C. in C. Frank Heacock,	
CPT. Luckenback Camp		Sr.	5.00
#182	20.00	Edwin Kramer	5.00
Stover Detwiler	5.00	H. A. Poeher	1.00
Philip J. Frech	1.00	Betty (Mom) Kramer's	
Robert H. Welch	1.00	Project	20.00
Harold H. Goodwin	1.00	Jack Yocum	15.00
Charles H. Dern, Sr.	1.00	P.C. in C. Leroy Stoult	5.00
Richard Harris	1.00	Mr. & Mrs. Ivan Landis	10.00
		Rev. Richard Partington	5.00
		Total	\$251.25

RHODE ISLAND

Dept. of Rhode Island	\$15.00	PDC Dexter Combs	1.00
P.C. in C. Harold Arnold	5.00	PDC William Perry	1.00
Dept. Comdr.	1.00	PDC Earl Hinz, Sr.	1.00
Dept. Senior Vice Comdr.	1.00	PDC Earl Hinz, Jr.	1.00
PDC George A. Strait	1.00	Gustof O. Petersen	1.00
PDC Harry L. Barber	1.00	Henry Lecuyer	1.00
		Total	\$30.00

VERMONT

Vermont Department	\$ 5.00	Mrs. Beryl Day — Memorial —	
Arthur Ballou	2.00	Sgt. Bosworth Co. B,	
Mrs. Helene C. Quinn	2.00	27th Mass.	5.00
		Total	\$14.00

WISCONSIN

Thomas L. W. Johnson	\$20.00	Addison Dilworth	2.00
Dept. of Wisconsin	10.00	Burton Kannenburg	5.00
		Total	\$37.00

OTHER DONATIONS

Charles Stout, Va.	\$ 2.00	National Auxiliary —	
C. Stanley Benson, Fla.	5.00	Memorial — Celeste	
Col. Allen Julian, Ga.	5.00	Gentieu	15.00
		Total	\$27.00

SPECIAL PROJECTS

Christmas Candles Sales	\$50.00	Miscellaneous25
George Long's Party	8.32	Flag Pin Sale	13.80
Bus #1 Tour Sale	14.00	Raffle Ticket Profit	326.25
"Tax" Collection	2.00		
		Total	\$414.62

RECAPITULATION

Contributions by Departments	\$1,130.65
Other Donations	27.00
Special Projects	414.62
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Total	\$1,572.27

REPORT OF NATIONAL HISTORIAN

August 5, 1971
Mansfield, Ohio

To the Commander-in-Chief
Sons of Veterans of the Civil War
90th Annual Encampment

With a sensitive eye to the past, we must strive to bridge the gaps that often tend to divide us. Through dedication and service to our country's traditions and memorials, we build those bridges which give our nation strength and purpose. With conviction and pride I submit my report to you as National Historian.

Warm and beautiful Miami Beach was the site of our 89th Annual Encampment one year ago. As the delegates convened on August 23rd at the Hotel Deauville, registration was 72 of the Sons, Auxiliary 131 and Ladies of the G.A.R. 93. In the Napoleon Room that afternoon the Joint Memorial Service Program was opened with a musical prelude by Emma Wheeler, P.N.P. followed by the Lighting of Candles by Commander-in-Chief Combs and National President Jansson, the Invocation by National Chaplain Robert J. Wolz, and "The Living Cross"—National Chaplain Mary E. Kramer. Also included in the program was a Memorial to the Grand Army of the Republic by Chester S. Shriver, P.C. in C. and Tributes to the Memory of: P.C. in C. Frederick K. Davis, P.N.P. Wilma L. Combs, Past Commanders-in-chief and National Presidents, and Deceased members of Sons and Auxiliary. After Floral Tributes the program was concluded with the Benediction by National Chaplain Mary E. Kramer. The highlight of the Camp Fire Program held that evening was

the address by Hon. Arthur J. Vater, V.F.W. Music was provided by the Vanguards.

Monday morning the Encampment was formally opened by the traditional ceremony with the Auxiliary, P.D.P. Henrietta Satterthwaite's singing of "America the Beautiful" was very inspirational. Monday, Tuesday and Thursday were devoted to business sessions. On Tuesday evening an impressive banquet was held in the Napoleon Room followed by a reception to National Officers held in the Charlemagne Room, under the direction of Chief of Staff Eileen Coombs. Toastmaster at the banquet was P.C. in C. Stoudt. Wednesday was a free day when delegates enjoyed the many attractions offered at Miami Beach. On Wednesday evening, a complimentary show and dance was enjoyed by all three organizations in the Cavalier Room. Thursday concluded the business sessions and saw election and installation of officers. The loving cup presented by P.C. in C. Grant was awarded to the Department of Colorado and Wyoming.

On a warm sunny November 19th, the 13th Annual G.A.R. Remembrance Day Program was conducted by the SVR Units on the Gettysburg Battlefield. Dr. Don Rickey, Jr., gave a splendid "Tribute to the G.A.R." Memorial wreaths were placed at the Albert Woolson Monument by each National and Department President. The Invocation and Benediction were given by Rev. Merlin G. Shull, Gettysburg Church of the Brethren. That evening the 40th Annual Banquet commemorating Dedication Day was held at the Holiday Inn with P.C.inC. Frank Heacock, Sr., as Toastmaster. National Chaplain Edwin K. Kramer gave the Invocation and Benediction. Charles Michoud of Gettysburg College was presented the annual scholarship. Mrs. George L. Cashman gave a talk about "The Lincoln Tomb," where her husband has been superintendent for 20 years. That same evening a Formal Military Dance was held at the Gettysburg Country Club, sponsored by Headquarters Cavalry Troop for the SVR personnel.

Once more it has been an honor and a real pleasure to serve you as members of my family has been ill, some very ill. In August of last year I myself was stricken and did not recover until well into the winter. place of burial. I sincerely appreciate the work and thoughtfulness of

Following a precedent of many years, the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War joined in the Lincoln Memorial dedication which took place at noon on February 12th.

This year's Lincoln Tomb Memorial Ceremony achieved a long sought goal when the governors of the three states in which Mr. Lincoln lived during his lifetime attended both the rites at the tomb and the luncheon at the St. Nicholas Hotel on April 15th. The host governor, Richard B. Ogilvie of Illinois spoke briefly at the exercises and Governor Louie B. Nun of Kentucky and Governor Edgar D. Whitcomb of Indiana addressed the gathering at the luncheon. Music for the ceremony was provided by the Concordia Seminary Chapel Choir. James T. Hickey, curator of the Lincoln Collection of the Illinois State Historical Library, spoke on "Lincoln the Lawyer."

Many dinners and receptions by encampments honored the Commander-in-Chief and the Auxiliary President during the year. These and many other activities were reported in the BANNER, which again has my deepest appreciation.

Thank you, Brother Cashman, for appointing me as your historian for the past year.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. & L.

Elmore J. Houston, Sr.

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL PERSONAL AIDE

To the Officers and Members
90th National Encampment
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

Greetings:

This may well be the shortest of the reports presented by this year's national officers. Because of the distance between my home and that of our Commander-in-Chief's, there was little that I could do to aid our Commander-in-Chief during his year — and actually there was nothing asked of me.

I was pleased, though, that I could serve as co-chairman of the testimonial dinner tendered Commander-in-Chief Cashman at the Oak Park Arms in Oak Park, Illinois, in November, serving in that capacity with our late Past National President Eva Blackman.

I was with our Commander-in-Chief at Washington, D. C., in February at the time of the Loyal Legion's annual ceremony at the Lincoln Memorial, and I also attended the testimonial dinner held in our Commander-in-Chief's honor in April by three Springfield, Illinois, groups, as well as the annual Lincoln Tomb ceremony.

While my Department Commander may have failed to report me as qualified for recognition as a "National Aide" this year, I want our Commander-in-Chief to know that I gave his administration my fullest support and did indeed obtain five new members required for this distinction. The opportunity to serve on this year's staff of national officers was sincerely appreciated.

Yours in F. C. & L.

Charles A. Brady, Jr.
National Personal Aide

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL CHAPLAIN

Brother Edwin K. Kramer gave an oral report and thanked all brothers for their cooperation the past year in his duties as National Chaplain and for the privilege of assisting the Auxilliary National Chaplain for the Memorial Service at this Encampment.

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL CHIEF OF STAFF

Brother C. Leroy Stoudt also gave a brief report and thanked all brothers present.

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL GRAVES REGISTRATION OFFICER

August 10, 1971

Wallingford, Vermont 05773

To: Commander-in-Chief George L. Cashman
Officers and Members of tht 90th National Encampment
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

Greetings:

Once more it has been an honor and a real pleasure to serve you as National Graves Registration Officer. For the past four years some member of my family has been ill, some very ill. In August of last year I was myself stricken and did not recover until well into the winter. I came very near not being here.

However, I had a good physician down here and a better One up above plus a good wife so I was in Good hands. Thus all my Sons' work in its several branches piled up, for I could not read nor hold a pen. The work is caught up now and I feel better that it is.

The Graves Registration does progress slowly it is true. Interest generates a little at a time, but progress is being made.

I am pleased that some promises made last year to me have been kept. The Department of New Hampshire has given me a report by counties of all Civil War dead buried in nine of the ten Counties in their State — and they are at work on the tenth County. These records are most complete — The name of the Veteran, the company he served in, branch of the service, etc., — also date of death and the company he served in, branch of the service, etc., — also date of death and place of burial. I sincerely appreciate the work and thoughtfulness of the people of New Hampshire in compiling so completely and concisely this fine list of records and giving it to me to help in my work. I am glad my Father served in New Hampshire units during the early part of the War, though he later served in Company B 27th Massachusetts Infantry.

Many of the letters I receive contain stories of the War, and the people who were the main characters involved in them. I suppose at the time the incidents were serious enough to those who lived them out.

Corp. Billy Moore of Fort Worth, Texas, a member of the 34th III SVR Infantry is full of enthusiasm about the Civil War; his letters contain much of historical interest. He has sent me some records, and will send more from his boyhood home in Kansas, where many veterans settled after the War was over.

Of course, in many places the Records are preserved in huge volumes difficult to copy.

Brother Charles Sharrock continues to send in names from time to time. We need many more people with time and dedication to this task, which is far from done.

Last month I placed an order for two bronze SUV grave markers, with brass rods, and also I have calls for SVR organization flags or sometimes U. S. flags. Also last month I had a request from a high school history teacher for material to be used in a course covering colonial and Vermont history, including the Colonial and Civil Wars. I often repeat that we as a patriotic organization can and do play a larger part in carrying on the work as patriots than most people realize.

I am happy to have a small part in it, and I know you are too. Sometimes we throw a pebble into the water, but we don't always know how far the ripples travel. It is true that our numbers grow smaller year by year, and the work more difficult; we must carry on; our Fathers did not flinch, nor will we. Some day we may hear the Grand Army say "well done."

Respectfully submitted in F. C. & L.,

Arthur L. Ballou

**REPORT OF THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC
MEMORIAL HIGHWAY OFFICER**

TO: George L. Cashman, Commander-in-Chief
Sir-Brother;

Officers and Members of the 90th National
Encampment, sons of Union Veterans of the
Civil War here assembled, at the Parker
House, Boston, Massachusetts.

August 15 thru the 19, 1971

One year ago at Miami Beach, Florida, I was appointed to serve on your staff and this order as the Grand Army of the Republic Memorial Highway Officer to which I was gratefully honored and pleased. Wishing to contact Representatives of the Departments where this Highway crosses this Nation, and proper authorities where is no organization of Sons to make a true and complete report, regret that I was not able or did not do this. This report should show conditions of Highway and if properly marked in its entirety, coast to coast.

This Highway, as we know, is National Highway Route 6, coast to coast, Provincetown on the East at Cape Cod, Massachusetts, west to Long Beach, California at the west. A good deal of hard work went into obtaining this memorial, from beginning to its realization as we know it today. Throughout the year I attended many functions, and in a good number represented the Commander-in-Chief.

Visitation at other local department encampments in Western Massachusetts, Pioneer Valley Veteran's Day observance.

In my community at Bridgewater, Massachusetts, with others on the Veterans Council, lead the Civil War, or Grand Army of the Republic Veterans' Program on Memorial Day.

We all know I am sure, what this Memorial Highway means to us, and we should render always any assistance where possible to maintain it. Again permit me to thank you for serving in this capacity.

Respectfully submitted in

F. C. & L.

Charles W. Hooper, Sr.

Grand Army of the Republic Highway
Officer

REPORT OF LINCOLN TOMB CEREMONY 1971

June 25, 1971

Greetings.

Your committee, appointed to conduct the annual ceremony on April 15 at the tomb of Abraham Lincoln, Oak Ridge Cemetery, Springfield, Illinois, begs leave to submit the following report.

1. The 15th Annual Lincoln Tomb ceremony sponsored by our Order and with the active assistance of The Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States recorded the presentation of 68 commemorative wreaths honoring the memory of our 16th President and the presence of 118 luncheon guests who assembled at the St. Nicholas Hotel following the rites at the tomb.

2. This year we were honored by the presence of the governors of the three "Lincoln States," Gov. Louie B. Nunn of Kentucky, Gov. Edgar D. Whitcomb of Indiana, and Gov. Ricahrd B. Ogilvie of Illinois. As the host, Gov. Ogilvie spoke at the commemorative exercises and Governors Nunn and Whitcomb spoke at the luncheon. Mrs. Ogilvie and Mrs. Whitcomb accompanied their husbands for the day.

3. George L. Cashman in his capacity as Commander-in-Chief, relinquished his familiar role as ceremony co-chairman this year and delivered the traditional and moving tribute to Mr. Lincoln. CDR William C. Duval, USNR (Ret), a Past Commander-in-Chief of the Loyal Legion and a founder of the ceremony, ably represented his chief, Lenahan O'Connell.

4. Again this year music for the occasion was provided by the Concordia Seminary chapel choir under the inspired direction of Professor Daniel G. Reuning. Adding considerable color and pomp to this year's ceremony were members of several reactivated Civil War regiments attired in Union blue. The units represented were the 114th Illinois Volunteer Infantry, the 2nd Wisconsin Volunteer Infantry, the 9th Illinois Cavalry, the 12th Illinois Volunteer Infantry, and the 1st Missouri Infantry. This was by far the largest turnout of uniformed men for this ceremony, and their presence added dignity to the solemn rites.

5. Mr. James T. Hickey, curator of the Lincoln Collection of the Illinois State Historical Library, was the principal speaker at the luncheon and delighted his audience with a talk entitled "Lincoln the Lawyer."

6. Among the distinguished guests present this year were Mrs. Marion Doughty, national president of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic; Miss Bertha Loomis, national president of the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War; Mrs. John S. King, president of the National Society, Daughters of the Union; and Major William M. Coffin, a past Commander-in-Chief of our Order and, with CDR. Duval, a surviving founder of this ceremony

7. Departments and/or Auxillaries from our Order that participated this year were Illinois, Missouri, Ohio, and Wisconsin.

8. With prudent management your committee was successful in keeping its operating budget within the amount appropriated by the 1970 National Encampment. A total of \$349.65 was spent in meeting the official obligations incurred. This total figure is higher than that reported in recent years and can be attributed to the cost of meals for the security men who accompanied the trio of governors.

9. RECOMMENDATIONS FOR 1972 — Your committee recommends that the annual appropriation of \$350.00 be continued for 1972. This amount will insure that the quality of our ceremony will remain high and will befit the memory of the first of our martyred Presidents. In approving this recommendation, it is understood that the co-chairmen, appointed annually by the Commander-in-Chief, shall be fully responsible for the planning and execution of the commemorative program.

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne C. Temple, Co-Chairman
Thomas L. W. Johnson, Co-chairman

REPORT OF GAR REMEMBRANCE DAY COMMITTEE

George Cashman
Commander-in-Chief

To every one here at this the 90th convention. The Committee for the GAR Remembrance Day, wishes to thank everyone that attended to make this a success. There were a few mixups but they were soon taken care of. It was very well attended. This Committee makes one recommendation to appropriate at least \$200.00 for this ceremony for 1971.

Yours in F. C. & L.

George W. Long, Co-Chairman
Ivan E. Frantz, Co-Chairman

Commander-in-Chief Cashman: At this time, we will have time enough for one more Committee report before we recess for today. May we have a report of the Encampment Site Committee.

Past Commander-in-Chief Stoudt: May I bring you up to date on the possible future locations for our Encampments. As you know it takes a lot of letter writing and correspondence, not only between Hotels, etc., but we need local committees to work for these. As it now stands, we will be in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania in 1972 and at Palm Springs, California in 1973. We are still checking out possibilities for 1974 and the future. If any of you brothers know of any Department that is interested, have them contact any member of this committee for consideration.

(Mondays Business sessions recessed at 3:10 p.m.)

TUESDAYS SESSIONS

Commander-in-Chief Cashman called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

Commander-in-Chief Cashman: At this time we will continue with the reading of the committee reports:

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL MILITARY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Coventry, R. I.
August 10, 1971

To the Officers and Members of the
90th Annual Encampment of the
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

Greetings:

It has been an honor and privilege to once again serve the National Organization of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, as Chairman of the National Military Affairs Committee. To you, Commander-in-Chief Cashman, I wish to thank you for your cooperation in approving the list of committee members I selected to serve with me on the committee, those members being LTC's John H. Stark, George W. Long, E. Allan Nutt, Maj. William W. Haskell and CPT's James Y. Ledwith and Robert J. Wolz. To these members of the committee goes my sincere thanks for your fine cooperation and untiring efforts that make this one of the most active committees within the National Organization. The most important meeting of the year was held in New York in February when the Rules and Regulations of the Sons of Veterans Reserve were revised and updated to conform with other organizations of similar type. The two days spent on this subject were most enlightening and instructive. Five of the six members were present with your chairman as was Gen. Shriver, Commanding Officer of the Reserves. At this time in behalf of the Committee and myself as Chairman of the Committee, I wish to express our thanks to Gen. Shriver and his staff of Officers in the manner in which they have conducted the business and activities of the Sons of Veterans Reserve. Again this year as in the past the Reserve have represented the parent organization on several occasions at official programs, parades and re-enactments. Some of the Military districts have progressed very well during the past year; there are some districts which have come to a standstill but there is hope that again soon things will be as they should. And again as in the past, I hope that the Council of Administration will see fit to include in the 1971-1972 budget the sum of \$100.00 for the Reserve Organization and that all monies will be accounted for at the annual encampment in 1972. Again many thanks for the opportunity to serve you.

Respectfully,

Harold E. Arnold, Chairman
National Military Affairs Committee.

**REPORT OF THE COMMANDING OFFICER OF THE NATIONAL
MILITARY DEPARTMENT SONS OF VETERANS RESERVE**

August 10, 1971

The Officers and Delegates
90th Annual National Encampment
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

Greetings:

1. The Officers and enlisted men of the Sons of Veterans Reserve are pleased to be recognized at the 90th Annual National Encampment for the purpose of conveying to the parent organization by which the S.V.R. is sanctioned, this formal report of activity and progress as the military Department of our Order.

2. Constantly active the year through, this Command with the close supervision of the National Military Affairs Committee, constitute the most active Committee our Organization has. Closely coordinated with the Sons in many areas, the hard line program constantly brings into membership, many new Sons. Some of the most important events where the Reserves has displayed jointly the promotion of the Sons and the Reserves are as follows:

Lincoln Memorial, Washington, D. C. on February 12, 1971
Lincoln Tomb Ceremony, Springfield, Ill. on April 15, 1971
GAR Remembrance Day at Gettysburg, Pa. on November 17, 1970
Memorial Day services in nearly every Department
Military Funerals of departed Camp members in Ohio
2nd Annual SVR Encampment, Fort Harrison, Ind. on June 13-15,
1971 with over 1,000 uniformed "troops" on the field in celebra-
tion of 150th Anniversary of U. S. Army, 65th of Ft. Harrison

3. Although efforts were carried out on a negative basis, the SVR was indirectly responsible for the forming of the new Camp in Oregon.

4. A total of 46 Commissioned Officers (each a member in good standing in a Camp as required by the SVR Regulations) and 437 dues paying enlisted personnel including 34 members of WAC/SVR. Regulations governing the SVR were amended at an Official meeting of the National Military Affairs Committee in New York City on January 25, 1971. Dues receivable are used to defray cost of printing, postage and administration. Strict discipline is maintained, an oath to protect our National's heritage is signed by each enlistee and his membership and activity to a Camp of the Sons is strongly supported.

5. Units and individuals basically participate in one or both of the following SVR classifications:

- a. Ceremonial participation in Memorial Day services in support of the Camp or community in which the Unit is located.
- b. Participation in many "Civil War Re-enactments of Living History Pageants". These normally number from 100 to 1,000 participants with the SVR providing "Union" Troops and re-activated southern troops portraying "Confederate" Troops. Actual Civil War battles are portrayed with support from Veteran, Civic and local groups rendering financial support. These involve SUVCW-SVR members time and money to support these many events annually.

This fact must be recognized. That the Sons are being carried before the public, that is resulting in the increase of certain camp mem-

berships. Few National Committees and in many cases, individuals can acclaim this fact.

6. The National Military Department, S.V.R., ask every member present here today and those who read of this Encampment proceedings, take a look at today's means of attracting membership. Get behind the S.V.R. program. The appropriation from National is of great importance, but we need all SUVCW Members to talk our programs that get results.

The Sons of Veterans Reserve pledges to help the Sons wherever possible.

C. S. Shriver
Brig. Gen., SVR
Commanding

FINANCIAL REPORT

The following report covers the period from Nov. 3, 1970 to July 31, 1971.

RECEIPTS

National Encampment Allotment	\$100.00	
Dues	217.00	
Comm. fees	42.00	
Supplies sold	43.61	
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Total Receipts	\$402.61	

EXPENDITURES

Printing	\$388.80	
TAG Postage to 5/26/71	30.03	
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Total Expenditures	\$418.83	\$418.83
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Deficit	\$ 16.22
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There are also bills outstanding for printing and office expense of \$42.02.

The increased cost of printing and postage has hurt us very much this year.

Respectfully submitted,

Donald B. Lewis
LTC SVR
The Adjutant General

July 30, 1971

REPORT OF LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

TO: George L. Cashman, Commander-in-Chief
RE: Report of Committee on Legislation—1971

Greetings. The chairman of your Committee on Legislation begs leave to submit the following report. Again this year an attempt has been made to provide current information on the progress of selected items of

legislation and related matters thru the pages of *The Banner*. With the cooperation of its distinguished editor, each issue has carried a column entitled "The Legislative Report." Your chairman wishes to acknowledge the encouragement received from his fellow committee members, William M. Coffin, Fred H. Combs, Jr., Charles A. Brady, Jr., and Arthur Glenum. He has thoroughly enjoyed this opportunity to be of service to our beloved Order. The opinions and judgments set forth in this report are those of the chairman for which he is alone responsible.

DEVELOPMENT OF NATIONAL HISTORIC SITES — On April 5 a hearing was held before the National Parks Subcommittee of the House Interior and Insular Affairs Committee on a proposal for the Federal Government to purchase Abraham Lincoln's homesite in Springfield, Illinois, and declare it a national historic site. At present the home is owned and maintained by the State of Illinois as a Lincoln shrine. Sponsors of the measure are Rep. Paul Findley who represents the Springfield district, and 82 additional members of the House including Rep. Wayne Aspinwall of Colorado, chairman of the Interior Committee. Because sponsorship of House bills is limited to 25 members each, the measure was introduced under the following bill numbers: HR 3117, 3118, 3119, and 3120. Companion bill S 489 has been introduced in the Senate by Illinois' Senators Charles Percy and Adlai Stevenson. Included in the purchase of the site would be a four block area around the home so as to protect the immediate neighborhood from commercial exploitation. On July 14 the Interior Committee voted to recommend passage of HR 3117 at a cost of \$7 million. Rep. Findley hopes that the matter will be scheduled for action by the House in August. If approved by congress and the President, the property would be deeded to the National Park Service.

The historic Antietam Battleground site near Sharpsburg, Maryland, consists of 797 acres under the administration of the National Park Service. The remainder of the site is privately owned and at the mercy of land developers. Zoning and land use regulations in the area are nonexistent. Maryland Senators Charles Mathias and J. Glenn Beall, Jr., and Oregon Sen. Mark Hatfield have introduced S 1525 designed to expand the present site to 3,400 acres. Of the 2,600 acres that would be acquired, 1000 acres would be added to the existing 797 acres of Government owned land thus encompassing the entire battlefield. The additional 1,600 acres would be used as a buffer to protect the approaches to the battleground. Rep. Goodloe Byron who represents the area in which Sharpsburg is located has introduced a companion bill, HR 7613, which has been referred to the National Parks Subcommittee of the Interior Committee. The estimated purchase price of the additional acreage is \$3.5 million. Antietam will be remembered as the bloodiest one-day battle to be fought on American soil. Casualties suffered by Union and Confederate forces numbered more than 22,000 men.

NATIONAL DEFENSE POLICY — The status of our national defense effort is of increasing concern to many Americans. The military establishment is in disfavor with a vocal if relatively small segment of the populace. This is not a new phenomenon in our history but its timing is most unfortunate. Ballooning budget deficits and eager congressional doves both exert influences designed to pare down plans for defense spending. Meanwhile, our principal rival for world leadership, the Soviet Union, is increasing its stockpile of nuclear arms and is rapidly

expanding its naval strength. Defense Secretary Melvin Laird recently put it this way:

"Since the 1965-67 time period, we've had a virtual moratorium in this country on the development of any new strategic offensive-weapon launchers. We have the same number of launchers that was approved in the mid-1960's in our missile-carrying submarines and in our land-based missile force.

"You have to compare this moratorium with the momentum that the Soviet Union has developed during this same period, while we have been engaged in Vietnam.

"Let me put it another way: We have established a goal for 1972 of allocating up to 7 per cent of the gross national product of this country for defense purposes. In 1968, we were allocating 9.5 per cent of our gross national product to defense.

"But the catch was that we weren't allocating it to the same areas that the Soviet Union was. We were spending a lot of it in Vietnam.

"That's the reason for our virtual moratorium on new strategic offensive-weapon launchers and our slowness in modernizing conventional forces. Those are the precise areas in which the Soviets have developed their momentum."

It is difficult if not impossible for the layman to understand fully what is at stake. This is due in part to the development of sophisticated weapons systems unheard of 25 years ago. It is also due to the astronomical rise in defense costs since World War II. A medium tank that cost \$70,000 in 1945 has a price-tag of \$600,000 today. A bomber that cost \$500,000 then now cost \$25 million. Secretary Laird has estimated that by 1972 manpower costs will have nearly doubled since 1965 even tho fewer military and civilian personnel will be employed.

A defense budget of \$76 billion in proposed spending over the next 12 months is currently being debated. On June 29 on a rollcall vote of 63 to 24 the Senate turned back an amendment authored by Senators William Proxmire of Wisconsin and Charles Mathias of Maryland that would cut military spending by \$8 billion in the coming fiscal year. On June 17 the House passed and sent to the Senate the Military Procurement Act, HR 8687, by a vote of 332 to 58. This legislation authorizes \$21 billion for fiscal year 1972 expenditures on research, development, and procurement of weapons. Among its provisions are those for continued work on the controversial F-111 fighter bomber, and the continued deployment of the Safeguard anti-ballistic missile (ABM) system. This measure faces considerable opposition and an uncertain future in the Upper House. As a proportion of the total national budget, our defense outlays are declining. This is in part a reaction to the winding down of the Vietnam Conflict, but it also reflects increased appropriations associated with other programs. Our experience in this century should teach us that "savings" in this area are often illusory and can in fact require larger outlays in the long run.

Of one thing your chairman is certain. Money alone will not provide security and preserve our liberties. The will to defend a society must come from within. The siren songs of pessimism and defeatism that filter out thru the news media and whose echoes are heard even in the halls of Congress constitute a serious threat to our security over the long term.

SALT TALKS AND ARMS CONTROL — As this report is written, the Strategic Arms Limitation Talks, dubbed SALT for short, continue in Helsinki, Finland, between the United States and the Soviet Union. These negotiations began in 1969 and until recently had gotten nowhere. We had insisted on negotiating the production and deployment of offensive missiles (ICBM's) while the Russians wanted to concentrate attention on the defensive missiles (ABM's). Last May our delegation agreed to consider a proposal for limiting defensive weaponry with the option of discussing offensive weapons at a future date. President Nixon went so far as to say that this tentative agreement on what should be negotiated heralded "the beginning of a new era."

Critics of this development point out that we may well conclude a treaty that will effectively prevent the United States from erecting an anti-missile system capable of defending our population centers. The Soviets are understood to have already constructed a "thick" ABM system around Moscow. In recent testimony before a congressional subcommittee, Deputy Defense Secretary David Packard said that the Russians are convinced the ABM will work and that they had agreed to the SALT talks in hopes of limiting its deployment.

In areas where the Soviets are behind in development i. e. Polaris/Poseidon submarines, the Russians have refused to discuss limitations. Only where they already enjoy a clear superiority are they willing to discuss controls.

Former Secretary of State Dean Acheson in a warning issued just prior to the opening of the SALT talks nearly two years ago said, "One can easily see the advantage to the Soviet Union and the lethal danger to the United States in an agreement that would bind the open and public American society to nuclear parity with the Soviet Union without opening the closed and secret Soviet society to far more inspection and oversight than it has ever been willing to grant in 20 years of discussion of the subject."

While these talks continue abroad, the Arms Control Subcommittee of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee has opened hearings on the deployment of two additional ABM sites and the further testing and development of Multiple Independently-Targetable Reentry Systems (MIRV's). Chaired by Sen. Edmund Muskie of Maine, the hearings are not expected to give comfort to those who believe that our nation must strive for nuclear superiority. Testifying before the group on July 14, Sen. Herbert Humphrey of Minnesota exclaimed that "the arms race is the greatest danger in the world and the U. S. and the Soviet Union have a responsibility for ending it." He called for passage of a resolution urging the two countries to put a mutual freeze on the deployment of all nuclear weapons for the duration of the SALT talks.

Disarmament is an ideal in a near perfect society but not a practical solution in today's world in the judgment of your chairman. The stakes are high and we cannot afford to bargain away a "first strike" capability for a paper agreement. The resolute defenders of our security will have to do double duty if they expect to keep watchful eye on both Helsinki and Washington. One has only to remember the Senate controversies over the ABM in the past two years to understand the odds.

THE MANSFIELD AMENDMENT AND THE DRAFT ACT — For the first time in 23 years the nation is without a draft law. The old law expired June 30 and a new one is currently in a Senate-House Confer-

ence Committee. The conferees have agreed on all of its major provisions save one — the terms of the Mansfield Amendment.

When the Selective Service Extension Act (HR 6531) was being debated in the Senate, opponents of the Vietnam Conflict made several attempts to add a rider which would put a time clause on our military presence in Vietnam. Senators George McGovern of South Dakota and Mark Hatfield of Oregon trotted out their proposal to compel a total withdrawal of all U. S. Forces by December 31 of this year. And for the second time in ten months, their amendment met defeat in the Senate. By a tally of 55 to 42 it was voted down on June 16. A substitute amendment offered by Sen. Lawton Chiles of Florida to extend the deadline for withdrawal to June 1, 1972, provided our prisoners of war had been returned by that date, was also defeated on a rollcall vote of 52 to 44. Still later the Senate defeated an attempt by Sen. Marlow Cook of Kentucky and others to cut off funds for Vietnam in nine months provided a commitment had been made on the release of prisoners of war.

In a final effort on June 22, the Majority Leader, Sen. Mike Mansfield of Montana, introduced an amendment which stated in part:

"It is hereby declared to be the policy of the United States to terminate at the earliest practicable date all military operations . . . in Indochina, and to provide for the prompt and orderly withdrawal of all United States forces not later than nine months after the date of the enactment of this section subject to the release of all American prisoners of war held by the government of North Viet Nam and forces allied with such government."

Under the rules then in effect, all time for debate had expired and the amendment was put to a vote. Unlike the earlier tallies, the supporters of a time clause won a stunning victory by a vote of 57 to 42. The Selective Service Extension Act as amended was returned to the House for concurrence.

On June 28 by a vote of 219 to 176, the House of Representatives tabled a motion that would have instructed its conferees to accept the end-the-war Mansfield Amendment. Before the vote was taken, Speaker of the House Carl Albert argued that no nation had "ever laid its strategy in detail before its enemy." He asserted that adoption of the amendment would have the effect of taking the responsibility for the war out of the hands of the President and turning it over to the Congress.

Supporters of the measure said that it merely set a date "down the road" for an end to hostilities and was a mild substitute for those proposals already defeated. They argued that it was designed to assist in negotiations for the release of our men held captive and did not restrict the President's power to use funds appropriated for the war effort. Although the House vote was decisive, it represents the high-water mark to date for opponents of the President's policy. On June 18 the House had defeated by a substantial margin of 254 to 158 a proposal to cut off funds for Vietnam after December 31 of this year.

The matter of reconciling the differences between the two chambers now rest with a Conference Committee which continues deadlocked over the Mansfield Amendment.

In the considered opinion of your chairman, the enactment of the amendment would be detrimental to our cause on three grounds. First, it would give Hanoi a great psychological boost since it would be interpreted as a defeat for our present policy. Secondly, it could have an

adverse effect on the morale of our own troops and those South Vietnamese loyal to our side. Thirdly, it could hamstring the President in his exercise of the flexibility needed to conduct successful negotiations at the Paris bargaining table. Hanoi would like nothing better than to know that it will have a free hand in all of the Indochina peninsula within a year. Our chief hope of success lies in negotiating from a position of strength.

FEDERAL REGULATION OF BLACKPOWDER PROPELLANT —

Users of blackpowder including members of the Sons of Veterans Reserve and other reactivated Civil War units are concerned about the controls that have been placed on the possession, transportation, and use of the substance under terms of Title XI of the Crime Control Act of 1970 passed by Congress last year. For hundreds of years, blackpowder has served as a shooting propellant. It is the only propellant which can be used in arms designed for blackpowder as modern smokeless powders create unsafe levels of pressure when used in blackpowder arms.

Advocates of amending Title XI believe that the regulations governing blackpowder as a propellant should be defined by "user intent" and argue that its use in reenactments and for ceremonials constitutes a "sporting purpose." To illustrate intent, they cite the example of gasoline which is a fuel when confined to an automobile tank; in a bottle with a wick, it can be a firebomb. To buttress their case, they cite the Gun Control Act of 1968 which exempted blackpowder type arms from the law by recognizing them as antique arms or reproductions thereof.

The amendment sought would free users of blackpowder propellant from federal regulation insofar as the substance is used for a sporting purpose as defined by law and not as an explosive. Its use for explosive purposes would continue to be subject to the rigid controls outlined in Title XI. The amendment would also reserve to Congress exclusive jurisdiction over the purchase, storage, possession, transportation and use of blackpowder propellant so as to preclude States and municipalities from enacting even more restrictive laws and ordinances.

Your chairman believes that the use of blackpowder propellant by legitimate organizations and groups should not be subject to the restrictive terms of the Crime Control Act of 1970. That statute was designed for another purpose. Its effect here is but an example of what sweeping legislation can do to hamper otherwise lawful activities. It is hoped that Congress will consider favorably the adoption of the proposed amendment to the Crime Control Act.

MONDAY HOLIDAY LEGISLATION — To date 48 States have enacted some version of the Monday Holiday Act. The most recent additions are South Dakota, West Virginia, and Oklahoma. As an example of a variation from the standardized act, Oklahoma decided to leave the observance of Veterans Day on November 11 rather than change it to the fourth Monday in October. Of the remaining two States that have not acted, Louisiana and Wisconsin, Monday Holiday proposals were drafted for consideration by their legislatures this spring. In Louisiana the measure failed to achieve the 3/4th's majority required to introduce non fiscal matters during a budget session. In Wisconsin each house is considering its own version of the plan. The Assembly on February 10 voted to retain Memorial Day and Veterans Day on their traditional dates but no further action has transpired. The Senate has twice postponed consideration of its bill which has become loaded with amendments. Observers feel that action of some form may come about during

the fall session. The tourist and recreation lobbies do not wish to see the measure die on the legislative calendar as it did two years ago. In Illinois the General Assembly voted unanimously to restore the celebration of Lincoln's Birthday to February 12 rather than the first Monday in February as provided in the 1969 law. On June 8 the Chicago Tribune commented editorially as follows:

"Obviously the government can't decree that some day other than Feb. 12 is Lincoln's Birthday; all it can do is offer a substitute. And when governments start offering substitutes, especially for the commemoration of events that took place on a specific and known date (like Lincoln's birth), the observation loses much of its significance. It is no great tribute to Lincoln to juggle his birthday around to suit our whims. "We're not opposed to three-day weekends. But as some congressman said in 1968, it would be more honest simply to fix five or six arbitrary three-day weekends a year and leave our commemorative days where they are, without declaring them holidays. After all, you don't really need a day off to do justice to Lincoln, Washington, Columbus, or the veterans."

Well said.

SPECIAL NOTE ON MANSFIELD AMENDMENT — As this report is written, it is apparent that the Senate-House conferees have reached a compromise. Under its terms the reference to a 9 month deadline for withdrawal would be deleted and the words "policy of the United States" would be altered to read "sense of Congress". It is expected that this agreement will permit passage of the military draft bill before Congress adjourns August 6.

Respectfully submitted,

FOR THE COMMITTEE

Thomas L. W. Johnson, Chairman

REPORT ON THE COMMITTEE ON C. & R.

Past Commander-in-Chief Rippey, Chairman, gave an oral report that during the past year little has been forwarded to the Committee. However at this Encampment, Resolution Number 5 from the Pennsylvania Department relative to changing of the filing of per-capita reports from Quarterly to Semi-Annually has been turned over to the Committee, from the Committee on Officers Reports since it deals with the Regulations. Your Committee will meet and report back at a later session of this Encampment.

Commander-in-Chief Cashman: Thank you Brother Rippey. At this time I ask the Committee on Officers Reports to make their report.

Past Commander-in-Chief C. Leroy Stoudt responded that the Committee had reviewed each Officers report and that each is to be commended on their dedication and effort towards the continued promotion of the Order. He commended especially the work of the Commander-in-Chief for his dedication to duty and the National Patriotic Instructor for his fine report for the year.

The recommendations of the Commander-in-Chief were referred to the Committee on C. & R. since they had to deal with Regulations.

Recommendations of the Jr. Vice Commander-in-Chief were concurred in.

Recommendations of the National Patriotic Instructor were referred to the Committee on C. & R. since they too dealt with Regulations.

Following the report of the Committee, Bro. Stoudt moved, seconded by Bro. William C. Rule, PDC, Mass. that the Committee be discharged with duties completed. Motion carried.

Commander-in-Chief Cashman: At this time, we will hear from the Committee on Resolutions. Brother Fred E. Combs, Jr. responded.

RESOLUTION No. 1

Whereas, a document dated October 2, 1865 (according to Earle Dunform of Richmond, Va., in an article in the National Observer issue of May 10, 1971) as follows:

"I, Robert E. Lee, of Lexington, Va., do solemnly swear in the presence of Almighty God, that I will henceforth faithfully support, protect and defend the Constitution of the United States, and the Union of States thereunder, and that I will, in like manner abide by and faithfully support all laws and proclamations which have been made during the existing rebellion with reference to the emancipation of slaves, so help me God.

R. E. Lee"

and

Whereas, the above article was discovered within the possession of the National Archives; and

Whereas, this appears to be the Confederate General's oath of amnesty required by Presidential decree prior to a pardon and restoration of citizenship to any and all Southern leaders; and

Whereas, to obtain a pardon, all Confederate leaders were required to fill out two (2) government forms, one (1) being an application for pardon and one (1) an amnesty oath; and

Whereas, it appears that Robert E. Lee did fill out and forward both forms but through error, were never connected.

Whereas, effort has been made and failed and effort is now being made by joint resolution offered by U. S. Senator Harry F. Byrd, of Virginia, to restore General Lee's "full citizenship" posthumously.

Therefore, be it resolved by the 90th National Encampment, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War that full support of pending legislation be given and request be made by the National Secretary-Treasurer that the matter be reported out of Committee; and

Be it further resolved that our several departments immediately contact their respective U. S. Senators advising them of this action and urging their support thereof.

Respectfully submitted,

Frank M. Heacock, Sr., P. C. in C.
Edwin K. Kramer, P. D. C.
William Kearney, Commander

Approved

RESOLUTION No. 2

Whereas, the Hon. Milton J. Shapp, Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, has as an individual and Chief Executive taken a firm stand against the erection of the so-called "Tower of Our Nation" adjacent to the scene of "Pickett's Charge" on the Gettysburg Battlefield; and

Whereas, the Governor's belief that the erection of such a monstrosity would be destructive to our cultural heritage; and

Whereas, the continual creation and/or additional enterprises intends to decrease the sacredness of the area where lives were lost and blood spilled that America could remain free, undivided — one nation under God, indivisible.

Therefore, be it resolved by the 90th National Encampment, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War in Boston, Massachusetts, assembled commend Gov. Shapp for his stand and pledge to him our full support and cooperation in his legal battle to secure permanent injunction against Thomas B. Allenstein, million dollar promoter from Washington, D. C.

Respectfully submitted,

Frank M. Heacock, Sr. P. C. in C.

Edwin K. Kramer, P. D. C.

William Kearney, Commander

Approved

Following much discussion, a motion was made by PDC William C. Rule, Mass., seconded by several, to send a telegram to Governor Shapp of Pennsylvania regarding the above action. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION No. 4

WHEREAS we are pledged to perpetuate the memory of the Grand Army of the Republic, and to teach patriotism, the duties of citizenship, the true history of our country, and love and respect for our Flag, and

WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of every American to understand and maintain this American way of life, and to pass it on so that it may be enjoyed by succeeding generations,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War supports:

1. The voluntary reading of the Holy Bible and the voluntary offering of prayers in our public schools and at public functions.
2. The control of the public schools by the Sovereign States, regardless of the source of funds.
3. The reduction of government spending and the balancing of our national debt to curb inflation.
4. The minimization of competition by the Federal Government with private industry.
5. The abolition of all programs which reward indolence and destroy initiative.
6. The strengthening of law enforcement and order on our streets, campuses, and in our communities.

7. The right of the States to exercise all of those sovereign powers not specifically granted to the Federal Government.
8. Appropriate concern by the judiciary for the general welfare of all citizens, as well as for that of the wrongdoer.
9. Strict enforcement of existing Narcotics Laws.
10. Establishment of an age limitation for members of the United States Supreme Court.
11. Investigation of all abuses of our natural environment.
12. Restraint of sex-sensitivity programs in public schools.
13. The right of dissent, but not the right of treason.
14. Restoring respect for God, family, and country in all phases of American life.

THIS RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED BY THE 89TH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT OF THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT AT AVON, N. J., JUNE 12, 1971, and ORDERED FORWARDED TO THE NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT FOR THEIR CONSIDERATION.

Albert C. Lambert
Department Secy-Treas.

All concurred in without debate

Commander-in-Chief Cashman: We have a little time left before we recess. Has the National Secretary any Communications to read at this time?

(National Secretary Shriver read many letters of best wishes to Commander-in-Chief Cashman and the Encampment from those who could not be present.

Under "Good of the Order" several Brothers voiced opinions on various subjects of the Order. Several on rights of an Associate member, etc. Sessions recessed at 11:45 p.m.

Commander-in-Chief Cashman: At this time may we have a report of the credential committee?

Brother Gibbons responded with a total of 101 registered and 87 voting.

Greetings Committees were then received from the Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War and the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Commander-in-Chief Cashman: We have a report of the Committee on the Reconstruction that was continued from last years National Encampment in Miami Beach. Is this Committee ready to report?

Bro. Robert J. Wolz, a member of the Committee stated that this Committee had not met in formal session and that he moved the continuance of the Committee for another year and that the incoming Commander-in-Chief appoint a new Committee with residence near each other so they might arrange a meeting to formulate a formal report at the 1972 National Encampment. Seconded by several.

Motion carried.

Commander-in-Chief Cashman: Brother Rippey. Are you prepared to give a report from the Committee on C. & R?

REPORT FROM COMMITTEE OF C & R

"You all know that before the encampment started, nothing had been referred to us. During 1st session there were a few things that were referred to us."

From Commander-in-Chief's Report

A change in the Constitution must be presented in a technical way at least 40 days before encampment and ratified by the departments.

Regulations can be amended by a majority vote.

From Commander-in-Chief's Report

Committee concurs with the fact that any member can wear the war medal when qualifications are passed upon by a Camp authorization.

From Natl. Patr. Instr. Report

Life membership fee is agreed upon by the Committee with no carrying charge. Amount of life membership fee should be \$100 up to age 60; between 60 and 70, membership fee should be \$75; over age 70, membership fee should be \$50 to be made in 3 payments — 1/3 of amount paid at the time of the application and the remainder to be paid at the discretion of the member but not exceeding 1 year. No objection. So approved.

From Natl. Patr. Instr. Report

Lowering membership age to 14, Committee concurs. However, constitution states the age at 16; therefore, no action can be taken at this encampment.

From Natl. Patr. Instr. Report

Present per capita tax unable to meet financial expenses. Application-initiation fee should be set at \$10; minimum of \$5 to go directly to camp. Committee concurs. However, Camps should take action to change.

From Natl. Patr. Instr. Report

It was brought to the attention of the delegation that preparation should be made for tomorrow. We must find additional means to finance this order (National Patriotic Instructors' Fund) Recommended it to be referred to Council of Administration. No objection. Approved.

Joseph S. Rippey, Chairman
for the Committee

The newly elected National President of the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Mrs. Grace Broderick was escorted to the Commander-in-Chiefs station. She offered her congratulations and best wishes. Past Commander-in-Chief Harold E. Arnold responded.

The recent issuance of a number of "Historic greeting cards" printed by the Hallmark Company that included a colored card with the GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC BADGE on the front and a comic phrase on the inside, was circulated for the membership to read. Several Brothers had written to the Hallmark Company prior to the Encampment and were advised that no reflection against the GAR was ever intended and they would withdraw these from future circulation from the stores.

At this point the business sessions were recessed until Thursday, August 19th.

A Special meeting of the Council of Administration was held on Wednesday with the report as follows:

COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION MEETING

August 18, 1971

Parker-House, Boston, Mass.

A special meeting of the Council of Administration and the Past Commanders-in-Chiefs was held in Headquarters Suite at 9:30 a.m. with Commander-in-Chief George L. Cashman presiding. Present were the following:

Commander-in-Chief	George L. Cashman
Sr. Vice Commander-in-Chief	Norman R. Furman
Jr. Vice Commander-in-Chief	John C. Yocum
Council Member	Allen P. Howland
Council Member	Joseph S. Rippey
Council Member	Fred H. Combs, Jr.
National Secretary-Treasurer	Chester S. Shriver
National Counselor	Albert C. Lambert
Past Commander-in-Chief	Harold E. Arnold

Of specific purpose of the meeting, suggestions were offered regarding the future of the BANNER. Present Editor Bro. Albert C. Lambert, offered the recommendation that if certain changes could be made regarding the cost of printing with a suggestion that offset process printing could be used with effective results and if a modification of the style used by the Military Order of the Loyal Legion in that a two fold style be used rather than the one fold — four page style, the estimated cost would be in the range of \$1,200.00 for four (4) quarterly issues, that he would continue the BANNER editorship with the help of P. C. in C. Fred H. Combs, and after one year, Bro. Combs would continue the BANNER publication.

A motion was made by Council Member Allen Howland, seconded by Sr. Vice C. in C. Norman Furman to accept his proposal. Motion carried. Other business transacted included the following:

- a. Consideration of a graduated Life Membership fee with proposal on the agenda for the last Council meeting at this Encampment.
- b. By motion of Bro. Rippey, seconded by Bro. Yocum, that the income from the Permanent Fund, be used in the General Fund for use this fiscal year ending June 30, 1972. Motion carried.

Meeting recessed at 11:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted.

George L. Cashman
Commander-in-Chief

Chester S. Shriver
National Secretary-Treasurer

THURSDAY SESSIONS

August 19, 1971

Commander-in-Chief Cashman called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. The following matters were presented and approved:

The General U. S. Grant 3rd Membership Trophy for the Department showing the highest percentage of membership increase for the past year was presented to the Indiana Department with a percentage of 87.5. The announcement was made by Jr. Vice Commander-in-Chief John C. Yocum who serves as Membership Chairman.

The Harold E. Arnold Membership Plaque was awarded to the Department of Oregon and Washington for their total membership increase 41. Past Commander-in-Chief Arnold announced the winning Department.

Since neither the Department of Indiana or the Department of Oregon and Washington were represented, National Secretary Shriver would forward the Trophy and Plaque to the respective Departments.

Members of the delegation from the Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States extended their Orders greetings to Commander-in-Chief Cashman, he himself a member Companion.

Commander-in-Chief Cashman: Will the Audit Committee of the Council of Administration give their report.

COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION

Report of the Audit Committee

We the undersigned, have reviewed and examined the Audit Report of the independent certified public accountant who examined the books of the National Secretary-Treasurer, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, for the year ending June 30, 1971, and subject to corrections noted by the National Counselor and National Secretary, was approved by the Council of Administration and the Auditing Committee and we hereby recommend approval by this Encampment.

Respectfully submitted,

John C. Yocum
Norman R. Furman

Under new business the following was established:

Brother Harold E. Arnold asked the members to start thinking about the future of the 100th Anniversary of our Order and to consider setting aside special funds for its commemoration. This followed by a motion to refer to the Council of Administration for establishment of some sort of fund. Seconded by PDC William C. Rule. Motion carried.

Commander-in-Chief Cashman: May we have the report of the Budget Committee by Chairman Fred H. Combs, Jr.

Report of Budget Committee

Year 1971-72

RECEIPTS

Per Capita Tax 2500 members at \$1.40	\$ 3,500.00
Registration Fee 100 members at \$2.00	200.00
Sale of Supplies	600.00
Auxiliary Gift	500.00
Interest on Permanent Fund	1,400.00
Prepaid to Natl. Secy-Treas.	500.00
Total Receipts	\$ 6,700.00

DISBURSEMENTS

Commander-in-Chief expense	\$ 1,000.00
Secy-Treas. Expense	1,000.00
Supplies	900.00
Printing, Stationery, Postage	500.00
Proceedings 1971	600.00
C.P.A. Audit	250.00
Encampment Expense	100.00
Stenographer	100.00
Miscellaneous Expense	100.00
Past Commander-in-Chief Testimonial	150.00
The Banner	1,400.00
Insurance & Position Bond	111.00
Total Disbursements	\$ 6,211.00

APPROPRIATION FROM G.A.R. FUND

Lincoln Memorial Expense (Wreath and Colors)	\$ 40.00
Lincoln Tomb Ceremony Expense	350.00
Wreath at Cathedral of the Pines-Memorial Day	25.00
GAR Remembrance Day Ceremony at Gettysburg	150.00
GAR Camp Fire Program Expense	200.00
National Military Department SVR	100.00
Student Scholarship	250.00
	\$ 1,115.00

Submitted by:

Fred H. Combs, Jr.
Past Commander-in-Chief
Joseph S. Rippey
Past Commander-in-Chief

Past Commander-in-Chief Combs:

Gentlemen, you have received the report of the Budget Committee. Are there any questions. Hearing none, I then move you the adoption of this report. Seconded by Jr. Vice Commander-in-Chief Yocum. Motion carried.

Commander-in-Chief Cashman: Brothers, is there any other business to come before this Encampment?

Past Commander-in-Chief Arnold: I move you we go into the nomination and election of Officers. Seconded by several. Motion carried.

Final report of the Credentials Committee showed 105 registered and 87 voting.

Credential Committee Chairman Harry Gibbons reported:

Commander-in-Chief	1
Past Commanders-in-Chief	8
Department Commanders	9
Past Department Commanders	45
Delegates	6
Registered, not present	18

105

National Secretary Shriver called the Roll of Departments.

The following Brothers were nominated for the respective Offices:

Commander-in-Chief Norman R. Furman by Bro. Joseph S. Rippey
 Sr. Vice Commander-in-Chief John C. Yocum by Bro. C. Leroy Stoudt
 Jr. Vice Commander-in-Chief

Chester W. Adshead by Bro. William Haskell

Council of Administration .. Harold E. Arnold by Bro. Wallace Macomber
 (For 2 Years)

(Each nominee received many Department seconds during the roll call)

A motion by Past Commander-in-Chief Albert C. Lambert, seconded by Past Commander-in-Chief Harold E. Arnold, that where there is only one nominee, the National Secretary shall cast 87 votes for each Office. Motion carried.

The following served as Installing Officers: P. C. in C. William W. Haskell; Chaplain, PDC Maurice Warner; and Guide, PDC Allen Howland.

Prior to the Installation of the newly elected Officers, the delegation from the New York Department Auxiliary was escorted into the room and Past National President Edith Snyder escorted Commander-in-Chief Elect Furman to the Commanders Station.

The National Secretary read the appointive Officers as follows:

National Counselor	Albert C. Lambert, New Jersey
National Chief of Staff	C. LeRoy Stoudt, Pennsylvania
National Patriotic Instructor ..	Dr. J. E. Martie, California & Pacific
National Chaplain	John B. Davis, Massachusetts
National Historian	Herman Black, Wisconsin
Nat'l. Graves Regt. Officer	Arthur L. Ballou, Vermont
Nat'l. GAR Highway Officer	Robert J. Wolz, Ohio
Dist. of Columbia Representative ..	Arthur L. Glenum, Maryland
Personal Aide	Harold T. Bielby, New York

The Installing Officer, Bro. Haskell duly obligated and installed all officers in Ritualistic Form.

Commander-in-Chief Furman: This is a very proud moment of my life. Never did I ever dream that someday I would be standing here as your Commander-in-Chief. But when you have great Brothers and Sisters In your Department who help you and inspire you, your dreams can come true. I owe great credit to my lovely wife for her understanding. I owe

great credit to my Dad for his help and guidance. To my loyal Sister Edith Snyder and all members of my Auxliary, my deepest appreciation. Let us now go forward in this year coming to make our mark.

At this point Past Commander-in-Chief Cashman pinned the Commander-in-Chiefs Badge on Brother Furman.

National Secretary-Treasurer Shriver presented the Past Commander-in-Chiefs jewel and lapel button to Brother Cashman.

Commander-in-Chief Furman called on each elective Officer who responded with pledges to do all they can to make 1971-1972 a memorable one.

The Encampment was thereupon closed in ritualistic form.

COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION MEETING

August 19, 1971

The Council of Administration meeting was held at the close of the 90th Annual National Encampment in the Headquarters Suite, Parker House Hotel, Boston, Massachusetts at 1:30 p.m. Those present were as follows:

Commander-in-Chief	Norman R. Furman
Sr. Vice Commander-in-Chief	John C. Yocum
Jr. Vice Commander-in-Chief	Chester D. Adshead
Council of Administration Members	Joseph S. Rippey, Harold E. Arnold, George L. Cashman
National Secretary-Treasurer	Chester S. Shriver
National Counselor	Albert C. Lambert

The reading of the previous meetings of August 16, 1971 and August 18, 1971 were approved as read by the National Secretary.

The following matters were presented by Bro. Joseph S. Rippey who served as Chairman of the Committee on C. & R., and which were referred to this Committee by the Encampment.

1. On the matter of changing the reporting of per capita from Quarterly to Semi-Annual, the Committee on C. & R. stated the matter is one that must be announced 40 days prior to the National Encampment. Therefore, no action could be taken. This was referred from the Committee on Officers Reports to the Committee on C. & R.
2. On the pros and cons regarding the lowering of the age limit to 14 as per the Encampment. This too must be presented to the membership at least 40 days prior to the Encampment for action.
3. The Question was brought on the floor regarding the updating of all changes by revisions of the Constitution and Regulations. National Secretary Shriver and National Counselor Lambert agreed to check through past printed Proceedings, listing the changes and revisions and report back to the 1972 Council of Administration meeting.
4. The subject of starting a 100th Anniversary Fund was discussed and upon a motion by Bro. Fred H. Combs, Jr., seconded by Bro. John C. Yocum, such a fund was established with all contributions listed by the National Secretary-Treasurer.
5. A goal of \$1200 was set for the National Patriotic Instructor for 1971-1972. This on a motion by Bro. Yocum. Seconded by Bro. Shriver. Motion carried.
6. The National Secretary was directed to send to the Congress of the United States, a letter of our Orders opposition to any closed door agreements regarding the use of Federal Property for Commercial use.

Meeting adjourned at 2:35 p.m.

Norman R. Furman
Commander-in-Chief

Chester S. Shriver
National Secretary-Treasurer

1971 ENCAMPMENT ROLL

CALIFORNIA AND PACIFIC

Harold Rogers, D.C.

E. T. Hannaford, II, Dele.

CONNECTICUT

Chauncey A. Geer, D.C.

James Y. Ledwith, P.D.C.

Allen F. Spink, P.D.C.

ILLINOIS

George L. Cashman, C. in C.

Charles A. Brady, Jr., P.D.C.

MAINE

Maurice Warner, P.D.C.

George E. Mason, Dele.

John Warner, P.D.C.

Regt. Not present

Joseph Hurley, Dele.

Sumner W. Field, Dele.

William J. Dow, Dele.

MARYLAND

Arthur R. Glenum, P.D.C.

B. Franklin Lucas, P.D.C.

Richard H. Johnson, P.D.C.

Curry Shockley, Dele.

Howard G. Barlow, Dele.

MASSACHUSETTS

William W. Haskell, P. C. in C.

Larry O. Jones, Dele.

Alfred J. Durocher, D.C.

Henry S. Bowen, P.D.C.

Chester W. Adshead, P.D.C.

John B. Davis, P.D.C.

Louis E. Winchell, Sr., P.D.C.

James K. Cheney, P.D.C.

Robert Wood, P.D.C.

Gilman W. Harrington, P.D.C.

Howard E. Waite, P.D.C.

Addison A. Quinn, P.D.C.

William C. Rule, P.D.C.

Allen B. Howland, P.D.C.

Charles W. Hooper, Sr., P.D.C.

Edwin J. Lennon, P.D.C.

Elmer Shaw, Jr., Dele.

Wilbur Loomer, Dele.

Ralph Bickmore, Dele.

Eugene Russell, Dele.

Frank Smith, Dele.

Thomas B. Maloney, Dele.

Franklin Crabler, Dele.

Raymond C. Gage, Dele.

Dana Lincoln, Sr., Dele.

Clifford Hobart, Dele.

MICHIGAN

Benjamin F. Edge, II, D.C.

Regt. Not present

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Leon Place, D.C.

Kenneth T. Wheeler, P.D.C.

Alfred J. Clark, P.D.C.

Robert A. Lawrence, P.D.C.

Rev. Russell H. Milnes, Dele

NEW JERSEY

Albert C. Lambert, P. C. in C.

Fred H. Combs, Jr., P. C. in C.

William W. Vanderhoof, Jr., D.C.

Frank L. Clark, P.D.C.

Richard W. Pratt, P.D.C.

Regt. Not present

Albert W. Lambert, P.D.C.

Alton Sharp, P.D.C.

Regt. Not present

John Junge, Sr., Dele.

Percy C. Davenport, Dele.

Louis A. Moushey, Dele.

Thomas Richard Daniel, Dele.

NEW YORK

Joseph S. Rippey, P. C. in C.	Harry Furman, D.C.
DeVene Williamson, P.D.C.	Norman R. Furman, P.D.C.
Harry E. Gibbons, P.D.C.	Alfred Hahn, Dele.
John Mason Potter, Dele.	

OHIO

William M. Coffin, P. C. in C.	Errett Nile, Dele.
Regt. Not present	Paul Grate, P.D.C.
Robert J. Wolz, D.C.	Robert C. Wolz, Dele.
Richard Greenwalt, P.D.C.	

PENNSYLVANIA

C. LeRoy Stoudt, P. C. in C.	Frank M. Heacock, Sr., P. C. in C.
Chester S. Shriver, P. C. in C.	William N. Kearney, D.C.
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