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Commander-in-Chief	Allen B. Howland
Sr. Vice Commander-in-Chief	Chester J. Butler
Jr. Vice Commander-in-Chief	Robert J. Wolz
Council of Administration	John C. Yocum
Council of Administration	Harold E. Arnold
Council of Administration	Joseph S. Rippey
National Counselor	Albert C. Lambert
National Secretary-Treasurer	Chester S. Shriver
National Chief of Staff	C. Leroy Stoudt
National Patriotic Instructor	Richard Greenwalt
National Chaplain	John J. Junge
National Historian	Charles W. Hooper, Sr.
National Graves Registration Officer	Harry Furman
National G.A.R. Highway Officer	H. Raymond Worth
District of Columbia Representative	Arthur L. Glenum
Personal Aide	William W. Haskell

JOINT MEMORIAL SERVICE

Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War
 Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans
 of the Civil War
 Bretton Woods, New Hampshire
 Sunday, August 18, 1974 — 3:00 P.M.

Musical Prelude	Emma Wheeler, P.N.P.
Processional	"Bless Be the Tie That Binds"
Lighting of Candles—Sons	Allen B. Howland Commander in Chief
Auxiliary	Jessie G. Wells National President
Invocation	John Junge National Chaplain
Solo	Emma Wheeler, P.N.P.
Memorial to The Grand Army of The Republic ..	Joseph S. Rippey, P.C.C.

TRIBUTES TO THE MEMORY OF

Past Commanders in Chief	Fred H. Combs, P.C.C.
Past National Presidents	Edna Lambert, P.N.P.
Deceased Officers and Members Sons	Cleon B. Heald, P.C.C.
Deceased Officers and Members, Auxiliary	Anna Stoudt, P.N.P.
Roll Call and Placing of Flowers	Department Commanders Department Presidents
Solo—"The Old Rugged Cross"	John Junge Nat'l. Chaplain
Benediction	Madge Fullerton, Nat'l. Chaplain
Taps	Emma Wheeler, P.N.P.
Recessional—"Tenting Tonight"	
Extinguishing of Candles, Sons	Allen B. Howland, C.C.
Auxiliary	Jessie G. Wells, N.P.

CAMPFIRE PROGRAM

Sunday, August 18, 1974 8:00 P.M.—Ballroom

Welcome	Mistress of Ceremonies Emma Wheeler, P.N.P.
Advance of Colors	S.V.R. Color Guard
National Anthem	Kevin Fallon, Organist
Pledge of Allegiance	Audience
Invocation	John Junge, National Chaplain S.U.V.C.W.
Welcome to New Hampshire	Governor Meldrim Thomson
Vocal Solo—"My Task"	Thomas Davidson
Remarks	Senator Norris Cotton Senator Thomas McIntyre Congressman James Cleveland Congressman Louis Wyman Introduced by P.C. in C. Cleon Heald
Organ Selection	Kevin Fallon
Remarks	Allen Howland, Commander-in-Chief Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War Mrs. Jessie Wells, National President Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of Civil War Mrs. Della Richard, National President Ladies of the G.A.R.
Address	Dr. Duane Squires, Historian Educator and Author
Vocal Solo—"This Is My Country"	Thomas Davidson
Benediction	John Junge, National Chaplain S.U.V.C.W.
Retiring Colors	S.V.R. Color Guard
Recessional	Kevin Fallon, Organist

COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION MEETING

A meeting of the Council of Administration of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War was held on Sunday, August 18, 1974, in the Gold Room of the Mt. Washington Hotel, Bretton Woods, New Hampshire.

Commander-in-Chief Allen B. Howland called the meeting to order at 1:45 p.m.

Present were as follows:

Commander-in-Chief	Allen B. Howland
Council Members	Joseph S. Rippey John C. Yocum Harold E. Arnold
National Secretary-Treasurer	Chester S. Shriver
National Counselor	Albert C. Lambert
Editor of THE BANNER	Fred H. Combs, Jr.

1. The minutes of the meeting held August 9, 1973, in Palm Springs, California, were read by the National Secretary. On a motion by Brother Arnold, seconded by Brother Yocum, the minutes were approved as read.

2. Commander-in-Chief Howland appointed the following Committees:

Audit Committee:	Harold E. Arnold, Past Commander-in-Chief Robert J. Wolz, Past Department Commander
Budget Committee:	Joseph S. Rippey, Past Commander-in-Chief and John C. Yocum, Past Commander-in-Chief

3. The financial and membership report was presented by National Secretary-Treasurer Shriver. It was noted that the financial balance in all funds increased during the last fiscal year. Membership loss was reduced to 55 overall, over the past year.

4. Past Commander-in-Chief and editor of THE BANNER, Brother Fred H. Combs, Jr., presented the report of THE BANNER for the past fiscal year ending June 30, 1974. A check in the amount of \$204.94, was turned over to our Order from Brother Combs, as a reimbursement over last years cost. Brother Combs explained the rising cost of paper and labor, hence the overall cost will increase next year. Therefore, he offered the following recommendations:

A. An increase to \$2,800, for the year 1974-1975, for the cost of issuing and distributing The Banner. (An increase of \$400)

B. That the cost per issue be increased to \$2 from \$1.

Following discussion and praise for the content and standards of our publication, a motion was made by Brother Shriver, seconded by Brother Arnold, that we accept the report of The Banner as presented including the recommendations.

5. The matter of placing parts of the GAR Memorial Fund and Permanent Fund, currently in the Organization's checking account, into bank savings certificates, was discussed by the Council members. This matter was referred to the Council from the meeting of August 9, 1973, in Palm Springs, California.

The feeling of the Council members was not to take any action at this time due to present economic conditions.

6. There being no further business to come before the Council of Administration, the meeting was closed at 3 p.m.

Chester S. Shriver
National Secretary-Treasurer

Allen B. Howland
Commander-in-Chief

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Annual National Encampment

SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR

Headquarters: Mount Washington Hotel
Bretton Woods, New Hampshire

Sessions: Jockey Room Monday—Aug. 19, 1974

The Officers and delegates of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War and the Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War assembled in the Mount Washington Ballroom for the traditional Joint Opening under the direction of the Joint Chiefs of Staffs. Bro. C. Leroy Stoudt presided for the Sons and Sister Iyla Bartlett directed the opening for the Auxiliary.

A most colorful service as presented by the Department Commanders and Department Presidents which formed the "guard of Honor" thru which the National Officers were presented to the assemblage. A touch of true patriotism was displayed with the presence of many American Flags and flowers added to the beauty of the program. This combined to display the ties of brotherly and sisterly love.

Commander-in-Chief Allen B. Howland and National President Jessie G. Wells welcomed the membership to their respective Encampments. They thanked the brothers and sisters for their efforts during the past year and the National Chiefs of Staff for their opening program.

At 10:30 a.m. the Sons adjourned to their meeting room for the business sessions as follows:

MONDAY SESSIONS

August 18, 1974

Commander-in-Chief Howland: The Officers and delegates of the Ninety-third Annual National Encampment of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War will please come to Order. (Rap of gavel)

At this time I would like to appoint the following to serve as the floor Officers for this Encampment.

Guide Harry Gibbons, Sr., P.D.C., N. Y.

Color Bearer James Y. Ledwith, P.D.C., Conn.

Inside Guard Elton P. Koch, P.D.C., Pa.

Will the National Secretary please call the roll of Officers?

(The following were absent: Brothers Chester J. Butler, Charles W. Hooper, Sr., Arthur L. Glenum, H. Raymond Worth)

Commander-in-Chief Howland: At this time I would like the National Secretary to read the Encampment Committees.

ENCAMPMENT COMMITTEES CREDENTIALS

Edwin K. Kramer, Chairman	P.D.C., Pennsylvania
William Vanderhoof	P.D.C., New Jersey
Robert Lawrence	P.D.C., New Hampshire
Kenneth Eckstrand	D. C., New Jersey
L. B. Johnson	P.D.C., Iowa

RESOLUTIONS

Norman R. Furman, Chairman	P.C. in C., New York
William C. Rule	P.D.C., Massachusetts
Kenneth Eckstrand	D.C., New Jersey
Arthur Hunt	D.C., Maine
Charles Lowe	D.C., Iowa

OFFICERS REPORTS

Cleon E. Heald, Chairman	P.C. in C., New Hampshire
Thomas Monahan	P.D.C., Pennsylvania
Leslie Corey	D.C., Massachusetts
Eustice Finer	P.D.C., Connecticut
Chester E. Hudson	D.C., New York

CONSTITUTION AND REGULATIONS

Joseph S. Rippey, Chairman	P.C. in C., New York
Cleon E. Heald	P.C. in C., New Hampshire
Norman R. Furman	P.C. in C., New York
Chester S. Shriver	P.C. in C., Pennsylvania
Albert C. Lambert	P.C. in C., New Jersey

RITUAL AND CEREMONY

John H. Stark, Chairman	P.D.C., Pennsylvania
Alfred J. Durocher, Sr.	P.D.C., Massachusetts
Warren B. Boulester	D.C., Rhode Island
Ned Durkee	P.D.C., Vermont

Commander-in-Chief Howland: Thank you Brother National Secretary. May we now have a report of the Credential Committee?

P.D.C. Edwin K. Kramer: Commander-in-Chief. Some of the brothers have not as yet registered. But we do have an overall total of 68 at this time. We will give you a breakdown of those present later in this session if you like.

Commander-in-Chief Howland: Thank you Brother Kramer. Since Sr. Vice Commander-in-Chief is not present, may I appoint Brother Alfred J. Clark, P.D.C., of New Hampshire to fill the chair of the Sr. Vice Commander-in-Chief and in so doing, assume Command so that I may present my report of the Commander-in-Chief.

REPORT OF THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF

To the 93rd Annual Encampment
National Organization Sons of
Union Veterans of the Civil War

Brothers:

A year has passed since you elected me as your Commander-in-Chief. I therefore submit this report to you of my activities and observations as to the conditions existing.

Because of the gas shortage and a personal lack of energy for several months, I was unable to travel extensively, but I visited, observed and advised, wherever possible.

My visit to Gettysburg for Remembrance Day ceremonies was most enjoyable. A fine program, well planned and co-ordinated. The committee is to be highly praised. I also attended the Lincoln Memorial observance in Washington, February 12.

Although I was unable to attend Lincoln Tomb exercises in Springfield, the program and reports received from those fortunate enough to be present, indicate another fine job by the committee in charge. Due to New Hampshire's return to May 30, for Memorial Day, I was able to be at The Cathedral of the Pines, for a most impressive program.

My visit to the Central Regional Association meeting in Wisconsin was an inspiration. This group meets once a year, but I believe they do as much as my own New England Regional, which meets three times a year. Congratulations to both these groups for their attempts to improve the order.

Meeting with the brothers at department encampments, I found a mixture of hope and optimism in some and defeatism and discouragement in others.

I do not have figures on membership, but it seems as though the departments from New Jersey through Pennsylvania, New York and Illinois are gaining. Indiana and Ohio have reported new camps organized. New England is at a low point and needs considerable active recruiting and promotion. The western departments I was unable to visit and have had no solid information to base any opinion. Financially the larger departments are sound. The smaller departments who have failed to raise per capita tax in line with the general economy are suffering and unable to meet obligations. It seems as if departments with less than three camps or one hundred members might better be consolidated with a neighboring department to save expense.

Part of the reason for stagnation and regression is due to the fact we have efficient and dedicated brothers who fail to realize that continued acceptance of the same office is not progress. Camp commanders and department commanders who accept more than two consecutive terms stifle incentive and hope of promotion in others. They also tend to appoint past officers who have proven capable, these men should be used in advisory capacities and new men be given a chance to prove themselves. This suppression leads to department encampments where five or ten past department commanders are the only ones attending and consequently no fresh ideas or programs are suggested.

Brothers — Don't accept re-election or appointment to an office for more than two terms except in an emergency, and DON'T LET AN

EMERGENCY OCCUR! Your personal ego may suffer, but the order will prosper!

I have been many places with the National President, Jessie Wells, of our Auxiliary and am sorry I was unable to visit the western departments with her. She has been outstanding in her efforts to do everything expected of her and a little bit more. I have enjoyed our joint leadership immensely and hope she has realized some of her dreams. Without our Auxiliary we would be nothing.

I have crossed paths with National Presidents, Sabra Stoughton of the Women's Relief Corps; Della Richard of the Ladies' of the Grand Army and Ellenor Larsen of the Daughters of Union Veterans several times. I have enjoyed the friendship and co-operation of these dedicated ladies immensely. I hope we may continue our pleasant relationship for many years. I want to thank everyone who has helped me in any way to advance the order. Those who extended personal courtesies to me and those whose work and dedication in their duties have helped are recognized equally as my benefactors. Our scholarship this year was again presented to a student at Gettysburg College, John L. Plotkin. Anyone who has had experience in this line knows the mechanics of arranging for a scholarship can be very time consuming. Our past association with Gettysburg College and their co-operation smooths the path considerably.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That we continue our programs at Gettysburg on Remembrance Day and at Springfield at Lincoln's Tomb. That we continue to participate at the Cathedral of the Pines.
2. That a more detailed genealogical record be required of hereditary members. These records to be in triplicate and filed at camp, department and national levels. This could be most helpful to future generations in tracing eligibility.
3. That our scholarship, presented by the commander-in-chief, be raised to \$350, in line with the inflated economy.
4. That the C. & R. be updated either by printing in leaflet inserts, all changes since the last printing, or by a complete revision by a special committee. This committee to prepare a preliminary draft of all proposed changes and submit copies to all departments prior to their encampments for study and comment. A final draft to be prepared for action at the 1975 encampment, incorporating any good ideas.

Respectfully submitted in
F. C. & L.,
Allen B. Howland
Commander-in-Chief

Upon conclusion of the report, the Officers and delegates rose and gave Commander-in-Chief applause.

Brother Alfred J. Clark: Brothers, you have heard the report of our Commander-in-Chief. What is the wish of this encampment?

Past Commander-in-Chief Furman: I move you Sir, that we accept this report as read, without debate and receive all other Officers reports and turn them over to the Committee on Officers Reports or other committees where warranted.

(Motion Seconded by Bro. Macomber of Rhode Island) Motion carried.
The following reports were read to the Brothers present.

(No report was received from the Sr. Vice Commander-in-Chief
Chester J. Butler)

REPORT OF THE JUNIOR VICE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF

To Commander-in-Chief Allen Howland,
Officers and Delegates

Greetings:

First, I wish to express my sincere thanks to the members of our order who elected me junior vice commander-in-chief at last year's encampment, in Palm Springs. Also my deepest admiration goes to those loyal brothers who recruited new members this past year.

My service has been limited more than I desire this past year. Business, family and personal problems have hampered some plans, notwithstanding these, I look to the future with renewed dedication to the cause of building the Sons of Union Veterans.

My main interest and concern continues to be membership. You can only imagine how pleased I am that the two new camps I promised last year are a reality this year. Brothers Larry Hough of Ft. Wayne and Rick Bury of Wooster, Ohio, deserve special recognition for recruiting these two new camps. The future also looks bright, with probable new camps organizing at Cookson, Oklahoma, (already with 14 national members at large) and at Fort Worth, Texas, (with nine members already). Interest in organizing a new camp has come to me from Zanesville, Ohio; Defiance, Ohio and Oxford, Ohio. Time will show the sincerity of the inquiries.

The Sons of Veterans Reserve continues to be the showpiece of our order and brings much public attention and promotion to our order. Each and every brother should encourage local participation in this our national military department.

A little over a year ago the Atlanta, Georgia, Sons of Confederate Veterans made contact with this officer and the National Secretary Shriver requesting permission to organize a S.U.V. camp there. To date no S.U.V. camp has formed, but on April 27, two Sons of Confederate Veterans dedicated a granite marker in honor of unknown Union soldiers at Oxford, Georgia. How great an honor they do us, then remember our fathers and grandfathers.

Being national membership chairman allows me to see many facets of our order that often are missed by a local member or officer. Therefore, I would like to make the following recommendations:

1. In as much as many members are now becoming life members, the order needs a life membership application. The present system of requesting this type of membership is haphazard at best. A sample of such an application blank is attached for approval of the committee or the Council of Administration.

2. A few years ago I recommended the time payment of life memberships. This system has proved its worth, by the large number of new life memberships. However, we live in inflationary times and life expectancy has increased since the original fee of \$100 was established in 1956. Camps receive interest checks from these memberships, but with increasing costs, some camps are billing life members for additional

dues above the amount received from national. This is not a good situation. I recommend that the basic life membership fee be increased to \$200, payable over two years time, with life members, by age, prorated from this basic amount.

3. I recommend that a letter of thanks be sent to the Atlanta, Georgia, Sons of Confederate Veterans, for their interest and dedication to the Civil War heritage we both share and especially their efforts in marking Union Veterans graves.

4. And finally, that each year an appropriation be included in the budget for promotion of the order. No organized effort to recruit membership has been done in over 25 years. To start, I recommend that the Council of Administration appoint a committee of three to place a few selected ads in veteran or patriotic organizations' publications. The amount not to exceed \$200 this year and a report with response to be given at next year's national encampment.

Thank you for your consideration, time and efforts on behalf of membership.

Yours in
F., C. & L.,
Robert J. Wolz
Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief

At the conclusion of the reading of his report, Brother Wolz than presented an application for a new Camp Charter for Given Camp No. 61, in the Department of Ohio. This brought a round of applause.

Commander-in-Chief Howland: This is a very stirring report of activity and proves what can be done if you really try. Thank you again Bro. Wolz and I will turn this over to the National Secretary for processing.

We will now continue with the reading of the reports.

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL SECRETARY-TREASURER

To The Commander-in-Chief, Brother Allen B. Howland
Officers and Delegates Assembled
93rd Annual National Encampment

Greetings:

It is with pride that I present to you, a formal report of our Order for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1974. Especially so in that the past year has brought forth a new light and life in our membership. The increase of activity, interest in membership affiliation, formation of New Camps and recognition of The Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War in many areas where, to this date, were unheard of.

To properly give recognition of these areas, may I submit the following summarization:

MEMBERSHIPS

The past year experienced eight Departments resulted with membership increase over a year ago. This result was from personal efforts by certain Brothers who are constantly filling their obligations in their Camps, Departments and the National Organization. Listing of our Order in the Civil War Times, SAR publication and the MOLLUS Bulletin along with the S.V.R. activity and living history presentations are the

main sources for the 220 new members. Two new Camps were processed in the final days of the fiscal year and will be reported on by their respective Departments on the September, 1974, quarterly reports. These are located in Fort Wayne, Indiana and Wooster, Ohio. Both stem from activity and interest in the Sons of Veterans Reserve and are in accord with the newly adopted SVR Regulation, as approved at the 92nd Annual Encampment in Palm Springs, California, in 1973.

New members offset the deaths by a two to one margin. The total loss of 55 members were from those dropped by individuals or Camp involvement. Eleven Camps with a total of 45 members were dropped or disbanded, reducing our over all standing at 171 Camps, with a total of 2,459 Members or a decrease of only 55 Members, as stated prior.

Here is proof that a leveling off period is present in our Membership and a golden opportunity to show a rise in total Membership for the coming year. BUT . . . it will take the help of each one of us to do the job. Are you available?

FINANCES

Cash balances on June 30, 1974, showed an increase on each of the Funds.

Cash balances in the various Funds are individually listed as follows:

	General Fund	100th Ann.	GAR Mem.	Perm. Fund	TOTALS
Balance 6/30/73	\$ 2,629.54	\$460.00	\$2,935.53	\$ 466.30	\$ 6,491.37
Receipts	8,636.20	45.00	1,513.70	2,162.00	12,356.90
	\$11,265.74	\$505.00	\$4,449.23	\$2,628.30	\$18,848.27
Disbursements	7,085.11		1,169.99	186.00	8,441.10
Balance as of 6/30/74	\$4,180.63	\$505.00	\$3,279.24	\$2,442.30	\$10,407.17

The records, files and Secretary-Treasurer's books were audited by Clay W. Garrett, certified public accountant, in Hanover, Pennsylvania. The Depository for all funds is the Gettysburg National Bank, Gettysburg, Pennsylvania. Valuable papers and investment certificates of our Order, are in the same bank, in lock box #860.

Recognition must be given to the officers of our Order for their appropriation and management of our assets. Balancing a budget in these days of inflation, show to be the prime concern of our Budget Committee and the officers and delegates assembled for this Encampment.

ADMINISTRATION

It is unbelievable to experience the increase of reports, letters and time required for the operation of the National Headquarters of your Secretary-Treasurer. Many Departments become lax in meeting deadlines or reporting. This requires time for a letter and cost of postage. Problems and suggestions are received from many Departments, Camps and individual members. Supply requisitions are filled immediately upon receipt.

Copies of the 92nd Annual National Encampment Proceedings have been filed with the Congress of the United States, as required by our Congressional Charter. Also copies are filed with the National Archives in Washington, D. C. and the Library of Congress.

SUMMATION

With the recent developments in our Nation, our democratic principles, formed by our fathers and grandfathers over 111 years ago, are now tested in every part of our world this day. The continued eruption of certain facets of our local, state and national governments continue to test our nation's patriotism. These minority groups tend to destroy our pride, reduce faith in our country and become lax in the proper display of our flag and above all — forget God!

We have suffered greatly on many battlefields in our Nation. But the sacrifice of our ancestors, especially the Civil War of 1861-1865, have proven the greatest test of Unity our country can record in military history. The end result is reflected with us at the Encampment. During that period, as it is today, our Faith in God, our Trust in our Country and Trust in the obligation accorded you and me, when we were initiated into the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. Therefore, let us here at this Encampment pledge ourselves to accept a new feeling of importance, more so than ever as a member of our Order. Give of yourself a little harder! Speak a little louder, walk a little taller and always promote FRATERNITY, CHARITY AND LOYALTY in your hearts. It will make our Organization stronger in purpose and promote our Order into the status that the Grand Army of the Republic would be proud.

To you, Commander-in-Chief Howland, I am justly proud to have served in your Administration. Our friendship has experienced many successful activities during the past year. It was my pleasure to represent you on several occasions and you had communications with National Headquarters constantly.

To all the Brothers in our Organization, my sincere THANKS for your co-operation and many courtesies.

May we all strive to maintain our highest standards . . . to actively promote the objects and interest of our Order . . . always and everywhere . . . SO HELP YOU GOD.

Respectfully submitted in
Fraternity, Loyalty and Charity,
Chester S. Shriver
National Secretary-Treasurer

STATEMENT—CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1974

	Total	General Fund	G.A.R. Memorial Fund	Perma- nent Fund
Cash Balance—June 30, 1973 ..	\$ 6,491.37	\$ 3,089.54	\$2,935.53	\$ 466.30

RECEIPTS

Per Capital Tax	\$ 6,388.00	\$ 6,388.00	\$	\$
Registration Fees	134.00	134.00		
Supplies Sold	1,106.10	1,106.10		
Gift from Auxiliary	500.00	500.00		
National Patriotic Instructor 1972-73	896.65		896.65	
National Patriotic Instructor 1973-74	471.60		471.60	
Interest—Permanent Fund	1,602.00			1,602.00
Donations—Honor Roll Fund ..	100.00			100.00
Life Memberships	400.00			460.00
Miscellaneous	45.00	45.00		
Anniversary	37.50	37.50		
Refund (The Banner)	220.60	220.60		
Gift—Arthur Glenum	250.00	250.00		
Honor Roll Contribution	145.45		145.45	
Total Receipts	\$12,356.90	\$ 8,681.20	\$1,513.70	\$2,162.00
Total	\$18,848.27	\$11,770.74	\$4,449.23	\$2,628.30

DISBURSEMENTS

Supplies Purchased for Resale ..	\$ 787.46	\$ 787.46	\$	\$
The Banner	2,400.00	2,400.00		
Commander-in-Chief Expense 1973-74	1,000.00	1,000.00		
Nat'l. Secretary-Treas. Salary & Exp. 1973-74	1,000.00	1,000.00		
Encampment Exp. 1973	267.95	67.95	200.00	
Proceedings 1973	664.56	664.56		
Miscellaneous	61.85	61.85		
Printing, Postage and Stationery	375.77	375.77		
C.P.A. Audit	325.00	325.00		
Stenographer	200.00	200.00		
Testimonial for Commander-in-Chief	199.52	199.52		
Lock Box	3.00	3.00		
Scholarship Fund	250.00		250.00	
Remembrance Day Expense	65.00		65.00	
Lincoln Tomb Expense	350.00		350.00	
Cathedral of the Pine Wreath ..	40.00		40.00	
National Mil. Dept. SVR	100.00		100.00	

Lincoln Memorial Expense	30.00		30.00	
Life Membership Interest Paid ..	186.00			186.00
Printing Programs	77.50		77.50	
Appeal for Funds—Printing ...	57.49		57.49	
<i>Total Disbursements</i>	\$ 8,441.10	\$ 7,085.11	\$1,169.99	\$ 186.00
<i>Cash Balance—June 30, 1974</i> ..	\$10,407.17	\$ 4,685.63	\$3,279.24	\$2,442.30
(Included in the General Fund, is \$505.00 which was transferred to a separate Fund on July 1, 1974.)				

PERMANENT FUND INVESTMENTS

<i>Description</i>	<i>Cost Value</i>	<i>Market Value</i>
Wellington Fund, Inc. 2225 Shares % \$9.75		
Common — Par Value \$1.00	\$31,275.84	\$21,693.75

LIFE MEMBERSHIPS

The following Brothers purchased Life Memberships in our Order during the past fiscal year:

G. Edward Coltrin	\$100.00
Fred H. Combs, Jr.	75.00
Col. Joseph S. Coulter	100.00
L. Kaye Hyde	50.00
Harry E. Gibbons, Sr.	50.00

HONOR ROLL CONTRIBUTORS

Those who forwarded contributions to the Honor Roll Fund are listed as follows:

Arthur G. Lyon, Jr.	\$ 10.00	Col. Joseph S. Coulter	\$ 40.00
Carl G. Couch	10.00	(4 separate contributions)	
Marion Combs	10.00	Earl B. Sanborn	10.00
Mary D. Baker	10.00	William C. Duval	10.00

S T A T I S T I C A L R E P O R T
OF THE
SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR
July 1, 1973 - June 30, 1974

Report of the Membership Standing 1973-1974

DEPARTMENTS	Good Standing June 30, 1973		GAIN		LOSS		Good Standing June 30, 1974		Associates Included	Delegate Representation
	Camps	Members	Camps	Members	Camps	Members	Camps	Members		
Calif. & Pac.	12	119	0	10	0	14	12	115	0	6
Colorado & Wyo.	1	19	0	0	0	2	1	17	3	2
Connecticut	7	69	0	0	0	10	7	59	0	3
Illinois	9	162	0	47	0	32	9	177	20	8
Indiana	4	58	0	5	0	3	4	60	3	3
Iowa	6	45	0	9	0	7	6	47	4	3
Maine	8	91	0	2	0	1	8	92	11	5
Maryland	4	58	0	7	0	1	4	64	5	4
Massachusetts	30	319	0	10	2	36	28	298	0	13
Michigan	5	65	0	0	0	3	5	62	0	3
Minnesota	1	4	0	0	0	0	1	4	0	1
New Hampshire	7	82	0	1	0	4	7	79	5	4
New Jersey	7	215	0	24	0	15	7	224	10	10
New York	19	245	0	24	3	37	16	232	10	10
Ohio	9	174	0	33	1	38	8	169	12	8
Oregon & Wash.	2	73	0	8	0	5	2	76	18	4
Pennsylvania	30	447	0	25	1	30	29	442	12	19
Rhode Island	9	127	0	0	3	10	0	117	0	6
Vermont	7	67	0	1	0	18	6	50	0	3
Wisconsin	4	46	0	4	1	6	3	44	4	3
Natl. Camp at Large	1	9	0	0	0	0	1	9	0	1
Members at Large	1	20	0	10	0	3	1	27	2	2
Totals	185	2514	0	220	11	275	171	2459	128	121

NATIONAL SECRETARY'S REPORT — Continued from Preceding Page

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DEPARTMENTS SHOWING MEMBERSHIP INCREASE

Illinois	15 Members	New Jersey	9 Members
Indiana	2 Members	Oregon & Washington	3 Members
Iowa	2 Members	Membership at Large	7 Members
Maine	1 Member		
Maryland	6 Members		
		Total	45 Members

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL COUNSELOR

To Mr. Allen B. Howland, Commander-in-Chief
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

Dear Commander-in-Chief:

It is an honor to submit my report as National Counselor, an appointment that I was pleased and honored to receive.

There has been some misunderstanding, during the past year, regarding the matter of Associates. However, generally speaking, the year has been harmonious, which is a tribute to our officers and members.

I would like to call your attention to the duties of the national Counselor:

"The National Counselor shall act as the legal advisor of the Commander-in-Chief and the National Organization"

Legal advisor in no way implies any authority other than advisor. The Commander-in-Chief may seek advice from the National Counselor, but all decisions are made by the Commander-in-Chief. The only appeal from a decision of a Commander-in-Chief is to the National Encampment itself.

Our Order is governed by its Constitution and also by its General Regulations, which have equal authority. The only difference between the Constitution and General Regulations is the requirement for amending.

The present law relative to Associates reads as follows:

CONSTITUTION, Article 7, Section 3, Page 4

Departments and Camps may establish Associates, provided that the number of Associate Members in any Camp shall not exceed one-third of the total membership of the Camp at the time of election. At no time during the meeting of a Camp, a Department, or the National Organization can business be transacted if the number of Associate Members in attendance exceeds forty-nine per cent of the total attendance then present at said meeting.. Said Associates must be ineligible for full membership due to lack of lineal descent from a Union Veteran of the Civil War.

GENERAL REGULATIONS

Article 3, Chapter 5, Section 6, Page 40

Last sentence in first paragraph reads "Associates shall wear a plain blue ribbon with the word "Associate" printed or stamped in plain block letters thereon."

Article 8, Chapter 1, Page 17

All provisions of Article 2, "Membership" Sections 1, 2, 3 and 4 and all provisions of Article 7, "Finances" Sections 1 and 2 shall apply to Associates; except that Camps shall report Associates under separate heading as "Associates".

Feelings run strong in various Departments relative to Associate Membership. Our Members must respect each other's feelings and work in harmony for the Good of the Order.

We have seen outstanding service rendered by Associate Members. There are Camps and even Departments that would be in difficulty without the help given by Associates.

Perhaps our Regulations can be amended to provide a degree of autonomy to Departments. A precedent for this is the various States of the Union, many of which differ in many of their laws.

STATISTICAL REPORT
OF THE
SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR

July 1, 1973 - June 30, 1974

Report of the Membership Standing 1973-1974

DEPARTMENTS	<i>Good Standing</i> <i>June 30, 1973</i>		<i>GAIN</i>		<i>LOSS</i>		<i>Good Standing</i> <i>June 30, 1974</i>		<i>Associates</i>	<i>Delegate</i>
	<i>Camps</i>	<i>Members</i>	<i>Camps</i>	<i>Members</i>	<i>Camps</i>	<i>Members</i>	<i>Camps</i>	<i>Members</i>	<i>Included</i>	<i>Representation</i>
Calif. & Pac.	12	119	0	10	0	14	12	115	0	6
Colorado & Wyo.	1	19	0	0	0	2	1	17	3	2
Connecticut	7	69	0	0	0	10	7	59	0	3
Illinois	9	162	0	47	0	32	9	177	20	8
Indiana	4	58	0	5	0	3	4	60	3	3
Iowa	6	45	0	9	0	7	6	47	4	3
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A great many Americans, especially young Americans, aren't particularly proud of America just now . . . America isn't living up to our historical and traditional expectations.

Between science and psychology, modern man has lost his soul. This is really what is at the root of his troubles.

America is going through a very downbeat and dangerous period, but Americans will pull themselves together. We as an Organization can protect and defend our country by being strong and united in our Church Groups, our Civic and Patriotic Organizations. Our past history inspires us to value our heritage and our blessings.

Although not in the best of health, you, Commander Howland, have been loyal, dedicated and have given a year of service. My appreciation is extended for courtesies received during the past year.

Sincerely in
F., C. & L.,
Albert C. Lambert
P. C. in C.
National Counselor

FINANCIAL REPORT OF NATIONAL
PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR
1973-74

CALIFORNIA

Beatrice S. Riggs	\$ 1.00
Howard T. Paine	2.00
Elmer J. Dayton	2.00
William D. Robertson	5.00
Dr. L. J. Snow	100.00
Phillip Sheridan, Camp #4	5.00
Total	\$ 115.00

COLORADO AND WYOMING

CONNECTICUT

Rev. Russell H. Milnes	\$ 5.00
Department of Connecticut	10.00
Faith B. Gibbs, P.D.P.	2.00
James Ledwith, P.D.C.	10.00
E. C. Finer	1.00
Total	\$ 28.00

DELAWARE

William A. Davis	\$ 2.50
Frederick A. Davis	2.50
Howard G. Barlow	10.00
Total	\$ 15.00

ILLINOIS

George L. Cashman, P. C. in C.	\$ 10.00
Gerald Coltrin	2.00
Dewitt N. Eberhart	5.00
James M. Blackman	5.00
Charles H. Bournstine	2.00
Dr. E. P. Coleman	5.00
Paul E. Herschel	10.00
Charles A. Brady, Jr.	5.00
Samuel W. Millen	2.00
Total	\$ 46.00

INDIANA

General William P. Benton, Camp #28	\$ 10.00
Total	\$ 10.00

IOWA

J. B. Johnson, P.D.C.	\$ 1.00
Total	\$ 1.00

MAINE

Charles F. Brewster	\$ 2.00
John T. Osborne	3.00
R. Leon Williams	5.00
Total	\$ 10.00

MARYLAND

Department of Maryland	\$ 10.00
Frank M. Heacock, P.C. in C.	7.00
John S. Coyle	1.00
Theodore C. Howe	5.00
Grahame T. Smallwood, Jr.	4.00
William L. Irvin	1.00
Total	\$ 28.00

MASSACHUSETTS

Camp #50	\$ 5.00
Camp #4	5.00
Camp #22	5.00
Commander-in-Chief Allen B. Howland	5.00
Past Commanders' Association	5.00
Willard C. Bodge	2.00
James R. Lawton	5.00
George N. Lovatt	5.00
Lewis Garney	25.00
Lewis Adams	1.00
Clifford Hobart	1.00

William C. Rule, P.D.C.	1.00
Gilman W. Harrington, P.D.C.	1.00
Eugene E. Russell	2.00
Eben C. Adams	1.10
C. Stanley Benson	5.00
Albert Newman	1.00
Donald E. Waite	\$ 2.00
Wesley Thurber	5.00
Edward N. Loke	3.00
Robert C. Noyes	2.00
Dana E. Lincoln	1.00
Massachusetts Department	50.00
Henry S. Bowen, Jr.	10.00
Major General A. W. Greely, Camp #109	5.00
Frank Squires50
Arthur Lyon, Sr.50
Charles W. Hooper, Sr.	3.00
Leslie Covey, Jr., D.C.	2.00
Unknown	5.00
Total	\$ 165.10
MICHIGAN	
Aldon Bridges	\$ 5.00
Milo Newer	2.00
Frank Seck	1.00
Milo Newer, Jr.	4.00
Charles R. Sligh, Jr.	5.00
C. R. Aussicker	4.00
T. C. LaBanta in memory of Dennis LaBanta, Post 48, GAR, Jackson, Michigan	10.00
Austin Blair, Camp #7	10.00
L. H. Orebaugh	2.00
Total	\$ 43.00
MINNESOTA	
MISSOURI	
Charles F. Moran	\$ 5.00
Hazel, Russel and Mearl Moushey in memory of Louis A. Moushey	10.00
Total	\$ 15.00
NEW HAMPSHIRE	
Clarence Parker	\$ 1.00
William John	1.00
Robert Lawrence	4.00
Howard M. Wheeler	5.00
New Hampshire Department	5.00
Alfred J. Clark	2.00
Rev. Roger P. Cleveland	5.00
E. R. Garland	2.00

H. T. Paine	1.00
George A. Larrabee	4.00
Edwin O. Jewett	1.00
Samuel G. Proctor	\$ 1.00
William L. John	1.00
Kenneth Wheeler	1.00
Cleon Heald, P.C. in C.	5.00
Total	\$ 39.00
NEW JERSEY	
John J. Love, Camp #12	\$ 5.00
Percy Davenport	10.00
Walter H. Williams, P.D.C.	5.00
William W. Vanderhoof	5.00
John H. Nelson	5.00
George Grove	5.00
Raymond Nicholas	5.00
Fred V. Dayton, Camp #5	10.00
Albert C. Lambert, P.C. in C.	10.00
Albert W. Lambert, P.D.C.	5.00
Fred H. Combs, Jr., P.C. in C.	10.00
Richard D. Hines	5.00
Edward C. Yess	5.00
Kenneth Ekstrand	5.00
New Jersey Department	10.00
General James A. Garfield, Camp #4	25.00
John J. Junge	5.00
Total	\$ 130.00
NEW YORK	
Norman Furman, P.C. in C.	\$ 5.00
Jerome Orten	1.00
Joseph S. Rippey, P.C. in C.	31.00
Abraham Lincoln Camp #6	5.00
Elton M. Fisher	5.00
Dr. Alfred Emmel	5.00
Arthur Knowles	5.00
Thomas Piper	10.00
Joseph Walsh	10.00
Otto H. Spin	1.00
Harold Lowe	2.00
Roy A. Dye, Jr.	20.00
Harry E. Gibbons	5.00
New York Department	10.00
Chester E. Hudson, D.C.	2.00
Cecil M. Baer	2.00
In memory of Solomon Seide	
First California Vol., GAR	2.00
In memory of Pauline R. Baer, Auxiliary #24	2.00
In memory of Rita M. Baer, Auxiliary #24	2.00

Charles A. Doane, P.D.C.	5.00
Harry Furman, Nat. Graves Reg. Off.	5.00
Total	\$ 135.00

OHIO

Ohio Department, District #1	\$ 15.00
Errett Nile	2.00
Donald G. Cline	2.00
Ralph Shadel, P.D.C.	3.00
Lawrence E. Collins	1.00
Carl Barnes	5.00
Thomas E. Hoffman	5.20
Ralph L. Swogger	2.00
Larry K. Swogger	2.00
Margaret Orr, P.N.P., Ladies of the GAR	5.00
Hazel Vogeline, P.D.P., Ladies of the GAR	5.00
Robert J. Wolz, Jr., C. in C.	11.00
Robert Austin, P.D.C.	10.00
I. M. Faith	5.00
Robert C. Wolz, P.D.C.	5.00
John Decker, P.D.C.	5.00
Tom Hamlin, Sr.	1.00
George W. Church	1.00
Merrit M. Rosser	2.00
Jerry Wolford	3.00
19th Ohio S.U.R.	5.00
Fred Pfister, Jr.	1.00
Rex Russell	1.00
A friend	3.00
Clarence Cook	5.00
Wesley Watson	4.00
Elmer Sands	1.00
Lester Lowe	1.00
Joe Swartz	1.00
6th Ohio Cav. S.U.R.	1.00
C. B. Wooll	1.00
Frank Hilliard	1.00
Nancy Hilliard	1.00
Mrs. Paul E. Grate in memory of Paul E. Grate	10.00
Richard Greenwalt, Nat. Pat. Inst.	5.00
Total	\$ 131.20

OREGON AND WASHINGTON

PENNSYLVANIA

Eva M. Ceriswand	\$ 1.00
Charlotte Bumbauch	5.00
Thomas Monahan, D.C.	6.50
William Jones, P.D.C.	5.00
General George Meade Camp #16	5.00
C. L. Stoudt, P.C. in C.	5.00

Stover Detwiler	5.00
Ivan E. Frantz, Sr., D. Sec.-Treas.	5.00
Mrs. Ivan E. Frantz	1.00
Mrs. Clayton Schnelly	1.00
Capt. O. A. Lunckenbach, Camp #182	30.00
Harold Heberling	2.00
Edwin Brinker	5.00
Walter Schneider	5.00
Michael A. Cavanaugh	2.00
Goodling and JoAnne Dugan	5.00
Donald H. Goodyear	5.00
Larry Witmer	5.00
Charles W. Schada, Sr.	5.00
John Erskins	10.00
Ivan E. Frantz, Jr.	10.00
William F. Clauser	4.00
Department of Pennsylvania	25.00
Bradbury Camp #149	5.00
Richard Partington	10.00
In memory of John Runkle	5.00
John H. Stark, P.D.C.	5.00
John C. Yocum, P.C. in C.	10.00
William Simpson, D.C.	5.00
C. J. Riddell, P.D.C.	5.00
Chester S. Shriver, Nat. Sec.-Treas.	5.00
Ed Kramer, P.D.C.	5.00
Total	\$ 207.50

RHODE ISLAND

Harold E. Arnold, P.C. in C.	\$ 10.25
Rhode Island Department	10.00
Warren B. Bowlester, D.C.	1.00
Ronald DiSantes, Sr. V. Com.	1.00
Joseph A. Plante, Jr. V. Com.	1.00
George A. Strait, P.D.C.	1.00
Wallace J. Macomber, P.D.C.	1.00
Earl Heiz, Sr., P.D.C.	1.00
William A. Perry, P.D.C.	\$ 1.00
Dexter Combs, P.D.C.	1.00
Frank W. Luth, P.D.C.	1.00
Earl Heiz, Jr., P.D.C.	1.00
Total	\$ 30.25

VERMONT

WISCONSIN

Thomas L. W. Johnson, P.D.C.	\$ 25.00
Karl H. Schlight	2.00
Paul B. Knuese	2.00
L. E. Allshouse	1.00
William M. Fogo, Camp #34	10.00

Louise Hernke, D. Aux. Pres.	5.00
Department of Wisconsin	10.00
Total	\$ 55.00
CONTRIBUTIONS BY OTHER STATES	
Alabama — Eugene Estabrook	\$ 2.00
Arizona — F. J. Festner	2.00
Georgia — Allen P. Julian	20.00
Kansas — Rocky Holland	2.50
Texas — William Moore	1.00
Virginia — Joseph S. Coulter	5.00
Total	\$ 32.50
TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS AS LISTED BY DEPARTMENTS ..	\$1,208.80
CONTRIBUTIONS FROM OTHER STATES	32.50
	\$1,241.30
MISCELLANEOUS	
Candy sales at central regional	\$ 26.00
Writing Paper	1.00
Candy sales at Gettysburg	86.45
Easter candy	35.00
Flag pin profit	15.00
Raffle income	169.00
Total	\$332.45
<p>I would like to thank the following for their donations for my miscellaneous projects: my wife Jane, for the homemade candy; my in-laws; brother and sister; Edwin Smith, for the cape that was used as a raffle prize and Steve Frederick of the 19th Ohio S.V.R., for the printing of the raffle tickets.</p>	
Total Contributions	\$1,241.30
Total Miscellaneous	332.45
Total Receipts	\$1,573.75
Disbursements	65.00
Total	\$1,508.75
Disbursements	
War Bond	\$ 37.50
Postage	27.50
	\$ 65.00

Respectfully Submitted in
 Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,
 Richard L. Greenwalt
 National Patriotic Instructor

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR

To: Allen B. Howland, Commander-in-Chief
Officers and Members of the 93rd National Encampment
of Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

In Palm Springs, California, at last year's National Encampment when our Commander-in-Chief, Allen B. Howland, asked me to accept the appointment as National Patriotic Instructor, I was taken by surprise and overwhelmed to the extent that I asked for a little time to consider, because I did not feel that I was the person for the job at that time. Thankfully several Past Commanders-in-Chief and my wife, Jane, urged me to accept the appointment and pledged their support. Thus, I received one of the highest honors that our Commander-in-Chief can bestow.

I firmly believe that every member of our organization should be extremely proud of his heritage and do all in his power to keep the memory of the GAR. The Boys in Blue and the idea of patriotism alive in this great land of ours. Since joining our organization, I have tried to give some of my money, some of my time and some of my talent, if I have any, in its behalf. I realized that this national appointment would require an expenditure of all three and that I had better try to get some advice from those who had broad experience in the area of my appointment. Thank you Past Commanders-in-Chief for your timely advice and encouragement. Brother William Vanderhoof of the New Jersey Department, should also be recognized, because he furnished me with much printed matter and some ideas that he felt would work in the raising of my monetary goal. The October issue of THE BANNER carried a story about the fund raising part of my job and that the goal again was to be \$1,200, proposed by the Council of Administration. In the same article, I asked that Departments and individual members send in news-clippings or summaries of some of the activities of a patriotic nature they might be doing. The response to this has been meager, perhaps we don't like to feel that we are blowing our own horn, or perhaps we just don't want to be bothered with the paper work. Again this year, the Department Patriotic Instructors have not sent in any reports regarding their various department patriotic activities.

Last fall, I sent out letters to all Department Commanders requesting that they have their Department Secretaries send to me the names and addresses of their members so that I could contact them individually regarding my fund. Only the departments of Maryland-Delaware, Michigan, New Hampshire and Ohio, complied with my request. Most of the other Department Commanders ignored my request or perhaps their secretaries did not follow through with the request. My reason for writing to the membership in this manner was to try to get more members involved. I feel that if they received a personal letter, yes a personal appeal, that more members might feel more a part of our organization than just those who go to department encampments and other organization sponsored events.

I firmly believe that the position of National Patriotic Instructor should not only be to raise funds for the National Organization, but also to do what he can for his organization and his country in other ways. Whenever I had an opportunity I tried not only to raise some money, but also hopefully to say something in behalf of our organization and its great heritage and in behalf of OLD GLORY and our great country.

Whenever an opportunity arose, I stressed trying to get Memorial Day back on the calendar on May 30, where it belongs. I was the Commander of the Central Regional, which met in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, last October. We were honored by the presence of Commander-in-Chief Howland and the National Auxiliary President, Sister Jessie Wells. I attended the annual Remembrance Day observance at Gettysburg. I had the distinct honor to represent Commander-in-Chief Howland at the reception held for the National President of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, Della Richards, which was held in Elm Grove, West Virginia. Over the Memorial Day period, I participated in three separate observances, one of which I would like to mention. Phillip Triem Camp of Salem, Ohio, along with the 19th Ohio Regiment SVR, since the official observance of Memorial Day has been changed from May 30, have gone annually to Hope Cemetery, Salem, Ohio, on the evening of May 30 and conducted impressive ceremonies from the ritual and used uniformed SVR members for the firing squad. I have attended my local camp meetings, district meetings and departments and functions as best I can for the advancement of our organization. I have been able this year to secure three members for my camp, two members for the newly chartered camp at Wooster, Ohio and one member for the Salem, Ohio, camp. In my SVR work, I have served as Quartermaster General and as Adjutant for the 19th Ohio and Adjutant for the Third Military District. If there is a re-enactment in your area, take literature and application blanks with you when you go and you will be almost certain to gain a few members.

I have considered the office of National Patriotic Instructor to be one of the highest honors and I trust that I did nothing to discredit it.

I wish to thank Commander-in-Chief Allen B. Howland, for my appointment, for the confidence you placed in me and for your work on behalf of the fund, wherever you went. To Fred H. Combs, Jr., editor of THE BANNER, many thanks for all that you did in behalf of the fund and to our National Secretary-Treasurer, Chester S. Shriver, for his advice on record keeping, his efforts regarding appeals forms and his timely words of encouragement.

My sincere thanks to all that in any way contributed to the 1974 GAR Memorial Fund.

Respectfully submitted in
Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty.

Richard L. Greenwalt
National Patriotic Instructor

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL CHAPLAIN

To: Commander-in-Chief Allen Howland
93rd Annual Encampment
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

To the officers and members of this encampment, allow me to take this opportunity to thank my Commander-in-Chief, Allen Howland, for the confidence he had by appointing me your national chaplain.

This was a great honor and I hope and pray that I proved worthy of that trust. Due to the energy crisis, I was unable to travel as I wished.

I attended the 15th Annual Remembrance Day program at the GAR Monument in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania. Attended all my department functions, at which I was recognized as national chaplain, as well as department commander. I also received an invitation to attend the 152nd birthday memorial to General U. S. Grant and participated in the service held at Grant's tomb, in New York City.

I wish to thank the national chaplain of the Auxiliary for her help and co-operation in preparing for the memorial service; also the eulogies and tributes given in memory of departed brothers and friends.

My sincere wishes for a pleasant encampment.

Yours in
F., C. & L.,
John J. Junge
National Chaplain

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL CHIEF OF STAFF

Past Commander-in-Chief Stoudt: Commander-in-Chief. I have not prepared a written report but my duties consisted of the traditional opening service with the Auxiliary among other assistance. It was a pleasure serving you this year.

Commander-in-Chief Howland: Thank you Bro. Leroy for your usual short oral report and we do value your help and know we can always count on you. Brothers, it is now time for our lunch break. We will new recess until 1:30 p.m.

(Encampment re-convened at 1:30 p.m. and continued with the reading of reports as follows:

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL HISTORIAN

To: Mr. Allen Howland, Commander-in-Chief,
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War,
Officers and Members assembled at this 93rd
National Encampment

I am very sorry to have to mention that I am unable to be with you at this meeting.

I know you sincerely know what it means for me to be with you at these meetings to help further the work of our beloved Organization and to enjoy the lovely times we have.

Commander-in-Chief and Brothers, I hope you have a very successful and constructive convention. Realizing this is the first time for the New Hampshire Department to host us and the lovely time and place they have planned, I was looking forward to it very much. My attendance at National Encampments has been very regular, in fact, have missed two or three in over some 25 years.

I know there will be others in the future and hope that things for me then will be more favorable and again will be able to be with you. What ever legislative issues come up good for the Order, you know I stand in support.

Wishing the very best for the new officers and the future of our Organization.

Will still serve in any capacity that I can.

Respectfully submitted in
Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,
Charles W. Hooper, Sr., P.D.C.
National Historian

(READ BY NATIONAL SECRETARY SHRIVER)

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL GRAVES REGISTRATION OFFICER

To: Commander-in-Chief Allen Howland
and Brothers of the 93rd National
Encampment

I humbly submit the following:

Sent out 21 letters in March. Three Departments answered in March.
Sent second Letter in June. Received six answers.

Which shows nine Departments with an active program, or it has been turned over to younger people, who are more able to carry on the work.

Two Departments sent registrations.

Some sent the number of Veterans of each war.

Enclosed are the letters received from each Department.

I have one suggestion — That each Department furnish the Graves Registration Officer with the name of someone who can be contacted about graves in the Department.

Respectfully submitted in
Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,
Harry Furman

According to the record I didn't hear anything from the following Departments: California and Pacific, Colorado and Wyoming, Iowa, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Ohio, Oregon and Washington, Rhode Island, Vermont, National Camp-at-Large.

REPORT OF THE LINCOLN TOMB CEREMONY COMMITTEE

Greetings:

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

The 18th Annual Lincoln Tomb Ceremony sponsored by our Order with the active assistance of The Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States recorded the presentation of 71 commemorative wreaths and the presence of 108 luncheon guests who gathered at the State House Inn following the rites at the tomb.

Past Commander-in-Chief George L. Cashman, committee co-chairman, also had the honor of representing Commander-in-Chief Allen B. Howland, who regrettably was unable to attend. Commander-in-Chief Charles Allen Brady, Jr., of the Loyal Legion represented that Order.

Under the command of Brigadier General Julius L. Weiss, the 114th Regiment, Illinois Voluntary Infantry (Reactivated) and official honor guard for the ceremony, provided escorts for the wreath-bearers. The regiment was augmented by other units also present for the rites.

Luncheon guests enjoyed a talk by Albert W. Banton, superintendent of the Lincoln Home National Historic Site, who described plans to restore the area around the Lincoln homestead.

Departments and/or Auxillaries from our Order that took part in the ceremony were Illinois, Iowa, Missouri, Ohio and Wisconsin.

Expenditures made on behalf of the ceremony totalled \$373.21. Of that amount, your committee claimed and was reimbursed for \$350, the sum appropriated for the conduct of the ceremony. This increase in expenses was brought about by greater costs, principally for paper and printing and to a lesser degree by the raise in postal rates.

RECOMMENDATIONS for 1975 — Your committee is grateful for the generous support given each year in response to its request for operating funds. We believe this ceremony to be one of the outstanding events sponsored by our National Organization.

In keeping with this belief and in recognition of an inflated economy, we recommend that our appropriation be increased to \$400 for 1975. This will insure that the quality of the ceremony will continue undiminished and will help to compensate for an expected continued rise in general price levels. 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.

For a complete account of the 1974 ceremony, your attention is invited to the summer, 1974, issue of *The Banner*.

Respectfully submitted,
 George L. Cashman, Co-Chairman
 Thomas L. W. Johnson, Co-Chairman
 Wayne C. Temple, Co-Chairman

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL MILITARY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

To the Officers and Members of the
 93rd National Encampment, Sons of Union Veterans
 of the Civil War

Greetings:

One year ago Commander-in-Chief Howland appointed me as Chairman of the National Military Affairs Committee and at that time approved the members that I had selected to serve on the committee with me. To you Commander Howland, it has been a pleasure to have served you in this capacity and to Brigadier General Shriver, again as in the past several years, as commanding officer of the Sons of Veteran Reserve unit, the past year has been one of success and fine administration.

To my knowledge as-to-date, the Reserve program has been operating smoothly and without too many differences within the unit. I have received during the past year several communications and a few gripes from some individuals about the operation of the unit and/or units in some of the Military Districts, but under the leadership of General Shriver and his staff, these matters were, I assume, settled to and for the best interest of all concerned. Your committee has had very little to do this past year in the way of decision making or changes in the regulations of the Reserve program.

At this time I wish to thank the members of my committee for serving with me this year and although there were no problems, I know if there had been any or any decisions to make, you would have served in this capacity to the best of your ability. Again many thanks.

The activities of our National Military body, the Sons of Veteran Reserve, has again during the past year, brought honor and credit to the parent organization, by attending many public programs, patriotic programs and public appearances, promoting the heritage and the memory of the Grand Army of the Republic, for which we were organized. A progress and financial report of the Reserve will be furnished by the Commanding Officer, Brigadier General Chester S. Shriver and again, as in the past, as Chairman of the Military Affairs Committee, I recommend that the Council of Administration in preparing the budget for 1974-1975, consider and grant to the Reserve Organization the sum of \$100, for the operation of their program.

Again Commander, thanks for allowing me to serve this past year on your staff.

Yours in
F., C. & L.,
Harold E. Arnold
Chairman, Military Affairs Committee

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

Supplementing the report of the National Military Affairs Committee your Commanding Officers submit this official report.

The Sons of Veterans Reserve continues to promote the Sons of Union Veterans in every way possible. Your Commanding Officer, Commissioned Officers and Enlisted personnel have traveled thousands of miles carrying the SUV banner at their own expense. Activities of a patriotic nature are ever increasing as the feeling of pride in our American heritage increases with the coming Bicentennial. Interest in the American Civil War is greater today, than even during its centennial of ten years ago and our activities are more wide spread.

The Reserve is highly honoured to participate in the Grand Army camp fire program and be recognized by you, our parent order. We thank the many departments for serving as Color Guards at their Encampments and Department programs. We are pleased to see the wide spread activities paid for and organized by local chambers of commerce, patriotic and civic organizations. These military balls, competitive shoots, pageants, parades, bivouacs and battle re-enactments have portrayed the Union Soldier of 100 plus years ago and placed the Sons of Union Veterans name before the public.

The past year has been one of stabilizing the rapidly expanding Reserve program. Very effective chains of command have been established in most military districts. Very effective district staff organization has been established with District Adjutants handling much of the paper work and Deputy Commanders and Executive Officers learning command responsibility. A new safety staff has issued new safety regulations recognized as some of the finest in existence. Even so, your Commanding Officer, Staff and District Commanders have been flooded with corre-

spondence from interested public in the parent Order and participation in the Reserve program.

Several military districts have continued to show growth, while others are consolidating and strengthening units within their command. The new provision of the C & R concerning SVR membership is being met with many members enrolling in Camps. Two new camps consisting almost entirely of SVR men have been chartered and others will follow. However, we also must report that some camps do not want any new members and others refuse associate memberships. This presents a serious problem to the SVR goal of 100% membership and we hope each camp will openly review its policies and encourage new memberships of both regular and associate class.

The Reserve program is striving for authenticity . . . remembering well the story of Mr. Lincoln's Army and our dedication to carry on the heritage the Grand Army gave us . . . while at the same time ever respectful of the powers that created the SVR program.

We stand ready and willing to provide any and all assistance to the SUV. We need only be asked.

For the Commanding Officer
Major Robert J. Wolz, TAG, NMD

SONS OF VETERANS RESERVE FINANCIAL REPORT

The following is the financial report of the National Military Department for the period August 1, 1973, through August 1, 1974.

RECEIPTS:

\$100.00—National Organization, SUVCW
324.50—Dues
66.00—Commission fees on 22 commissions
31.50—Supplies sold
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\$522.00—Total receipts

EXPENDITURES:

\$409.31—Printing
35.01—Postage
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\$444.32—Total expenditures

RECEIPTS:	\$522.00	LAST YEAR'S BALANCE	\$ 47.78
EXPENDITURES:	\$444.32	THIS YEAR'S BALANCE	\$ 77.68
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	\$ 77.68	CURRENT BALANCE	\$125.46

Overall the financial condition is good and we are operating in the black. Inflation is affecting the Reserve program as much as any other. Printing is rapidly spiraling in cost due to paper shortages and labor cost increases. Often we purchase in quantity to cut the cost per item. Postage has been cut by hand delivering large quantities of supplies at the SVR National Encampment. This officer also finds the telephone a more effective tool for rapid communication and have paid for my own calls.

A new Commission Form is being prepared in color and again will contribute much prestige to our Order.

A new publication, THE LINK, has been created at no cost to the SVR or the SUV and hopefully will communicate with the units on a regular basis.

A large quantity of new safety forms were printed and their cost is reflected in the above figures.

We hope to continue our program with a balanced budget and trust that we will receive your appropriation and vote of confidence.

Robert J. Wolz
MAJ., SVR
TAG, NMD, SVR

REPORT OF THE G.A.R. REMEMBRANCE DAY COMMITTEE

To the Officers and delegates assembled:

Follows is the official report of the 16th annual Remembrance Day committee. This report will not include details for the banquet as Brother Long was in charge of that detail.

All communications with all parties involved went very smoothly. A few minor problems were incurred but were quickly dealt with.

Over 100 troops from the SVR were in attendance for the parade. Music was provided by the 11th Pa. Vol. Inf. Fifes and Drums while the volley was fired by the Lancaster Fencibles. The speaker being LTC Ready from Gettysburg College ROTC while Frank Heacock was master of ceremonies.

Most National and state SUV officers were in attendance. Many of the SVR staff were also in attendance and accounted for a good showing of our military department.

The cooperation of the National Park Service in making this event possible is to be noted. They provided much assistance by letting us use their facilities.

There were no major changes made in the program and was much like those of past years.

Submitted:
Donald C. Schmitt
Co-chairman
16th Remembrance Day

(The above report was received after the National Encampment ended and has been entered as a matter of record).

Commander-in-Chief Howland: Brothers. We are now nearing the time to close for this day. We will continue our business tomorrow morning at 9:00 a.m. sharp. Meeting recessed.

TUESDAY SESSION**August 20, 1974**

Commander-in-Chief Howland: Brothers. We are now back in session. We will continue with the reading of any outstanding Reports of Officers and Committees: Has the District of Columbia Representative forwarded a report since he is unable to attend?

National Secretary-Treasurer Shriver: Commander-in-Chief. Bro. Glenum did not submit a formal report as such but has forwarded a Resolution which will be read later in the sessions. However, he did forward a note of congratulations to this Encampment and enclosed a check in the amount of \$200.00 for use as this Encampment saw fit. This has been turned over to the Budget Committee for considerations.

Commander-in-Chief Howland: I am sure we concur that Bro. Glenum is interested in our Order and wishes he were here. We are most grateful for his generous support.

(a round of applause followed)

Let us now continue with the reading of reports. The Chairman of the Committee on Legislation cannot be with us. Will the National Secretary read Bro. Johnsons report.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATION FOR 1973-74

Greetings:

Your committee, appointed to study legislation of interest to our Order, begs leave to submit the following report to you and thru you to the officers and delegates attending the 93rd Annual Encampment. This year your chairman has elected to consider in detail two matters that should be of special significance to members of a patriotic order: revision of the Flag Code and a review of Monday holiday legislation. Your chairman would also like to express his personal appreciation to Brother Fred H. Combs, Jr., for his splendid co-operation in publishing in THE BANNER our interim reports prepared quarterly during the year.

REVISION OF FLAG CODE — In our annual report for 1973, we reported that Senators John Tower, of Texas and Claiborne Pell, of Rhode Island, had jointly produced S. 340, a bill to establish a commission to study the usage, customs and laws relating to the flag of the United States.

The present Flag Code was enacted into law by Congress in 1942, shortly after the beginning of World War II. The Code was based on the work of the National Flag Conference which met in Washington, D. C., in 1923. Therefore, its origins go back more than 50 years. Concern has been expressed that some of its provisions are outdated, ambiguous, or do not reflect popularly accepted usage today. Perhaps of even greater importance, the Code is silent on some matters of particular concern.

On June 7, 1974, the sponsors of S. 340 had an opportunity to testify in behalf of their bill before the Sub-Committee on Federal Charters, Holidays and Celebrations of the Senate Judiciary Committee. This represented a necessary and constructive first step in Congressional consideration of a revised Flag Code.

The overwhelming majority of Americans have a deep respect and indeed a reverence for our national flag, as a symbol of human values

and governmental concepts they value. To Americans who are proud of our flag, frequent, proper and respectful display of the flag is important. And it is troubling to patriotic organizations and to the average citizen when they can not find an authoritative answer or even a concensus on the proper use and display of the flag or flag emblems.

Senator Tower recently noted that in 1968 Congress enacted Public Law 90-381, which made desecration of the flag a federal offense for the first time in the history of our country, but did not pre-empt the right of the States to enact laws of their own on the subject. Many of the State laws date back many years and vary widely in terms of punishment provided. In Texas, for example, conviction of flag desecration can result in a jail sentence of from two to 25 years, while in Utah, conviction on a similar charge would result in a fine not exceeding \$100 or imprisonment for not more than 30 days, or both. Tower also cited examples of present flag usage that are not specifically provided for in the Code and observed: "Suffice is to say that it is indeed a great tragedy that millions of Americans hesitate to display the American flag for the simple reason that they do not know how to do so properly."

Senator Tower listed the American Coalition of Patriotic Societies, the United States Flag Foundation, the Veterans of Foreign Wars, the Honor American Day Committee and the American Legion as examples of organizations that have endorsed the idea of a commission to review and recommend changes in the Flag Code.

The sponsors of S. 340 believe that a new Flag Code should be a goal to be achieved as our Nation prepares to mark the 200th anniversary of its birth, and both men feel it can be attained if enough concerned citizens speak out on the matter. Above all else, the flag is symbolic of our nationhood and our unity. Unlike the practice in certain other countries, we have been taught that the flag is more than simply a piece of multi-colored cloth and is deserving of the respect we render it.

Senator Tower quoted with approval President Nixon's joint proclamation in 1971, of Flag Day and National Flag Week, when the President said in part:

Like the Declaration of Independence itself, our flag began as an audacious assertion, crying out for proof.

With the passing decades that proof has come, one freedom after another has enriched the flag's symbolism. But our vision of ideals to be realized has expanded as well, so that even now the flag speaks more of promise than of pride and looks more to tomorrow than to yesterday. And as long as America is a young nation, this is the way it must be. Each generation must do its own proving.

In consideration of the importance which we as Americans attach to our flag, your chairman submits the following **recommendation**:

That the 93rd National Encampment endorse the concept of a Presidential Commission as embodied in S. 340 to review the present Flag Code and recommend to the Congress such changes as it deems appropriate.

The appointment of such a commission and any recommendations that may result from its deliberations will in no way alter the present Code. Only Congress has the authority to do that. But it could result in a series of recommendations worthy of serious study on the part of all Americans.

OUR HOLIDAYS AND TRADITION — Since the passage by Congress of the Uniform Holiday Act in 1968, veterans and patriotic organizations have been trying to restore May 30 and November 11, as the traditional dates of observance of Memorial Day and Veterans Day respectively. As this report is prepared, 42 states have taken legislative action to return Veterans Day to November 11. The only states that have not acted are Alabama, Colorado, Hawaii, Nevada, New Jersey, Rhode Island, Texas and Utah. In Wisconsin, its Legislature went so far as to restore the name of the day to Armistice Day in recognition of how it all began nearly 56 years ago.

Progress has been much slower with respect to the return of Memorial Day to May 30. A year ago, we reported that four states — Arizona, Nebraska, New Hampshire and New Mexico, had reverted to the traditional date. The most recent convert is Maryland, where Governor Marvin Mandel signed legislation on May 31, which affects both Memorial Day and Veterans Day. Likewise, the state of Washington has returned Memorial Day to May 30. But the largest state in terms of population and diversity to restore Memorial Day to May 30 is Illinois, where Governor Dan Walker affixed his signature to the enabling act on September 13, 1973. That event was little noted until the last week of May, 1974 approached. Faced with the prospect of two Memorial Days in the same week, the state obtained national attention. While many commercial and industrial firms observed the Federal holiday on Monday, May 27, Illinois state offices and many units of local government including the schools were closed on the traditional date, Thursday, May 30. And in many localities parades and ceremonies marked the occasion. Understandably, some confusion resulted and metropolitan newspapers demanded uniformity in observance. In an editorial entitled "Still Too Many Holidays," the Chicago TRIBUNE on June 20 stated:

. . . At the urging of veterans' groups asserting the sanctity of the original dates, the legislature restored the holidays to May 30 and November 11, respectively.

The result was a double set of holidays and, as we witnessed last month, chaos. School children had a holiday on May 30, a Thursday, while their parents had the preceding Monday off. Businesses, government services and public transportation were needlessly disrupted.

. . . If the veterans want May 30 and November 11, they should work through Congress to have the federal date changed.

But what many had labeled as "confusion" ended on a positive note. For once, many people stopped to consider what it is that Memorial Day is all about. Columnist Stan Buckles writing in the Rockford MORNING STAR for June 4, put it this way:

. . . I'll tell you another reason why the singularity of a month-end Memorial Day is important. The confusion plagued folks. And in the process, a few had to stop and think, "Which day is this?"

Now you know and I know that hardly anybody takes a holiday at face value . . . But this last time around, when Illinois did homage on Memorial Day, the calendar mixup was just sufficient enough to make the day important, to give it identity and purpose. So what if some Illinois towns wound up with two parades, both in the name of Memorial Day? Aren't the dead worth it? If we can get the reason for the day clearly in mind, maybe someday we'll get the celebration right, too.

Despite pressure from commercial and business interests, organized labor and the tourist industry, the Illinois General Assembly in mid-June twice refused to pass bills to return the Prairie State's observance of Memorial Day to the fourth Monday in May.

We have dwelt on the experience of Illinois because it represents a case study of how a populous state with vast commercial interests elected to follow an independent course and accommodate a set of dual holidays. And it illustrates that it can be done.

The road to legislative success is a long one and studded with pitfalls at every turn. This will be particularly true of efforts with respect to Memorial Day, because of its nature as a general holiday, which falls during a pleasant time of the year, when all of us yearn to throw off our cares for a brief respite. In addition and unlike the grass roots effort to restore Veterans Day to its honored place, few states, and especially the larger ones, have dared to follow the lead of Illinois.

In recognition of the efforts being made in behalf of both Memorial Day and Veterans Day and because of the encouragement we as a patriotic society can provide, your chairman submits the following recommendation:

That the 93rd National Encampment endorse efforts at both federal and state levels to restore the observance of Memorial Day to May 30 and Veterans Day to November 11 and commend those states that have already taken action pursuant to this recommendation.

It is with pleasure that your chairman acknowledges with thanks the support and encouragement given him by his colleagues on the committee: William M. Coffin, Fred H. Combs, Jr., Arthur Glenum and Harry E. Gibbons. It has been an honor and a privilege to serve our Commander-in-Chief in this capacity.

Respectfully submitted,
FOR THE COMMITTEE

Thomas L. W. Johnson, Chairman

Past Commander-in-Chief Lambert: Commander-in-Chief. We have heard another fine Report by your Legislative Committee Chairman. As always, he has reported on much legislative that pertains to our Order and we commend him and his Committee for a job well done.

I therefore move you that we accept this report, and where no objections are voiced, all future Committee reports.

Seconded by Bro. William C. Rule, P. D. C. Motion carried.

Commander-in-Chief Howland: Let us continue with the reading of reports. Has the Fraternal Relations Committee presented a report to be read?

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FRATERNAL RELATIONS

(Read by Natl. Sec. Treas. Shriver)

To: The Commander-in-Chief, Officers
and Members of the Sons of Union
Veterans of the Civil War

Greetings:

The Committee on Fraternal Relations begs leave to submit the following report:

The very fine relationship with our Auxiliary and the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic is exemplified by the fact of our continued assembling simultaneously in National Encampment.

It is extremely unfortunate the Woman's Relief Corps and Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War cannot find it possible to re-unite with us, despite the many efforts in the past to have them do so.

With the Centennial of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War in the not too far distant future, perhaps we could suggest to them, the Woman's Relief Corps and the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, we would be very happy if they could find it possible to hold their respective National Encampments at the same time and place our historic Centennial Encampment will be held, and it is so recommended.

Sincerely and fraternally yours,
Frank M. Heacock, Sr., P. C. in C.
Chairman

Commander-in-Chief Howland: Thank you Brother Shriver for reading this report. The Chair recognizes Brother Charles A. Doane, PDC from New York.

Brother Charles Doane, P.D.C.: I wish to speak briefly on a report as printed in a recent BANNER issue relative to credit for the annual Memorial Day Observance in Waterloo, New York. Actually the substance is to give credit for the planning of this event to the City of Waterloo and not the local S.V.R. Unit. The Reserve Company does assist in the fine program which is attracting a great response of Veteran, Military and Civic groups but recognition must be given to the Town fathers for the observance of the first community Memorial Day on May 5, 1866.

Commander-in-Chief Howland: At this time, I would like all Past Commanders-in-Chiefs present, to present themselves at the Altar.

Present were Past Commanders-in-Chiefs Albert C. Lambert, C. Leroy Stoldt, Cleon E. Heald, Harold E. Arnold, Chester S. Shriver, Joseph S. Rippey, William W. Haskell, Fred H. Combs, Jr., Norman R. Furman and John C. Yocum.

(Bro. Thomas A. Chadwick, P.C. in C., attended parts of the Encampment but was not present in the sessions due to his health)

Commander-in-Chief Howland: It is important to recognize these men who have served you in the past years and it is always good to know that they are available for their wise counsel to help guide our Order. We appreciate their help very much. (Applause followed)

Commander-in-Chief Howland: Brother Rule. Have you a report on the Committee for Americanism and Education?

Bro. William C. Rule, P.D.C., Mass.: Commander-in-Chief. I do not have a written report as there has been little to report to the Committee. We did have some fine programs in my Department of Massachusetts as did the New England Region. I am sure other Departments have conducted some activity towards our purpose.

Commander-in-Chief Howland: Since the noon break is coming on, shall we call on the National Secretary for the reading of Communications so the Resolution Committee and others may meet.

(The following Resolutions were read)

RESOLUTION #1

Presented by P.D.C. Arthur L. Glenum

WHEREAS, the grounds, markers and surroundings that are contained in the area of Fort Stevens, Washington, D. C. are being destroyed by vandalism,

AND WHEREAS, the funds are limited for the protection of the enclosures of the Fort,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that our Order should forward letters to proper authorities for increased appropriations for reconstruction and measures of protection to preserve this historic Fort in our Nations Capitol,

Arthur L. Glenum
District of Columbia Representative

RESOLUTION #2

Adopted by the New Jersey Department

WHEREAS, We the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War feel deep concern over the decline to our national economy by continued increases in public debt; by our loss of prestige abroad and by the constant step-by-step increased domination of Soviet Communism.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That we favor all appropriations that are needed for the national defense and our country's security.

2. That we favor the reduction of expenses of government with a view to balancing the annual budget and gradually liquidating the National Debt.

3. That we strongly urge elimination of Foreign Aid to all but proven friendly nations; and the strict curtailment of local projects of doubtful value.

4. That we favor a firmer stand in foreign relations and believe that history shows appeasement only leads to war.

5. That we support the effort of H. R. 4861, a bill designed to protect and preserve the area around Mt. Vernon, the home of George Washington, from the construction of factories and other structures. And that the same effort be made to preserve and protect all national shrines.

6. WHEREAS in a special message to Congress dealing with the veterans affairs on January 28, President Nixon recommended that the lawmakers restore the observance of Veterans Day. At their last national convention, the American Legion requested Congress to restore Veterans Day to November 11 and Memorial Day to May 30. Therefore, we request all of our membership write to their Senators and Congressmen requesting their support.

Adopted by action of the New Jersey Department Encampment held June 22, 1974, in Point Pleasant Beach, New Jersey.

Respectfully submitted,
Kenneth Ekstrand, Commander
Albert Lambert, Secretary-Treasurer

RESOLUTION #3

Adopted by the Pennsylvania Department

WHEREAS, United States Senator Robert Taft, Jr., introduced Senate Bill 2832; and

WHEREAS, the above mentioned bill is to provide amnesty for draft dodgers, deserters and/or draft card burners; and

WHEREAS, if a provision for service should be considered, it should be for a period of at least three years; and

WHEREAS, there should be included in said bill, in plain language, that after the period of service of three years, that those who so served would not be considered veterans and/or entitled to any veteran provision and/or benefits:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the above is the opinion of the officers and members of this 94th Annual Department Encampment, Pennsylvania Department, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, assembled in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, June 17, 18 and 19, 1974; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Honorable Hugh Scott and the Honorable Richard Schweiker, United States Senators from Pennsylvania and the Honorable John McClellan, United States Senator, who is chairman of the sub-committee, to whom Senate Bill 2832 has been referred to; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy be forwarded to the National Secretary-Treasurer for presentation and consideration at the forthcoming 93rd Annual National Encampment.

Respectfully submitted,
 Frank M. Heacock, Sr.
 Past Commander-in-Chief
 Elton P. Koch
 Past Department Commander

RESOLUTION #4

Adopted by the New York Department

WHEREAS, in the past months there have been a definite showing of deep corruption on the part of many of our elected and appointed officials;

BE IT RESOLVED, that we Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War here assembled at Binghamton, New York, at our 91st Annual Encampment go on record as censuring such acts of corruption and bribery by the above said officials.

DeVene Williamson, Chairman
 Harold T. Beilby

(Nine Resolutions were received from various Departments pertaining to the Change of Regulations to provide for a Ribbon to be used for Associate Members. These were turned over to the Committee on Constitution and Regulations).

The following letters were read.

94th Annual Encampment, Pennsylvania Department, S.U.V.C.W.

Action as taken:

The Pennsylvania Department endorses Brother John H. Stark, Past Dept. Commander, as the Department's next candidate for the office of Commander-in-Chief.

Attest:

I. E. Frantz, Sr.

FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF OHIO

At the Department Encampment held in Ohio June 21-22-23-1974, at the Mount Union College campus, the name of Robert J. Wolz was endorsed for the office of Senior Vice Commander in Chief at the National Encampment to be held in New Hampshire in August 1974. Robert J. Wolz has served in the office of Junior Vice Commander in Chief for the last two years so all in attendance at the National Encampment should know how he has served in this office and consider him for the Senior Vice Commander in Chief at the session.

Yours in F. C. & L.

Robert D. Austin
Secretary of the
Ohio Department

Letters of best wishes received from the following: Past Commander-in-Chief Frank M. Heacock, Sr.—Pennsylvania, Department Commander Benjamin F. Edge, II—Michigan, Department Commander Harold Gates—California & Pacific, Department Commander G. Edward Coltrin—Illinois.

(Included a recommendation for change in membership application form)

Commander-in-Chief Howland: Brothers. It is now 12 Noon. We will now recess until 1:30 p.m. sharp when we will re-convene for the receiving of the Greetings Committees.

(Business Sessions called into order at 1:30 p.m.)

Commander-in-Chief Howland: Brothers we have in waiting, the greetings committee from the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic. (The following Past National Presidents were escorted into the room)

Della Richards, National President
Mabel Taylor, National Secretary
Marian Leech, P.N.P.
Alice Harwood, P.N.P.
Erma Landis, P.N.P.
Edna McCready, P.N.P.
Margaret Orr, P.N.P.

National President of the L. of GAR Della Richards: Commander-in-Chief Howland. One year ago in Palm Springs, California, I was the last speaker since I was then the National Vice President. Today I am honored to be first speaker. Today I wish for you, a happy Encampment full of accomplishments. One year ago at the close of our Encampment, our pledge as Ladies of the Grand Army was to work with you and for you. I hope we have accomplished our purpose.

(Other Past National Presidents extended their personal greetings and good wishes)

In response . . .

John C. Yocum, P.C. in C.: My Sister of the Ladies of the G.A.R. Remember back in 1932 when the Grand Army of the Republic was present and you stepped in to help them just as you have helped us. We have a strong shoulder. Lean on it for help. We pray we may always remain together as a Grand Army family. Thank you very much for coming to us.

The Greetings Committee of the National Woman's Relief Corps were escorted into the Encampment. Spokesman was Sister Adriene Judkins, Past National Chaplain, W.R.C.

She also brought the official Greetings of the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

Fred H. Combs, Jr., Past Commander-in-Chief responded in which he stated that "we have the same purpose in mind and we should therefore strive to fulfill our goals. It is always a privilege and pleasure to have our Allied Orders come visit with us".

(The representatives of the W.R.C. and D.U.V.C.W. were escorted from the room)

Commander-in-Chief Howland: Looks like we will have all the Ladies visit us this afternoon as the greetings committee from our Auxillary is in waiting. Brother Guard, will you have this group enter our room in preparation for being escorted into our sessions.

Commander-in-Chief Howland: May I present to you, the greetings Committee spokesman and one of my "girls" from Massachusetts, Sister Flora Bates, P.N.P.

Sister Bates: Brother Allan and Brothers all. We are delighted to come to visit you and we know you have had a good year. Keep up the good work and we look forward to always meeting with the Sons each year.

National President Jessie Wells: Brother Allan. Since you and I are from good old Massachusetts, I have been keeping an eye on you as you have done a good job. I proudly extend to you and thru you, to this Encampment, my personal greetings and good wishes.

Several other of the Sisters extend their greetings.

(Bro. Robert Wood, P.D.C., Massachusetts provided the music for the the days sessions)

Commander-in-Chief Howland: I must remind you Brothers that we must soon recess so that we may present our Greetings to the Auxillary and Ladies of the G.A.R. Also, to give the various Committees an opportunity to meet to complete their work and report back. I believe we have a few moments left, so may we call upon the Encampment Site Committee for a report.

Bro. C. Leroy Stoudt, Past Commander-in-Chief: Our wanted sign is out. Your Encampment is in need of an invitation for 1977. Seriously, we are looking for someone to invite us for three years hence. As you know, we are going to Rochester, New York in 1975 and Columbus, Ohio in 1976.

If any of you are interested or know of any Department or any person interested, have them get a letter into the Committee.

Commander-in-Chief Howland: Thank you Brother Stoudt. We have time for just one more report. Is the Committee on Ritual and Ceremony ready?

John H. Stark, P.D.C., Pa. and Chairman: Brother Commander-in-Chief. In view of the fact that nothing was turned over to the Committee, we have nothing to report.

(At this time, the Encampment recessed for the day to visit the Auxillary and Ladies of the G.A.R.)

WEDNESDAY MORNING

August 21, 1974 — 9:00 A.M.

Commander-in-Chief Howland: We meet again in final sessions of this Encampment. I trust that you will listen attentively to the final reports and we hope to complete our nomination and Election of Officers prior to noon.

Before calling on the next report, I would like to publicly "Thank" the Committee from New Hampshire for their efforts in having the National Encampment here in Bretton Woods. I know they had some problems, but I am sure we have all enjoyed our stay here.

Will the Committee on Officers Reports submit their report.

Bro. Cleon Heald, Past Commander-in-Chief: Thank you Brother Allan. Your Committee wishes to submit to you, the following report.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON OFFICERS' REPORTS

COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF

The report of the Commander-in-Chief was an excellent one and he is to be commended for his dedicated service to our Order. We appreciate his problems caused by illness.

Recommendations:

1. We concur with Resolution #1, concerning participation of patriotic observances at Gettysburg, Lincoln's Tomb and the Cathedral of the Pines. (Concurrence)

2. We concur with his recommendation concerning genealogical records and that the incoming Commander-in-Chief appoint a study committee to submit recommendations. (Concurrence)

3. We approve continuing the Scholarship Fund and recommend that the increased appropriation request be referred to the Council of Administration. (Concurrence)

4. We appreciate the need, but this recommendation has been referred to the incoming Commander-in-Chief to appoint a committee of three to study. (Concurrence)

SENIOR VICE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF

No written report was received by this committee.

We commend him for his financial endeavors.

JUNIOR VICE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF

The report of the Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief reveals dedicated service to our Order.

Recommendations:

1. We are in agreement of the need for this recommendation and refer it to the Council of Administration for their consideration. (Concurrence)

2. We also refer this recommendation, which involves finances to the Council of Administration. (Concurrence)

3. We concur with this resolution and recommend that the National Secretary send a letter of appreciation to the Atlanta, Georgia Sons of Confederate Veterans. (Concurrence)

4. We concur and recommend that this matter be referred to the Council of Administration for further study. (Concurrence)

NATIONAL PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR

We commend the National Patriotic Instructor for his untiring efforts in the promotion of patriotism and his sincere efforts for the GAR Fund. Report contains no recommendations.

NATIONAL COUNSELOR

We commend the National Counselor for his excellent informative report. Our Order is indebted to Brother Lambert for sharing with us his experience and wisdom gained from many years of service to our Order. Report contained no recommendations.

NATIONAL CHAPLAIN

We appreciate the National Chaplain's devotion to this important office. His Joint Memorial Service was well-organized and very impressive. Report contained no recommendations.

NATIONAL HISTORIAN

We regret that Brother Hooper, our National Historian, was unable to attend this Encampment. Our Order is fortunate in having the benefit of his many years of faithful service. No recommendations.

NATIONAL GRAVES REGISTRAR

We are aware of his untiring efforts and commend him for the results of his contacts with several Departments. No recommendations.

NATIONAL SECRETARY-TREASURER

Brother Shriver's report reveals the untiring efforts of his office in behalf of our Order. We commend him for his unselfish devotion to our Order. No recommendations.

COMMITTEE OF LEGISLATION

Brother Johnson should be commended on his detailed report, which includes the proposed Federal changes in the Florida Code and the proposed legislation concerning the dates for Memorial Day and Veterans Day. We concur with his recommendation and urge our members to contact their Representatives in Washington. (Concurrence)

LINCOLN TOMB REPORT

We note with interest the efficient work of this committee. We commend Past Commander-in-Chief Cashman and his able Co-Chairman Brother Johnson for the efficient discharge of their duties. The report contains a recommendation, which has been discussed on the floor and referred to the Council of the Budget. We concur. (Concurrence)

MILITARY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Our Committee is aware of the importance of the Reserve Program and approves of the continuation of the annual appropriation. (Concurrence)

MILITARY COMMANDER'S REPORT

We commend the Commanding Officer for his very fine report of the activities of the Sons of Veterans Reserves.

The financial report reveals that they accomplish much on a very limited budget.

We recommend continuation of the annual appropriation.

Respectfully submitted,
 Cleon E. Heald, Chairman
 Chester E. Hudson
 Thomas Monahan
 Leslie Covey
 Eustice Finer

Commander-in-Chief Howland: Thank you Brother Heald. May we have a report of the Audit Committee of the Council of Administration?

REPORT OF THE COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION

(Audit Committee)

We, the undersigned, have received, reviewed and examined the Audit Report of the certified public accountant, who examined the books and records of the National Secretary-Treasurer, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1974. And upon approval with any corrections made by the Commander-in-Chief, National Counselor and Secretary-Treasurer.

We hereby recommend approval at the Encampment.

Respectfully submitted,
 Harold E. Arnold, Chairman
 Robert J. Wolz

Commander-in-Chief Howland: Thank you Brother Arnold. While we are waiting for the Report of the Committee on Resolutions to complete their report, we will have a report of the National Secretary regarding the winners of the General U. S. Grant Membership Trophy and the Harold E. Arnold Membership Plaque.

National Secretary Shriver: As you recall, the qualifications to earn the General U. S. Grant, 3rd. Membership Trophy is based on the Department with the highest percentage of membership increase. Therefore for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1974, the Department of Maryland with 10.3% increase is the winner.

The Harold E. Arnold Membership Plaque is awarded to the Department with the highest numerical increase. The Department of Illinois with 5 member increase, is the winner.

Commander-in-Chief Howland: We will now have the report of the Committee on Resolutions.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

All resolutions were read in their entirety to the 93rd Annual Encampment. Four of the eleven received were acted on by this Committee. The remaining were turned over to the Committee on C. & R.

1. Regarding proper care and maintenance of area surrounding Fort Stevens. Submitted by Arthur Glenum, District of Columbia representative.

We concur and recommend that the National Secretary be instructed to take the necessary action. (Approved)

2. Regarding our national economy, submitted by the Department of New Jersey. Also H. R. 4861, a bill designed to protect and preserve the area around Mt. Vernon, the home of George Washington and the restoration of Veterans Day and Memorial Day to their original dates.

Your Committee heartily concurs. (Approved)

3. Regarding amnesty for draft dodgers, deserters and/or draft card burners. (Penn.)

Although we feel that punishment is much too light, as suggested in this resolution, we agree in principle and therefore concur with this resolution. There was much discussion pro and con on this recommendation, mostly based on personal feelings. Several asked for more clear interpretation. With a difference of opinions, a vote was called for by Commander-in-Chief Howland with the following results: 34 voted in favor of the Report of the Committee. 11 voted to oppose the recommendation of the Committee.

(The report of the Committee was concurred in)

4. Regarding corruption in government, submitted by the Department of New York.

Inasmuch as action has been taken on the highest possible level, by the resignation of the President of the United States of America, we recommend no further action be taken. (Concurrence)

Norman R. Furman, P.C. in C., New York
Chairman

William C. Rule, P.D.C., Massachusetts

Kenneth Ekstrand, D.C., New Jersey

Arthur Hunt, D.C., Maine

Charles Lowe, D.C., Iowa

Commander-in-Chief Howland: Is the Committee on Constitution and Regulations ready for their report?

Past Commander-in-Chief Joseph S. Rippey, Chairman: Brothers. In giving this report, you must remember that any changes that are made in the Constitution and/or Regulations, must be presented and approved in final form. No changes can be made in substance.

No. 1. In the report of the Commander-in-Chief, it was recommended that an updated copy of the C. & R. be available for the membership of our Order and a committee of three be appointed by the incoming Commander-in-Chief to review all changes since the last printing in 1956 and report back to the 1975 National Encampment, and that the budget Committee at that time, include funds sufficient for the printing of the new Rules and Regulations as may be required.

Your Committee approves this recommendation. Approved

No. 2. Several Resolutions turned over to your committee pertained to the adoption of identification of the Associate member by a separate ribbon different than the regular member.

The Committee considered this in great length and submits to you, this change: In Chapter V. Article III, Section 6—(last sentence of paragraph 1) which reads—"Associates shall wear a plain blue ribbon with the word "ASSOCIATE" printed or stamped in plain block letters thereon" . . . we recommend the following wording:

"Associates shall wear a plain blue ribbon attached to the regulation badge"

Several Brothers voiced their opinions pro and con, but no objection on the recommendation of the Committee. **Approved**

No. 3. On the recommendation pertaining to the use of special I.D. Cards for Associate membership, we recommend this be turned over to the Council of Administration for consideration, since it requires expenses and cost. **Approved**

No. 4. On the matter of the increased Life Memberships of our Order: The new amounts proposed by Recommendation was to increase Life Memberships as follows:

Under age 60	\$150.00
Age 60 to 70	125.00
Over age 70	100.00

The Committee discussed this in great length and recommends no action this year.

(Many Brothers offered pros and cons on the subject included Brothers Robert J. Wolz, Kenneth Wheeler, Albert C. Lambert, William C. Jones, William C. Rule, Cecil Baer and Arthur Hunt.) **Approved**

Commander-in-Chief. This concludes the report of the Committee on Constitution and Regulations.

Commander-in-Chief Howland: Thank you Brother Rippey. At this time, I would like the National Secretary to call the roll of Departments to see what representation we have present.

(Thirteen Departments had representation)

At this time, I would like to have the announcements of the winners of the Gen. U. S. Grant, 3rd Membership Trophy and the Harold E. Arnold Plaque for the past year. National Secretary Shriver. Would you give this report?

General U. S. Grant, 3rd Membership Trophy for highest membership increase percentage wise — DEPARTMENT OF MARYLAND (10.3%)

Harold E. Arnold Plaque for highest membership in numbers — DEPARTMENT OF ILLINOIS (15 members)

Past Commander-in-Chief Rippey: As the Chairman of the 1975 National Encampment Committee, I would like to invite each of you to make plans now to be present in Rochester, New York August 10-13, 1975. The sessions will be held at the Flagship Hotel. We will have difficulty in topping this years Encampment here in New Hampshire and those of past years but we will do the best we can.

Commander-in-Chief Howland: Thank you Brother Joe. Is the Budget Committee ready to present their report?

COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION

Report of the Budget Committee

Year of 1974-1975

RECEIPTS:

Per-capita tax from 2,400 members at 55¢ per quarter	\$5,280.00
Registration Fee from 95 members at \$2 each	190.00
Sales of Supplies	1,200.00
Auxiliary Gift	500.00
Refund from Fred H. Combs, Jr., Editor THE BANNER	204.94

Arthur Glenum	200.00
Reserve for contingencies	710.00
Total Receipts	\$8,285.00

DISBURSEMENTS:

Commander-in-Chief Expense	\$1,000.00
Secretary-Treasurer Expense	1,000.00
Purchase of Supplies	1,100.00
Printing, Stationery and Postage	400.00
Proceedings — 1974	750.00
C.P.A. Audit	325.00
Encampment Expense	400.00
THE BANNER	2,800.00
Position Bond (Commander-in-Chief and Sec.-Treas.)	69.00
Surety Bond (Three years for \$5,000)	41.00
Past Commander-in-Chief's Testimonial	200.00
Miscellaneous Expense	200.00
Total Disbursements	\$8,285.00

APPROPRIATIONS FROM G.A.R. FUND

Lincoln Memorial Expense	\$ 50.00
Lincoln Tomb Expense	350.00
G.A.R. Remembrance Day Expense	150.00
National Military Department, SVR	100.00
Memorial for Cathedral of the Pines	25.00
Student Scholarship	250.00
G.A.R. Campfire Program Expense	200.00
Total Appropriations	\$1,125.00

Submitted by:

Joseph S. Rippey, Chairman
John C. Yocum

Brother Rippey: In presenting this report, we must consider inflation and the reduction of our membership. And we must remember that in the future, we may have to adjust the Per-capita Tax and membership.

Keeping these things in mind, I move you we accept this report as read. Seconded by Bro. Harold E. Arnold, P.C. in C. Carried.

Commander-in-Chief Howland: Brothers we are now nearing the close of our Encampment. I would like to extend the thanks to the Hotel here at Mount Washington for their assistance in hosting our Encampment. To The New Hampshire Committee of the Sons, Auxiliary and Ladies goes our Thanks and especially to Sister Emma Wheeler for her two years of planning with her committee.

Past Commander-in-Chief Lambert: Commander-in-Chief, I move you that we discharge the Committees who served with thanks for their services at this Encampment.

Seconded by Bro. Elton P. Koch. Carried.

Commander-in-Chief Howland: Will the Credential Committee give the final report of this Encampment?

The breakdown was as follows:

Commander-in-Chief	1
Past Commanders in Chief	12
Department Commanders	8
Past Department Commanders	39
Delegates	13
Registered — Not present	18
Total	91

Commander-in-Chief Howland: Brothers, We have completed the business of this Encampment and are now ready to go into the Nomination and election of Officers for 1974-1975. Will the National Secretary call the roll of Departments?

The following were placed in nomination:

Commander-in-Chief . . . John H. Stark, Pennsylvania by Chester S. Shriver, P.C. in C.

(Seconded by every Department present)

Sr. Vice Commander-in-Chief Robert J. Wolz, Ohio by John C. Yocum, P.C. in C.

Jr. Vice Commander-in-Chief . . Robert A. Lawrence, New Hampshire by Richard E. Wyman, Dept. Cmdr.—N.H.

Council of Administration (1 Member) . . . Joseph S. Rippey, New York by Norman R. Furman, P.C. in C.

Past Commander-in-Chief Cleon E. Heald: Commander-in-Chief. I move you where there is no opposition, the National Secretary be instructed to cast the 73 present registered delegates at this Encampment for those whose names have been placed in nomination.

Seconded by Bro. Harold E. Arnold. Carried.

Commander-in-Chief Elect John H. Stark appointed the following installing Officers:

Installing Officer	John C. Yocum, P.C. in C., Pa.
Chaplain	William Simpson, D.C., Pa.
Guide	Harold E. Arnold, P.C. in C., R.I.
Musician	Robert Wood, P.D.C., Mass.

The following Brothers were appointed to their respective Offices by Commander-in-Chief Elect Stark:

National Counselor	Albert C. Lambert, New Jersey
National Chief of Staff	C. Leroy Stoudt, Pennsylvania
National Patriotic Instructor	Clarence J. Riddell, Pennsylvania
National Chaplain	William C. Rule, Massachusetts
National Historian	Charles A. Doane, New York
National Graves Registration Officer	William Vanderhoof, Jr., New Jersey
National G.A.R. Highway Officer	Burton E. Kannenberg, Wisconsin
National District of Columbia Representative	Arthur Glenum, Maryland
Personal Aide	Elton P. Koch, Pennsylvania

The Officers who were elected and appointed were duly obligated at the Altar and escorted to their stations. Present for this ceremony was Mrs. Erma Stark, wife of the Commander-in-Chief elect and Mrs. Elton P. Koch, P.D.P., Ladies of the GAR.

Commander-in-Chief Stark was escorted to his station with applause from the Encampment delegates.

In accepting Command Commander-in-Chief Stark stated: "Only those who have stood here before me, know what emotions I have at this time. I wonder what my grandfather would feel if he knew I was elected to this position of Honor in the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. I will pledge to you my full time duty to this high office."

(A round of applause followed)

The Commander-in-Chiefs Badge was presented to Commander-in-Chief Stark by outgoing Commander-in-Chief Howland.

The Past Commanders-in-Chief Badge was presented to Brother Howland by William W. Haskell, Past Commander-in-Chief of Massachusetts.

The Past Commanders-in-Chief lapel button was presented Brother Howland as a personal gift from P.C. in C. Chester S. Shriver, Pennsylvania.

Commander-in-Chief Stark: Will each of the Officers wish to respond at this time?

(Each pledged support to the Order as they best can)

At this time I would like to call on my better half to see if she has anything to offer at this time.

Sister Erma Stark: I guess I should address you as Commander-in-Chief, but you are still John to me. Brothers, I am not going to make a speech for I let John do all the speechmaking, but I do want to thank the Pennsylvania Department for the endorsement to make my husband a candidate. Also the Brothers of this Encampment for electing John as your Commander-in-Chief.

I pledge to assist you in any way in your duties as Commander-in-Chief. On behalf of our family, I have been asked to present you this small gift. Accept it with all of our love. Congratulations and best wishes for a most successful term of office."

A motion was made by Brother Joseph S. Rippey, Seconded by Brother William C. Rule, that the minutes of this Encampment as recorded by the National Secretary and approved by the Commander-in-Chief, shall constitute the Official minutes of this Encampment.

The Encampment was therefore closed in due order and ritualistic form.

Chester S. Shriver
National Secretary-Treasurer

1974 ENCAMPMENT ROLL

(NP — Registered, Not Present)

CALIFORNIA AND PACIFIC

Harold H. Gates, D.C. (NP) Dale P. Smith, Guest
Howard T. Paine, Dele.

CONNECTICUT

Eustace Finer, P.D.C. Edgar A. Prince, Sr., P.D.C.
James Y. Ledwith, P.D.C.

ILLINOIS

George L. Cashman, P.C. in C. (NP)

IOWA

Howard Cleveland, Dele. Charles P. Lowe, D.C.
J. B. Johnson, P.D.C.

MAINE

Edmon Butler, P.D.C. Robert C. Hunt, Dele.
Philip E. Hamlin, P.D.C. Joseph P. Hurley, Dele.
Arthur J. Hunt, D.C.

MARYLAND

Eldridge Daniels, P.D.C. Franklin Lucas, P.D.C.
William Davis, P.D.C. (NP)

MASSACHUSETTS

Leslie E. Covey, Jr., D.C. Allen B. Howland, C. in C.
Alfred J. Durocher, Sr., P.D.C. William C. Rule, P.D.C.
Gilman W. Harrington, D.D.C. Eugene Russell, P.D.C.
William W. Haskell, P.C. in C. Robert L. Wood, P.D.C.
Charles W. Hooper, Sr., P.D.C.
(NP)

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Alfred J. Clark, P.D.C. Charles Roberts, Dele.
Cleon E. Heald, P.C. in C. Howard Wheeler, Dele.
William L. John, P.D.C. Kenneth Wheeler, P.D.C.
Robert Lawrence, P.D.C. Richard E. Wyman, D.C.
Clarence Parker, P.D.C.

NEW JERSEY

Robert Browne, Dele. John J. Junge, P.D.C.
Fred H. Combs, Jr., P.C. in C. Albert C. Lambert, P.C. in C.
Percy C. Davenport, Dele. Albert W. Lambert, P.D.C. (NP)
Kenneth Ekstrand, D.C. William W. Vanderhoof, Jr., P.D.C.

NEW YORK

Cecil M. Baer, Dele. Harry Furman, P.D.C.
Fred Barnes, Dele. Norman R. Furman, P.C. in C.
Harold T. Bellby, P.D.C. Harry E. Gibbons, P.D.C.
Richard Cuyler, P.D.C. Chester E. Hudson, D.C.
Charles A. Doane, P.D.C. Joseph S. Rippey, P.C. in C.

OHIO

Robert Austin, P.D.C. (NP)	Richard Greenwalt, P.D.C.
Gordon Richard Bury, III, Dele. (NP)	Erret E. Nile, Dele.
Paul E. Gate, Dele. (NP)	Robert C. Wolz, P.D.C. (NP)
Robert F. Gillespi, Dele.	Robert J. Wolz, P.D.C.

PENNSYLVANIA

Albert Blum, Dele. (NP)	Ivan M. Landis, Dele.
Goodling H. Dugan, Dele.	Thomas A. Monahan, Jr., P.D.C.
Ivan E. Frantz, Jr., Dele. (NP)	Rev. Richard O. Partington, P.D.C.
Ivan E. Frantz, Sr., P.D.C. (NP)	Clarence J. Riddell, P.D.C.
Karl J. Frantz, Dele. (NP)	William L. Simpson, D.C.
Frank M. Heacock, Sr., P.C. in C. (NP)	Chester S. Shriver, P.C. in C.
William C. Jones, P.D.C.	John H. Stark, P.D.C.
Elton P. Koch, P.D.C.	C. LeRoy Stoudt, P.C. in C.
Edwin K. Kramer, P.D.C.	Robert U. Werkheiser, P.D.C. (NP)
	John C. Yocum, P.C. in C.

RHODE ISLAND

Harold E. Arnold, P.C. in C.	Frank W. Luth, P.D.C.
Warren B. Boulester, D.C.	Wallace J. Macomber, P.D.C.
Dexter Combs, P.D.C.	George A. Strait, P.D.C. (NP)

VERMONT

Thomas A. Chadwick, P.C. in C.	Ned L. Durkee, P.D.C.
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WISCONSIN

Herman Black, P.D.C. (NP)	Thomas L. W. Johnson, P.D.C. (NP)
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COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION MEETING

August 21, 1974

The Council of Administration meeting of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War was held at the close of the 93rd Annual National Encampment in the Gold Room of the Mount Washington Hotel, Bretton Woods, New Hampshire. The meeting was called to order at 1:30 p.m. with the following present:

Commander-in-Chief	John H. Stark
Sr. Vice Commander-in-Chief	Robert J. Wolz
Jr. Vice Commander-in-Chief	Robert A. Lawrence
Council of Administration	Joseph S. Rippey
Council of Administration	Harold E. Arnold
Council of Administration	Allen B. Howland
National Secretary-Treasurer	Chester S. Shriver
National Counselor	Albert C. Lambert
Past Commander-in-Chief	Fred H. Combs, Jr.

1. The minutes of the August 18, 1974 were read by National Secretary Shriver. On a motion by Brother Howland, seconded by Brother Arnold, the minutes were approved as read. Motion carried.

2. With the large balances in the 100th Anniversary Fund, The G.A.R. Memorial Fund and the Permanent Funds—all a part of the general checking account, Brother Shriver request by way of a motion, to transfer certain amounts into a Special Savings account to earn interest. Motion was seconded by Bro. Rippey. Carried.

3. The subject of inviting recommendations from the Departments for endorsed candidates for elective National offices was discussed.

A motion was made by Bro. Yocum, Seconded By Bro. Wolz, to accept such action and will be given full consideration. Motion carried.

4. The matter of adding additional required information for application for membership of Associates was discussed. Also, a special application for Life membership. After the National Secretary explained the simplicity in noting the required information on the current forms, a motion was made by Brother Shriver, Seconded by Brother Arnold to drop any change in forms at this time. Carried.

5. The volume of work involving the National Membership at large and inquiries concerning new applications caused the workload to be heavy on the National Secretary. Bro. Fred H. Combs, Jr. was named to accept Assistant National Secretary in charge of National Memberships at large with an expense of \$200.00 to cover the expense. This action on a motion by Brother Lambert. Seconded by Bro. Howland. Carried.

6. A goal of \$1200 was set for the National Patriotic Instructor.

7. Bro. Fred H. Combs, Jr., was re-named Editor of the BANNER. In connection with thereof, the BANNER subscription fee will be increased from \$1.00 to \$2.00 effective January 1, 1975.

8. Commander-in-Chief to apopint a committee of three to review, Revise and update the Constitution and Regulations.

Meeting adjourned at 3:20 P.M.

John H. Stark
Commander-in-Chief
Chester S. Shriver
National Secretary-Treasurer

NATIONAL ENCAMPMENTS

1st	1882	Oct. 18	Pittsburgh	Pennsylvania
2nd	1883	Aug. 6-7	Columbus	Ohio
3rd	1884	Aug. 27-30	Philadelphia	Pennsylvania
4th	1885	Sept. 17-18	Grand Rapids	Michigan
5th	1886	Sept. 1-2	Buffalo	New York
6th	1887	Aug. 17-19	Des Moines	Iowa
7th	1888	Aug. 15-17	Wheeling	West Virginia
8th	1889	Sept. 10-13	Paterson	New Jersey
9th	1890	Aug. 26-29	St. Joseph	Missouri
10th	1891	Aug. 24-29	Minneapolis	Minnesota
11th	1892	Aug. 8-12	Helena	Montana
12th	1893	Aug. 15-18	Cincinnati	Ohio
13th	1891	Aug. 20-23	Davenport	Iowa
14th	1895	Sept. 16-18	Knoxville	Tennessee
15th	1896	Sept. 8-10	Louisville	Kentucky
16th	1897	Sept. 9-11	Indianapolis	Indiana
17th	1898	Sept. 12-14	Omaha	Nebraska
18th	1899	Sept. 7-9	Detroit	Michigan
19th	1900	Sept. 11-13	Syracuse	New York
20th	1901	Sept. 17-18	Providence	Rhode Island
21st	1902	Oct. 7-9	Washington	D. C.
22nd	1903	Sept. 15-17	Atlantic City	New Jersey
23rd	1904	Aug. 17-19	Boston	Massachusetts
24th	1905	Sept. 18-20	Gettysburg	Pennsylvania
25th	1906	Aug. 21-23	Peoria	Illinois
26th	1907	Aug. 20-21	Dayton	Ohio
27th	1908	Aug. 25-27	Niagara Falls	New York
28th	1909	Aug. 24-26	Washington	D. C.
29th	1910	Sept. 20-22	Atlantic City	New Jersey
30th	1911	Aug. 22-25	Rochester	New York
31st	1912	Aug. 27-29	St. Louis	Missouri
32nd	1913	Sept. 16-18	Chattanooga	Tennessee
33rd	1914	Sept. 1-3	Detroit	Michigan
34th	1915	Sept. 28-30	Washington	D. C.
35th	1916	Aug. 30-31	Kansas City	Missouri
36th	1917	Aug. 22-23	Boston	Massachusetts
37th	1918	Aug. 20-21	Niagara Falls	New York
38th	1919	Sept. 9-11	Columbus	Ohio
39th	1920	Sept. 22-24	Indianapolis	Indiana
40th	1921	Sept. 27-29	Indianapolis	Indiana
41st	1922	Sept. 26-28	Des Moines	Iowa
42nd	1923	Sept. 4-6	Milwaukee	Wisconsin
43rd	1924	Aug. 12-14	Boston	Massachusetts
44th	1925	Sept. 1-3	Grand Rapids	Michigan
45th	1926	Sept. 21-23	Des Moines	Iowa
46th	1927	Sept. 13-15	Grand Rapids	Michigan
47th	1928	Sept. 18-20	Denver	Colorado
48th	1929	Sept. 10-12	Portland	Maine
49th	1930	Aug. 26-28	Cincinnati	Ohio
50th	1931	Sept. 14-17	Des Moines	Iowa
51st	1932	Sept. 19-22	Springfield	Illinois
52nd	1933	Sept. 19-21	St. Paul	Minnesota
53rd	1934	Aug. 14-16	Rochester	New York
54th	1935	Sept. 9-12	Grand Rapids	Michigan
55th	1936	Sept. 22-24	Washington	D. C.
56th	1937	Sept. 6-9	Madison	Wisconsin
57th	1938	Sept. 5-8	Des Moines	Iowa
58th	1939	Aug. 29-31	Pittsburgh	Pennsylvania
59th	1940	Sept. 10-12	Springfield	Illinois
60th	1941	Sept. 15-18	Columbus	Ohio
61st	1942	Sept. 15-17	Indianapolis	Indiana
62nd	1943	Sept. 20-23	Milwaukee	Wisconsin
63rd	1944	Sept. 12-14	Des Moines	Iowa
64th	1945	Oct. 1-4	Columbus	Ohio
65th	1946	Aug. 25-29	Indianapolis	Indiana
66th	1947	Aug. 10-14	Cleveland	Ohio
67th	1948	Sept. 26-30	Grand Rapids	Michigan
68th	1949	Aug. 28-31	Indianapolis	Indiana
69th	1950	Aug. 20-24	Boston	Massachusetts
70th	1951	Aug. 19-23	Columbus	Ohio
71st	1952	Aug. 24-28	Atlantic City	New Jersey
72nd	1953	Aug. 23-27	Buffalo	New York
73rd	1954	Aug. 8-13	Duluth	Minnesota
74th	1955	Aug. 21-25	Cincinnati	Ohio
75th	1950	Sept. 9-13	Harrisburg	Pennsylvania
76th	1957	Aug. 18-22	Detroit	Michigan
77th	1958	Aug. 17-21	Boston	Massachusetts
78th	1959	Aug. 16-20	Long Beach	California

79th	1960	Aug. 21-25	Springfield	Illinois
80th	1961	Aug. 20-24	Indianapolis	Indiana
81st	1962	Aug. 19-23	Washington	D. C.
82nd	1963	Aug. 18-22	Miami Beach	Florida
83rd	1964	Aug. 16-20	Providence	Rhode Island
84th	1965	Aug. 15-19	Richmond	Virginia
85th	1966	Aug. 14-18	Grand Rapids	Michigan
86th	1967	Aug. 6-10	Chicago	Illinois
87th	1968	Aug. 18-22	Wilmington	Delaware
88th	1969	Aug. 17-21	St. Louis	Missouri
89th	1970	Aug. 23-27	Miami Beach	Florida
90th	1971	Aug. 15-19	Boston	Massachusetts
91st	1972	Aug. 13-17	Philadelphia	Pennsylvania
92nd	1973	Aug. 5-9	Palm Springs	California
93rd	1974	Aug. 18-22	Bretton Woods	New Hampshire

PAST COMMANDERS-IN-CHIEF

Elected

1881	Harry T. Rowley	Penna.
1882	Harry T. Rowley	Penna.
1883	Frank P. Merrill	Maine
1884	Harry W. Arnold	Penna.
1885	Walter S. Payne	Ohio
1886	Walter S. Payne	Ohio
1887	George B. Abbott	Illinois
1888	George B. Abbott	Illinois
1889	Charles F. Griffin	Indiana
1890	Leland J. Webb	Kansas
1891	Bartow S. Weeks	New York
1892	Marvin E. Hall	Michigan
1893	Joseph B. Maccabe	Mass.
1894	William E. Bundy	Ohio
1895	William H. Russell	Kansas
1896	James Lewis Rake	Penna.
1897	Charles E. Darling	Mass.
1898	Frank L. Shepard	Illinois
1899	A. W. Jones	Ohio
1900	Edgar W. Alexander	Penna.
1901	Edward R. Campbell	Md.
1902	Frank Martin	Indiana
1903	Arthur B. Spink	Rhode Is.
1904	William C. Dustin	Illinois
1905	Harley V. Speelman	Ohio
1906	Edwin M. Amies	Penna.
1907	Ralph Sheldon	New York
1908	Edgar Allan, Jr.	Md.
1909	George W. Pollitt	New Jersey
1910	Fred E. Bolton	Mass.
1911	Newton J. McGuire	Indiana
1912	Ralph M. Grant	Conn.
1913	John E. Sautter	Penna.
1914	Charles F. Sherman	N. Y.
1915	A. E. B. Stephens	Ohio
1916	William T. Church	Illinois
1917	Fred T. J. Johnson	Md.
1918	Francis Callahan	Penna.
1919	Harry D. Slison	Mass.
1920	Polham A. Barrows	Neb.
1921	Clifford Ireland	Illinois
1922	Frank Shelhouse	Indiana
1923	Samuel S. Horn	Penna.
1924	Wm. M. Coffin	Ohio
1925	Edwin C. Irelan	Md.
1926	Ernest W. Roman	Mass.
1927	Walter C. Mable	Penna.

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1928	Delevan Bates Bowley	C.&P.
1929	Theodore C. Cazeau	N. Y.
1930	Allan S. Holbrook	Illinois
1931	Frank C. Huston	Indiana
1932	Titus M. Ruch	Penna.
1933	Park F. Yengling	Ohio
1934	Frank L. Kirchgassner	Mass.
1935	Richard F. Locke	Illinois
1936	Wm. Allan Dyer	N. Y.
1937	Wm. Allan Dyer	N. Y.
1938	Wm. L. Anderson	Mass.
1939	Ralph R. Barrett	Calif.
1940	J. Kirkwood Craig	Minn.
1941	Albert C. Lambert	N. J.
1942	Henry Towle	Maine
1943	C. Leroy Stoudt	Penna.
1944	Urien W. Mackey	Michigan
1945	H. Harding Hale	Mass.
1946	Nell D. Cranmer	N. Y.
1947	Charles H. E. Moran	Mass.
1948	Perle L. Fouch	Michigan
1949	John H. Runkle	Penna.
1950	Cleon E. Heald	N. H.
1951	Roy J. Bennett	Iowa
1952	Frederick K. Davis	Ore.&W.
1953	Maj Gen U S Grant 3rd	Md.
1954	Maj Gen U S Grant 3rd	Md.
1955	Frederic G. Bauer	Mass.
1956	Fred E. Howe	N. Y.
1957	Albert B. DeHaven	Maine
1958	Earl F. Riggs	Calif.
1959	Harold E. Arnold	Rhode Is.
1960	Thos. A. Chadwick	Vermont
1961	Charles L. Messer	N. Y.
1962	Chester S. Shriver	Penna.
1963	Joseph S. Rippey	N. Y.
1964	Joseph S. Rippey	N. Y.
1965	W. Earl Corbin	Ohio
1966	Frank Voerner	Calif.
1967	William W. Haskell	Mass.
1968	Frank M. Heacock, Sr.	Penna.
1969	Fred H. Combs, Jr.	N. J.
1970	George L. Cashman	Illinois
1971	Norman R. Furman	N. Y.
1972	John C. Youcum	Penna.
1973	Allen B. Howland	Mass.

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